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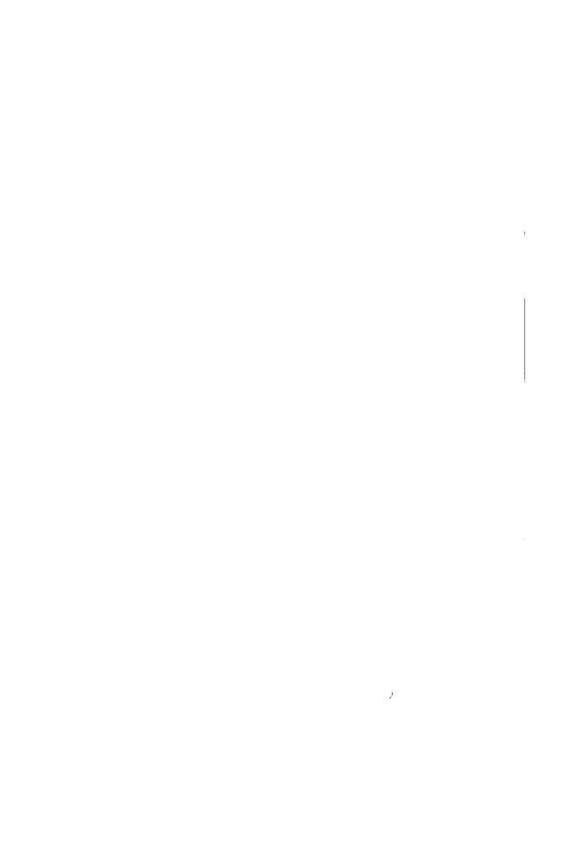
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### PRELUDE.

As they drift o'er evening skies,
Then perchance you might discover
Where my sweet Arcadia lies.

Gentle country, rolling country;
Hills and dells where brooks reside:—
Lowing cattle, failing hours;
Homes where loving hearts abide.

So I sing you of Arcadia
As it was my paradise,
And midst its waving green hills—
Grief to tell it—
There the lake of poison lies.