## **AUTHOR'S NOTE**

On the inevitable issues posed by variable toponymy in East Central Europe, there are cases in which a place has multiple names or has been contested. In general, I try to adhere to the views of the person I am discussing, while also retaining this variability. I employ parentheses or slashes (Szatmár/Satu Mare, Kiev/Kyiv, or Lemberg/Lwów/Lviv/Lvov) in reference to languages as they appear in the context of the story, or where there is a fair amount of ambiguity.

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