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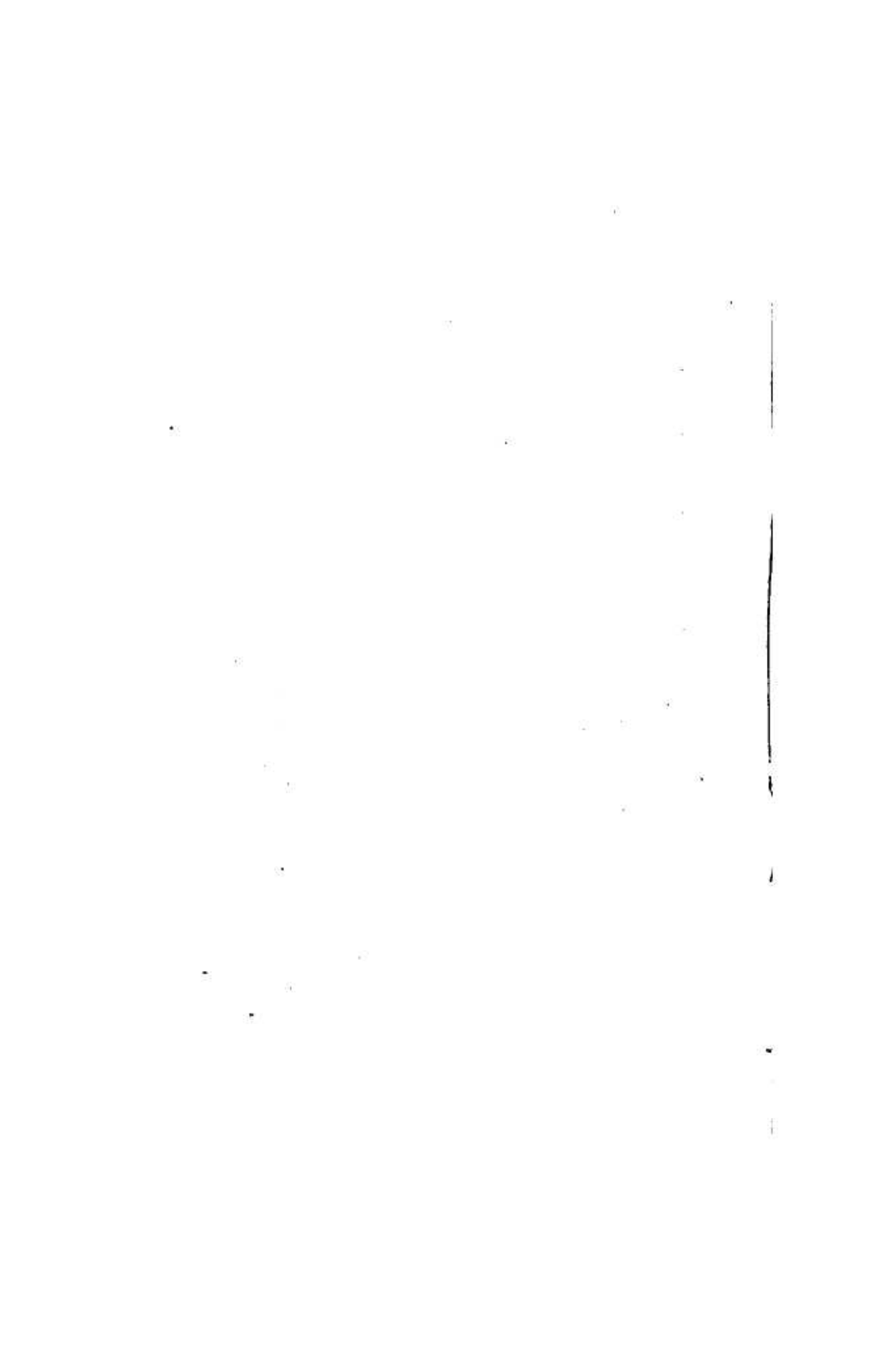
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## • • Dedication • •

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MY DEAR FRANK—

If this book can look confidently to any one for indulgence, it must be to you, who are, in some degree, responsible for it. Except for the idea of pleasing you, it would never have appeared between covers, but had been, perforce, content with the piece-meal life it has hitherto led in the files of various journals and magazines. Your responsibility goes deeper, for I can almost assert that yours were the eyes that saw, and yours the hand that set down, much that is here described. If that is not true to the letter, in spirit it is incontrovertible.

All that follows you have already read three or four times over. I suppose you will read the book now, and we may regret together that the spirit of our delightful winter in Seville is not more faithfully preserved. But there are hints within these pages which you and I alone can appreciate. How could I reveal some of our innocent secrets to others? Do you think the attempt would have been successful had I unstopped the vase of personal reminiscence? We would have lost some of its subtle aroma without enriching the common air.

In truth, I do not think this book can dull the edge of our recollections, any more than the newspaper letters which we wrote about Seville while we were living in



Seville. They were careless things, and this is not much better. But keep the book which I inscribe to you, as we keep hotel bills, (receipted) and other legal evidence that we really have been in Seville. Otherwise, as the years crowd up to a decade since we were there, we might wonder if it were more than a delightful dream. Put it away and when we talk again of Seville, it will not be on the lines this book lays down. It will be as formerly: "Do you remember—?" "Have you forgotten—?"—incidents as undignified and joyous as youth itself. And you may be sure, my dear Frank, that not a moment of that gay and charming winter has been forgotten by your friend

WILLIS STEELL.

To FRANCIS M. LIVINGSTON.

IN SEVILLE.

