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## Commencement Week.

*Sunday, June 18th*—President Finley will deliver the baccalaureate address to the graduating class.

*Monday, June 19th*—"The Two Clucks Clan" will be played by the graduating students in the T. H. H. auditorium at 8 P. M. Alumni may secure tickets by communicating with the Play Committee, S. K. Rapp, '11, chairman.

*Tuesday, June 20th*—The graduates will exhibit all their latent friskiness by indulging in snake dances and other wild antics becoming newly-created bachelors of the arts and the sciences. With befitting ceremony and "soul stirring" solemnity sacrifices will be offered up in the form of text-books in physics, mathematics, philosophy and kindred subjects. This will take place at 8 o'clock on Jasper field and on the campus.

*Wednesday, June 21st*—Although this paper will not be issued then, the day has been very appropriately called "Campus Day." The program will be carried out in the afternoon to the accompaniment of a brass band, the committee informs us. There will be a baseball game between the Arts and the Sciences, in which they mean to settle once and for all the supremacy for which they have been rivals these four years. Later the Class Tree will be planted and the flag pole will be "turned over" to the Class of 1912.

*Thursday, June 22nd*—At 10 A. M. the Commencement exercises proper will take place. The committee hopes to secure a man of great national prominence to make the principal address of the day. In the evening the graduates will gather for dinner in the Peacock Room of Murray's, in West 42nd Street.

*Friday, June 23rd*—This is not in the official program, but we are sure that the "Help Wanted" columns will on this day preach a sermon all their own.

### To Abolish "Black List".

After a year of investigation and reinvestigation and conferences and interviews, the Library Committee of the Council made its final report a week ago to-day. S. L. Samuels, '11, chairman of the committee, is to be complimented on the thoroughness of his work, and his report, we believe, sets a record for length. The findings of the committee were submitted to the Faculty with a petition for immediate action on their part. The report endeavors to put the library question in its full importance. Some of the recommendations made for the improvement of present conditions are: First, that the Faculty Library Committee, (which has not met since its appointment) meet at regular intervals. Second, that the library be open from 8:45 A. M. to 5 P. M. in both reading and circulating departments. Third, that the students have access to the shelves. Fourth, that the catalogue be changed to give cross-references to authors and titles. Fifth, that more men be employed in the library. Sixth, that the choice of books be referred to the Library Committee as ordered in the *College Manual of 1905*, and not to the librarian as at present. Seventh, that the "black list" be abolished. Eighth, that the department libraries be made part of a consistent library policy.

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The Rev. Dr. Grossman's lecture on "Judaism and the Social Question" last Friday closed the term's work of the Menorah Society. At to-night's meeting of the Menorah Council, officers for next year will be elected and the revision of the constitution and the furnishing and maintainance of an alcove library will be discussed. Over \$500 will be necessary for carrying out next year's work. Of this sum \$125 has been collected within the last few days.

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All gymnasium lockers must be emptied by June 5th. Belongings not removed by that date will be confiscated. Students desiring to retain their lockers should place a card bearing their name and address and dated June 5th, in the plate provided.

### 60th Anniversary Meeting

At 8:30 o'clock in the Tower Room last Friday night, A. Sohmer, '11, president, called to order the Sixtieth Anniversary Dinner of Clio. The Committee on Entree then reported that "*Canape of Caviar* is harmless when taken in moderation" and that "*hot Bouillon a la Tasse* was conducive to good fellowship." The committee on Game and Fisheries regretted that the season for fish had closed and that they could suggest only *Chicken Patties with Cream Sauce*. There was no discussion. The Executioner's Committee presented for dissection *Prime Rib of Beef* and to supervise the operation the aid of M. Potatoe Richelieu was called in. Under Good and Welfare the members discussed Fancy Ice Cream, Clio Lemonade and Demi Tasse. Meeting adjourned at 12:30 A. M. with a rousing cheer.

The guests were President Finley, Professors Werner and Tisdall, Dr. Robinson. S. K. Rapp, '11, was toastmaster. J. Drachler, '12, read the minutes of '55. C. Schloss, '12, read a poem written for the occasion.

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Louis Mayers, February '10, now Fellow at the College, has been awarded the Graduate Scholarship in Political Science at the University of Wisconsin for the next academic year.

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At the "naughty-seven" reunion dinner held recently at Kalil's, the following officers were elected after "sparkling" addresses by Bick, Farrell, Halprin, Lumley, Mannheimer (the only married man in his class), Lipschutz, and Polley, the ex-All-American guard: Gallagher, president; Behrens, vice-president; Lumley, secretary; Briner, treasurer.

