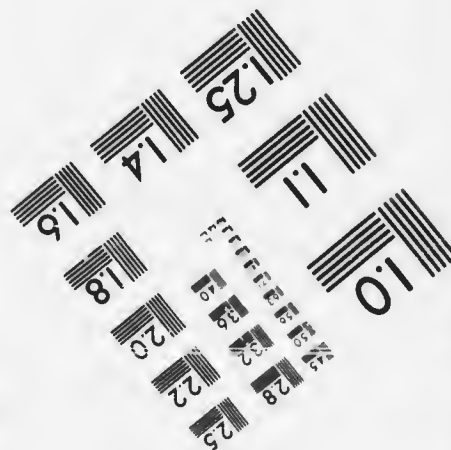
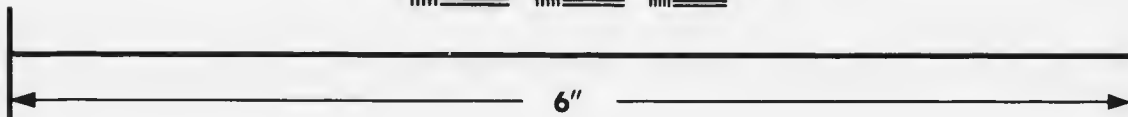
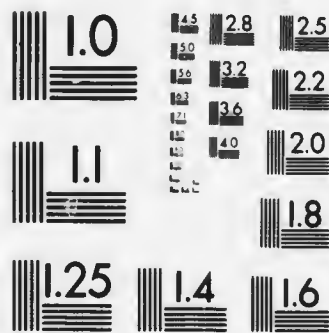


