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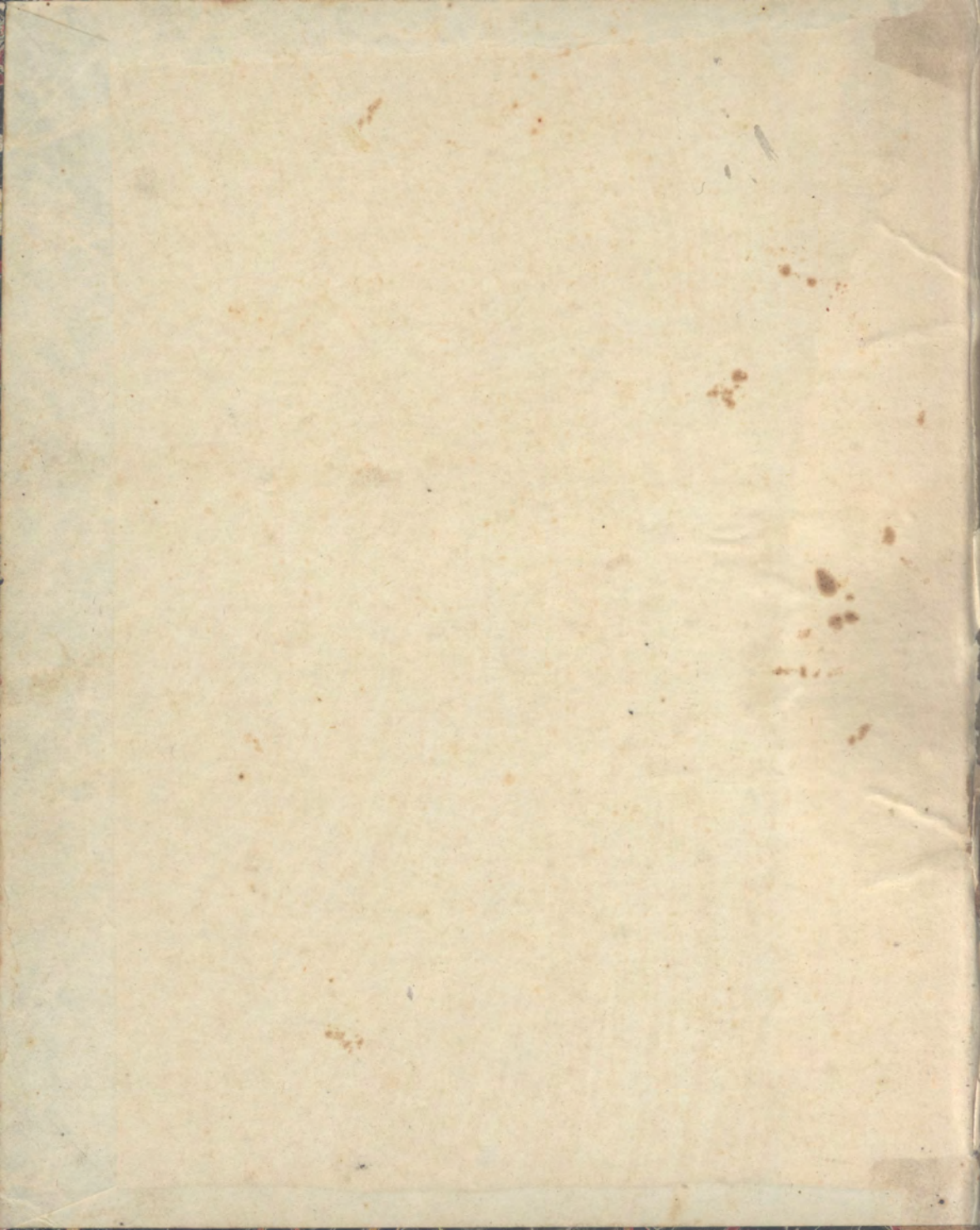
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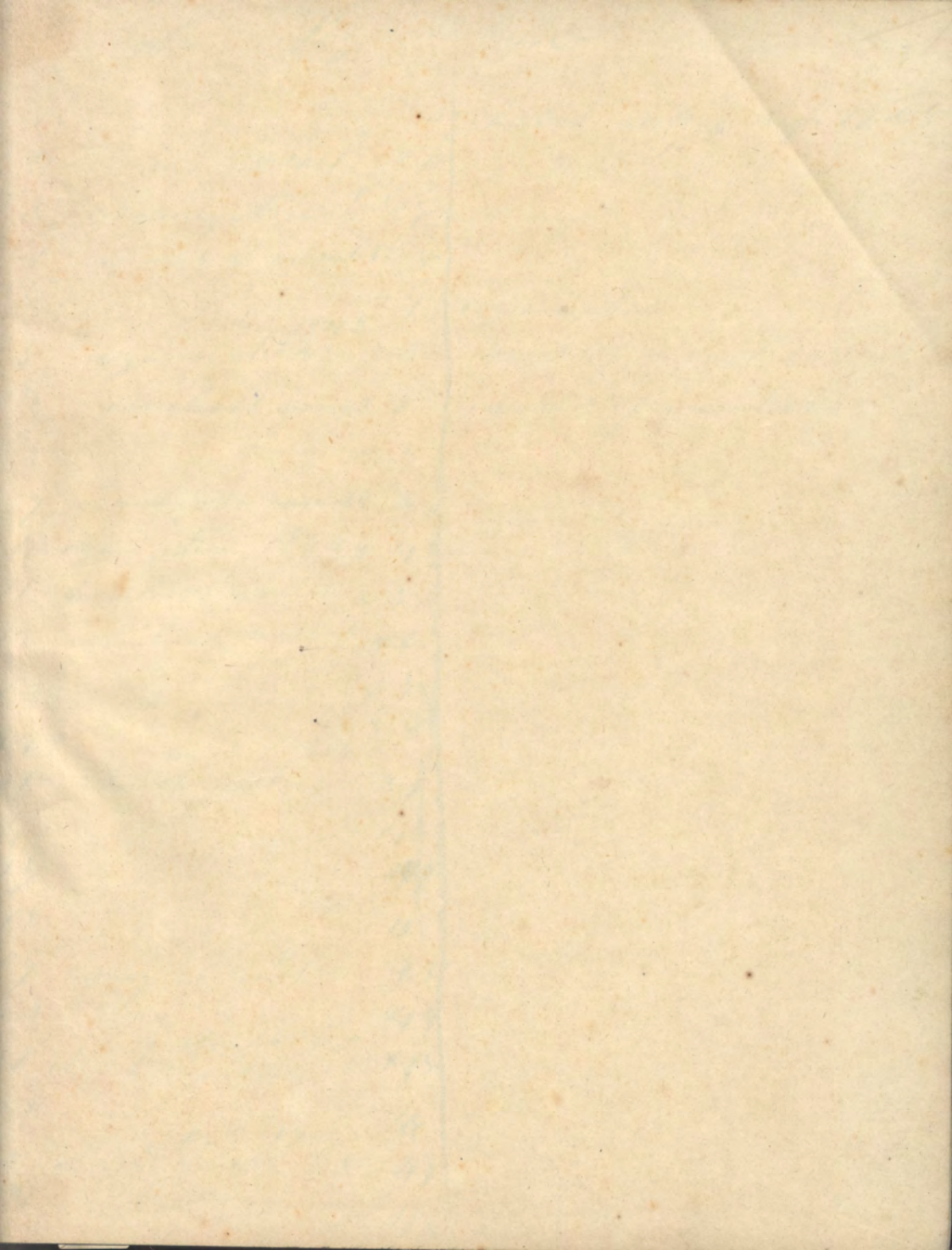
