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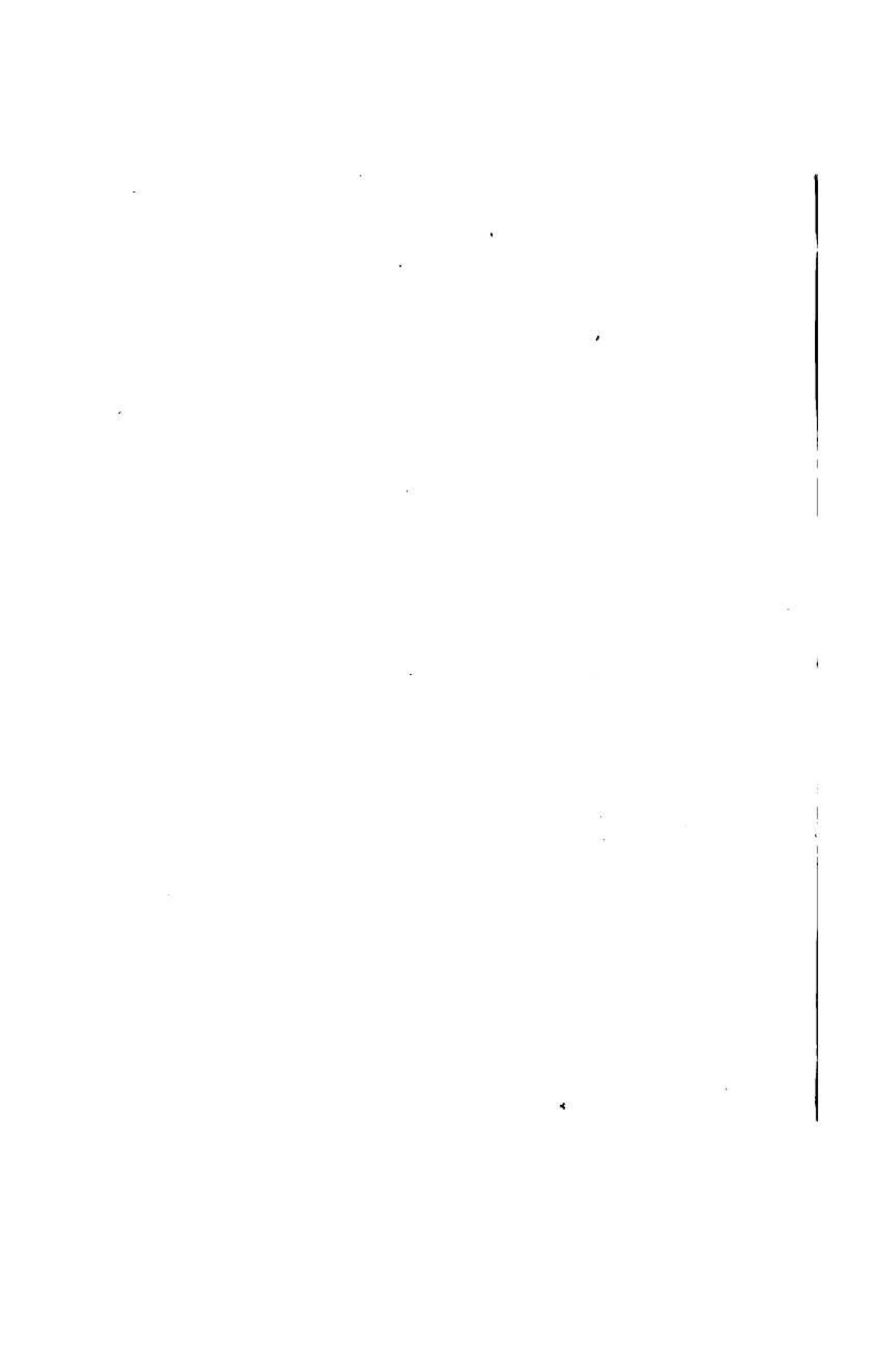


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# Three Wise Old Women.

