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A recent, informal photograph of the Kaiserin, the Kaiser and the Crown Prince.

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FOREWORD

This book is the result of three trips to the German war zone. "Behind the Scenes in Warring Germany," my first book, was obviously the virginal impression of war upon one American-myself. From living with the German armies in the field, getting to know the human side of the men, being under fire with them, I developed a strong personal sympathy for them. Some, therefore, called the picture,-"pro-German."

But on my second trip to Germany at war, I sought to know the cities and villages-to know the people, free from the comradeship that is bound to come at the front. I saw things and heard things and doubted and withheld them for objective analysis-and then I went again, a third time, to the zone of war. And I found then a road; and the road led to Imperial Germany. And as I went down it, I understood many things of the Germans and the German Empire, and how the one is utterly different from the other.

In the pages that follow, I have—I believe—written of the German Kaiser in a disinterested way. To do that is to invite abuse; but I have been truthful to myself. One can always present the Kaiser