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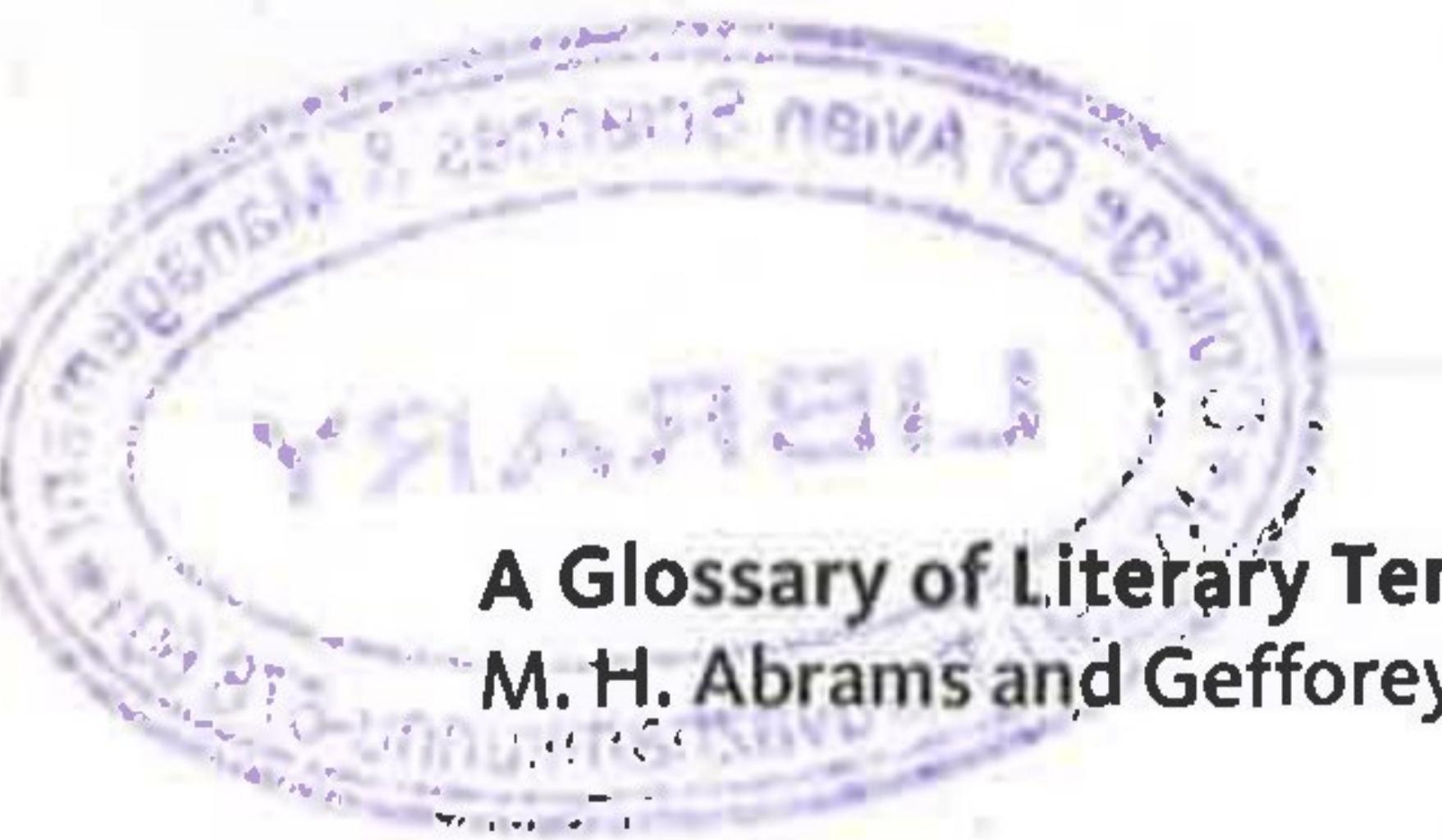
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...and other difficulties will come with the time and the place. I have tried to make the book as useful as possible, by giving practical advice on how to use it, and by providing a glossary of literary terms. I hope that this book will help you to understand and appreciate the works of literature better.

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