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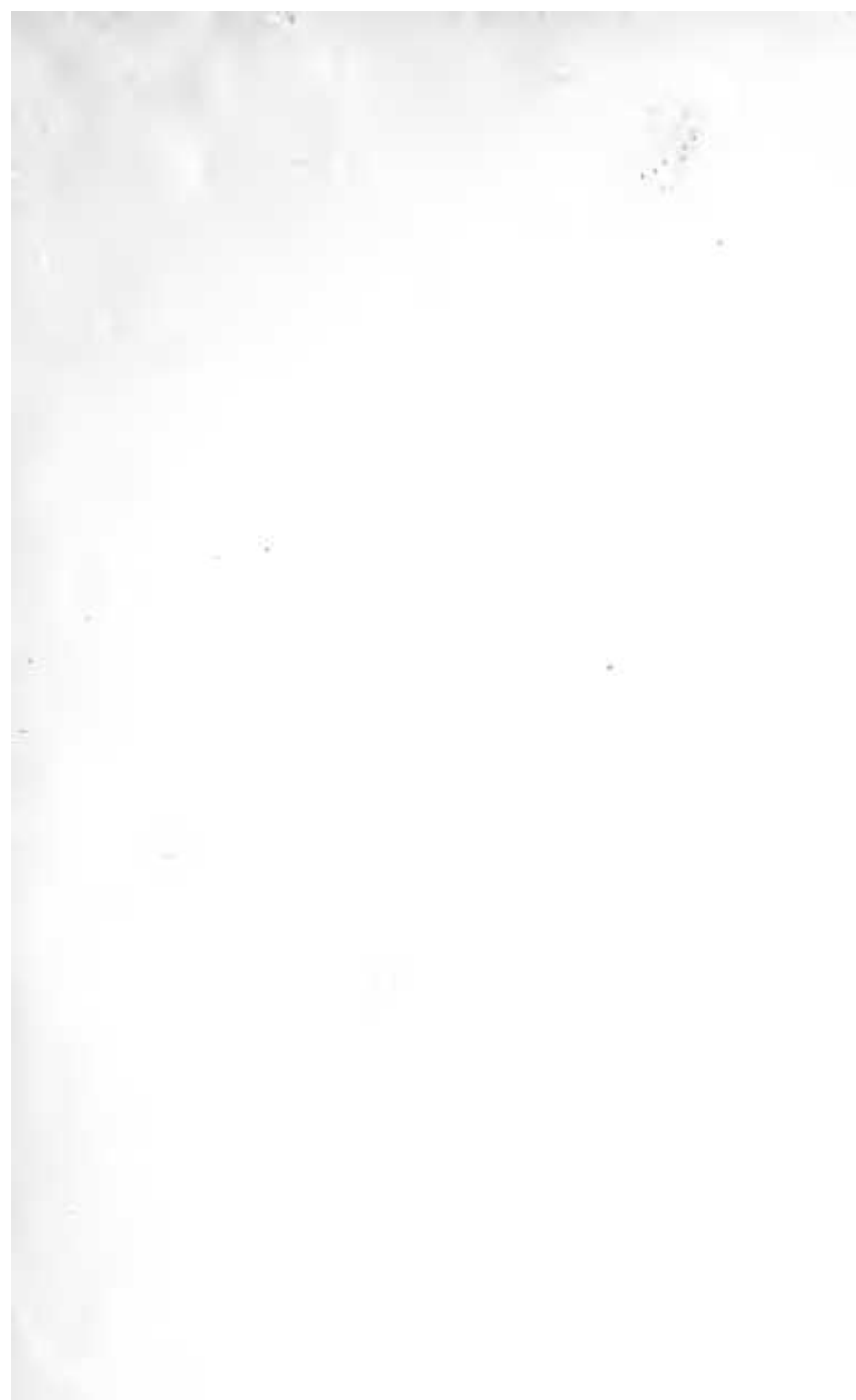
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**" They saw the silences**

Move by and beckon ; saw the forms,  
The very beards, of burly storms,  
And heard them talk like sounding seas . . .  
They saw the snowy mountains rolled  
And heaved along the nameless lands  
Like mighty billows ; saw the gold  
Of awful sunsets ; saw the blush  
Of sudden dawn, and felt the hush  
Of heaven when the day sat down  
And hid his face in dusky hands."

*Joaquin Miller.*

" In vain the speeding of shyness ;

In vain the elk takes to the inner passes of the woods . . .

. . . where geese nip their food with short jerks,

Where sundown shadows lengthen over the limitless prairie,

Where herds of buffalo make a crawling spread of the square  
miles, far and near,

Where winter wolves bark amid wastes of snow and ice-clad trees . . .

The moose, large as an ox, cornered by hunters, plunging with his  
forefeet, the hoofs as sharp as knives . . .

The blazing fire at night, the sweet taste of supper, the talk, the  
bed of hemlock boughs, and the bear-skin."

*Walt Whitman.*

