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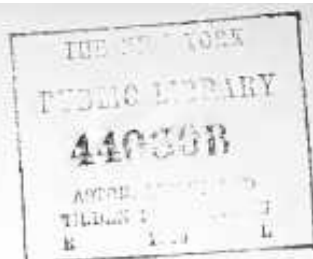
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PREFACE

A man fifty years of age said to the writer not long ago that if it had been in his power to select his time to live he would have chosen the half-century which had fallen to him. Certainly the world has never seen more momentous deeds than those which the year 1914 has witnessed. Perhaps it never will see the like again.

American boys are deeply interested in the war in Europe, because not only is it a gigantic struggle, but their own future will be largely influenced by the outcome. The fear of spies in London, Paris, Berlin, Vienna, Petrograd and in other cities has been one of the early and pronounced facts.

The writer has tried to present a picture of the big war which should be interesting but free from sensationalism. It is his hope that his boy friends will continue their reading beyond these stories until they shall have obtained a clear knowledge of this great war of the nations,—its causes, deeds and results. Whatever one's feelings may be concerning war itself, there surely can be no question as to the desirability of a clear understanding of the contest.

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the colonel. “Meanwhile I shall be com-
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