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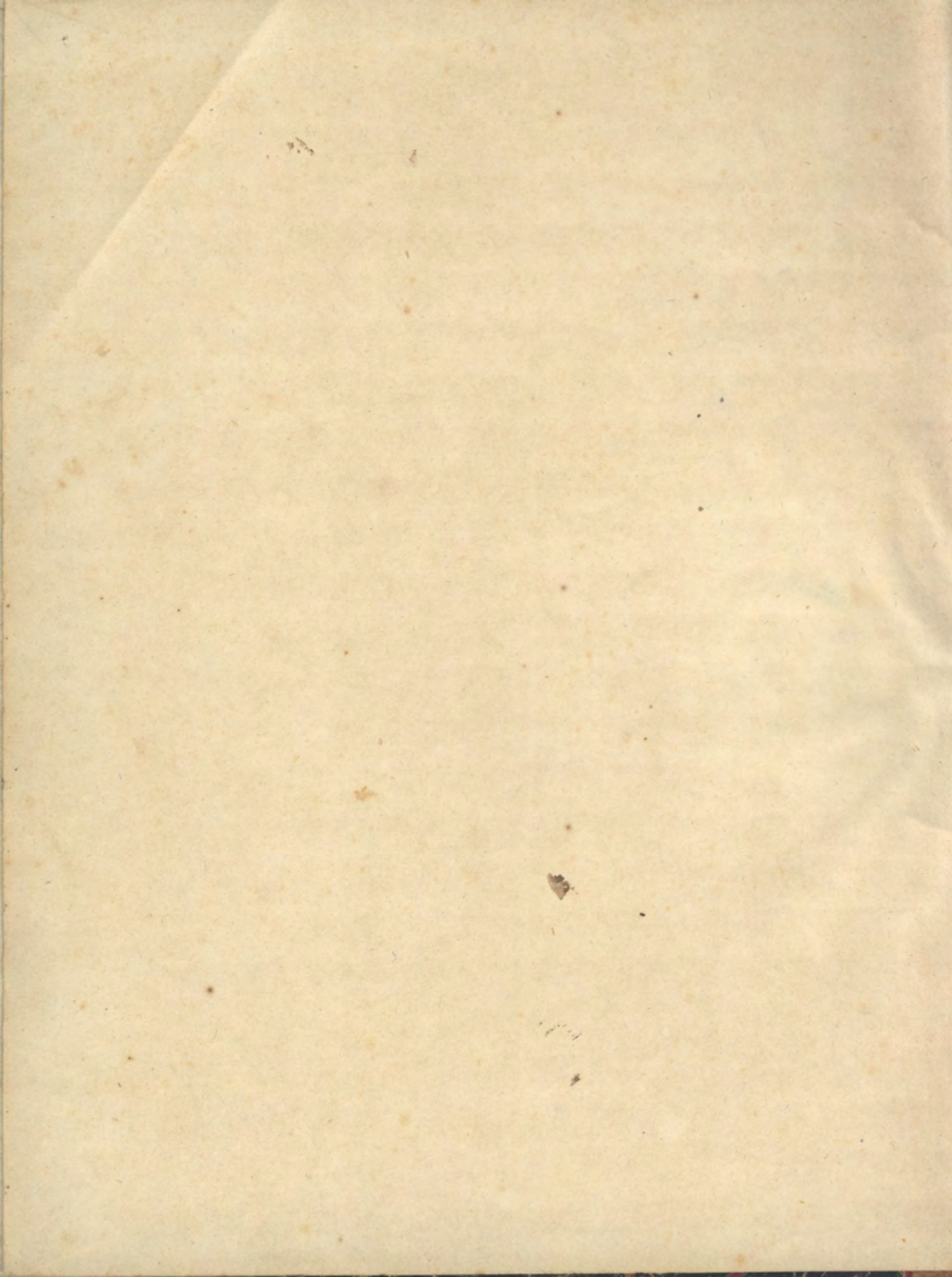
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1848 1872.  
1864 1844 Sevier  
1867 Elder <sup>W.</sup> Woods **ONE**

