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ἡ ἁρμονία, καὶ πρῶτον ἀπόλλυται

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The Hon. Maurice Baring

DEDICATION

Friend, of my infinite dreams

Little enough endures ;

Little how'er it seems,

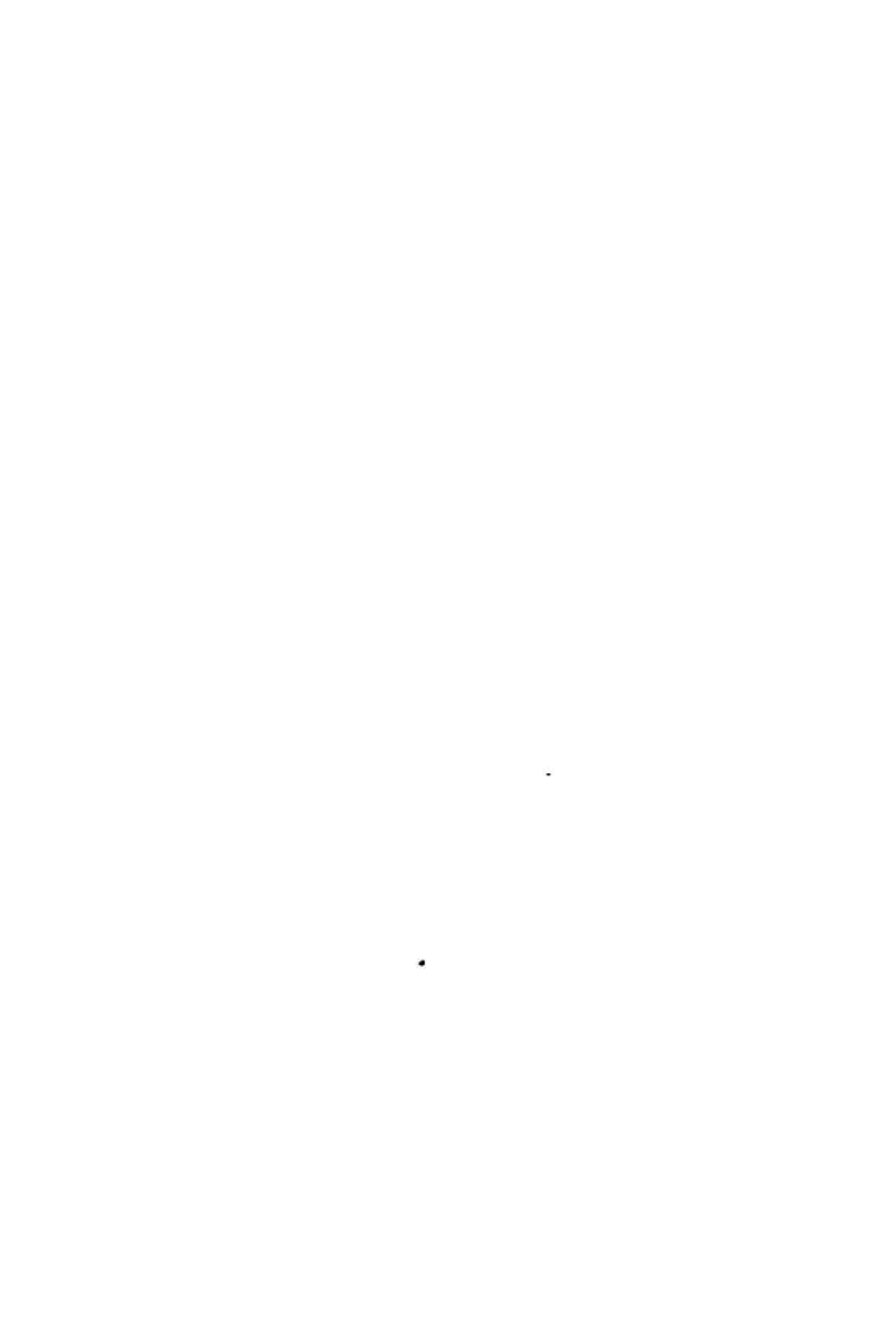
It is yours, all yours.

Fame hath a fleeting breath,

Hopes may be frail or fond ;

But Love shall be Love till death,

And perhaps beyond.



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PRELUDE

*Hushed is each busy shout :
The reverent people wait,
To see the sacred pomp stream out
Beside the temple-gate.*

*The bull with garlands hung,
Stern priests in vesture grim :
With rolling voices swiftly sung
Peals out the jocund hymn.*

*In front, behind, beside,
Beneath the chiming towers,
Pass boys that fling the censer wide,
And striplings scattering flowers.*