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The third class to take Italian at the College will hold its closing exercises Friday morning at 8 o'clock in Room 2. Addresses will be made by Dr. Ettari, M. S. Hirsch, '11; H. L. Budner, '11, and M. Smilari, '11. J. N. Sablow, '11, will play violin solos from Rossini and other Italian masters. President Finley and Professor Downer will be present.

### The Propagation of Life.

"Ladies and gentlemen—my friend Professor Arrhenius," said Professor Baskerville in introducing him to the largest audience that ever thronged the Doremus Lecture Theatre. The applause that greeted the distinguished visitor was the most vigorous and enthusiastic ever accorded a scientific lecturer at the College. His theme was "The Propagation of Life Through the Universe."

He advanced the theory that living spores of bacteria from two to five-tenths of a billionth of a millimeter in size might be pushed out of our atmosphere by wind and the ionized layer of the upper air where the propelling force of the light waves would push them along at about ninety-three miles per second into some other solar system. "Thus," he said, "life-forms all over the universe are probably of the same nature."

President Finley, L. H. Bakeland, perfecter of Velox paper, William Pitt Mason, America's foremost sanitary chemist, and many members of the Chemists' Club were interested auditors.

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### Gym Renovations.

A large part of the apparatus in the gymnasium is being replaced by newer and better equipment. The four stationary vaulting bars are being taken out and safer ones put in their places. Four new horses will replace the old ones. Punching bags are being put up in the corners of the running track floor. Work on the goal boards and baskets for the new basketball courts will begin sometime this week. A "beauty" of a double deck diving platform has been added to the pool equipment.

Next term the students will find a set of shower baths ranged along the sides of the pool. One end of the tank room is to be rounded off and the stairways are to be placed in line with the length of the pool.

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The C. C. N. Y. Zionist Society held an enthusiastic reunion at the College last Saturday evening. Many alumni were present.

## ATHLETICS.

### The Great Game.

This afternoon at 3:30 P. M. on Lenox Oval, the Faculty will try to teach the Upper Seniors the science of baseball. In the Faculty line up will appear "curly haired" Holton, our famous coach. He is going to twirl. On the receiving end will be "Dick" O'Neil, and the chemist Stevenson, each of whom will catch half a game. At first base "Prexy" will stop all bounders with a French accent. Later Homer Newton, that classic scholar, (catch the Homer) will relieve him. At 2nd that famous Columbia sprinter, Dr. Neus, will appear, and on 3rd Dr. Marsh promises to study the inner consciousness of the revolving sphere. At short stop, Dr. Robinson will direct his acute analytical powers to fancy grounders. In right Professor Burke will try to "*tangere et capere*" the ball. Professor Allen, in centre, will map out the graphic curve of the ball as it speeds on its way. In left Professor Meade will parade up and down and keep out all hits which *invade* his territory. Professor Tisdall, with "Aides" Linchan, Crowne and McKenzie will be on hand as a reserve corps. And, of course, Professor Guthrie will be there. He is going to referee the match. Our "King of the constitution" will decide all questions of law that may arise.

### New Captain Elected.

Last Wednesday Philip Groggins, '12, was elected captain of the 'Varsity Track Team.

### A. A. Re-election.

To-day from 9:30 A. M. until 2:30 P. M. will take place the re-election for the position of Secretary of the Athletic Association. The candidates for this office are Dieuaide and Lieberman, both '13. A vote for the Assistant Treasurership was also supposed to be taken, but at the last moment Broeder resigned and left the job to Sullivan. Come to the polls and vote early.

## C. C. N. Y. vs. N. Y. Giants.

Fellows, we lost again. A week or so ago our College was defeated by the N. Y. Giants. No, not in baseball—in bridge-whist. We were represented by Dr. and Mrs. Emory B. Lease, and the Giants by Mr. and Mrs. Christy Mathewson. The games took place at the latters' home. We are sorry to say that Dr. and Mrs. Lease will never get their C. C. N. Y. letters with such poor work. They will have to brace up quite a bit. Of course, we must remember that they were pitted against professionals. This, we may add, will disqualify them from further intercollegiate competition. But let's hope that our representatives will make a better showing in the return match on their home grounds.

## They Refuse.

Having heard of our great prowess on the ball field, both the Brooklyn College and the St. John's College teams refused to play us. *Whereas* it was raining in Brooklyn, and *whereas* the Brooklyn College team thought it would rain here, too, *therefore* they did not come, as one of our professors would say. Social duties prevented St. John's from visiting us. We surmise they could not miss the *Kaffee Klatsch* or the minstrel show which was being given by their Sewing Circle.