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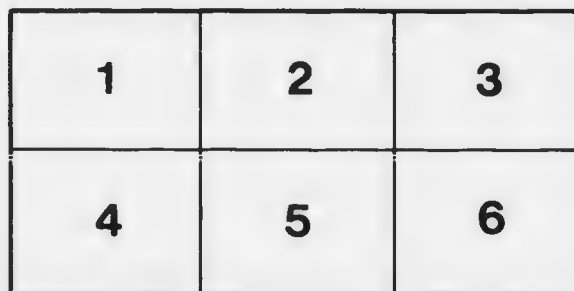
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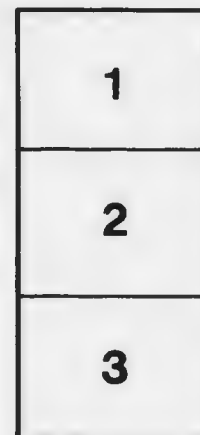
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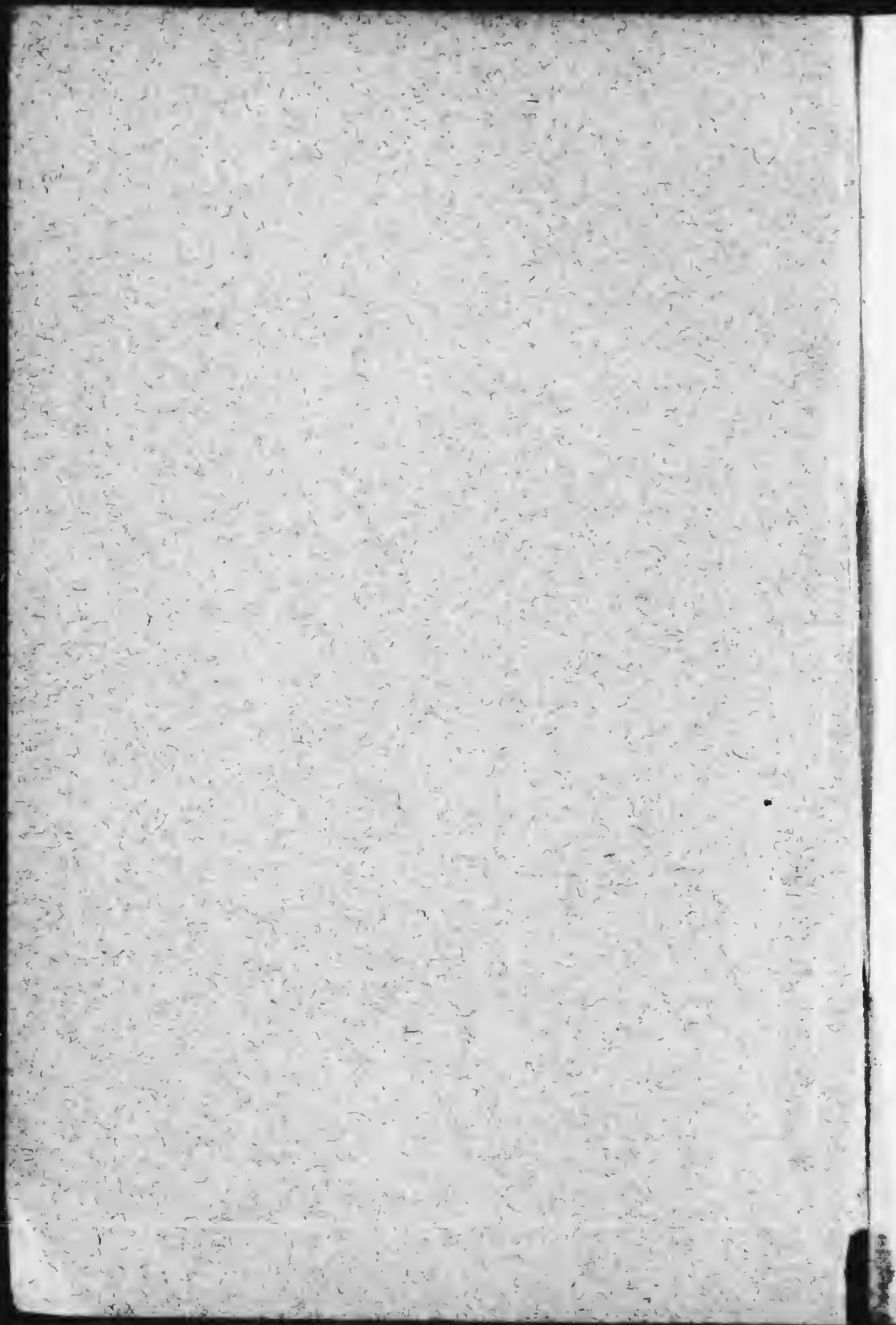


