

DOCTOR FAUSTUS he had had to take flight from punishment; two of them refer to his arrogance and boastfulness. So the German Faust-Book allows its hero some slight touches of the Renaissance intellectual curiosity. A translation of its title-page will give a very fair idea of its scope and tendency: 'History of Dr. John Faust, the celebrated conjuror and master of black magic: How he sold himself to the Devil with effect from an appointed time: What in the meanwhile were the strange adventures he witnessed, himself initiated, and conducted, until at last he received his well-deserved reward. This, the work of an anonymous Protestant, was published in Frankfurt-on-Main as the *Histria von D. Iohan Fausten* and may be conveniently referred to as the German Faust-Book. Mostly collected and printed from his own writings which he left behind him, as a terrifying instance and horrible example, and as a friendly warning to all arrogant, insolent-minded, and godless men.' In 1572, a translation of a work which had been published two years earlier on the Continent made Faustus' name known to English readers.