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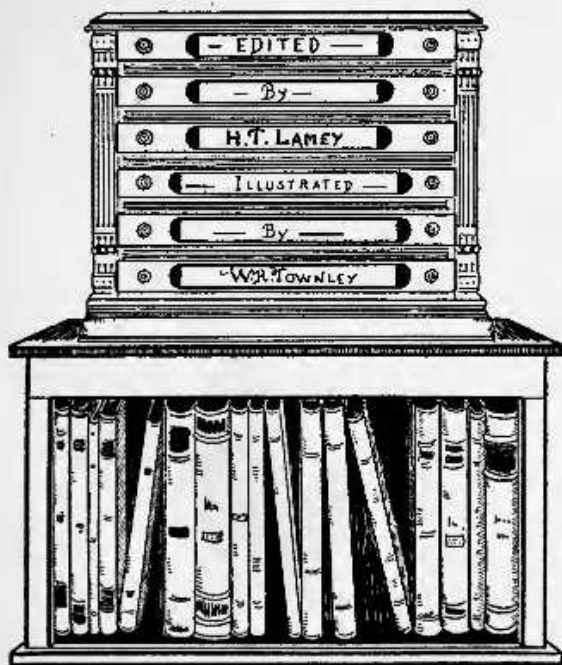
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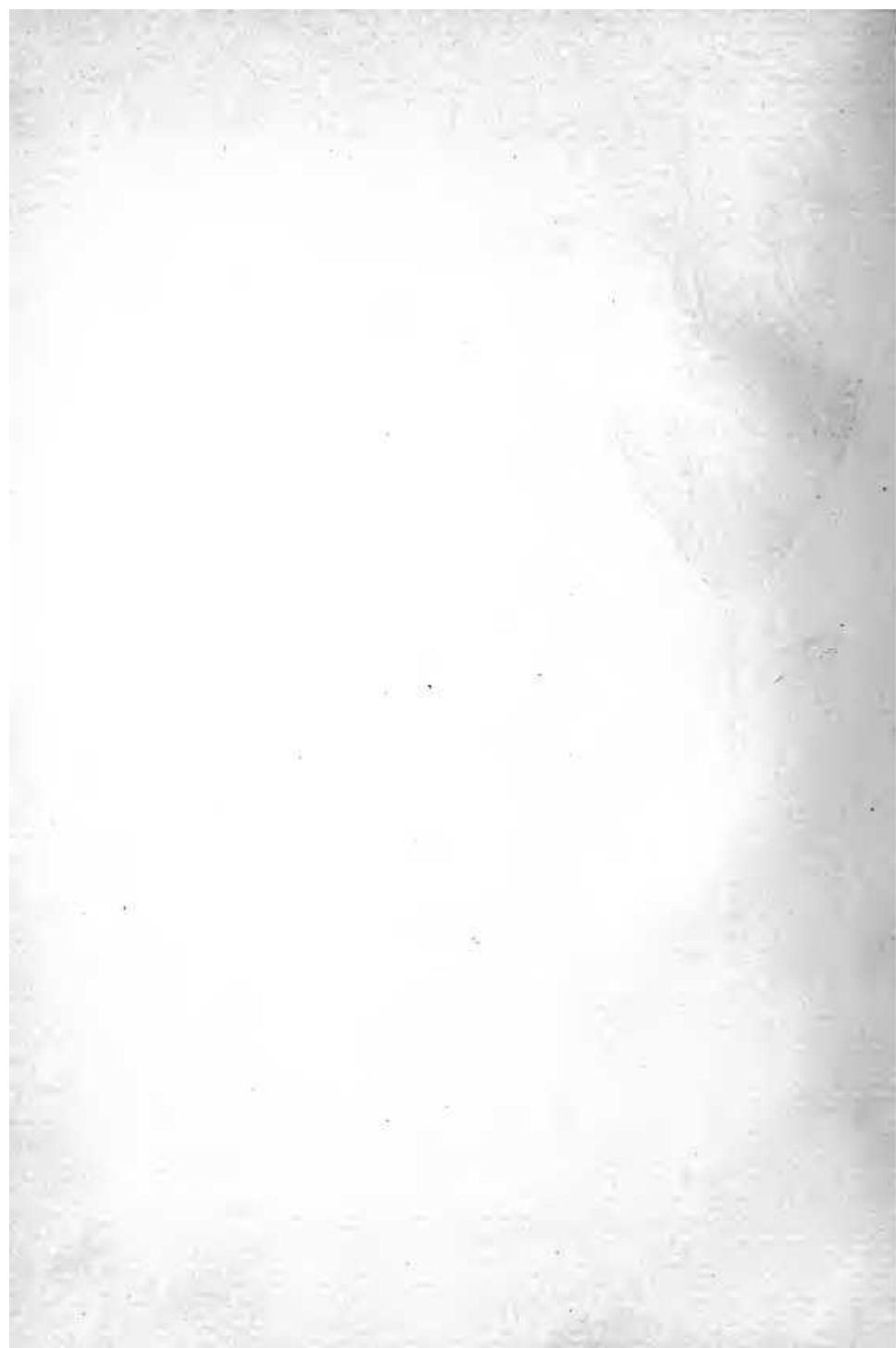
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Belt the round World,
encircle land & main,
Far as the white-winged ship
or sweeping train;
Note all the mazes
of financial strife,
Observe the quiet
of domestic life,
In crowded city
or in rural field -
Above them all
Luxury holds her shield;
And modern life
is possible to man
Alone through her
compensatory plan!