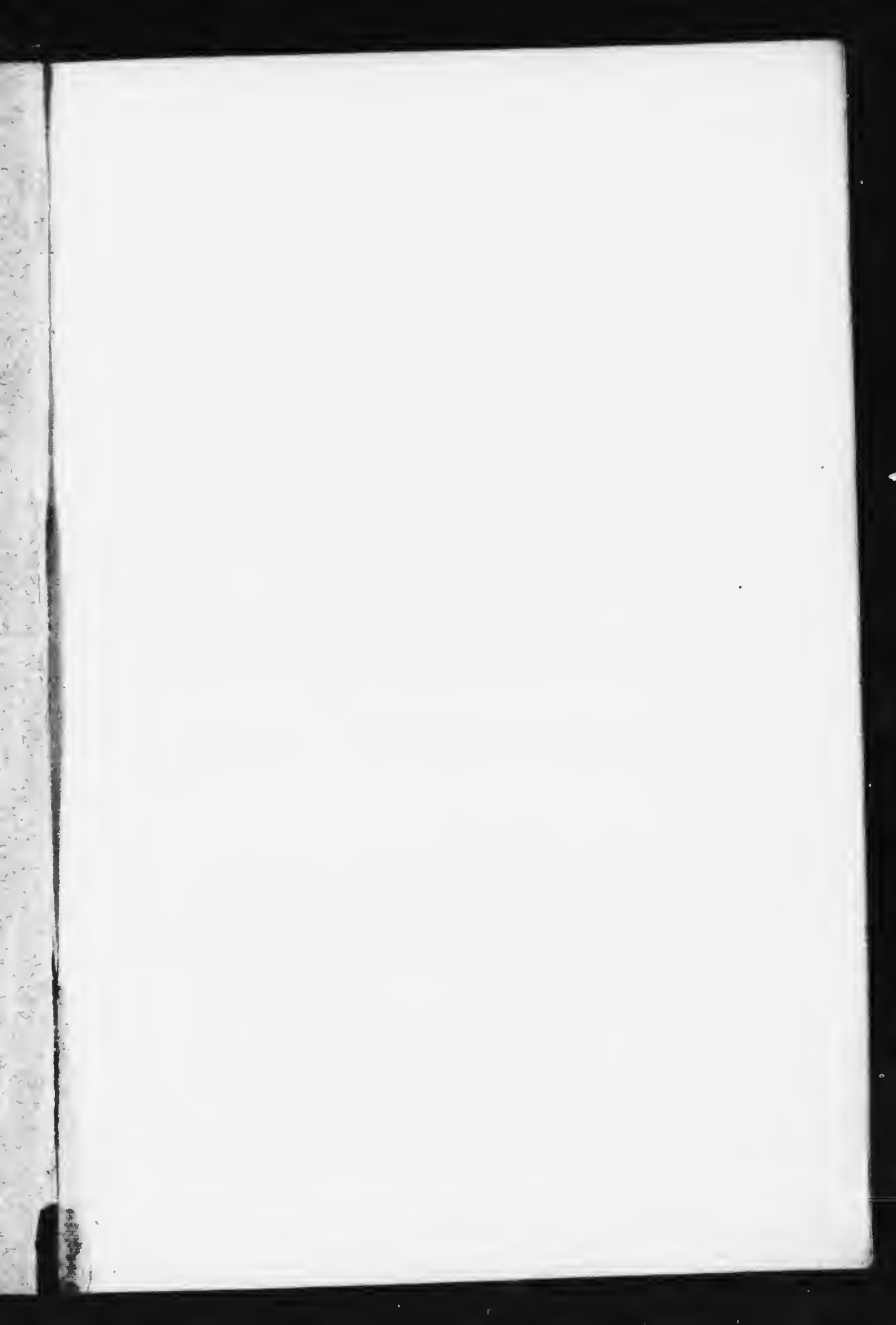
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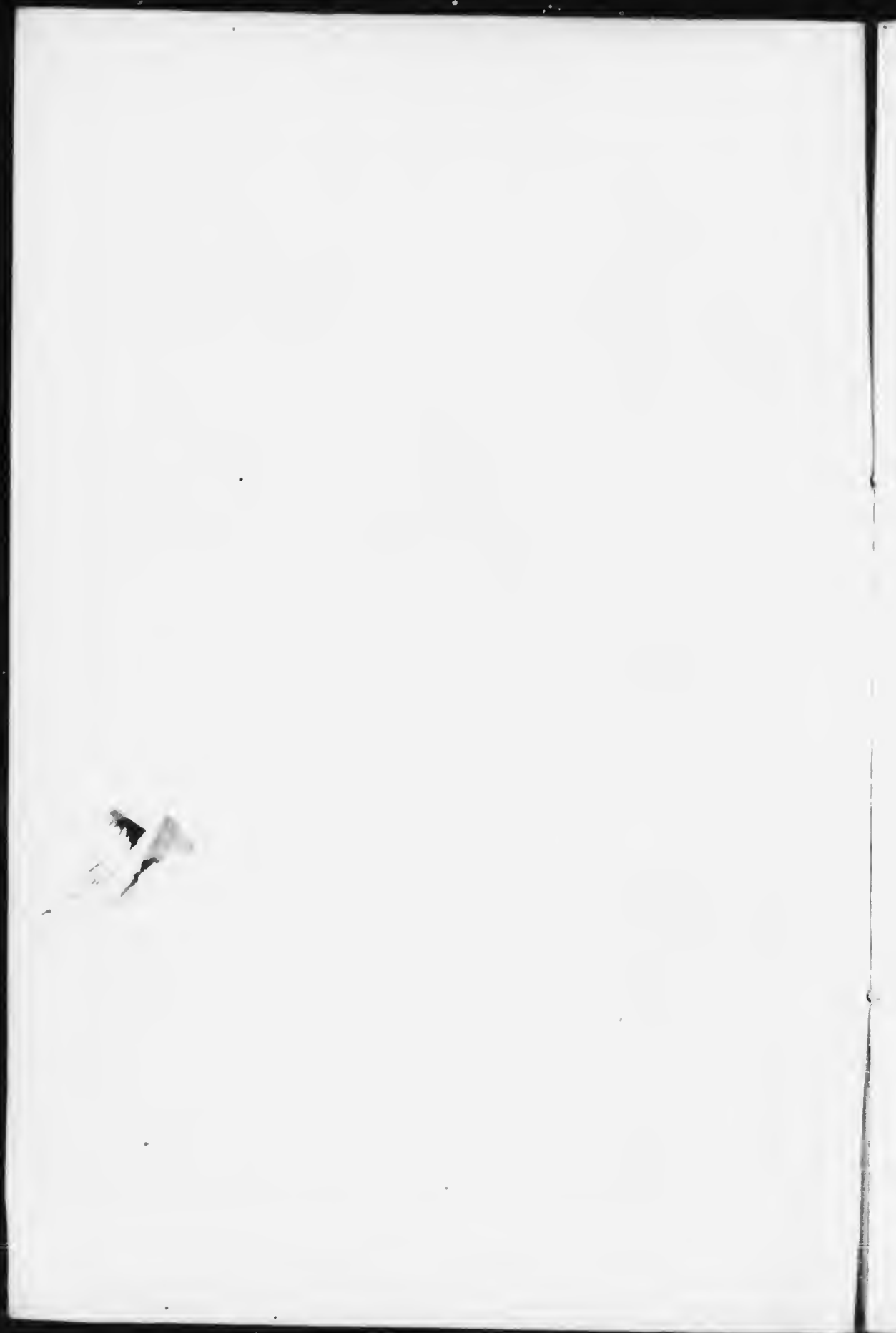
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