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CHAPTER I

THE CHARACTER AND THE TRUE IMPULSE OF THE THIRD PHASE OF THE WAR

OWING to the first battle of Ypres, which marked the end of the great German offensive in the Western theatre of operations, the enemy armies pitted against England and France were placed in a complete state of siege, a condition of strategic impotence which no effort on their part, however powerful, could redeem, and their aims in regard to military achievement and conquest were of necessity modified. For it was no longer for them, as in the pre-Marne days, a question of crushing France and subduing Europe and the rest of the world, but of making the most of an unexpected and dangerous situation.

With all her resources and long standing preparations dating from forty years; with many technical advantages which her government and her central position gave her, Germany had been