Church begins 1844 with Sevier  
Elder S. W. Woods 1868 Coloured Members  
1848 Members 1872 C. J. Rolston







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|----|--|----|---------------------------|
| 1  |  | 25 | church meeting Sep 11. 68 |
| 2  | in 1844                                    | 26 |                           |
| 3  | organization 1827                          |    |                           |
| 4  | names of members 8                         |    |                           |
| 5  |  | 29 | organization              |
| 6  | organization 1848                          | 30 | names of members          |
| 7  | members names 1                            |    | names of members          |
| 8  |  | 31 |                           |
| 9  | members names 3                            |    |                           |
| 10 | organization 1866                          | 41 |                           |
| 11 | members names 3                            | 51 |                           |
| 12 | members names 5                            | 56 |                           |
| 13 |  | 57 |                           |
| 14 |  | 58 |                           |
| 15 | March 9 <sup>th</sup> 69<br>church meeting | 63 |                           |
| 16 |  | 40 |                           |
| 17 |  | 41 |                           |
| 18 |  | 42 |                           |
| 19 | money collected                            | 43 |                           |
| 20 |  | 44 |                           |
| 21 | Jan 22 70<br>church council 68             | 45 |                           |
| 22 |  | 46 |                           |
| 23 | July 17<br>church council 68               | 47 |                           |
| 24 |  | 48 |                           |

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Subscribers names

August 16th. 1844

By Elder Benjamin Sewer, at the  
House of Bro. Allison, Smith's Creek  
Rockingham County - Virginia, the church  
composed of the following members,  
was properly organized according to  
the terms of the gospel of Christ.

Names of male members

Deceased

Expelled

Removed

- |   |                 |   |
|---|-----------------|---|
| 1 | Robert Allison  | 1 |
| 2 | Jno. Normon     |   |
| 3 | Jacob Marty     | 1 |
| 4 | Dorilas J Marty |   |
| 5 | James W. Pike   |   |
| 6 | George Woods    |   |
| 7 | Simion Woods    | 1 |



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Names of Females

Accessed

Expelled

Renewed

|    |                   |   |
|----|-------------------|---|
| 1  | Ester Allison     |   |
| 2  | Frances Marty     | 1 |
| 3  | Bathsheba Marty   |   |
| 4  | Mary Marty        | 1 |
| 5  | Mary Norman       |   |
| 6  | Mary Mills        |   |
| 7  | Mildew Beaver     | 1 |
| 8  | Hannah Wilson     | 1 |
| 9  | Rachel Laten      | 1 |
| 10 | Maria Marty       |   |
| 11 | Hannah Hanning    | 1 |
| 12 | Rebecca Allison   | 1 |
| 13 | Eveline Dyhyard   |   |
| 14 | Grace Marty       |   |
| 15 | Lydia Marty       |   |
| 16 | Hannah Hoop       | 1 |
| 17 | Maria C. West     |   |
| 18 | Elizabeth Rhodes  |   |
| 19 | Maryann Dike      |   |
| 20 | Catharine Marts   |   |
| 21 | Micrid Toker      |   |
| 22 | Martha Abmentrout |   |

Names of Coloured Members

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- 1 Mary Hackney
- 2 Phoebe Maffly
- 4 Rachel Hackley

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Rebecca Allison

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Evaline Sybyard

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Grace Martz

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Lydia Martz

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Hannah Hoop

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Maria C. West

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Elizabeth Rhodes

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Maryann Dike

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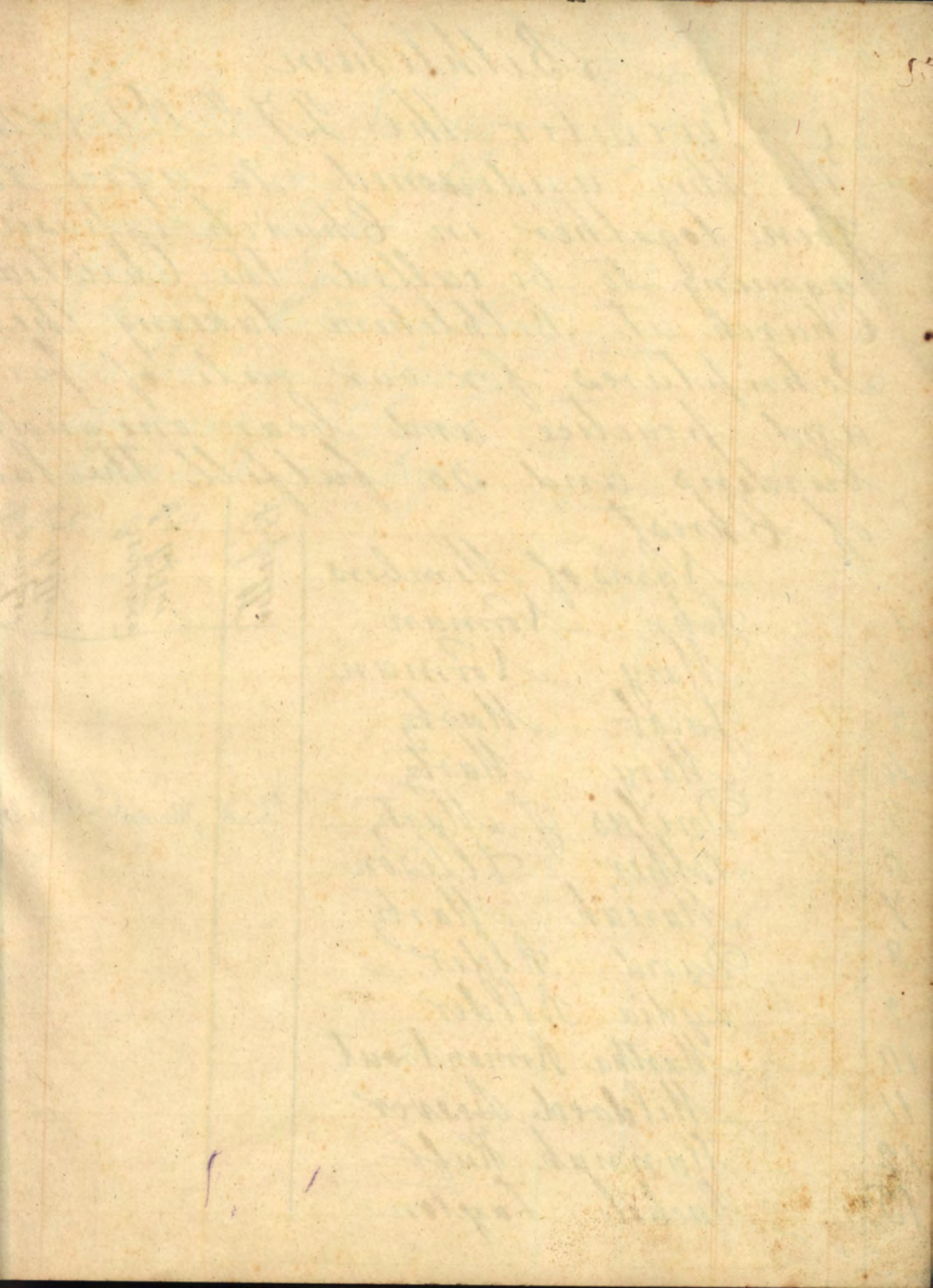
Catharine Martz

