

The dimensions are given in inches, and the price, in Austrian florins, equivalent to about fifty cents in currency. The price of packing ranges from six florins upward, according to the size of the stove.

Another very interesting display of stoves of this description, and particularly of the tiles in great variety, was made by Bernhard Erndt, (court potter) Vienna, whose manufactory is in the ix. *Bezisk*, Rossau, Pramergasse, No. 25. The patterns of his tiles are peculiarly attractive, many being deeply recessed and enamelled in bright colors,—brown, green, blue, white and variegated. The stoves and stove-tiles made in Berlin are in high repute, and are even imported to Vienna. They are to be seen, among other places in that city, in the rooms of the Engineers and Architects' Association.

It is evident that the manufacture of "porcelain stoves," the tiles for them, and the fitting, constitute important branches of industry in the German speaking countries. Such stoves, especially as now made, and susceptible of further improvements, have many great advantages over other heating apparatus, and might be introduced with success in some sections of the United States. The following are some of their merits, as compared with the ordinary cast or sheet-iron stoves for heating apartments.

1. Not being good conductors of heat, they radiate it slowly and without sudden changes; and being bulky they retain heat for a long time, and maintain an equable, moderate temperature in the apartment, even long after the fire has burned out.

2. They do not scorch and "burn the air," or the floating particles of dust in it, as is the case with highly-heated metallic stoves.

3. They combine to a great degree the advantages of an open fireplace and of a stove, giving ventilation, permitting the fire to be seen, while most of the heat is utilized, being stored up in the mass of the tiles and slowly radiated. Doubtless such stoves would fail to satisfy those who require a red-hot surface, super-heated air, and little ventilation; but many improvements might be made, so that