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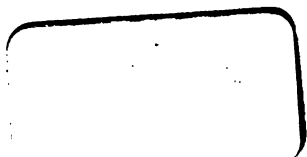
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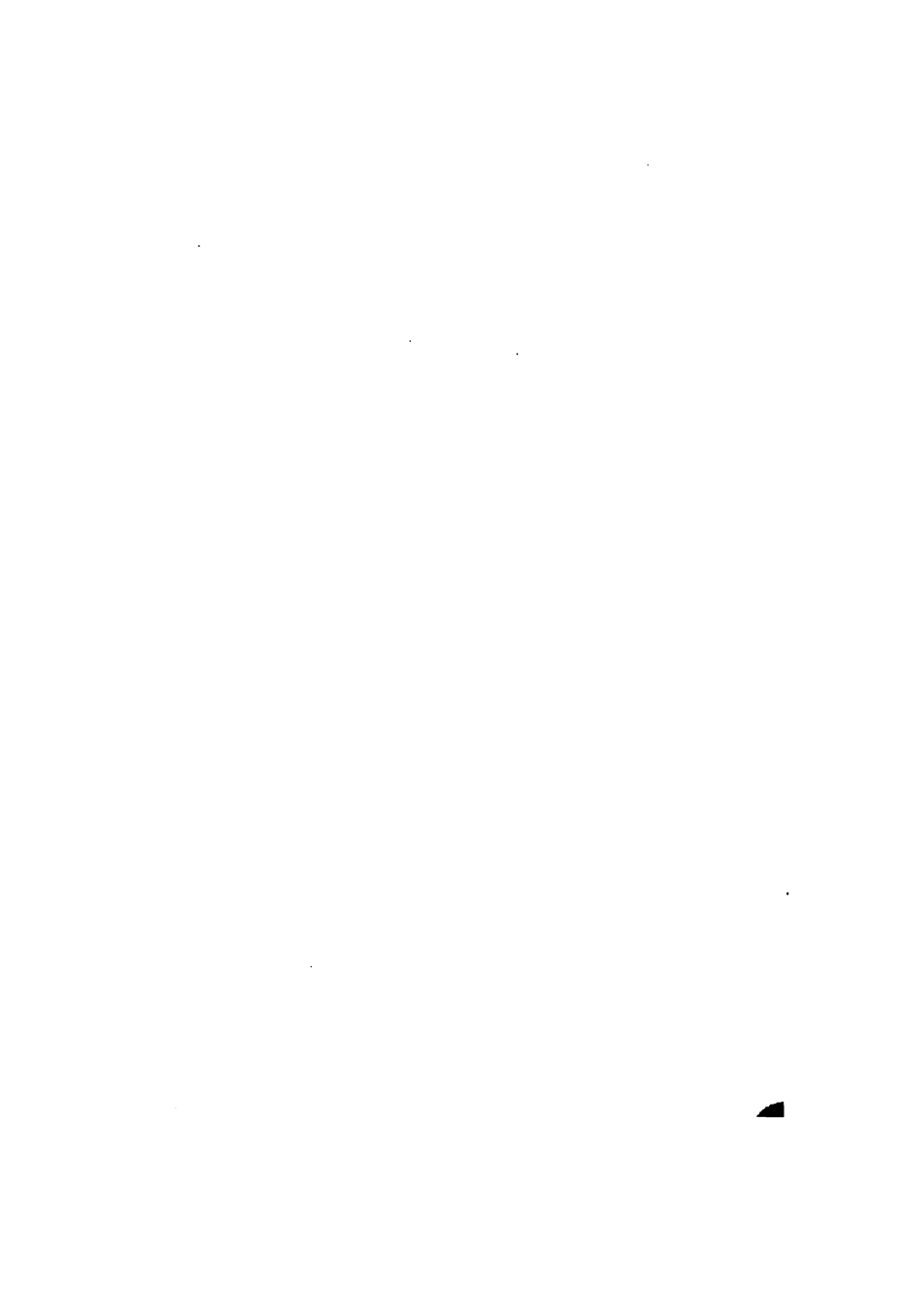
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FUN, FEELING, AND FANCY.



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I HAVE DERIVED MANY ADVANTAGES,

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PREFACE.



IN sending forth another volume of verse into the world, I feel a renewal of much of that anxiety which, three years ago, I experienced when issuing my "Clare, the Gold-Seeker," etc. The reception awarded that volume was certainly very encouraging, and the subsequent associations which I formed through my simple collection of songs were the source of much gratification to me; yet the same feelings of hope, doubt, and fear have again taken possession of my breast, and will, in all probability, remain masters thereof until such time as a public verdict shall have been pronounced upon the present ven-



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Haste thee, Nymph, and bring with thee,
Jest and youthful Jollity,
Quips and cranks, and wanton wiles,
Nods and becks, and wreathed smiles,
Such as hang on Hebe's cheek,
And love to live in dimple sleek ;
Sport that wrinkled Care derides,
And Laughter holding both his sides."

MILTON.



F U N.

THE ELOPEMENT.

SIR GOURMOND GRUB was round as a tub,
His forehead was narrow, his eyes were small,
His stature was short; so, folk said, in sport,
That when he got tipsy he'd not far to fall.

Sir Gourmond Grub had a marvellous nose
(Of his bottle was more than *passing* fond),
A beacon red to his dull thick head,
Which warned of the barren coast beyond.

A bachelor was Sir Gourmond G.,
Though far, far advanced on the road of life;
He could talk of his grounds, of his horses, and hounds,
But the foolish old man couldn't boast of a wife.

The sports of the field were for aye on his tongue,
And the spoils of the chase in each room were hung—
Brushes of foxes, the skin of a bear,
Antlers and horns seemed to dart from the wall,
And threatened to toss you up the stair,
As you entered Sir Gourmond's grand old hall.