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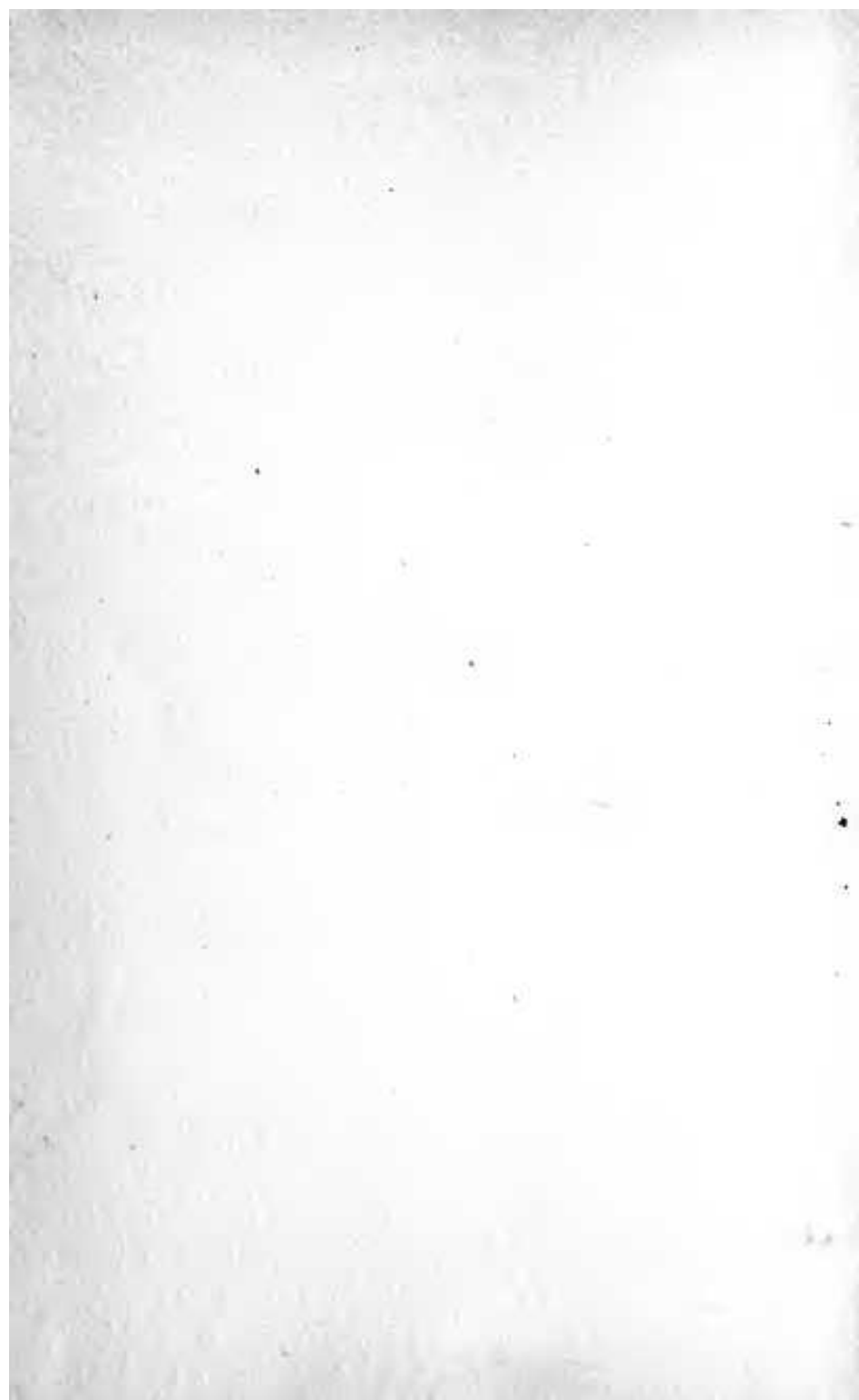
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"'Tingling is the test,' said Babbalanja, 'Yoomy, did you tingle, when that song was composing?'"

"'All over, Babbalanja.'"

HERMAN MELVILLE: *Mardi*.

"We work in the dark—we do what we can—we give what we have. Our doubt is our passion, and our passion is our task. The rest is the madness of art."

DENCOMBE: *The Middle Years*.

"Les existences les plus belles sont peut-être celles qui ont subi tous les extrêmes, qui ont traversé toutes les températures, rencontré toutes les sensations excessives et tous les sentiments contradictoires."

REMY DE GOURMONT: *Le Chat de Misère*.

"The man who satisfies a ceaseless intellectual curiosity probably squeezes more out of life in the long run than any one else."

EDMUND GOSSE: *Books on the Table*.

"O mother of the hills, forgive our towers;  
O mother of the clouds, forgive our dreams."

EDWIN ELLIS.