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Maria Tokar

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Murtha Armentrout



# Bethlehem

November the 27<sup>th</sup> AD 1848

We the undersigned do agree to join together in Church capacity agreeing to be called the Christian Church at Bethlehem taking the Scriptures for our rule of faith and practice and bear one another burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ

|    | Names of Members  | Expelled | Rescued by letter | Dismissed by letter | Dismissed       |
|----|-------------------|----------|-------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| 1  | John Norman       |          |                   |                     |                 |
| 2  | Mary Norman       |          |                   |                     |                 |
| 3  | Jacob Martz       |          |                   |                     |                 |
| 4  | Mary Martz        |          |                   |                     |                 |
| 5  | Dorileas J Martz  |          |                   |                     | Died March 1873 |
| 6  | Esther Allison    |          |                   |                     |                 |
| 7  | Mariah Martz      |          |                   |                     |                 |
| 8  | David Alder       |          |                   |                     |                 |
| 9  | Lydia Alder       |          |                   |                     |                 |
| 10 | Martha Armentrout |          |                   |                     |                 |
| 11 | Mildred Beaver    |          |                   |                     |                 |
| 12 | Hannah Huff       |          |                   |                     |                 |
| 13 | Rachel Layton     |          |                   |                     |                 |

Members Names

Mary Ann Mills

Lucinda Miley

Grace Martz

Mariah Catharine Martz

Catharine Martz

Hannah Wilson

Elizabeth Staley

Expended

Discovered  
by Father

by Father

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Funeral services by Rev. Heinkile

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Presented  
by Letter

Received  
by Letter

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Members Names  
Coulard Persons  
Bucker Johnson



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May 1866 brethren  
We the the undersigned do A gree jointly  
in the church to gether  
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christian church at bethlehem  
taking the scriptures for  
our rule of practice  
and practice and bear one  
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- 1 Gabull Staley ~~Removed~~
- 2 Samuel Mottysinger
- 3 Saab Calhoun ~~Expelled from the church~~
- 4 Erasme Calhoun
- 5 David Thiggs
- 6 John B. Spitzer
- 7 David C. Tholbinger
- 8 John Gline
- 9 Joseph Blosser
- 10 Saab M. Colhoun
- 11 John Mastly
- 12 Haac Mastly
- 13 Josephwell
- 14 Josephine

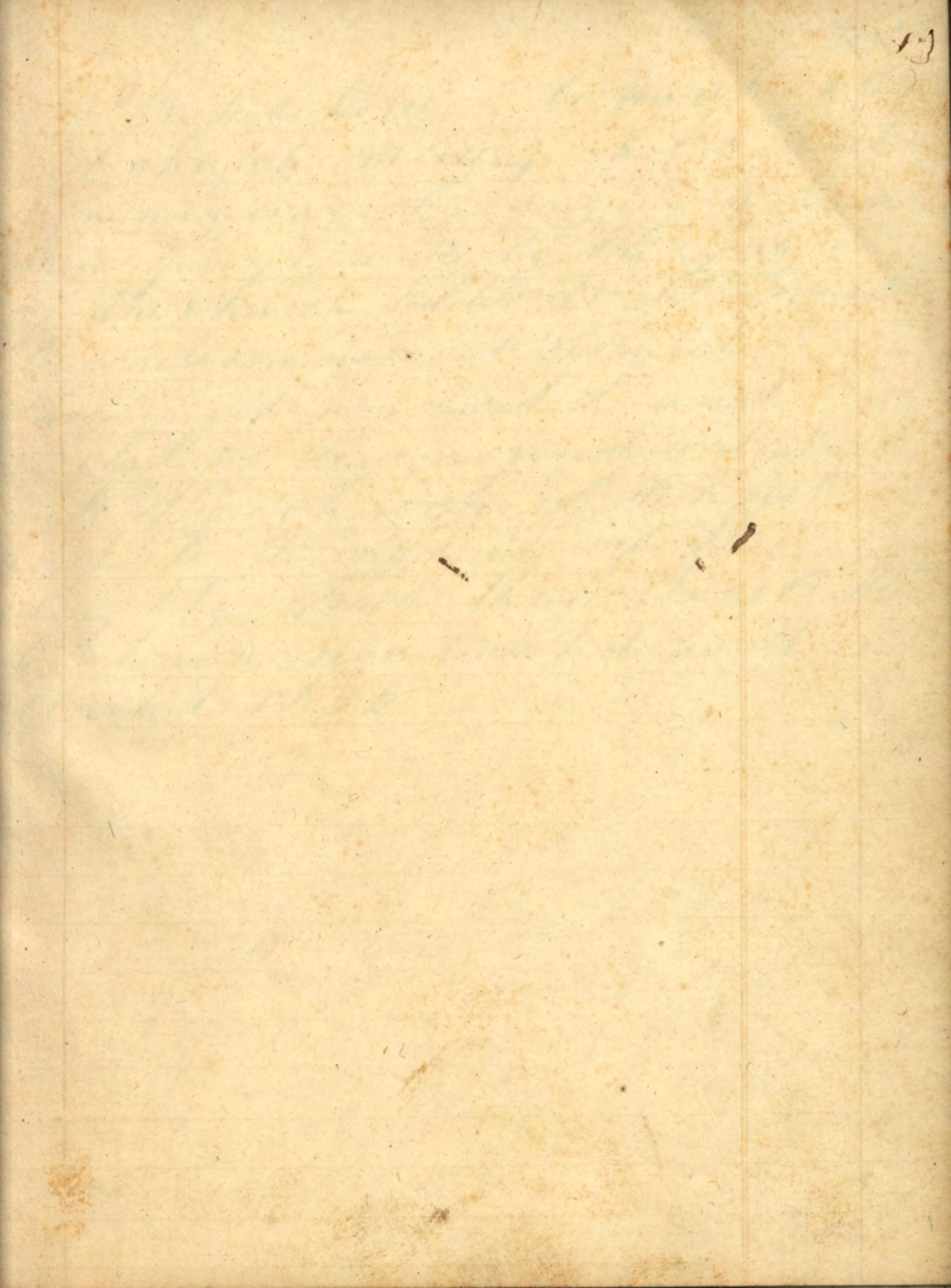
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# Female Members

