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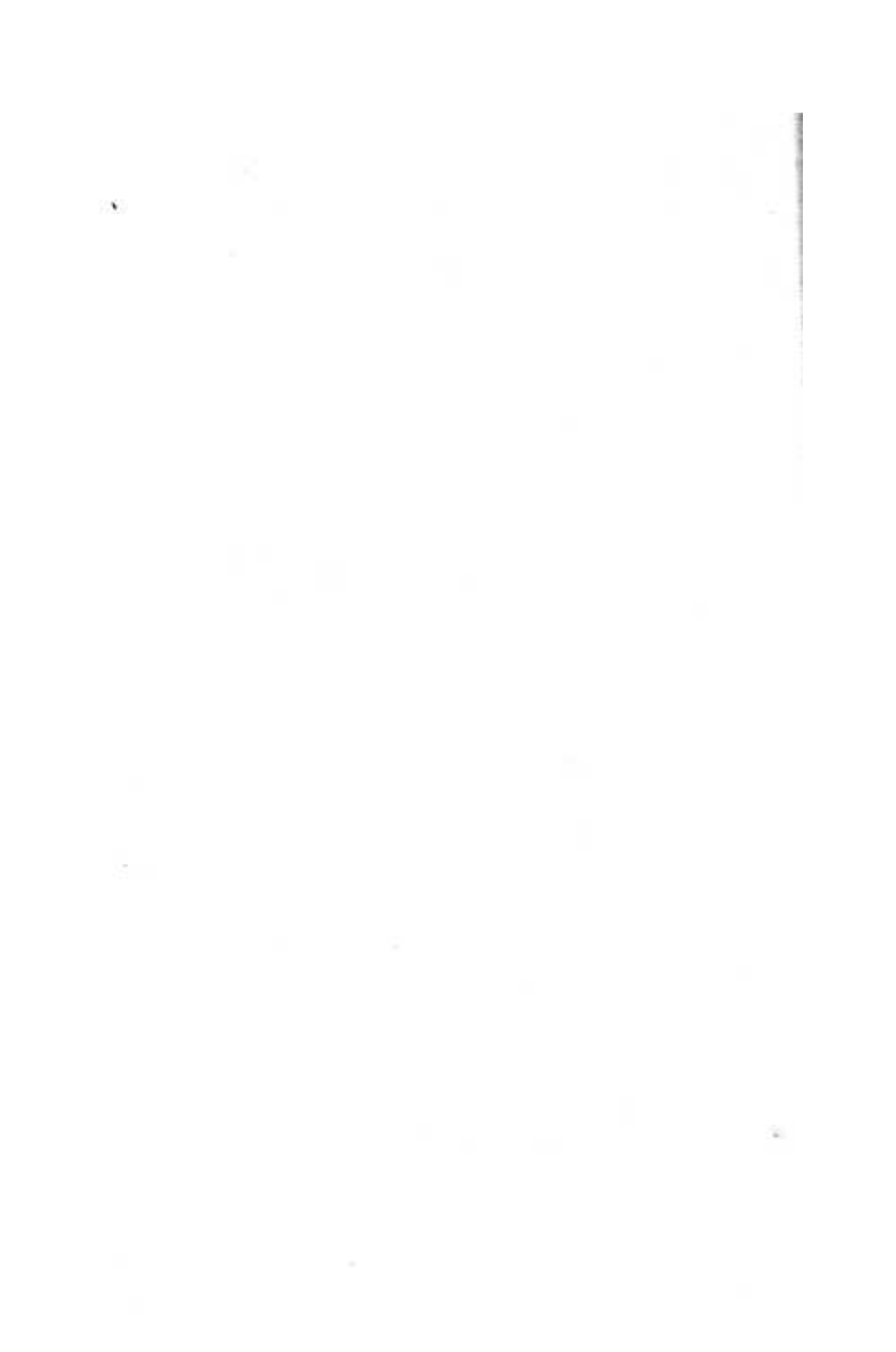
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CHAPTER I.

MR. CONWAY PROPOSES.

THE term of Mrs. Wilding's stay in town was now drawing to a close. The last day had arrived; and it had been settled that when, the next morning, Eveleen and her mother started homewards, Benedetta should at the same time get into the northern express, which would convey her to that town in Yorkshire which was nearest to Lady Dumbarton's residence. Perhaps none of the three were particularly sorry that their London visit had come to an end. Accustomed as they were to the quiet routine of country life, the amount of exertion, mental and physical, demanded of them during the last five weeks, had proved somewhat too fatiguing to be altogether agreeable.

Mrs. Wilding was perhaps the most