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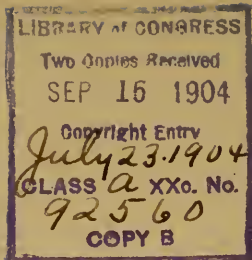
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Birthday
Book.

“ Birthday blessings, fullest, sweetest,
Fall on thee to-day ! ”

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I HAVE no birthday gift to bring,
But I will crave a royal dower,
The sevenfold largess of the King.

His Peace be thine, His Love unknown;
His own deep joy, His Strength and Power,
His Grace abounding, be ^cthine own.

His rest be thine, sweet rest to-day,
Rest while the swift years pass away,
And then His Glory thine for aye!

JANUARY

A Happy New Year! Oh such may it be!
Joyously, surely, and fully for thee!
Fear not and faint not, but be of good cheer,
And trustfully enter thy Happy New Year!

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JANUARY

Speak to me by name, O Master,
Let me know it is to me,
Speak, that I may follow faster,
With a step more firm and free,
Where the Shepherd leads the flock,
In the shadow of the Rock.

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JANUARY

He comes to the soul in its sin-wrought tomb,
And rept on the chains of death!
Then His own sweet graces awake and bloom
Beneath His living breath.

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JANUARY

Where, where are all God's lessons,
His teachings dark or bright ?
Not lost ! but only hidden,
Till, in eternal light,
We see, while at His feet we fall,
The reasons and results of all.

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JANUARY

A radiant, fadeless Eden flower,
Unfolding in loveliness hour by hour,
 Like a wing-veiled seraph's face;—
Such be the opening year to thee,
Shrouded though all its moments be,
 Unknown as the bounds of space.

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JANUARY

Oh for a "desert place" with only the
Master's smile!

Oh for the "coming apart" with only His
"rest awhile!"

31st



FEBRUARY

Yes, I will leave it all with Thee,
And only ask that I may be
Submissive to Thy loving will,
Confiding, waiting, trusting still.

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FEBRUARY

"Who went about doing good."
Do our steps correspond with that?

What treasures we miss every time
we read His word.

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FEBRUARY

"As thy day thy strength shall be!"
This should be enough for thee;
He who knows thy frame will spare
Burdens more than thou canst bear.

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FEBRUARY

Leave behind the doubting spirit,
And thy crushing load of sin;
By thy mighty Saviour's merit,
Life eternal thou shalt win.

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FEBRUARY

The Lord's remedies do not have fair play, when we set ourselves against them. Even Omnipotence waits for the faith that will let it act.


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UPON the
same
bright
morning star
Our gaze
may meet
though severed far;

The star of Bethlehem to-day
Shines brightly on our
wintry way;



And gazing on its radiance
clear,
Our hearts may
meet
and we are
near.

MARCH

'Neath shadowing banjer of His love unfurled,
We bend to kiss the Master's pierced feet;
Then lean our love upon His loving breast,
And know God's rest.

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MARCH

Our plans may be disjointed,
But we may calmly rest;
What God has once appointed
Is better than our best.

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MARCH

Whatever may be our Father's mysterious dealings, let us give the one sweet answer, which meets everything: "Even so, Father, for so it seemeth good in Thy sight."

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MARCH

"Thy claim to rest on Jesus' breast
All weariness shall be,
And pain thy portal to His heart
Of boundless sympathy."

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MARCH

Leave behind Earth's empty pleasure,
Fleeting hope and changeful love;
Leave its soon-corroding treasure:
There are better things above.

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APRIL

The white flowers, freed
From snowy sepulchres, may speak
In angel-tone to thee,—
"O fear not ye!
The Saviour whom ye seek
Is risen indeed!"

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APRIL

On every budding leaf and flower,
The sweet, soft rain of spring
Comes down in a soft and gentle shower,
Like a whispering angel-wing.

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APRIL

Look to Him who ever liveth,
Interceding for his own:
Seek, yea, claim the grace He giveth
Freely from His priestly throne.
Will He not thy strength renew
With His Spirit's quickening dew?