- 1 Virginia F. Staley
- 2 Martha Chapman
- 3 Martha Mills
- 4 Mary Mills
- 5 Elisabeth Bennet
- 6 Elisabeth Cline removed
- 7 Catharine Deems Membership
- 8 Mattie Deed
- 9 Salie Summers
- 10 Rebecca Lutholts
- 11 Sady Funter
- 12 Mary Shomode
- 13 Lidia Shomode removed
- 14 Elisabeth Gentry Membership
- 15 Frances Flicke
- 16 Sally Flicke
- 17 Mary Cattleton
- 18 Annie Rudy
- 19 Maria Madry
- 20 Rachel M. Tomad
- 21 Amanda V. Strickler
- 22 Virginia C. W. Crack

## Female Members

- 23 Rachel C. Tholbinger
- 24 Leannah Elisson
- 25 Delilah Blosser
- 26 Rebecca Tholbinger
- 27 Nancy C. Thoman
- 28 Phoebe A. Phillips
- 29 Amanda W. Chapman
- 30 Mary E. Tholbinger
- 31 Josephine Marty



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A church meeting held March  
commencing by singing a hymn  
then prayer made by the pastor  
of the church Elder. T. H. Woods.  
business commenced Samuel  
Holsinger nominated and  
elected as deacon and ordained  
into the church of Christ  
and to the service of the  
almighty God then Jacob Mc  
Calhoun nominated and  
elected clerk

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Church Council held on the 10<sup>th</sup> of Jan  
After a sermon by Elder G W  
Woods the church was held to  
gather for the purpose of settling a  
matter of offence committed by  
Jacob M. Lathoun Clerk of the Church  
Being investigated by a committee  
consisting of Samuel Holsinger  
David C. Holsinger Joseph Blosser  
and brought before the church and  
left unsettled

1848  
on the 19<sup>th</sup> of Jan

Church Council  
To settle that which was left unsettled  
we first read Matthew the 18<sup>th</sup> chapter  
and sung a hymn and prayer  
By Elder G W Woods and then  
settled business was settled by  
the church the meeting closed  
By singing a hymn and prayer  
By Samuel Holsinger

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Church meeting held July the 17<sup>th</sup> 1868  
our meeting commenced by singing a hymn  
and prayer by Eld S W Woods  
1 item elected David C Holsinger  
2 item church members.  
examined all were found  
in good standing 3 item  
the lay delegates were  
appointed to the valley  
conference. David C Holsinger  
and Erasmus Calhoun 4 item  
Eld S W Woods unanimous  
ly elected for our pasture  
for the next conference  
year meeting was closed  
by prayer by Samuel  
Holsinger



Church Meeting held at Bethelhem  
 on the 19 of September meeting opened with prayer  
 By Elder G W Woods the first business  
 John M Bataley offered his resignation  
 of his Deaconship to the Church accepted  
 after his reasons being assigned the resolution  
 offered to the Church that David C Holsinger  
 Be removed from his office as clerk  
 to that of Deacon resolution offered by George  
 W Woods seconded by J M Calhoun  
 unanimously elected Next business Jacob  
 P C Calhoun was nominated and John Marty  
 as candidates for clerk Jacob P Calhoun  
 Elected on motion next John Marty nominated  
 as and unanimously elected as treasurer business  
 was now closed by prayer with Jacob P Calhoun

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our only rule of faith  
and practice bearing  
one another's burdens  
and so fulfill the  
law of Christ  
Names of Members

|   |                      |   |         |
|---|----------------------|---|---------|
| 1 | Samuel Holsinger +   | / |         |
| 2 | David Holsinger      | / |         |
| 3 | Jacob Calhoun        | / | removed |
| 4 | Erasmus Calhoun      | / | removed |
| 5 | Parilla Higgs +      | / |         |
| 6 | John A. Spitzer +    | / |         |
| 7 | John Mastey +        | / |         |
| 8 | Frankline Hopewell + | / | removed |
| 9 | Isac Mastey          | / | removed |

Received

Increased

Expelled

Removed

Names of members

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|----|--|---|-----------|
| 10 | Virginia <sup>Bolton</sup> Haley               | / | Remove    |
| 11 | Amanda <sup>Marty</sup> Strickler              | / | Remove    |
| 12 | Mary Mills                                     | / |           |
| 13 | Sally Flich <sup>Bolton</sup>                  | / |           |
| 14 | Francis Flich                                  | / |           |
| 15 | Sarah Bunter                                   | / |           |
| 16 | Sally Summers                                  | / |           |
| 17 | Mary <sup>red</sup> Thomore <sup>removed</sup> | / |           |
| 18 | Liddia Thomore <sup>removed</sup>              | / |           |
| 19 | Rebecca Intholse                               | / | Expeld    |
| 20 | Martha Chapman                                 | / |           |
| 21 | Virginia Chapman                               | / |           |
| 22 | Mariah Marty                                   | / |           |
| 23 | Nancy Horan <sup>removed</sup>                 | / | snackessy |
| 24 | Pheba Phillips Huggs                           | / |           |
| 25 | Rachel Holsinger                               | / |           |
| 26 | Leanna E. Gibson                               | / |           |
| 27 | Lililah Blosser <sup>removed</sup>             | / |           |
| 28 | Rebecca Holsinger                              | / |           |
| 29 | Mary Holsinger                                 | / |           |
| 30 | Josephine Marty <sup>Do this book</sup>        | / | removed   |
| 31 | Rachel Thomas                                  | / |           |