In the presence of the swimming team last Friday, ex-Manager Storfer, '11, presented Coach McKenzie with a beautiful stop-watch.

## Interesting to Note.

The Varsity Baseball Team, which has just completed its schedule, produced several new stars. "Straw" Berrigan, '14, probably the youngest player on the nine, scored the greatest number of runs for us, his total being 9; Hecht, '12, was second with 7, and Captain Kieran, '12, third with 6.

Our team made a fairly good record, breaking even in its six games—and we should not forget that defeating Pratt Institute is no small accomplishment.

### Outdoor Champs.

On July 1st will take place the annual outdoor meet of the Intercollegiate Swimming Association. Place—Travers Island; Time—2:30 P. M. The events will consist of a 100-yard novice, quarter mile, half mile, mile, and high dive. It is hoped that we will give a good account of ourselves. All College men are allowed to compete, even those who graduate this term; so come out. You may not be good indoors, but you may be swell outdoors. Come out and try anyhow. Do as "Steve Brodie" did—take a chance. W. Eisele will swim in the 100-yard novice. Kemmerer, Phillips, Sceva and Bischoff will be in the 440-yard. Among our other entrants in the various events are: Fielding, Coughlin, Stern, Hookey Nussbaum, Steinhoff, Berman, Steigman, Lockwood and Burrows.

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WITH this issue, we bring to a close the most successful year THE CAMPUS has had. Of our achievements during this period we take pleasure in pointing to two in particular. First, the generous support given us by our hundreds of readers has made possible the accumulation of a small fund

NOT to be divided among the editors as is the vogue; but to be used in the support of aims that go to the betterment of College and student activities. Secondly, we point to our campaign to bring about a reduction of the curriculum and the result is that even now, the authorities are considering plans with that end in view.

IT must be said, however, that in our success we have but tried to keep pace with the giant strides forward of this great institution. Through the Extension Courses, the organ recitals, the Evening Session, and the other manifold activities, the scope of the College's popular service has grown wider and wider. Not only in this country has the name of the College become an increasing powerful watchword for the highest form of higher education, but wherever Dr. Finley set foot in Europe, there he left an impression of the greatness of the institution of which he is President.



THE future holds out even brighter prospects. So insistent is becoming the demand of our students for technical subjects, that before long the bounds of purely collegiate training must be transgressed. Moreover, there is a constantly growing demand for a city post-graduate institution. City College must inevitably become the CITY UNIVERSITY.

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"Boys of '61" Received.

In the Tower Rooms last Saturday evening the City College Club tendered an informal reception to the "Boys of '61," better known as the "Great War Class." Among the distinguished members of that class who were present were General MacGeorge of Philadelphia, William Little of Pennsylvania, Congressman William Wiley of New Jersey, Mr. Hyde, Dr. Briggs, Joseph S. Woods, Edward C. Kelley and Ezander Childs. Elliot Gilbert, a member of '61, was killed at Lookout Mountain while fighting with the famous Zouaves regiment.

The City College Club, whose roster includes many of the distinguished alumni of the College, tries to keep alive the student's interest in Alma Mater after graduation. Informal meetings are held every Saturday night in the Tower Rooms. "1911" men who are interested, and should be, may obtain full particulars from Dr. Alfred Michaelis, '93, Secretary, 15 West 88th Street.

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As a mark of their affection, the Student Council presented President Finley with a beautiful bronze desk set.

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There will be no sessions for Upper Seniors during the last week of the term.

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The income tax question has been chosen for the coming debate between Phreno and Clio. Last Friday night Phreno held her trials.

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"Mike" Out Friday.

Within a few days the *Microcosm* will be ready for distribution. Owing to a delay at the printer the book did not come out on the 15th, as promised. The editors hope that by Friday at least 200 of the books will be ready for delivery to the subscribers. Those who have already paid the full price of the book will receive their copies first. "1912" men who have paid only \$1 on account are urged to pay the remaining 50 cents if they desire to be among the first to receive the annual. Members of other classes are urged to do likewise.

### The Two Clucks Clan.

At last the eagerly awaited details of the June, '11, Class Play have come to light—partly. So far as we can determine the play will be different from its predecessors. Disrespectful faculty impersonations have been eliminated, while the fun that still lurks in every inch of the plot is wholesome for Faculty and students alike. Among the new features will be a chorus of charming "extensionettes," an alcove scene, an exciting duel, a class orchestra, a "minstrel show", and what is more, a large number of catchy, original tunes will be sung for the first time in public. From what we have learned the mysterious "Two Clucks Clan" will cause more than one explosion of laughter.

