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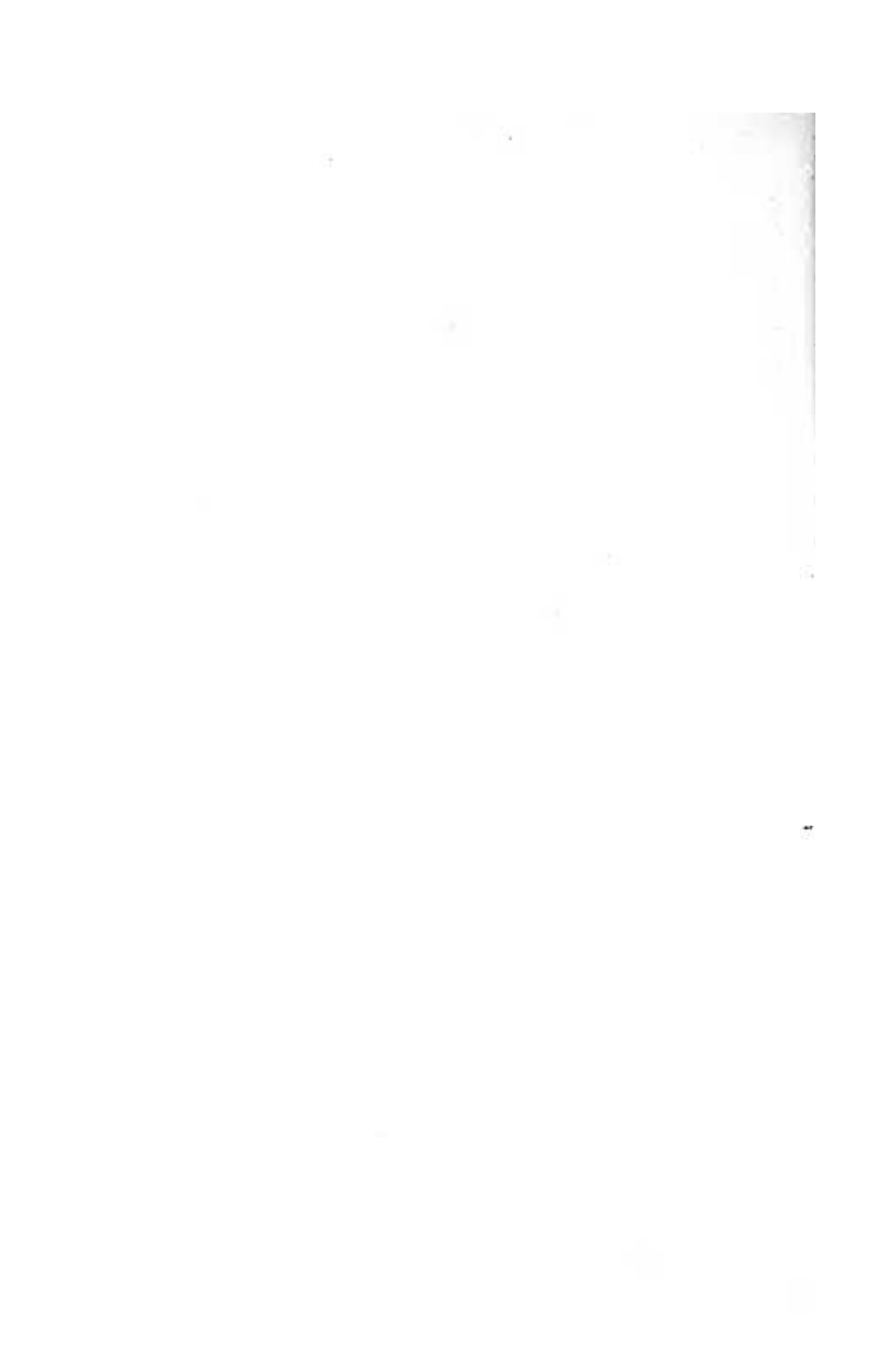