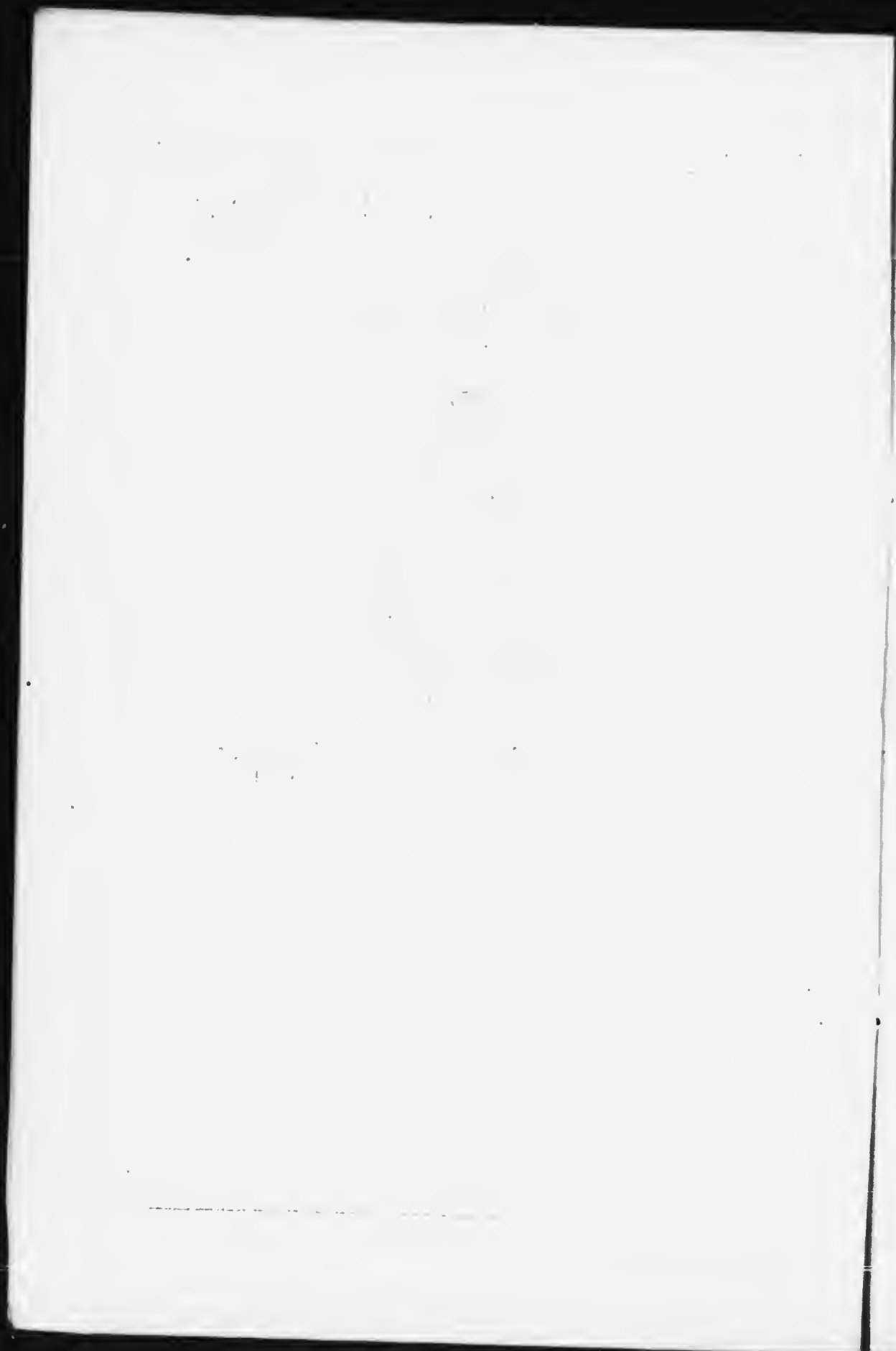
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THIRD BATTALION
Victoria **R**ifles of **C**anada

