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"Poi sem venuti al luogo ov'io t'ho detto  
Ohe vederal la gente dolorosa,  
Ch' hanno perduto il ben del intelletto.  
Quivi sospiri, pianti, ed alti gual  
Risonavan."—*Dante*.

But "they shall obtain the same, for sorrow and sighing shall  
flee away."—*Isaiah*.



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## INTRODUCTION.

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## INSTITUTIONS FOR THE INSANE IN GERMANY.

That broad field of the medical profession in Prussia, Austria and Germany, in which the laborers are endeavoring to restore the alienated mind, and to render the condition of those persons for whom such restoration is impossible as comfortable as circumstances will permit, has hitherto been almost *terra incognita* to the physicians of the United States. With a knowledge of the labors of those distinguished modern pioneers, Pinel and Tuke, and of their compeers and successors in their native countries, we have pursued our way, taking advantage of their experience and improving thereupon, but without the endeavor to push our researches beyond the limits of Great Britain and France. Indeed, a general impression appeared to prevail, indicated, it is true, more by negative than positive signs, that, aside from the countries mentioned, the nations of Europe had made but little progress in this department of the profession, and hence could furnish us nothing commensurate with the labor and expense necessary to its acquisition.

We had the excellent work of Dr. Jacobi, but he is upon the very borders of France, at a distance from Paris less than that of Marseilles. Some volumes of the writings of Heinroth, translated into French, have