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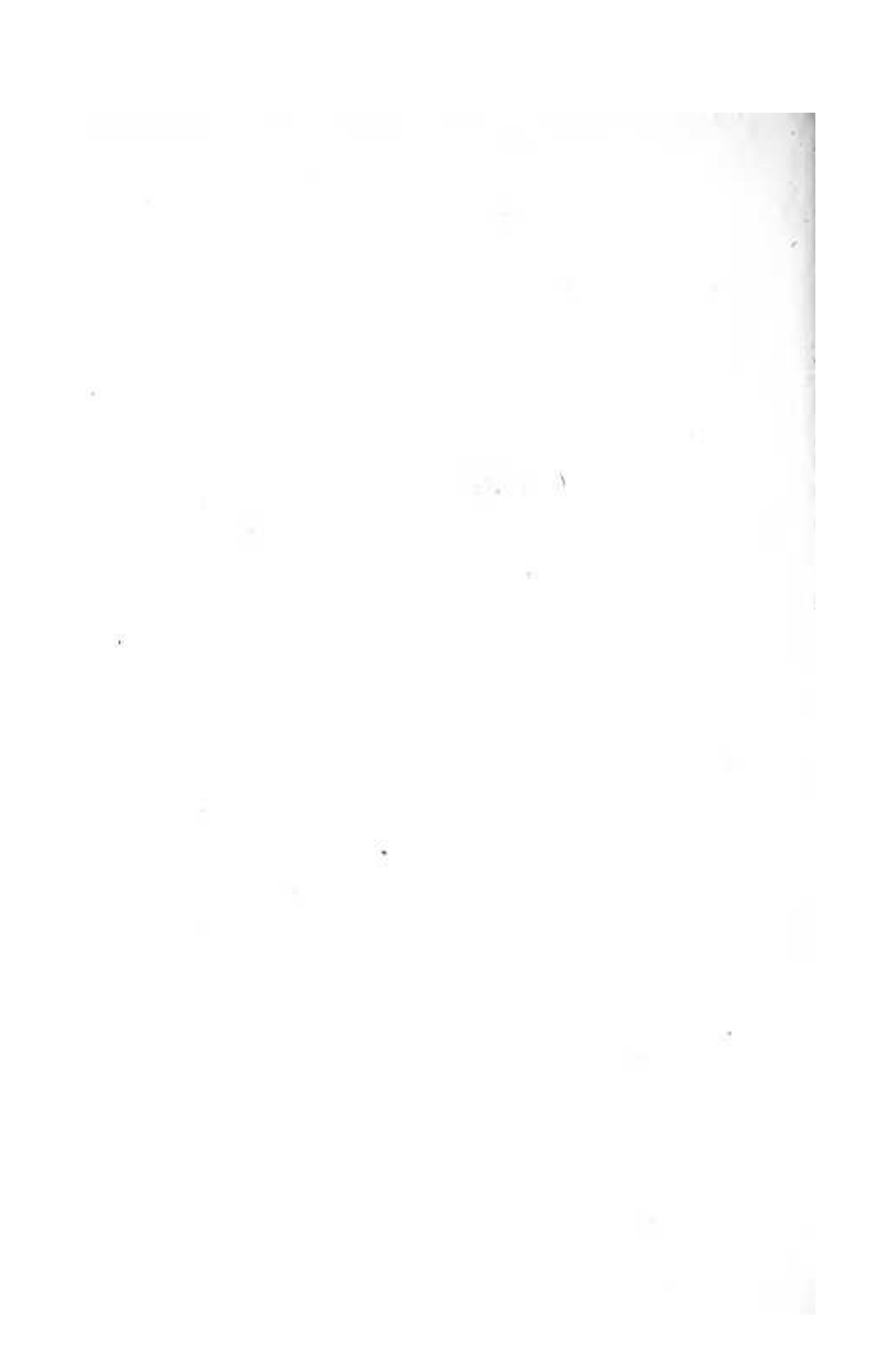




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# ARDEN.

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## CHAPTER I.

### IN THE FOREST OF ARDEN.

THE DAYS are long gone by since under the trees of Arden fair adventurous damsels wandered in merry outlawry, and many young gentlemen flocked there every day to fleet the time carelessly as in the golden world. No careless gaiety revels in Arden now; but through the busy summer hard work for little wage; in the winter cold, dreariness, and for the poor unoccupied privation.

Perhaps those oaks and elms whose trunks were scored with Orlando's rhymes,