— C. C. HINE



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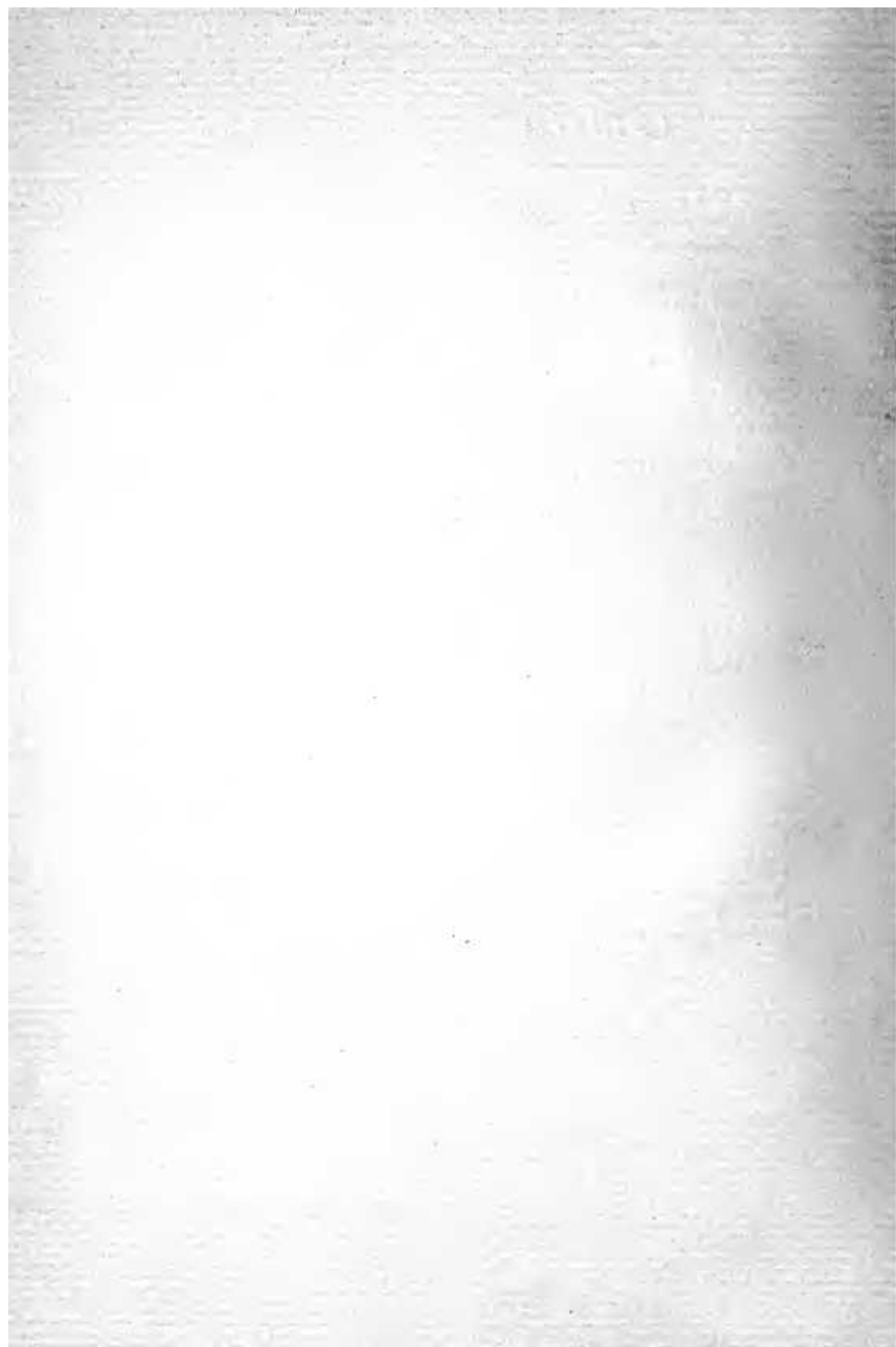
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PREFACE

THE reader may blame the Editor for the lack of consecution in Mr. Jones' Mémoires. They were as voluminous as a last century romance, and as prosy as the sermons he might have delivered. The Editor is also responsible for the suppression of three-fourths of his manuscript, but not for all of his opinions. Opinion is so much a matter of temperament and environment that a change in either may produce different conclusions. If you do not agree with all his *dicta*, it may be attributed to difference in temperament, for Jones was red-haired.

Judged by his Mémoires, he was, with one exception, an ordinary business man. He says he was large and strong, from which I infer that his digestion was good. Yet there are many symptoms of the pessimist, a physical and mental combination most extraordinary. He begins life