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Mere cant, however seriously put forth in official statements, no longer blinds educated public opinion as to the facts in these acts of international brigandage.—W. Morgan Shuster, ex-Treasurer-General of Persia, The Strangling of Persia, (1912), p. 222.



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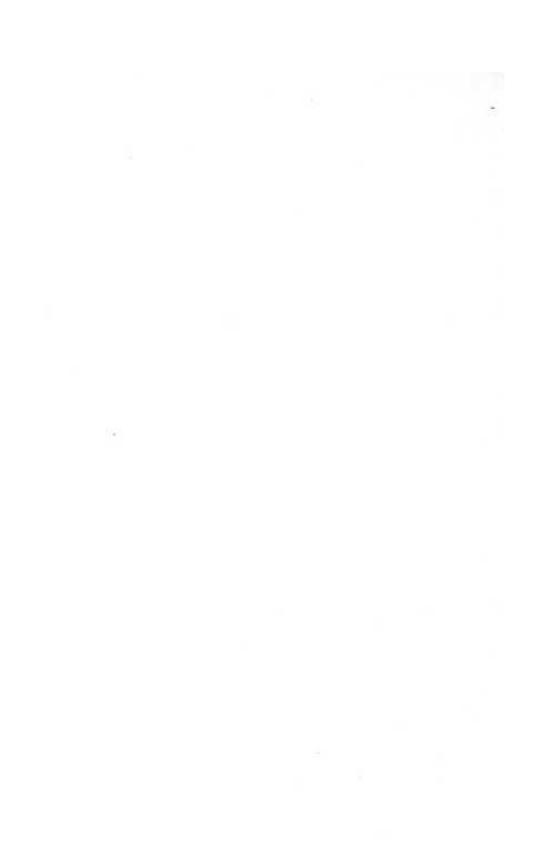
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"Be the Government Liberal or Tory, much the same thing happens—war with all its horrors and miseries and crimes and cost. Talkers and writers being mostly in favor of it, and the multitude approving or consenting to the wickedness in high places." (John Bright to a friend, 1885—C1. Trevelyan, "Life of John Bright," p. 437.)

"The English nation . . . . is the most estimable agglomeration of human beings, considered in its relation to each other. But as a state in its relations with other states it is the most pernicious, the most violent, the greediest for power and the most bellicose of all,"—(Immanuel Kant.)



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#### FOREWORD

This book has been written in the cause of truth.

The testimony of the most respected English authors cannot be controverted. It throws the best light upon the existing European crisis.

This book has not been written to stir up national hatred. The author distinguishes sharply between the English people and the English world-policy. Even the leaders of this policy have for the most part only an incomplete knowledge of the driving forces behind it.

The English folk is made up of elements differing greatly from one another. Besides the real Englishmen are Scots, Welshmen, Irishmen and the manifold mixtures of these races; thereto are to be reckoned descendants of Germans, Flemings, Frenchmen, Scandinavians, and others. Furthermore, character and habits of thought vary greatly with different occupations, callings and social position. That is to say, they are manifold and complex.