Three wise old women were they, were they,

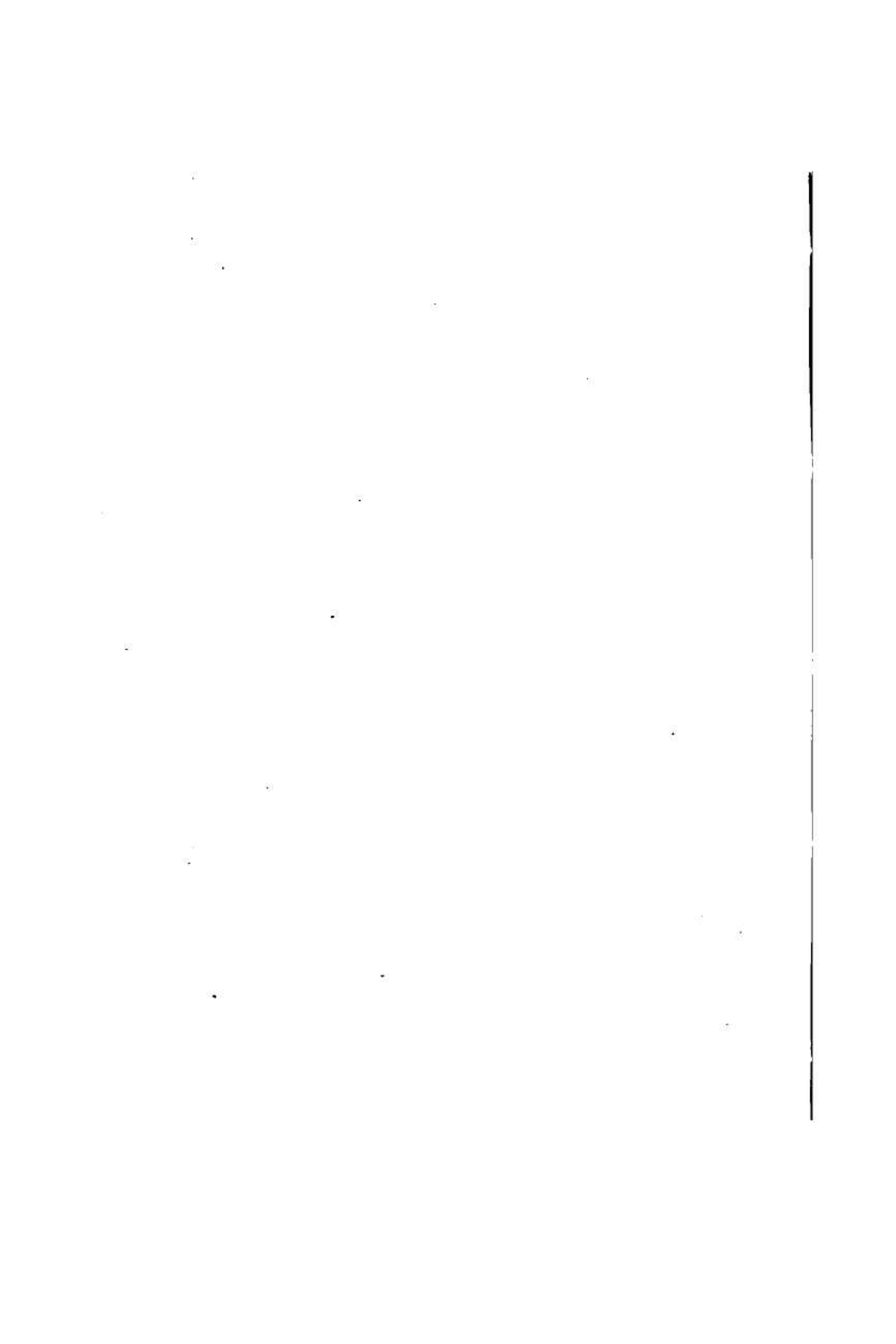
Who went to walk on a winter day :