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APRIL

Think of "the things that He suffered," just that He might personally know our little sorrows, and enter into our sufferings, and succor us in them with His own mighty help!

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APRIL

Jesus, Master, whose I am,
Purchased thine alone to be,
By Thy blood, O spotless Lamb,
Shed so willingly for me ;
Let my heart be all Thine own,
Let me live to Thee alone.

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APRIL

“Oh! take the heart I could not give
Without Thy strength-bestowing call;
In Thee, and for Thee, let me live,
For I am nothing, Thou art all.”



FEAR not
the westering
shadows,

O children
of the day!

For brighter
still
and brighter

Shall be
your homeward way.

Resplendent as the morning,

With fuller glow and
power

And clearer than
the noon day

Shall be
your
sunset
hour.



MAY

O haste, O haste to the fields away!
For dawneth now the month of May;
O leave the city's crowded street,
And haste ye now sweet May to greet.

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MAY

Will you not come to Him for ALL ?
Will you not "taste and see ?"
He waits to give it all to you,
The gifts are free, the words are true!
Jesus is calling, "Come unto ME!"

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MAY

Prayer must be based upon promise, but thank God, His promises are always broader than our prayers.

Every experience of the realities of faith widens the horizon of the possibilities of faith.

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M A Y

Nothing to pay! Ah, nothing to pay!
Never a word of excuse to say!
Year after year thou hast filled the score,
Owing thy Lord still more and more.
Hear the voice of Jesus say,
"Verily thou hast nothing to pay!"

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MAY

Begin at once! In the strength of God,
For that will never fail you!
Under His banner, bright and broad,
You shall be safe from fear and fraud,
And from all that can assail you.

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MAY

The Master hath said it! Rejoicing in this,
We ask not for sign or for token;
His word is enough for our confident bliss,—
“The Scripture cannot be broken!”

31st



JUNE

By Him "LIFE'S MORNING" lov'dit be,
Who loved, and lived and died for thee:
So shall thy NOONTIDE never know
Earth's burning thirst, or withering glow:
And thou shalt fear no gathering night:
At EVENTIDE it shall be light.

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JUNE

Oh to be nearer Thee, my Saviour,
Oh to be filled with Thy sweet grace,
Oh to abide in Thine own favor,
Oh to behold Thy glorious face.

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JUNE

Only wait and trust Him
Just a little while ;
After evening tear-drops
Shall come the morning smile

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JUNE

Father, send the glorious hour,
Every heart be Thine alone!
For the kingdom and the power,
And the glory are Thine own.

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JUNE

Yes, I will leave it all with Thee,
And only ask that I may be
Submissive to Thy loving will,
Confiding, waiting, trusting still,
Thou every fond desire doth know
Which in my inmost heart doth glow.

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JUNE

Let Thy Kingdom come, we pray Thee
Let the world in Thee find rest ;
Let all know Thee, and obey Thee,
Loving, praising, blessing, blessed !



JULY

In Thee I trust, on Thee I rest,
O Saviour dear, Redeemer blest!
No earthly friend, no brother knows
My weariness, my wants, my woes.
On Thee I call
Who knowest all.

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JULY

Listen! for the Lord hath spoken!

“Fear thou not,” saith He;

“When thou passest through the waters,
I will be with thee.”

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JULY

My life I bring to Thee,
I would not be my own ;
O Saviour, let me be
Thine ever, Thine alone.
My heart, my life, my all I bring
To Thee, my Saviour, and my King!

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JULY

Grave on thy heart each past "red-letter day!"
Forget not all the sunshine of the way
By which the Lord hath led thee: answered prayers
And joys unasked; strange blessings, lifted cares.

19th

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JULY

Oh, let thy life be given,
Thy years for Him be spent,
World fetters all be riven,
And joy with suffering blent;
I gave Myself for thee:
Give thou thyself to Me.

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JULY

Thou, my best and kindest Friend,
Thou wilt love me to the end!
Let me love Thee more and more,
Always better than before!

