from being diverted. The staircase is constructed in a noble style, and deserves notice. The groundfloor of the edifice contains the collections of engravings, drawings, and plaster casts; the first and second floor, the gallery of pictures, in

46 apartments (see Collections).

The Polytechnic School, in Anton's Platz, is a handsome building, containing the necessary number of lecture-rooms, a good library, an excellent laboratory, a collection of models, and the residence for the Director. The house, however, proving too small for the present time, government has decided on erecting a larger building in Reichs Strasse which is now in the process of being built.

The Police-Office, behind the Frauenkirche, was formerly the palace of a Count Cosel who had fitted it up with great pomp. In 1852 Government bought it, and converted it to its pre-

sent use.

The chief Post office, in the Post Platz, was built in 1831. Its front and two wings enclose a court closed at the back by an iron railing

and a gate.

Railway Stations: The Saxon-Bohemian station in Altstadt is the only one deserving notice. It consists of a symetrical complex of seven buildings, of which the middle structure, in horseshoe form, contains two stories and an entresol; whilst the wings and intermediate parts have only one story. It contains the offices of the administration, and the residences of some offi-