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CHIVALRY
THE LINE OF LOVE
GALLANTRY

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BRANCH OF ABINGDON
BRANCHIANA
THE MAJORS AND THEIR MARRIAGES

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OF THE
JEST

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*"Le pays où je voulais aller, tu m'y as mené
en songe, cette nuit, et tu étais belle . . .
ah! que tu étais belle! . . . Mais, comme
je n'ai aimé que ton ombre, tu me dispenseras,
chère tête, de remercier ta réalité."*

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TO
LOUISA NELSON

*"At me ab amore tuo diducet
nulla senectus."*

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