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PREFACE

THE present edition of Storm's *IMMENSEE* has been prepared to facilitate a direct study of the text, especially for classes taught by the Reform Method.

This short story, usually given in ten chapters, is here presented, for pedagogical considerations, in twenty-nine reading sections with questions, word-explanations, word-formations, and grammatic-stylistic exercises leading up to the writing of simple themes, placed immediately after each lesson. English sentences to be translated into German — so-called composition — are not furnished at all, for reasons of weight. Instead of being helpful, such drill is usually antagonistic to the creation of correct speech habits and of the much desired *Sprachgefühl*.

The whole apparatus for each lesson need not be used slavishly. As with any other text the teacher's own judgment should decide what material might be conveniently omitted and which points might be enlarged upon by the introduction of additional material of his own. On the other hand, we believe the arrangement will prove satisfactory because practical and definite in nearly every case.

With reference to the grammar exercises following each reading section, it should be noted that while, as a rule, almost each successive exercise takes up some new grammatical feature, care has been taken to have the most essential principles such as declensions, conjugations, case government, direct and indirect discourse, etc., appear in as many of the exercises as was considered convenient and advisable from the view-point of their proportional significance. Experience has shown that permanency in the retention of grammatical rules can be best secured by constant and repeated application.