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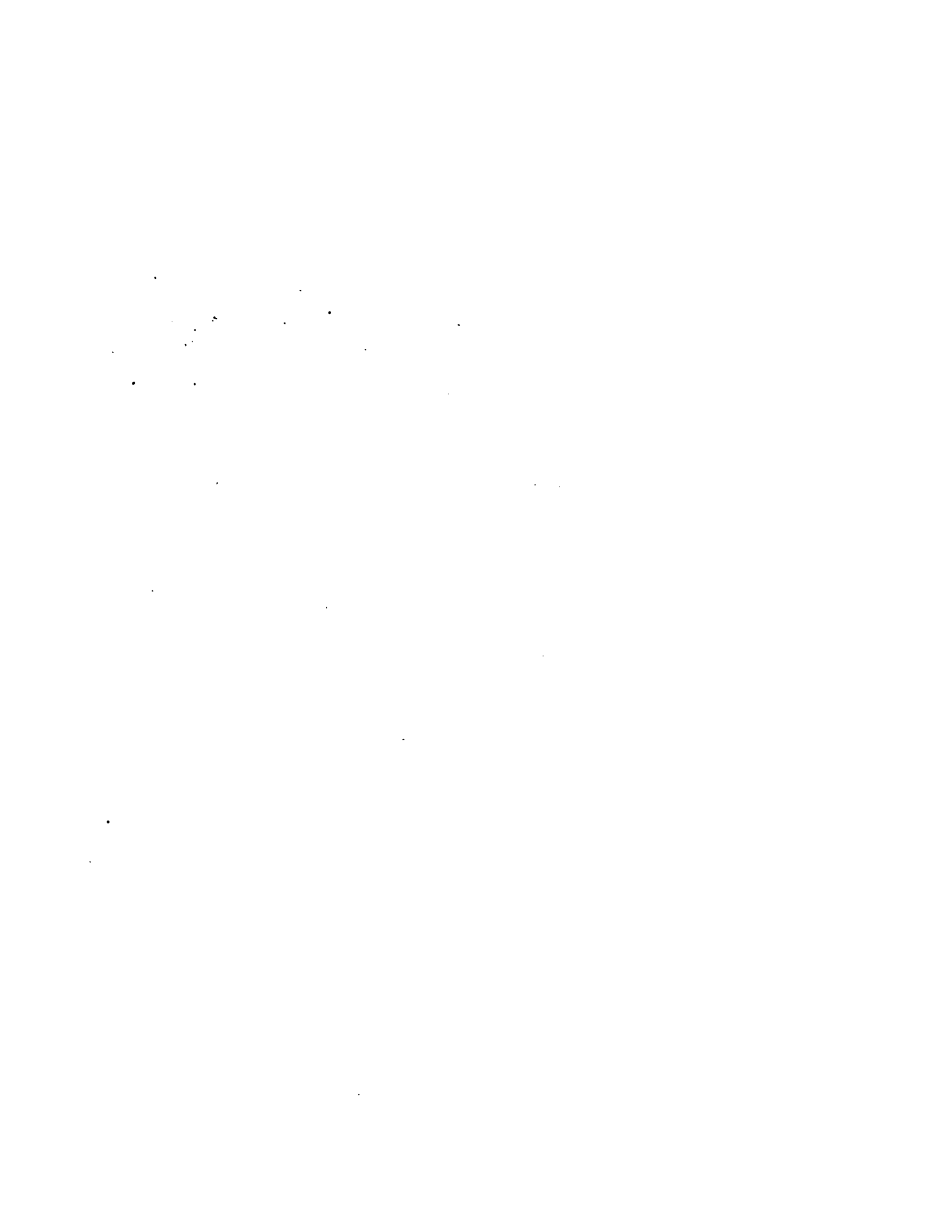
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THE LIFE

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LLOYD, FIRST LORD KENYON,

LORD CHIEF JUSTICE OF ENGLAND.

BY THE

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PREFACE.

THE publication of another Life of LORD KENYON may perhaps require an apology.

Shortly after his death, a literary man expressed a wish to become his biographer ; but his son, the second Lord Kenyon, was dissuaded from giving his countenance to the undertaking, by his father's successor, Lord Chief Justice Ellenborough.

'I feel an anxiety,' writes that nobleman, 'that so delicate and important a subject as the writing of the history of the life of my virtuous and very learned predecessor should not be committed to any but the most able, judicious, and respectable hands. . . . Your Lordship may remember how very little Lord Mansfield's celebrity was advanced by the indiscreet Life of him by Holliday.'¹

This advice was taken, and no authorised Life of Lord Kenyon appeared till the publication of Mr. Townshend's 'Lives of Twelve Eminent Judges.'

With some inaccuracies, the character of the eminent Judge was here fairly and impartially drawn ; and had

¹ Lord Ellenborough to 2nd Lord Kenyon, 1804.