Organized 22nd January, 1862.

Special designation "The Victoria Volunteer Rifles of Montreal
conferred by Sign Manual 18th July, 1862.

Designation changed to "Victoria Rifles of Canada," and author-
ized to bear the words "Eccles Hill," in recognition of services
rendered by the Corps in that engagement,
Mil. Gen. Orders 5th December, 1879.

*Revised and adopted at a Special General Meeting of the
Corps held on the 7th day of November, A. D. 1878.*

I.—OFFICERS.

The Officers, other than the Staff, (who shall be appointed by the Officer Commanding,) shall be elected by the votes of the majority of the Elective Committee, subject to the approval of the Officer commanding and the Officer commanding the Militia of the Dominion of Canada, but if it should appear to the Officer commanding the Corps that its interests would be advanced by appointing to the vacancy a gentleman not then a member of the Battalion,

he may present the name of such gentleman for the consideration of the Officers, and if approved by a majority, all Officers junior to the position to be filled shall waive their right to promotion in favor of the Candidate, and his name shall be submitted to the Elective Committee for approval.

II.—NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS.

The Non-Commissioned Officers, other than the Staff Serjeants, (who shall be appointed by the Officer commanding) shall be elected by the votes of the members of their respective Companies, subject to the approval of the Officer commanding the Company; previous to their appointment, they shall pass such examination in drill and general efficiency as the Officer commanding may direct.

III.—CANDIDATES FOR ADMISSION.

All candidates for admission to the Corps shall be approved of by a two-thirds majority of the members of the Company they wish to join.

IV.—UNIFORM.

The uniform of the Corps shall be in accordance with the Dress Regulations for the Militia of the Dominion of Canada as applied to Rifle

Battalions, and no member of the Corps shall appear on parade unless properly dressed in strict accordance with regulations.

