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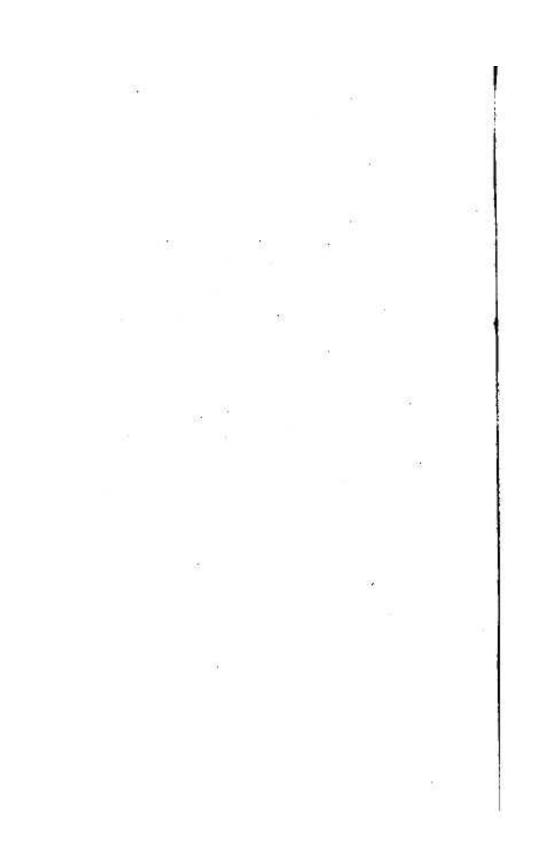
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#### KENWITH.

#### PART I.

Where the long channel broadens its blue arm, Stretched to the main, and rolls its heavy waves Upon the pebbly girdle of the land, High on its circular mount, with walls enringed, Uprose the tower of Kenwith, hoar and grey, Built by some Briton chief in days far back, Before the Saxon rose to power of rule; And therein lay Odune, the Devon Earl, The servant of King Alfred, and with him A scanty remnant of his following, Few men, but brave and of determined soul. They held the place 'gainst the barbaric hordes Led by the Viking Hubba, Regnor's son, Of all the Norsemen fiercest and most fell.