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T the time of our invasion of Germany, the whole countryside was glowing with the blossoms of the broom, that "plantagenet" which has earned for itself so large a

place on the pages of history; when we came away, the wide plains were at the height of their brilliant display of gorgeous heather. In fact, the calendar of our whole summer in rural Hessia was one to be marked in terms of floral notation.

The following records, written among the scenes which they portray, were first printed in the Chicago *Daily News*, and I desire to express my obligations to Mr.

#### INTRODUCTION

Charles M. Faye, of that newspaper, for his courteous permission to republish them. To "Miriam" I owe the title of the book—not to mention other things. September, 1903.

J. T. H.

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