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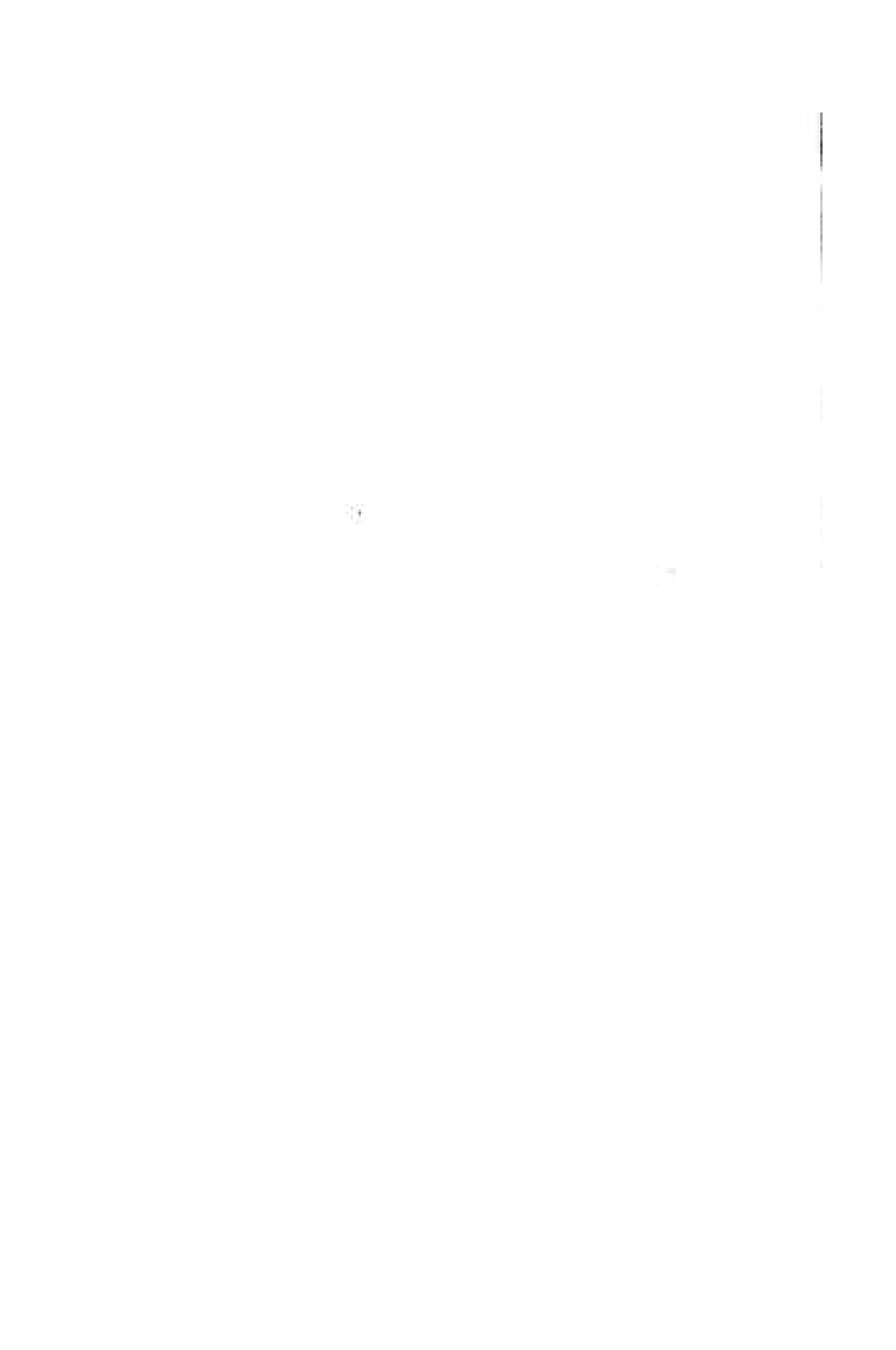
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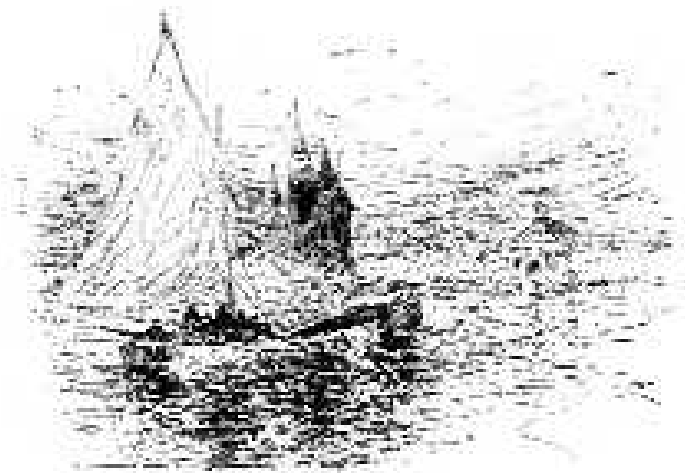


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POOR old Ingenio—my gondolier of five years before—dear old Ingenio, with his white hair and gentle voice ; Ingenio with the little, crippled daughter and the sad-faced wife, who lived near the church behind the Rialto, had made his last crossing. At least the sacristan shook his head and pointed upward when I sought tidings