V.—LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

No Officer, Non-Commissioned Officer or man shall absent himself from any duly ordered parade, without leave.

VI.—APPOINTMENT FEES.

There shall be a General Regimental Fund, into which members shall pay as follows, on appointment:—

Officer Commanding	\$20.00
Senior Major	15.00
Junior Major	10.00
Captains	7.50
Lieutenants	5.00
2nd Lieutenants	2.50
Serjeants	1 00
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On promotion, the several officers shall pay a sum equal to the difference between the inferior and superior ranks.

Every officer and member of the Corps shall allow the whole of his annual drill pay to be placed in said Regimental Fund. The money shall be applied to meet the current expenses and for the benefit of the Corps generally.

VII.—OFFICERS' DUES.

The Officers of the Corps shall contribute annually the amounts stated below, the same to be applied to the maintenance of an efficient Band, which shall be under the supervision of a Committee, as required by Militia regulations.

Officer Commanding	\$50.00
Majors	40.00
Captains	30.00
Lieutenants	16.00

The same to be paid quarterly in advance, and any officer more than twelve months in arrears shall be requested to make immediate payment of the amount, failing which, he shall be called upon to resign.

VIII.—THE PAYMASTER.

The Paymaster shall be the Treasurer of the Corps, and a regular set of books shall be kept setting forth the state of the funds, which shall be open for the inspection of the Finance Committee.

a—No accounts shall be paid unless initialed by the Officer commanding, who shall also countersign all cheques.

b—All transactions necessitating the expenditure of other than small sums of

money, shall have the approval of the Finance Committee.

c—The Financial Year shall end on the 31st day of October.

IX.—ELECTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Elective Committee shall be composed of nine Officers, to be appointed by the Officer commanding, and two Non-Commissioned Officers or men from each Company—twelve to form a quorum.

X.—FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Finance Committee shall be composed of one member from each Company; four to form a quorum.

XI.—THE AUDITORS.

Two Auditors shall be appointed, and their report presented at the Annual Meeting of the Corps, in November.

XII.—PAYMENT FOR SERVICES.

In consideration of the services of the Quartermaster-Serjeant and Paymaster-Serjeant, a yearly sum shall be paid them, at the discretion of the Finance Committee.

XIII.—SEMI-ANNUAL MEETINGS.

There shall be two meetings of the Corps in each year, to be held respectively on the third Monday in May and November. The Standing Committees and the Auditors shall be elected at the May meeting.

XIV.—SPECIAL GENERAL MEETINGS.

The Officer commanding may, at the request of one-seventh of the members, in writing, (defining their object,) convene a Special General Meeting of the Corps.

Any By-Law may be altered, amended, or annulled at any such Special General Meeting notice of such alteration, amendment, or nullification having been given at least one week previously, in writing, to the Adjutant; but no such alteration shall be in force until approved by the Officer commanding.

XV.—PROXIES.

No proxies shall be allowed at any meeting.

XVI.—PROMULGATION.

The foregoing shall be printed, and every member of the Corps shall subscribe to and receive a copy of the same.

DRESS REGULATIONS.

DRILL ORDER.

Summer.—Summer uniform, with forage cap and waist-belt.

Winter.—Winter uniform, with winter cap and waist-belt ; black woollen gloves.

REVIEW ORDER.

Summer.—Summer uniform, with busby, cross-belt and pouch, waist-belt and ball-bag, and forage cap suspended from waist-belt, in rear of sword.

Winter.—Winter uniform, with winter cap, cross-belt and pouch, waist-belt and ball-bag, and black woollen gloves.

MARCHING ORDER.

Summer.—Summer uniform, with busby, cross-belt and pouch, waist-belt and ball-bag ; greatcoat folded 15 inches x 12 inches with straps and haversack ; the forage cap suspended from cross-strap on top of greatcoat.

Winter.—Winter uniform, blanket to replace greatcoat, and winter cap to replace busby ; black woollen gloves.