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## Names of members

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|----|------------------|---|-----|---------|
| 32 | Martha Mills     | / | Dec |         |
| 33 | Elizabeth Bennet | / | Dec |         |
| 34 | Elizabeth Cline  | / | Dec |         |
| 35 | Mattie Read      | / | Dec |         |
| 36 | Mary Cattleton   | / | Dec |         |
| 37 | Annie Rudz       | / | Dec |         |
| 38 | Joseph Blosser   | / | Dec | removed |
| 39 | John Cline       | / | Dec | removed |

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Credit on the subscription

|                                 | Sub <sup>est</sup> | C.    |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|-------|
| Samuel Holsinger                | 3.00               | 3.50  |
| David Holsinger                 | 5.00               | 2.50  |
| Jacob Calhoun                   | 3.00               |       |
| Mary Marty                      | 1.00               | 1.00  |
| S. M. Chick                     | 0.50               | 0.50  |
| Mrs. C. Layton                  | 00.10              | 00.10 |
| Samuel Holsinger                | 00.50              | 00.50 |
| Isaac Marty                     | 00.25              | 00.25 |
| Credit on subscription for 1870 |                    |       |
| David Halager                   | 2.00               |       |
| James M. Chapman                | 50                 |       |
| Lyrao Spitzer                   | 50                 |       |
| C. notes                        | 2.00               |       |
| J. B. Holsinger                 | 50                 |       |
| <hr/>                           |                    |       |
| Michel Thomas                   | 1.00               |       |

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Bethlehem Ch. Peckingham Co. Va.

April 30th, A.D. 1813.

The Christian Church at this place, was reorganized by Rev. C. F. Ralston to day April 30th, 1813.

We, whose names are hereunto annexed, members, as we trust, of the body of Christ, having exercised repentance towards God and faith towards our Lord Jesus Christ, being desirous of associating our selves together as a church agree to be governed by the following principles:

- (1) Christ is the only head of the Church.
- (2) The name Christian is the only appellation by which we will be known, to the exclusion of all party or sectarian names.
- (3) The Holy Bible, or the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament is our only creed or confession of faith.
- (4) Christian character, or vital piety is the true Scriptural test of fellowship and of church membership.
- (5) The right of private judgement, and the liberty of conscience is a right and

privilege, that should be accorded to, and  
exercised by all.

