more, it admits of indefinite increase; but labor,
toil is its watchword; well-directed, systematic
labor is indispensable to success. No study re-
quires a more constant and active exertion of the mind;
no study opens more channels to pour their rich
stores into the mind; no other study brings so
actively into exercise all the faculties of the mind.
And why? Simply because the study of language
is the study of the fabric which the mind has built,
had built for her dwelling place, adorned with
all the strength, beauty, symmetry, which her vast
powers could command. In all its parts it exhibits
the handiwork of the mind; the skill and wisdom
of the builder are everywhere displayed. Through
the vast dimensions of this palace-like building
the mind moves with ease and grace; a passage
is opened almost to every point in the huge struc-
ture. A knowledge of all the apartments, intricate
passages of this building is a knowledge
of language. And how is this knowledge
obtained? Evidently by the diligent study
of the great principles of language, prin-
which pervade all language, for every