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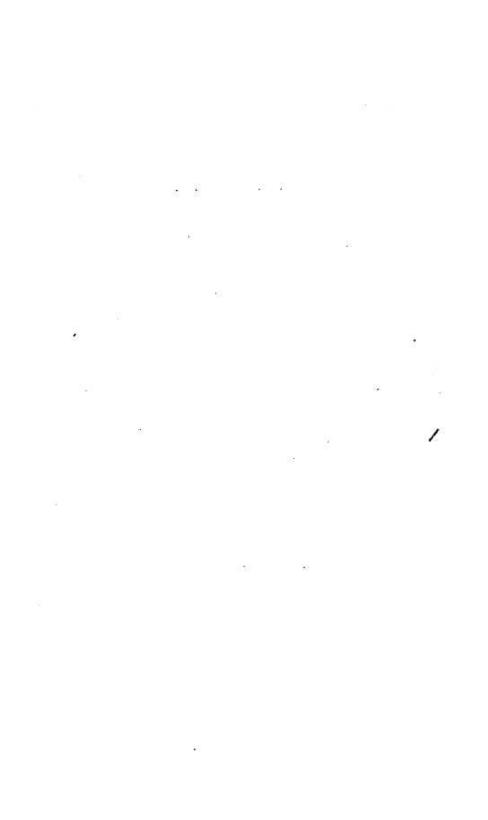
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CHAPTER I.

"Never here, forever there,
Where all parting, pain and care,
And death, and time shall disappear,—
Forever there, but never here!
The horologe of eternity
Sayeth this incessantly—
Forever—never!
Never—forever!"—Longfallow.

A LINE of scarlet coats plodding steadily through the fresh green lanes—a body of men, weary, dusty, travel-stained; the bronzed complexion and sallow cheek, in striking contrast to the fair hair of many of them, telling of a long sojourn in an Eastern land. They are marching from Farnborough to Aldershot, the gallant 150th, whose torn and