31st



THE sweetest
music
here

Calls forth the
quiet tear,

For grief and gladness flow
in blended
stream;

Oh for the joyous day,

(Can it be far away?)

When one great Alleluia
song shall chase

Life's tuneless
dream!



AUGUST

Thanks, more than thanks, to Him ascend,
Who died to win
Our life, and every trophy rend
From Death and sin;
Till when the thanks of Earth shall end,
The thanks of Heaven begin.

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AUGUST

"Jesus only!" In the shadow
Of the cloud so chill and dim,
We are clinging, loving, trusting,
He with us, and we with Him;
All unseen, though ever nigh,
"Jesus only"—all our cry.

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AUGUST

O use me, Lord, use even me,
Just as Thou wilt, and when, and where;
Until Thy blessed Face I see,
Thy rest, Thy joy, Thy glory share.

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AUGUST

From the great anthems of the Crystal Sea,
Through the far vistas of Eternity,
Grand echoes of the word peal on for thee,
Sweetest and fullest: "Most blessed forever!"

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AUGUST

Take all Thy vessels, O glorious Finer,
Purge all the dross, that each chalice may be
Pure in Thy pattern, complete diviner,
Filled with Thy glory and shining for Thee.

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AUGUST

Thanks for Thine own thrice-blessed Word,
And Sabbath rest;
Thanks for the hope of glory stored
In mansions blest;
Thanks for the Spirit's comfort poured
Into the trembling breast.

31st



SEPTEMBER

How real Thy mercy and Thy might!
How real Thy love, how real Thy light!
How real Thy truth and faithfulness!
How real Thy blessing when Thou dost bless!

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SEPTEMBER

Hitherto the Lord hath helped us,
Guiding all the way;
Henceforth let us trust Him fully,
Trust Him all the day.

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SEPTEMBER

Only for Jesus! Lord keep it forever
Sealed on the heart and engraved on the life!
Pulse of all gladness and nerve of endeavor,
Secret of rest, and strength of our strife.

13th

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SEPTEMBER

Every little flower that grows,
Every little grassy blade,
Every little dewdrop shows
Jesus cares for all He made:
Jesus loves, and Jesus knows!
So you need not be afraid!

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SEPTEMBER

Thou layest Thy hand on the fluttering heart,
And sayest, "Be still!"
The silence and shadow are only a part
Of Thy sweet will.
Thy Presence is with me, and where Thou art
I fear no ill.

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SEPTEMBER

Gazing down the far forever,
Brighter grows the one sweet name.
Steadfast radiance, paling never,
Jesus, Jesus! still The Same.
Evermore "Thou shalt endure!"
Our own Saviour, strong and sure!"

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OCTOBER

Not a cloud and not a shadow,
Not a mist and not a tear,
Not a sin and not a sorrow,
Not a dim and veiled to-morrow,
For that sunrise grand and clear.

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OCTOBER

Increase our faith, O Saviour dear,
By Thy sweet sovereign grace,
Till, changing faith for vision clear,
We see Thee face to face!

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OCTOBER

The fullest gift, O Lord,
Now at Thy feet I claim,
Through Thy dear name!
And touch the rapturous chord
Of praise forth poured.

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OCTOBER

"I am with thee!" He hath said it
In His truth and tender grace;
Sealed the promise grandly spoken,
With how many a mighty token
Of His love and faithfulness.

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OCTOBER

Distrust thyself, but trust alone
In Him, for all—forever!
And joyously thy heart shall own
That Jesus faileth never.

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OCTOBER

Not till we are in Heaven, shall we know the full meaning of "Thy gentleness hath made me great." How infinitely blessed it is to be entirely Christ's.

31st



NOVEMBER

For the weariest day
 May Christ be thy stay!
For the darkest night
 May Christ be thy light!
For the weakest hour
 May Christ be Thy power!
For each moment's fall
May Christ be thy all!

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NOVEMBER

He leadeth me, softly and safely, step by step, till the desert journey is over and the Father's home reached.

Lord be Thou my King this day.

