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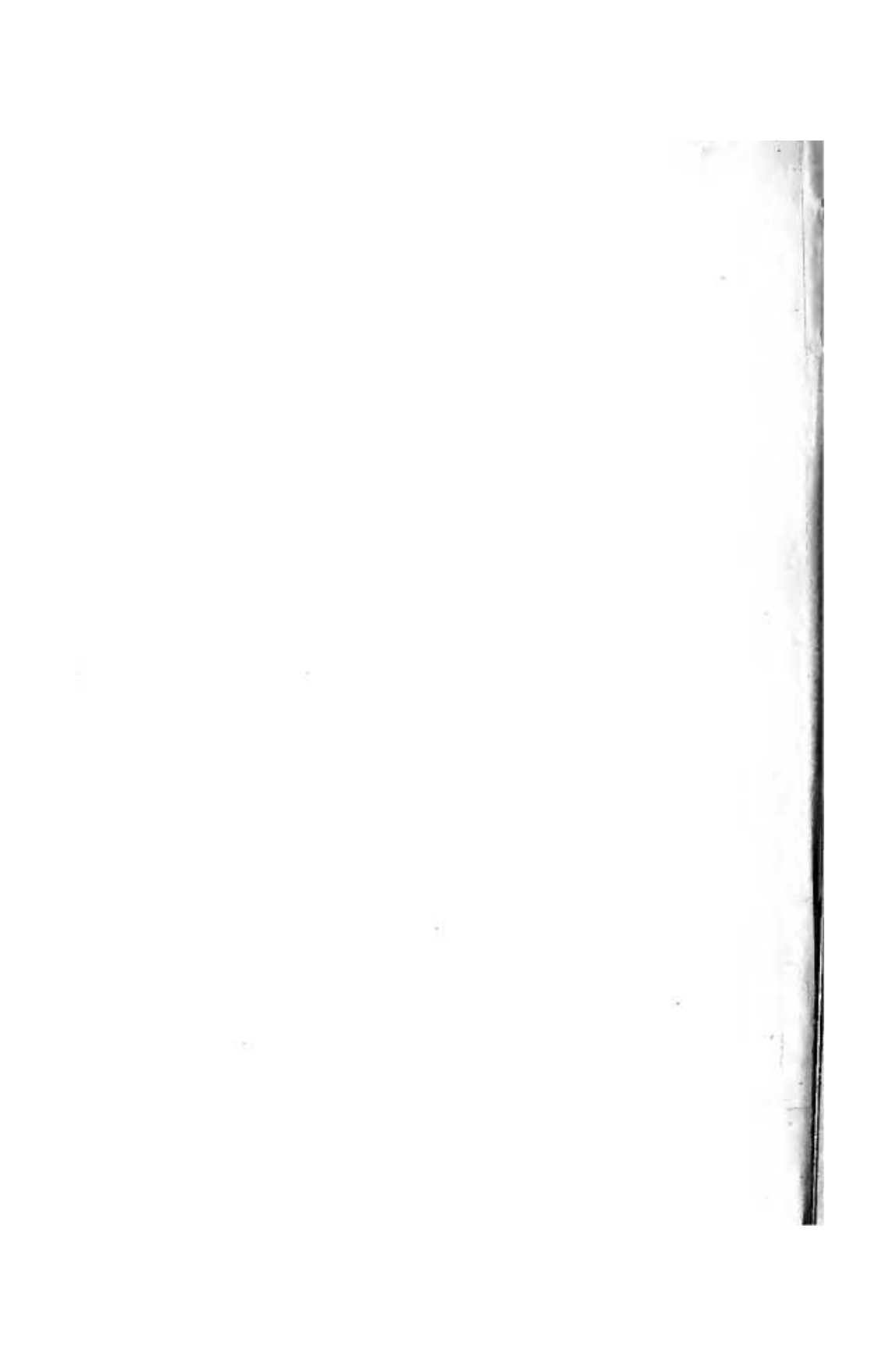
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The Fift Day, governed by Madam Fiammetta

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Chynon, by falling in Love, became wise, and by force of Armes, winning his faire Lady Iphigenia on the Seas, was afterward imprisoned at Rhodes. Being delivered by one named Lysimachus, he recovered his Iphigenia againe, and faire Cassandra, even in the middest of their marriage. They fled with them into Candy, where after they had married them, they were called home to their owne dwelling	3

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Faire Constance of Liparis, fell in love with Martuccio Gomito: and hearing that he was dead, desperately she entred into a Barke, and went to Thunis, where she found him to bee living. Making her selfe known to him he married her, and returned richly home with her to Liparis	17
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NOVELL X

Pedro di Vinciolo, went to sup at a friends house. His wife the whilst had a young man whom shee loved, at supper with her. Pedro returning on a sodaine, the yong man was hidden under a Coope for Hens. Pedro in excuse of his so soone comming home, declareth how in the house of Herculano (with whom he should have slept) a friend of his Wives was found, which was the reason of the Suppers breaking off. Pedroes Wife, reproving the error of Herculanoes wife, an Asse by chaunce treads on the yong mans fingers that lay hidden under the Hen-coope. Upon his crying out, Pedro steppeth thither, sees him, knowes him, and findeth the fallacy of his wife; with whom (neverthelesse) he groweth to agreement, in regard of some imperfections which hee found in himselfe

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Wherein the Discourses or Novels there to bee recounted, doe concerne such persons; who by some witty words (when any have taunted them) have revenged themselves, in a sudden, unexpected and discreet answere, thereby preventing losse, danger, scorne and disgrace, retorting them on the busi-headed Questioners.

THE ARGUMENT OF THE FIRST NOVELL

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A Knight requested Madame Oretta, to ride behinde him on horsebacke, and promised, to tell her an excellent Tale by the way. But the Lady perceiving, that his discourse was idle, and much worse delivered: entreated him to let her walke on foote againe.

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