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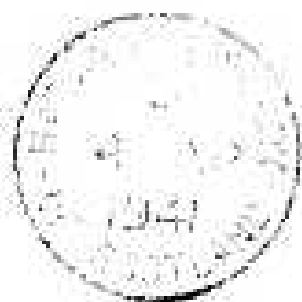
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C U T H O N A :

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CONLATH

AND

CUTHONA:

A POEM (1).

DID not Oisín hear a voice? or is it the
found of days that are no more? Often does the

(1) Conlath was the youngest of Morzi's sons, and brother to the celebrated Gaul, who is so often mentioned in Oisín's poems. He was in love with Cuthona the daughter of Bamar, when Tufoir the son of Klafena, accompanied by Fersuth his friend, arrived, from Ireland, at Mora where Conlath dwelt. He was hospitably received, and according to the custom of the times, feasted, three days, with Conlath. On the fourth he set sail, and coasting the *island of waves*, probably, one of the Hebrides, he saw Cuthona landing, fell in love with her, and carried her away, by force, in his ship. He was forced by stress of weather, into I-thona a distant isle. In the mean time Conlath, hearing of the rape, sailed after him, and found him on the point of sailing for the coast of Ireland. They fought; and they, and their followers fell by mutual wounds. Cuthona did not long survive: for she died of grief the third day after. Fingal, hearing of their unfortunate death, sent Scamul the son of Moran to bury them, but forgot to send a bard to sing the sa-