One carried a basket to hold some berries,

One carried a ladder to climb for cherries,

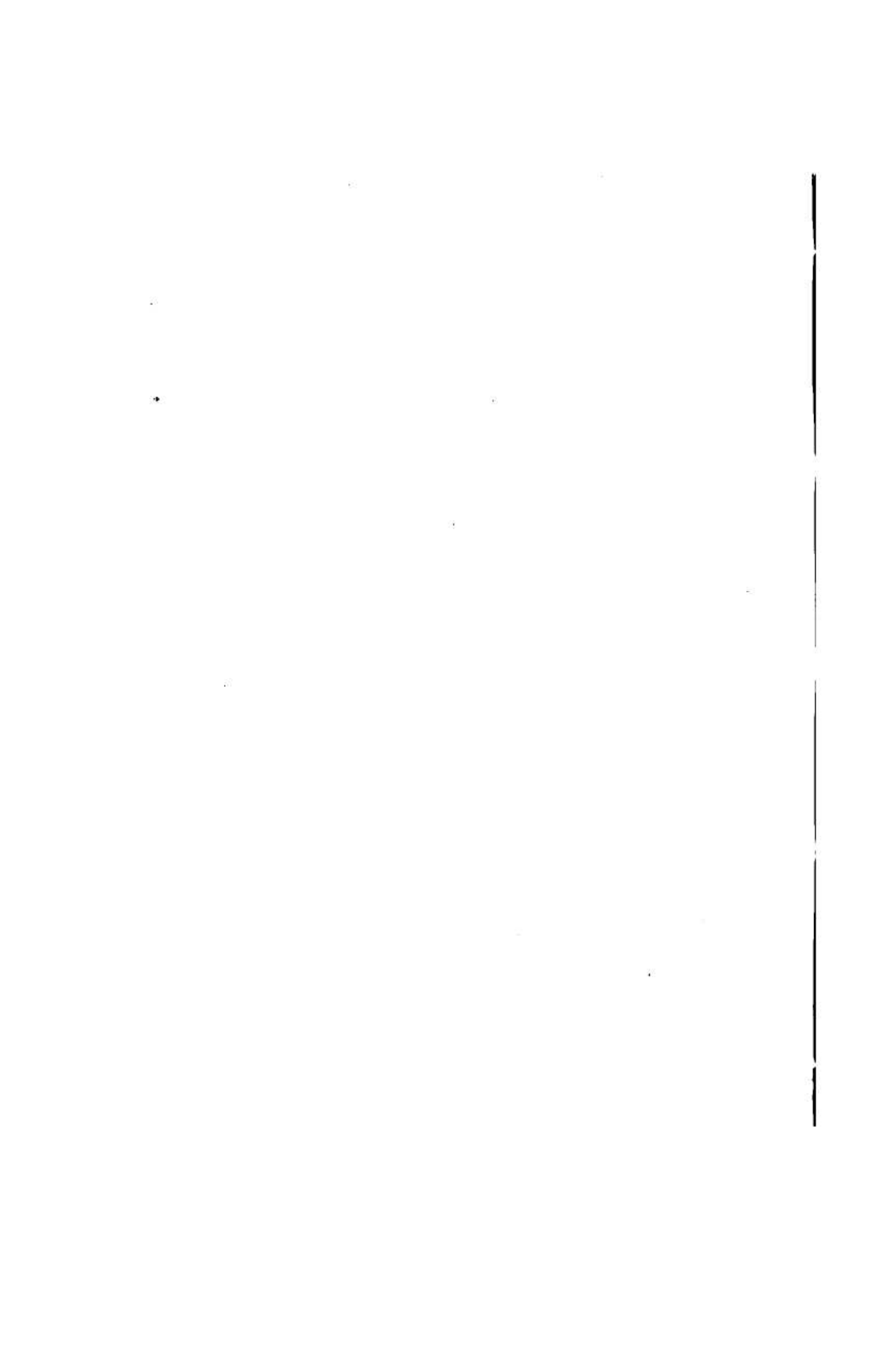
The third, and she was the wisest one,

Carried a fan to keep off the sun !









**But** they went so far, and they went so fast,  
They quite forgot their way at last—  
So one of the wise women cried in a fright:



we should meet a Bear to-night !  
Suppose he should eat me !”

“ And me !! ”

“ And me !!! ”

“ What is to be done ? ” cried all the three.  
“ Dear, dear ! ” said one “ we ’ ll climb a tree,  
There out of the way of the bears we ’ ll be . ”  
But there wasn ’ t a tree for miles around,  
They were too frightened to stay on the ground,