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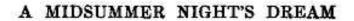
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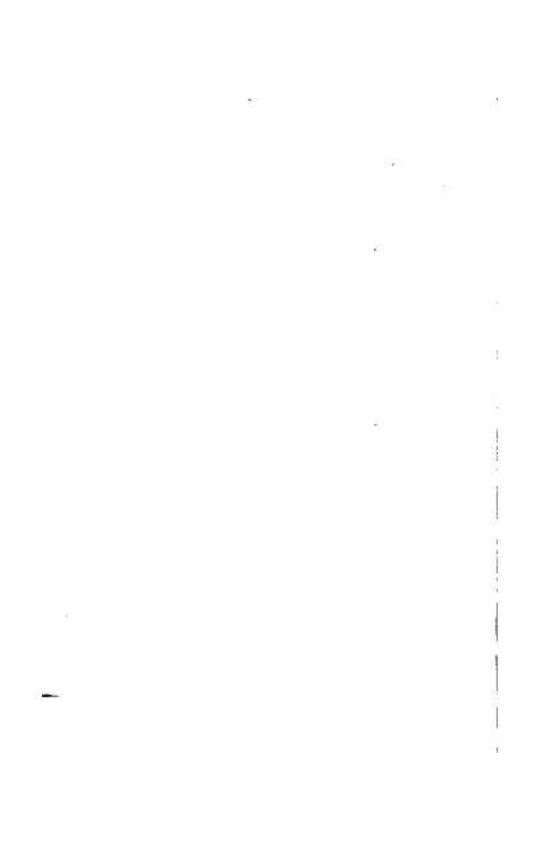
### PREFACE

THE text of this edition of A Midsummer Night's Dream follows in the main that of the Riverside Edition, prepared by R. G. White. The more important divergencies from this text with the authorities of ollowed are mentioned in the notes.

The chief sources from which information has been drawn in the preparation of the helps are given in the Bibliography. Especially, the editor wishes to acknowledge his indebtedness to Rolfe's A Midsummer Night's Dream, to Chambers' A Midsummer Night's Dream, and to Dr. Furness's Variorum Edition.

Since in some schools students do not have access to books of reference, it has seemed expedient to err on the side of fulness in the notes, and, therefore, to furnish all necessary information not to be found in an ordinary dictionary. For the rest, if this edition aids the student to imagine the environment in which the play was produced and to appreciate it as a delicate and delicious comedy, the purpose of the editor will have been accomplished.

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