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NOVEMBER

Precious, precious blood of Jesus,
Shed on Calvary;
Shed for rebels, shed for sinners,
Shed for me.

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NOVEMBER

Take my heart, it is Thine own;
It shall be Thy royal throne.

Take my love, my Lord, I pour
At Thy feet its treasure-store.

Take myself, and I will be
Ever, only ALL for Thee.

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NOVEMBER

Then trust Him for to-day
As thine unfailing Friend,
And let Him lead thee all the way,
Who loveth to the end.

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NOVEMBER

There is no room for looking at self and difficulties and troubles and fears, when there is a gush of prayer summed up in "Father, glorify Thy Son!"

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DOWN the
ages hoary

Peals the
song of glory,

Peace and God's good-will!

Other echoes die
away.

But the song of Christmas day

Echoes from the Judean hill,

Ever clearer, louder
still.

Oh, may its holy,
heavenly chime

Make all thy life
a Christmas-time!



DECEMBER

The morning light flingeth
Its wakening ray,
And as the day bringeth
The work of the day,
The happy heart singeth ;
Awake and away !

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DECEMBER

Unto him that hath, Thou givest
Ever "More abundantly."
Lord, I live because Thou livest,
Therefore give more life to me;
Therefore speed me in the race;
Therefore let me grow in grace

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DECEMBER

Thou only art the changeless Friend,
On whom for aye we may depend:
In life, in death, alike we flee,
O Saviour of the world, to THEE.

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DECEMBER

What is ever fresher than the old, old story, when any part of it is heard with the ear of faith? And our response is, "Jesus died for ME!"

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DECEMBER

Bright be thy Christmas tide!
Carol it far and wide,
Jesus, the King and the Saviour, is come!
Jesus thy guest will be;
Oh, let him dwell with thee!
Open thy heart for this palace and home.

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DECEMBER

New mercies, new blessings, new light on the way ;
New courage, new hope, and new strength for each
day ;
New notes of thanksgiving, new chords of delight,
New praise in the morning, new songs in the night.

31st

UPWARD, still upward, thy pathway be,
 Into the sunshine grand and free;
Leaving the mists and clouds below,
Gaining the pure and stainless snow.
Upward, still upward! Thy faithful Guide
Always close at His pilgrim's side,
Leading thee on from height to height,
Nearer and nearer the stars of light.

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Tune for thyself the music of my days.
And open Thou my lips that I may show Thy
praise.

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NOTES

May the tale the years are telling,
Always be
Like an angel-anthem swelling
Through thy spirit's quiet dwelling,
Till the glory all-excelling
Dawns for thee!

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NOTES

Many and happy thy birthdays be!
In the light of Heaven arrayed,
With the rainbow arching every cloud
When the pathway lies in shade;
And full and far may the blessing flow,
That thy future life is made.

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"Jesus only!" In the glory,
When the shadows all are flown,
Seeing Him in all His beauty,
Satisfied with Him alone;
May we join His ransomed throng,
"Jesus only"—all our song!

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No life can be dreary
When work is delight;
Though evening be weary,
Rest cometh at night;
And all will be cheery,
If faithful and right.

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Complete in Him our glorious Head,
With Jesus raised from the dead,
And by His mighty spirit led!
O blessed Lord, is this for me?
Then let my whole life henceforth be
One Allelulia-song to Thee!

NOTES

Joined to Christ in mystic union,
We Thy members, Thou our Head,
Sealed by deep and true communion,
Risen with Thee, who once was dead—
Saviour we would humbly claim
All the power of this Thy name.

NOTES

And if it seemeth good to Thee, my Father,
Shall it seem aught but good to me?
Thy will be done! Thou knowest I would rather
Leave all with Thee.

