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TO
THE MEMORY OF
B. J. R.



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CHAPTER I

WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

THE Great War is doing more to teach women citizenship and give them a national outlook than ten thousand writers could accomplish with typewriters eternally unleashed.

I have watched women's minds, so sealed it seemed only can-openers could uncloset them, opening everywhere under that War's impact. The same thing is true of men's minds.

Women who never thought before, since thinking is very hard work, are now really thinking. Men are thinking, too. Moreover, many Americans who only thought by machinery four years ago are now using hand-made thoughts.

Women are acquiring less of a mere sex and