Tickets for the play, which will take place in Townsend Harris Hall on Monday evening, June 19th, will be on sale in the June, '11, Alcove, or they may be obtained from the committee. Beautiful Commencement Week programs in leather will be distributed.

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We announce with pleasure that Professor Fuentes is rapidly recovering and will be on his feet by the end of this week. In his absence his Spanish classes are in charge of Dr. Elias.

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The *National Druggist* comments as follows upon Baskerville and Curtman's "Qualitative Chemical Analysis" which is meeting with phenomenal favor among educators the nation over:

" . . . . This book is in effect a protest against the slap-dash methods of teaching qualitative analysis that are still in vogue in some laboratories, and it seeks to imbue the student with the importance of this branch of analysis in the discipline of chemical science."

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Professor Werner has formed the nucleus of the German Department library by turning over to it 325 books. The whole of the Goethe Jahrbuch has already arrived, and another large consignment of books is on its way from Germany. When the present fund has been expended the department will have a valuable working library of 2,000 volumes.

### A Trip.

On Decoration Day, while we are cramming our brains with Latin, Calculus and other interesting subjects, our track team will journey way over to Stamford, Conn., and participate in the games of the Knights of Columbus. Manager-elect Siegel will be at the helm. He intends to take his full team with him. Try-outs for the various events and for the relay will take place this Friday afternoon. The men should come out and try for positions. We need good runners, and we can make use of a few.

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Saturday afternoon we may compete in the Intercollegiate Track and Field Championships at Harvard's Stadium in Cambridge, Mass. Although we have entered four men it is extremely doubtful if all will be sent. Tom Dolan will probably compete in the 440 and 880 yard runs. Here's hope for success, Tommy.

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At the last meeting of the A. A. Executive Board it was enacted that a Graduate Advisory Committee be appointed.

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### 1913 Smoker.

A hundred or more loyal "1913" men were present at the Class Smoker held at the College last Friday evening. *Aroma Nicotania* was the order of the day—or, rather, night. *Indigestibles* and *Mollified Concoctions* also figured prominently. But these were by no means all. H. Lipman, the celebrated vaudevillian, left the festive board of Clionia to entertain the smokers. His funny stories brought forth much laughter and his sleight-of-hand tricks much applause. W. Shapiro and S. Davis, in their imitations of "Some Dear Old Parties and Men," actually caused some men to forget their smoking. I. Greenberg, familiarly known as "Kid Beethoven," furnished the *Chords and Discords* at the piano. But the climax of the evening was reached when he brought forth his trained "carp," which, with its beautiful soprano-bass voice caused many a youth to shed tears. It was long past twelve before the men reluctantly departed.

### Last Meeting of Term.

Last Friday the Student Council convened for the last time this term. The table was cleared of a number of musty motions, and several matters looking toward the Fall semester were discussed. The lunch room committee's report was referred to the Faculty, who assured the Council that immediate steps would be taken to better lunch-room conditions. Some time this week President Finley will confer with the lunch-room committee of the Council, the Sanitary Committee of the Faculty, and a representative of the Codrington interests.

To insure absolute reliability in the accounts of students holding offices at College which involve the handling of money and other property, it was decided that such men be required to submit to the Student Council a guarantee of their responsibility for such money and property.

In conclusion of its work of this most successful term, the Student Council voted S. K. Rapp, '11, the retiring president, a gavel as a mark of their appreciation of his efficient service.

### The Expert Color-Photographer.

Mr. Goldsmith, of the Department of Physics, presented President Finley with two very beautiful color-photographs of the flowers which the Faculty had placed in the President's office on the morning of his arrival from France. Mr. Goldsmith, it will be recalled, is an authority on color photography.

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### Upper A Banquet.

After an animated discussion it was decided to hold a class banquet. With the enthusiasm shown so far, the affair promises to be a success. Tickets can be had from Gerstenfeld, chairman of the committee.

The 120-pound relay team will run at the High School Outdoor Championship games on Friday, June 2d, at Crotona Field. This team will not be quite as good as the former "champs." Von Bonin is overweight and Hertz is no longer a student of Harris. MacClaire and Margolis are still here with the goods. A race has been arranged between these two men to decide who will be the "anchor" man.

The Wrestling Club has some promising material in Wox, Wiener and Silverstien. They are showing up well in practice and ought to make good in the dual meets with other high schools.