1. David Holsinger.
2. Joseph Blosser.
3. John Cline
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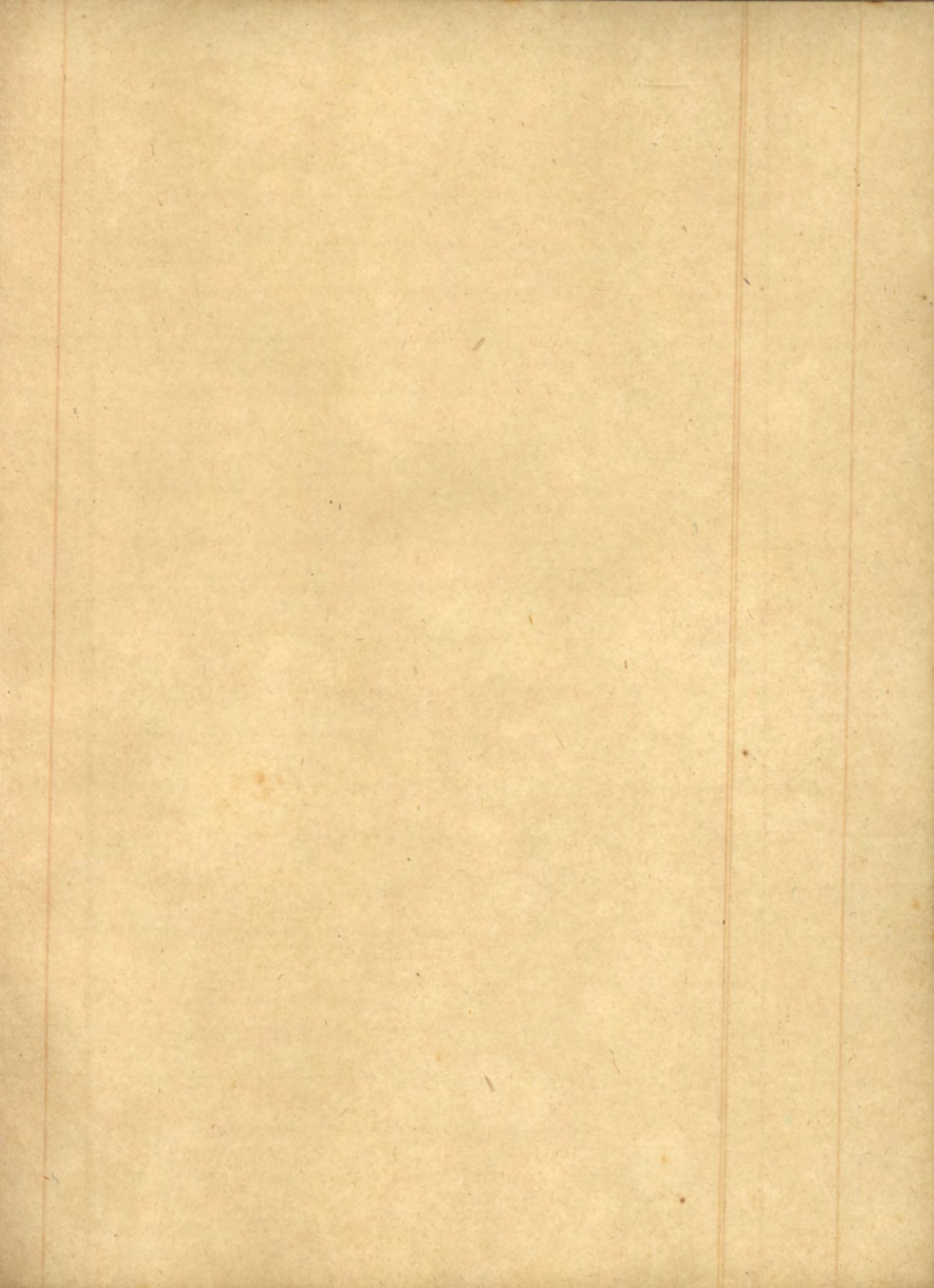
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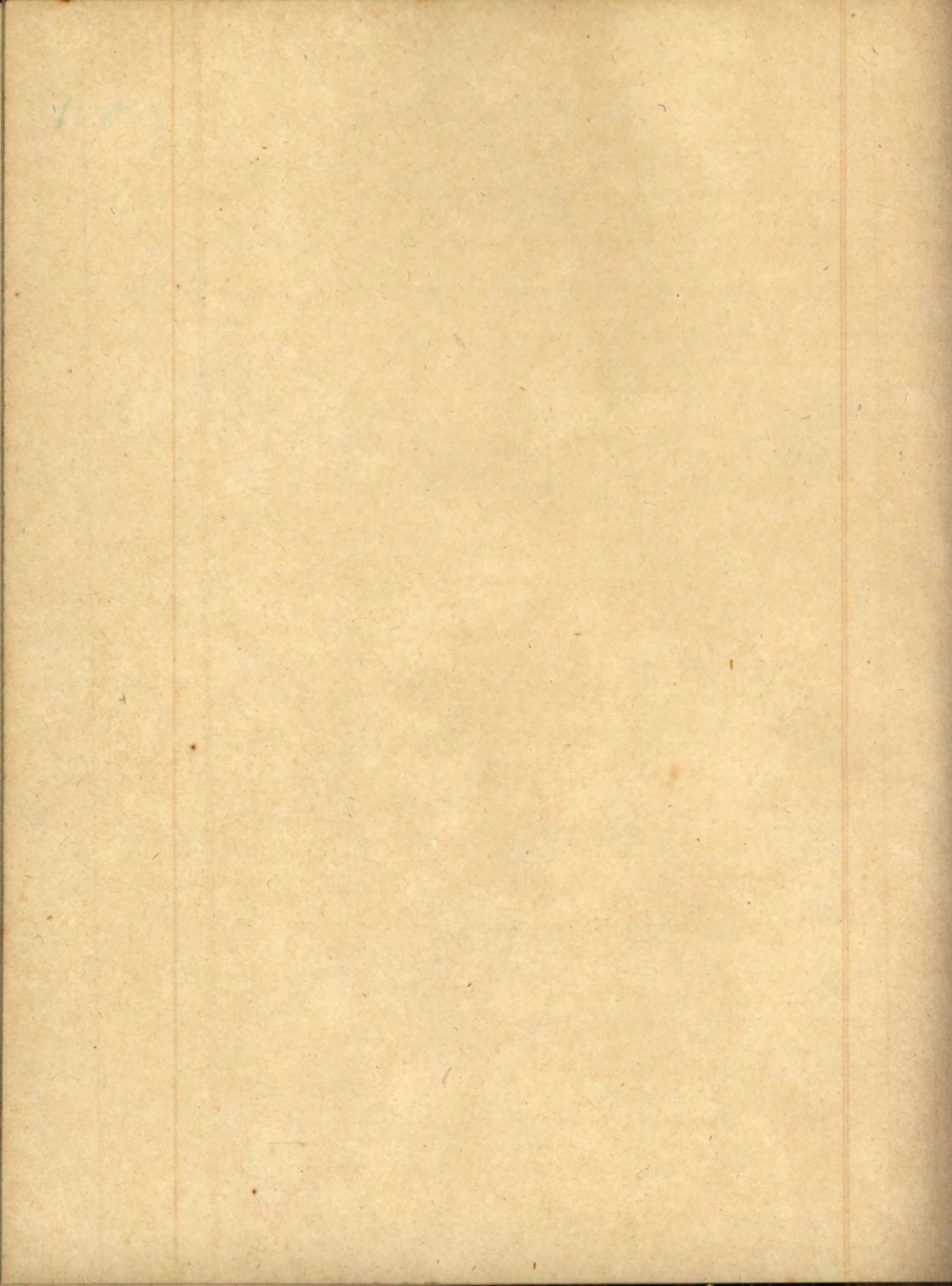
