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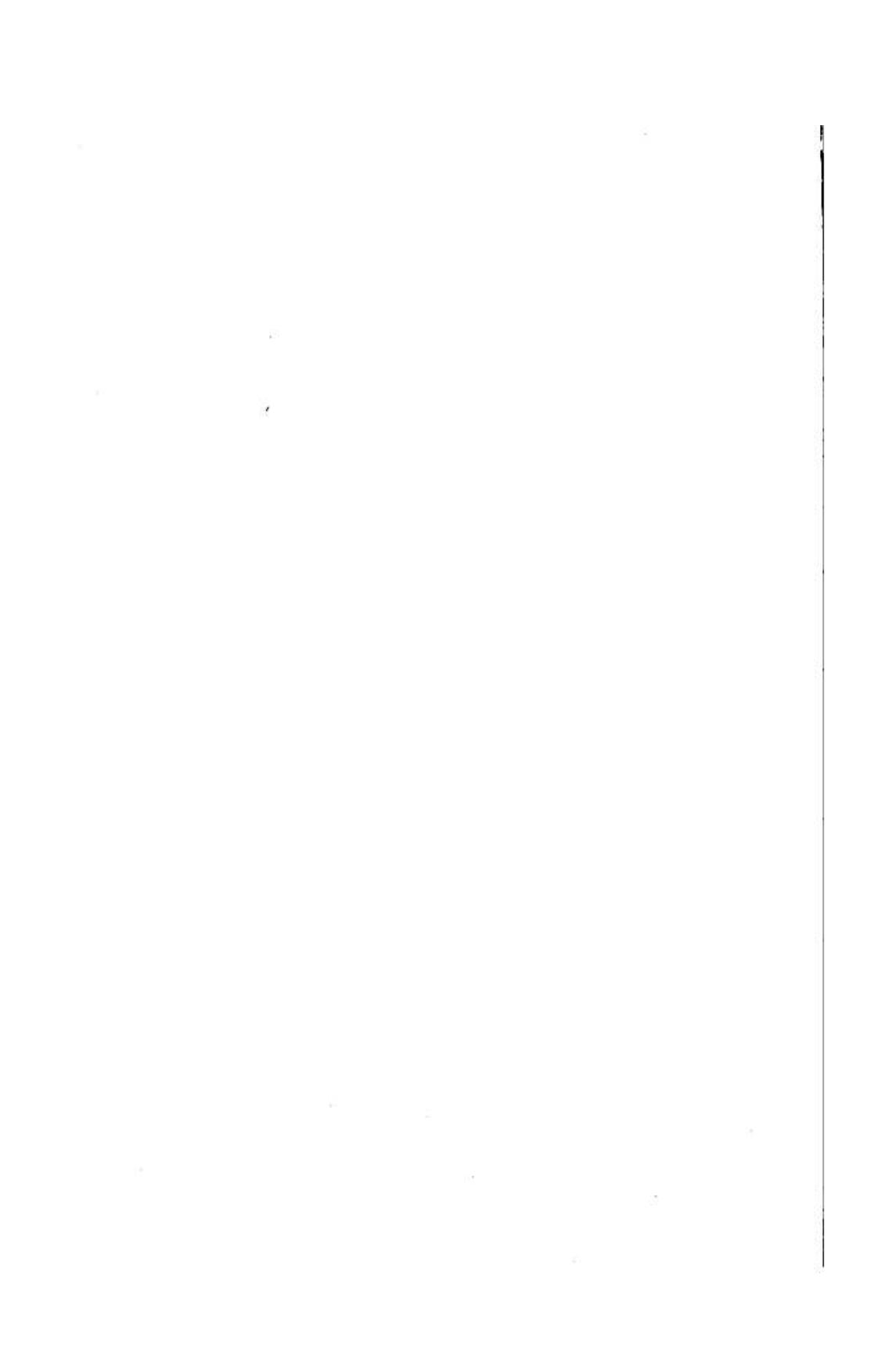
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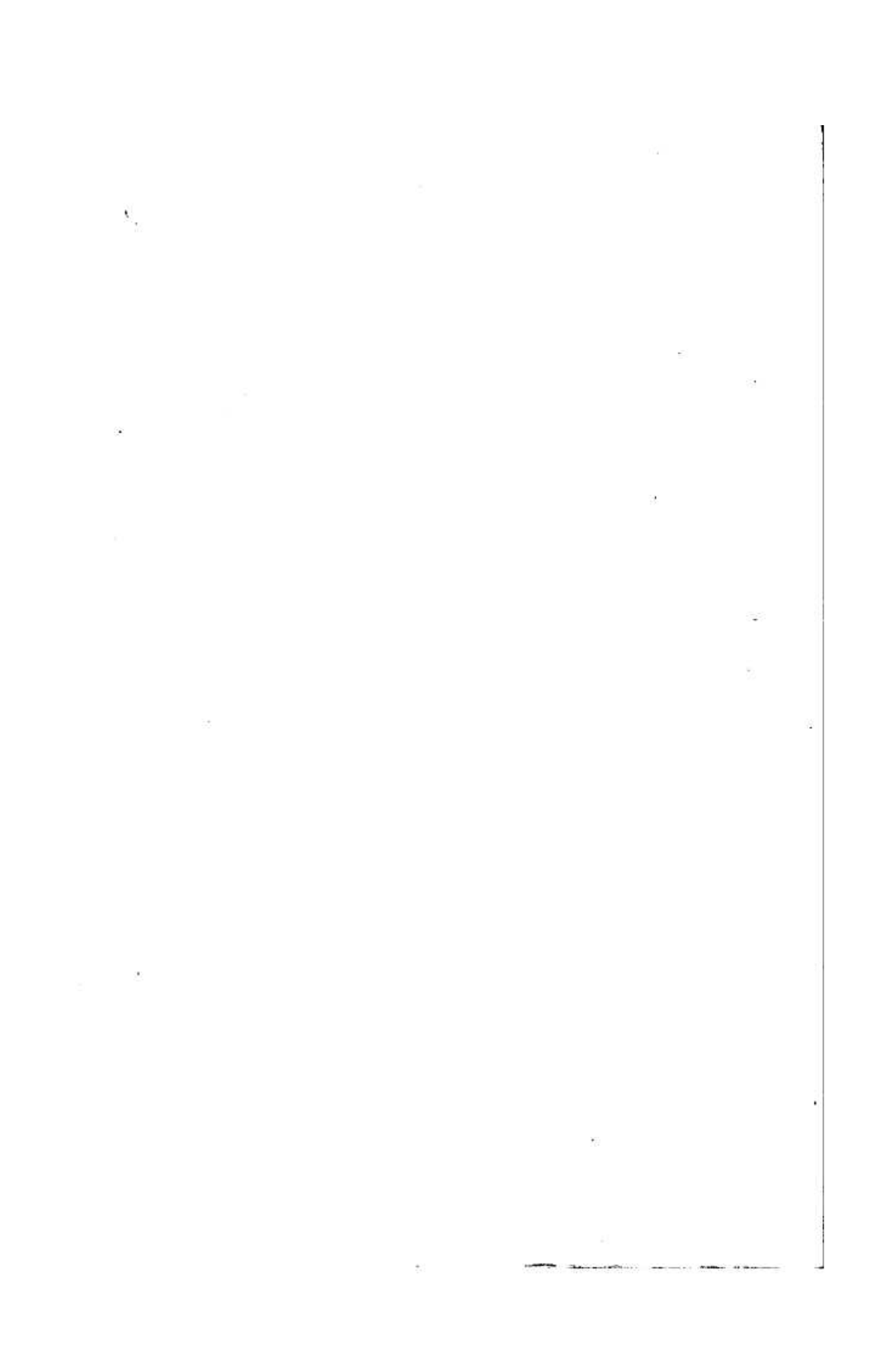
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TO LADY GREGORY



*I walked among the seven woods of Coole,
Shan-walla, where a willow-bordered pond
Gathers the wild duck from the winter dawn ;
Shady Kyle-dortha ; sunnier Kyle-na-gno
Where many hundred squirrels are as happy
As though they had been hidden by green boughs
Where old age cannot find them ; Pairc-na-lea,
Where hazel and ash and privet blind the paths ;
Dim Pairc-na-carraig, where the wild bees fling
Their sudden fragrances on the green air ;
Dim Pairc-na-tarav, where enchanted eyes
Have seen immortal, mild, proud shadows walk ;
Dim Inchy wood, that hides badger and fox
And marten-cat, and borders that old wood
Wise Biddy Early called the wicked wood :
Seven odours, seven murmurs, seven woods.*