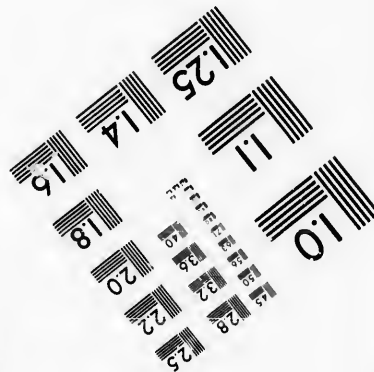
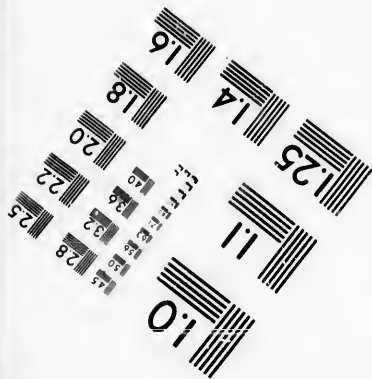
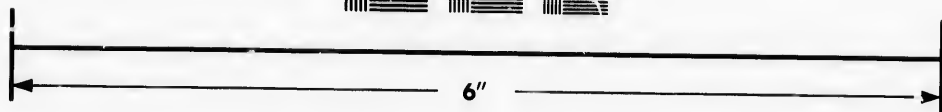
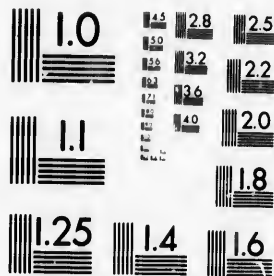


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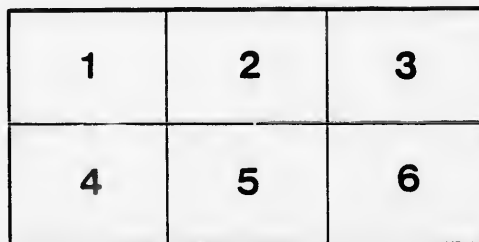
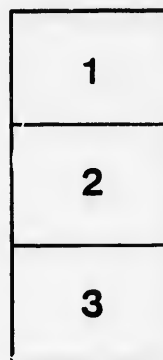
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### SYNOPSIS.

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ACT III.—Library at the Dean's. "I want my wife."  
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