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INTRODUCTION

THE personality and statecraft of the ex-Emperor William II deeply engross public attention at the moment and will undoubtedly continue to do so in the years to come. For even if he were a man of common mould his close association with the greatest tragedy in the history of the world will for ever secure him a place in that strangely assorted gallery of personages to whom history in its wayward fashion deigns to accord immortality. The stage was so magnificent, the drama so sombre and superb, that even the meanest actor must have gained something from his surroundings. But the ex-Kaiser was no mediocrity. He had personality, charm, vision, and versatility. He was tremendously interested in a vast number of subjects, and he knew just enough about them never to be grotesque and not enough ever to be dull.

Additional light has been thrown in recent months on the character and designs of this extraordinary man. The Kautsky revelations, which have made public the marginal notes he added to the despatches of his Ambassadors, show his impatience and bad temper; the books