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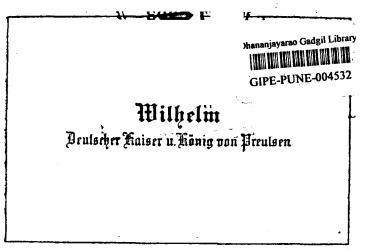
FACSIMILE OF A PRISON CAMP MONEY CERTIFICATE ISSUED AT THE PRISON CAMP OF NEUHAMMER



PAPER MONEY ISSUED AGAINST PROPERTY IN GERMANY. REALLY A "GREENBACK." OR ALMOST FIAT MONEY



POSTAGE STAMPS ISSUED AT RUHLEBEN PRISON CAMP, USED BY PRISONERS WRITING TO EACH OTHER IN THE CAMP

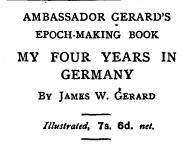


FACSIMILE REPRODUCTION OF THE KAISER'S VISITING CARD



THE VISITING CARD OF THE CROWN PRINCE, REPRODUCED IN FACSIMILE

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#### **INTRODUCTORY NOTE**

IN some measure this book is a continuation of "MY FOUR YEARS IN GERMANY," the narrative here being carried up to the time of my return home, with some observations on the situation I have found in the United States.

What I want especially to impress upon the people of the United States is that we are at war because Germany invaded the United States—an invasion insidiously conceived and vigorously prosecuted for years before hostilities began; that this war is our war; that the sanctity of American freedom and of the American home depend upon what we do NOW.

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New York, March 1st, 1918.

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- The Kaiser and von Treutler. (Taken in the Norwegian town of Odde in 1910.)
- Ambassadors William G. Sharp and James W. Gerard. (From a photograph taken in Paris, February, 1917.)
- Example of the commemorative medal offered for sale. On the obverse is the portrait of the Crown Prince. On the reverse is "Young Siegfried" attacking a chimeralike monster with four heads: a Bear for Russia, a Unicorn for England, a Lion for Belgium, and a Cock for France.
- Photograph taken in courtyard of Embassy, August, 1916. (Left to right: Lanier Winslow; Albert B. Ruddock; Percival Dodge; Grafton Minot; von Gwinner, head of the great Deutsche Bank; Surgeon Ohnesorg, U.S.N.; Ernest Bicknell, of Red Cross; Ambassador Gerard; Mr. Wilmeth, of Treasury Department; Assistant Secretary of War Breckenridge; Roland Harvey; Charles Russell; Ballin, head of Hamburg-America Line; Mayor Rjan, and First Secretary Grew.)
- Photograph taken after the banquet given Ambassador Gerard in Berlin on January 6, 1917. Probably the orders for the resumption of "reckless" submarine war had been given when this love-feast took place. (Sitting, left to right: Von Wermuth, Mayor of Berlin; Ambassador Gerard; Zimmermann; von Sydow, Minister of Commerce. Standing, left to right: unknown; Consul-General Lay; Commander Gherardi, U.S.N.; First Secretary Grew; unknown; Count Montgelas; Solf, Colonial Minister; General Friedrich, in charge of prisoners of war; Isaac Wolf, President of American Association of Commerce and Trade; John B. Jackson, former Minister of Cuba.)
- The Iron Cross. In the expectation of a short war thousands of these crosses were distributed in the first months of the war, and the precedent thus established has led to the giving of perhaps hundreds of thousands of these decorations.

- The Crown Prince and Crown Princess, from a photograph taken in their Palace on the night of a fancy dress ball. The Crown Princess is in Russian costume, and the Crown Prince wears the uniform of one hundred years ago of his regiment, the Death's Head Hussars.
- Views of a typical Holstein country home owned by a Junker country nobleman.
- The Infanta Isabella, on which Ambassador Gerard returned from Europe. (From a photograph taken in Havana Harbour, March, 1917.)
- Facsimile of an order issued by Commander of German prison camp, Döberitz. Many Camp Commanders, without authority, undertook to make prisoners suffer for alleged and unproved misdeeds of the British. I had great trouble in watching for orders of this character and securing their annulment.
- Cover of the pamphlet ferociously abusive of President Wilson, issued by the ex-travel lecturer, John L. Stoddard.
- The United States Embassy Staff, Berlin; Mr. Gerard in the centre.
- Reproduction of a postcard celebrating the prowess of the Zeppelin, sold in Germany.
- Zeppelin postcard of patriotic sentiment, sold in Germany, popularising the air raids on defenceless cities.

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Paper money used in prison camps.

- Facsimile of a prison camp money certificate issued at the prison camp of Neuhammer.
- Paper money issued against property in Germany. Really a "greenback," or almost fiat money.
- Postage stamps issued at Ruhleben prison camp. Used by prisoners writing to each other in the camp.
- Facsimile reproduction of the Kaiser's visiting-card.
- The visiting-card of the Crown Prince, reproduced in facsimile.
- Exact-size reproduction of a page of the famous *Die Zukunft*, published by Maximilian Harden, the one uncensored editor of Germany.
- Cover of Programme of Service in Protestant Cathedral, Berlin, in celebration of the five hundredth anniversary of the Lordship of Hohenzollerns in Brandenburg— Prussia.

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