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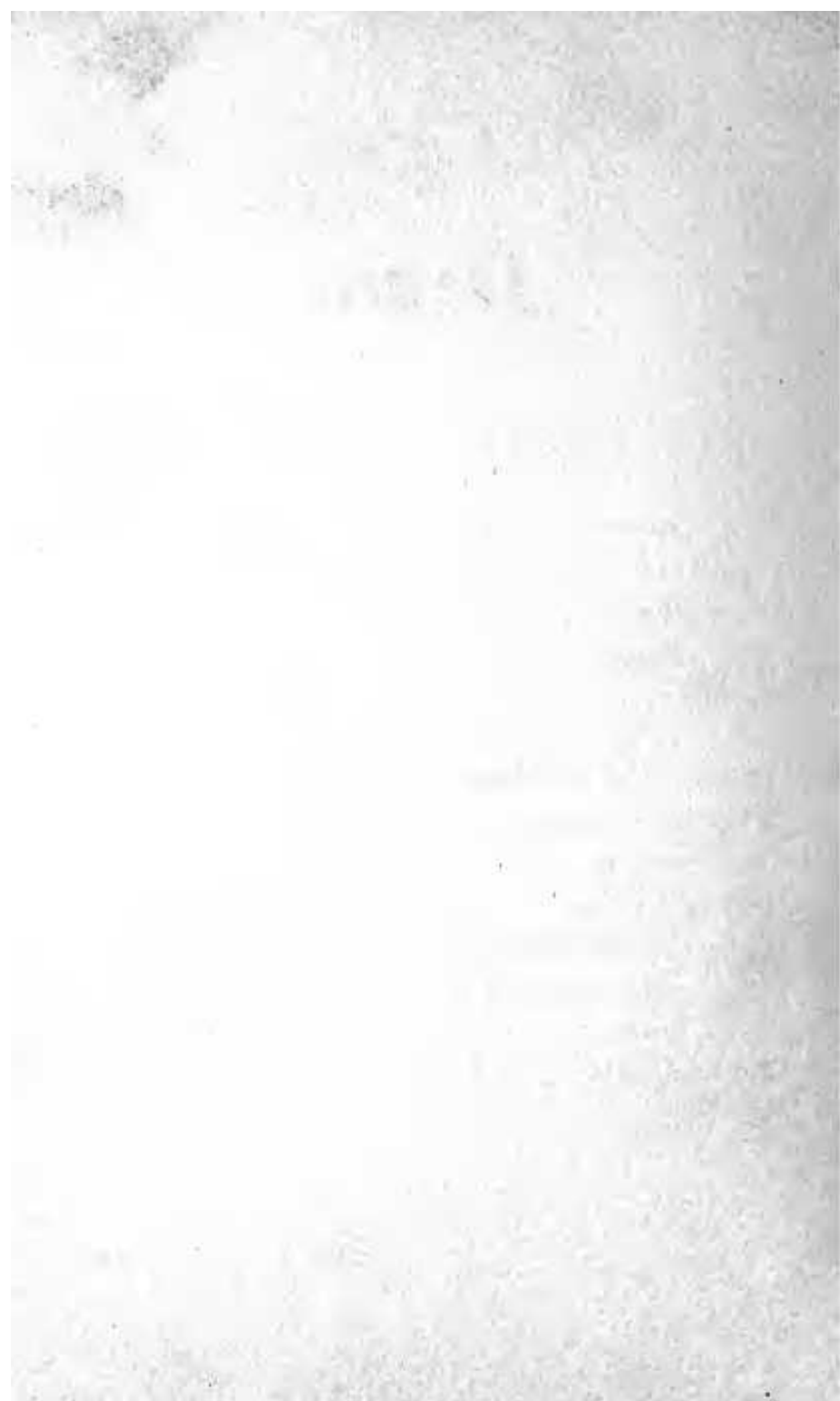
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THE REAL LOVER

SUCH fancies as spring from a look, a chance meeting, or a conversation snatched in a crowd, That often masquerade in love's name, wearing love's honors

(While each in reality remains ignorant of the true nature of the other),

Contain no more of love in the eyes of the real lover, Than mere compliment can be said to contain sincerity.

Because love, as it is understood by the real lover, Is born of the knowledge of the character and the appreciation of the highest qualities of the loved one;

For as no plant springs suddenly into existence,