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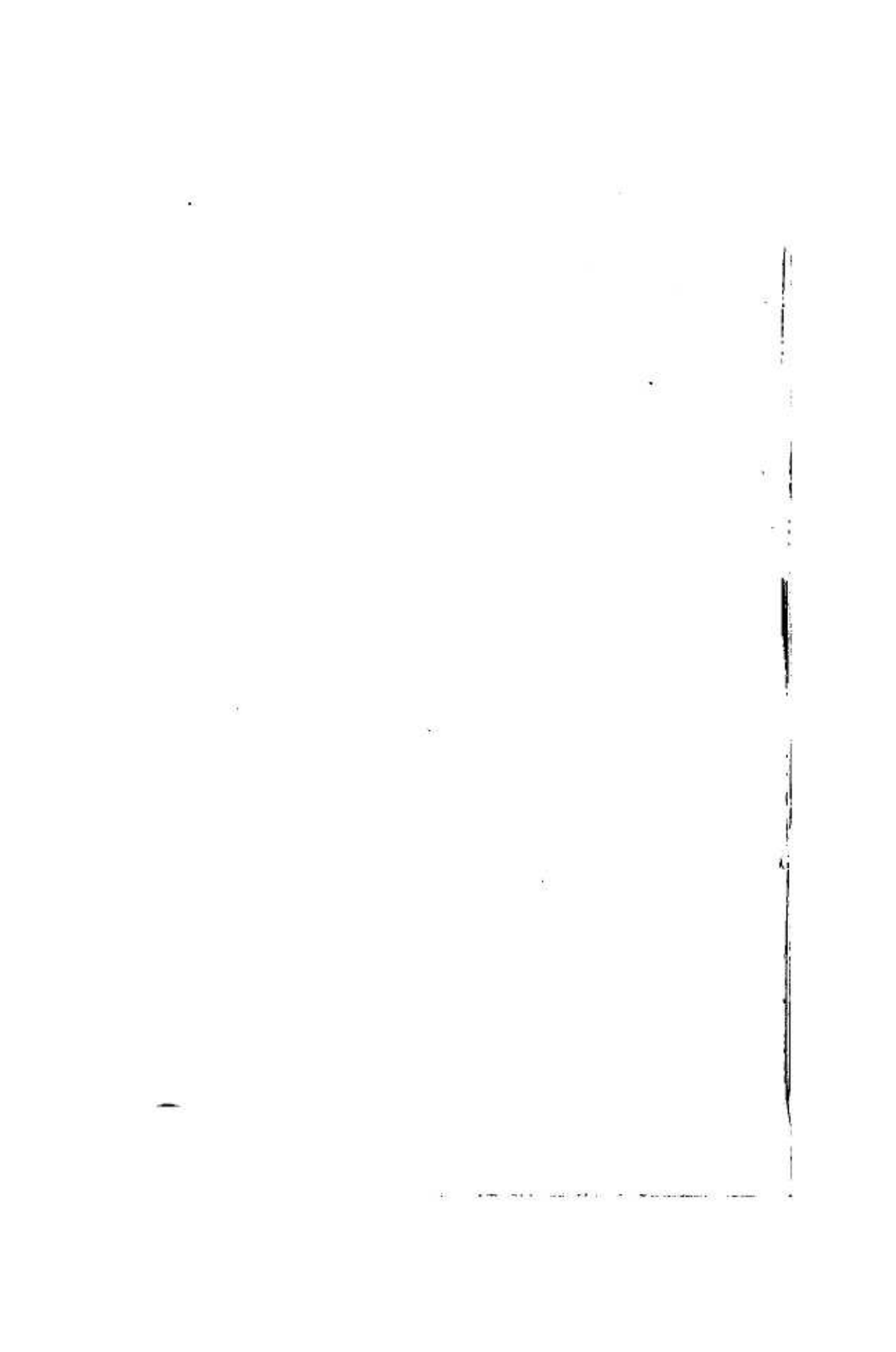
AUTHOR OF
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SHERRATT AND HUGHES
1902

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To
The Memory of my Grandfather,
JAMES McKAY,
I dedicate this Poem of his Fairyland.

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The Dedication.

Many years ago I walked beside you, I, a child, by you, a man, grey-headed but child-hearted, in the always impressive silence of the pine wood.

You put into my hand a golden key with which to unlock the gate of Fairyland.

Behind that wall, you said, lies a great water, upon whose bosom are borne fairy frigates sailing, whence—no man knows, and wither—who may tell? And there is moonlight over all, and on the margin of the inland sea are green clad Ladies, dancing.

Look, with your key I have unlocked my garden of enchantment. I turn to ask you if the prospect likes you, but you are no more beside me. Nevertheless I cross the threshold of my Fairyland, your name upon my lips.