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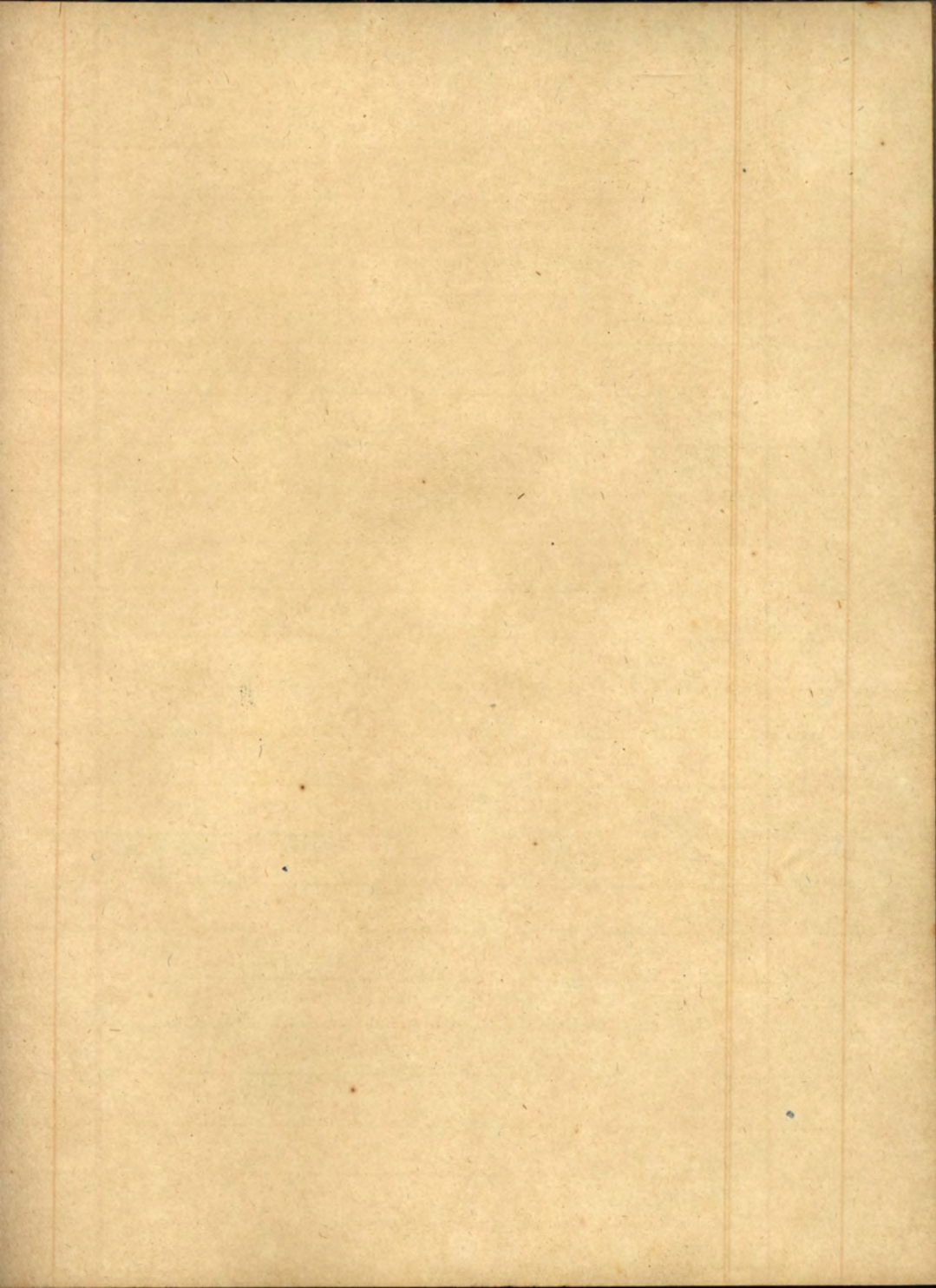
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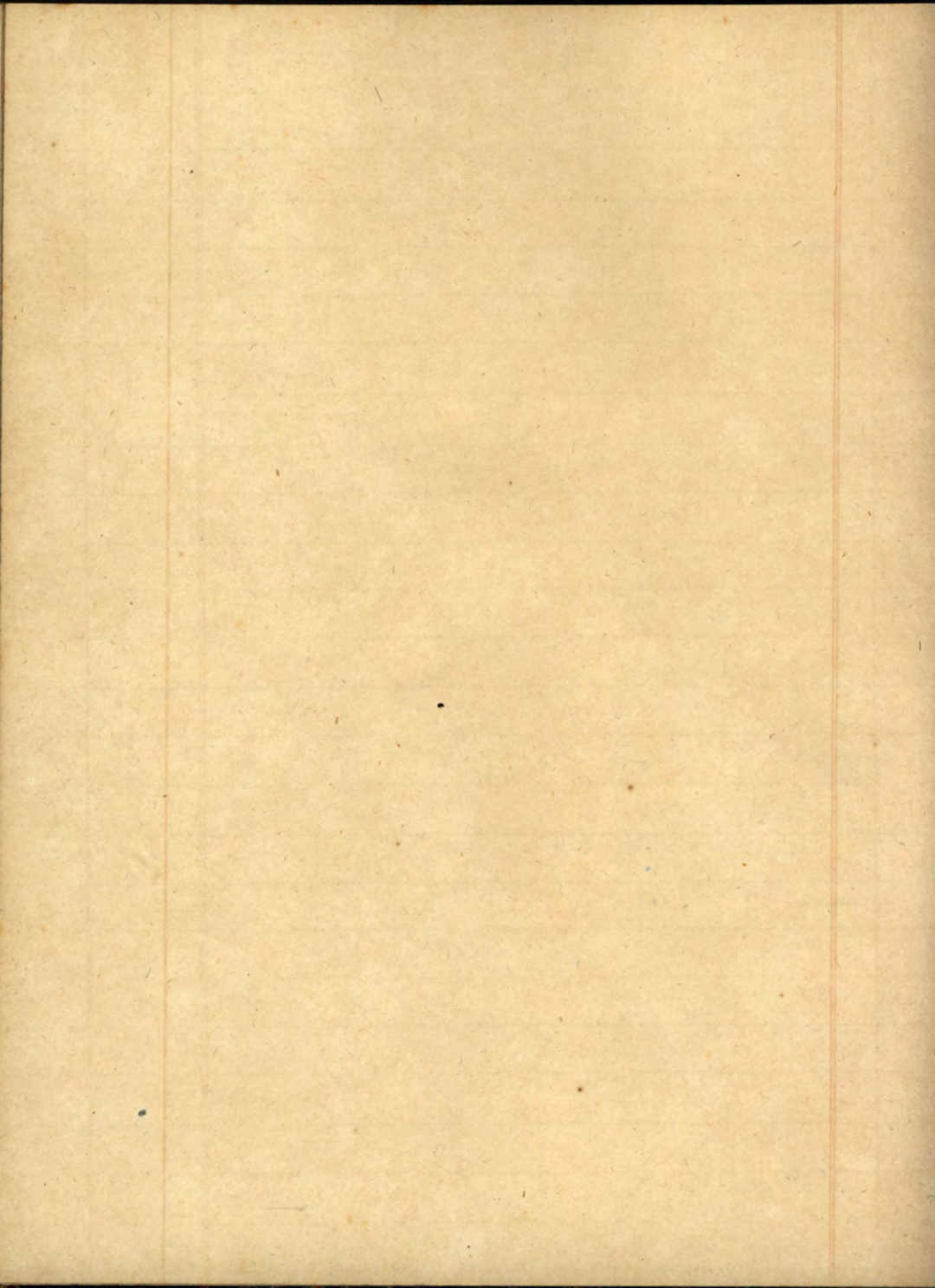
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