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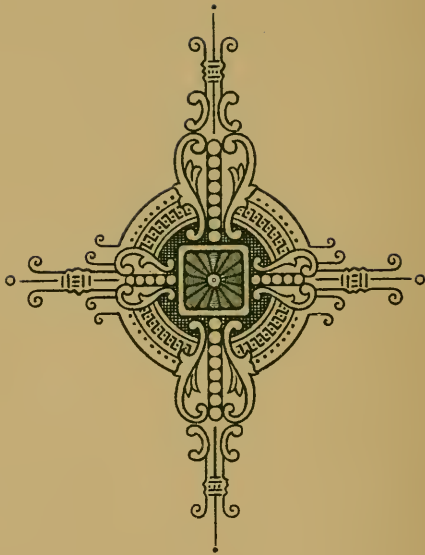
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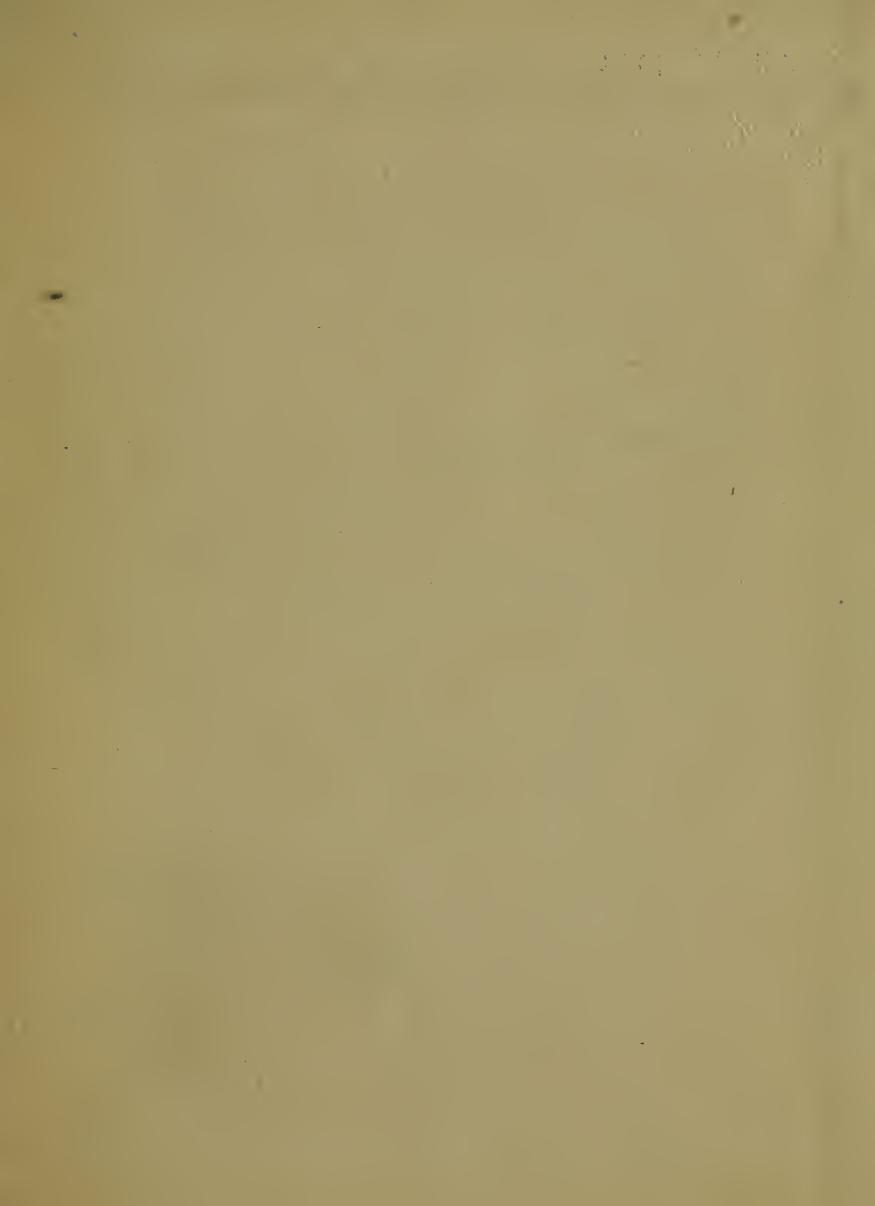
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