The Graduation Number of the *Academic Herald* will appear some time next week. It will be the best thing ever attempted by T. H. H. in the way of a school paper. Order in advance.

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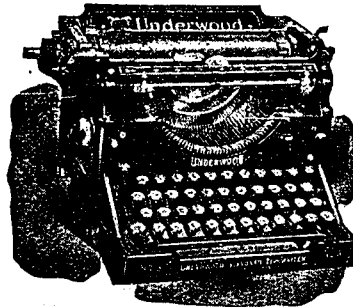
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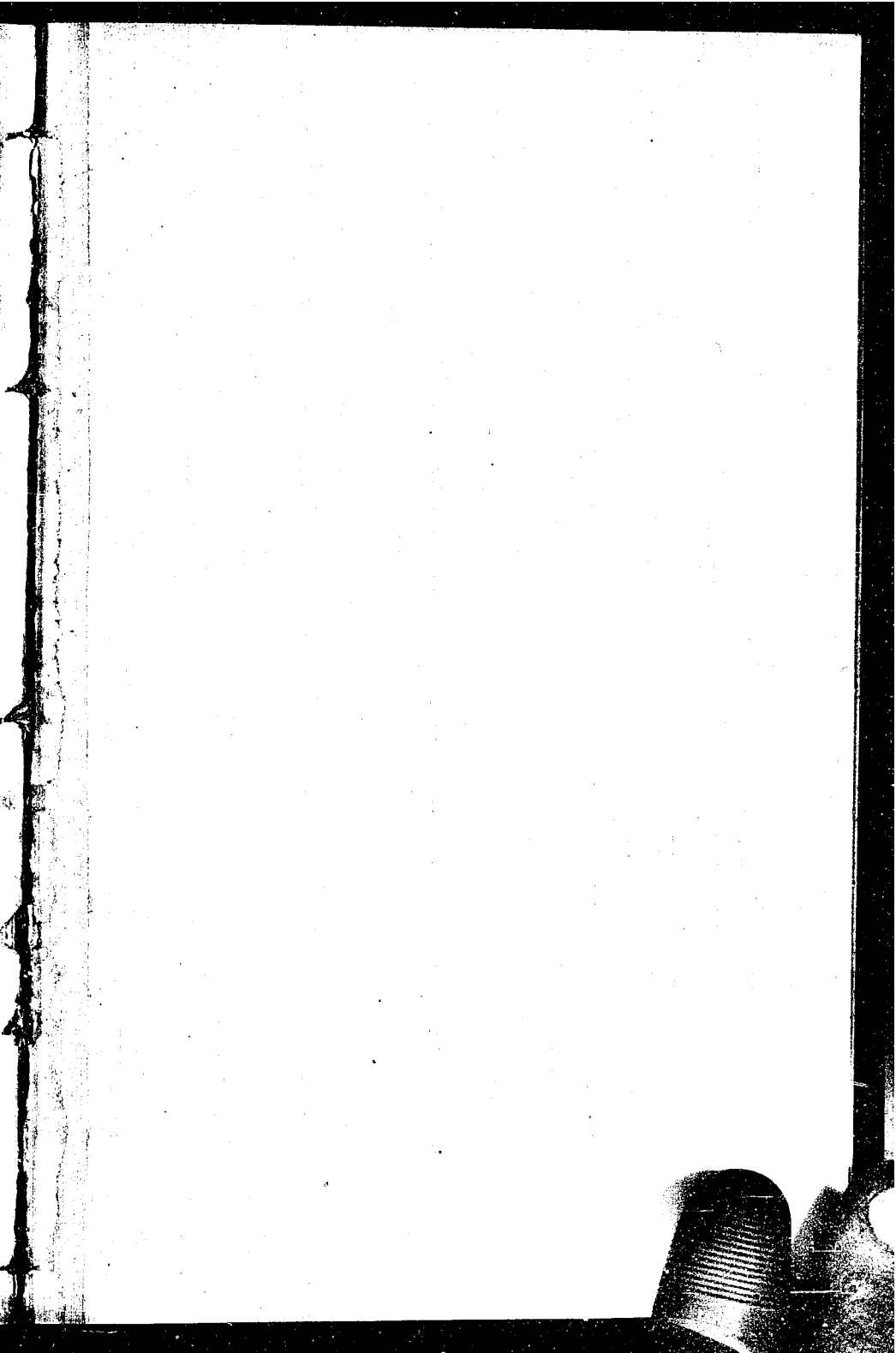
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