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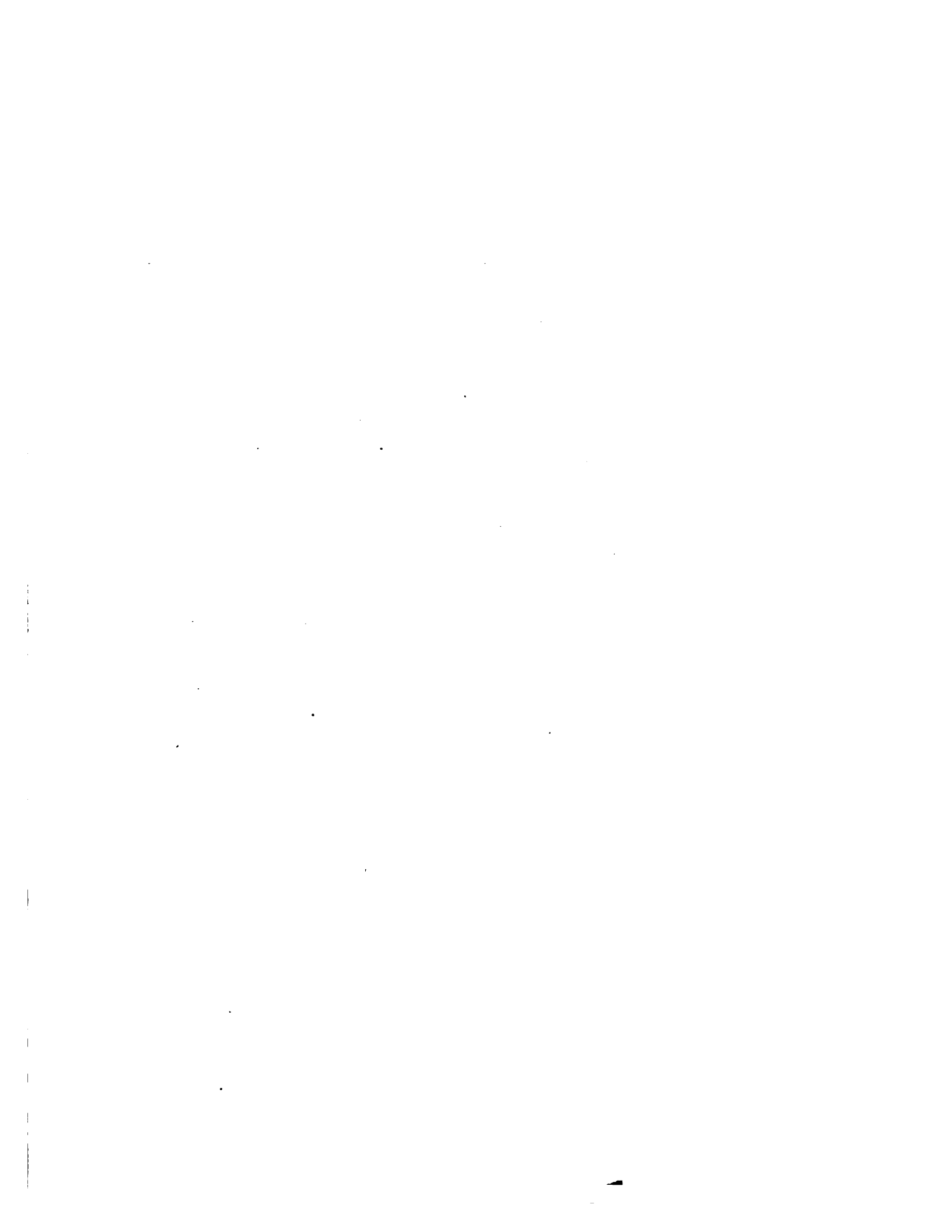
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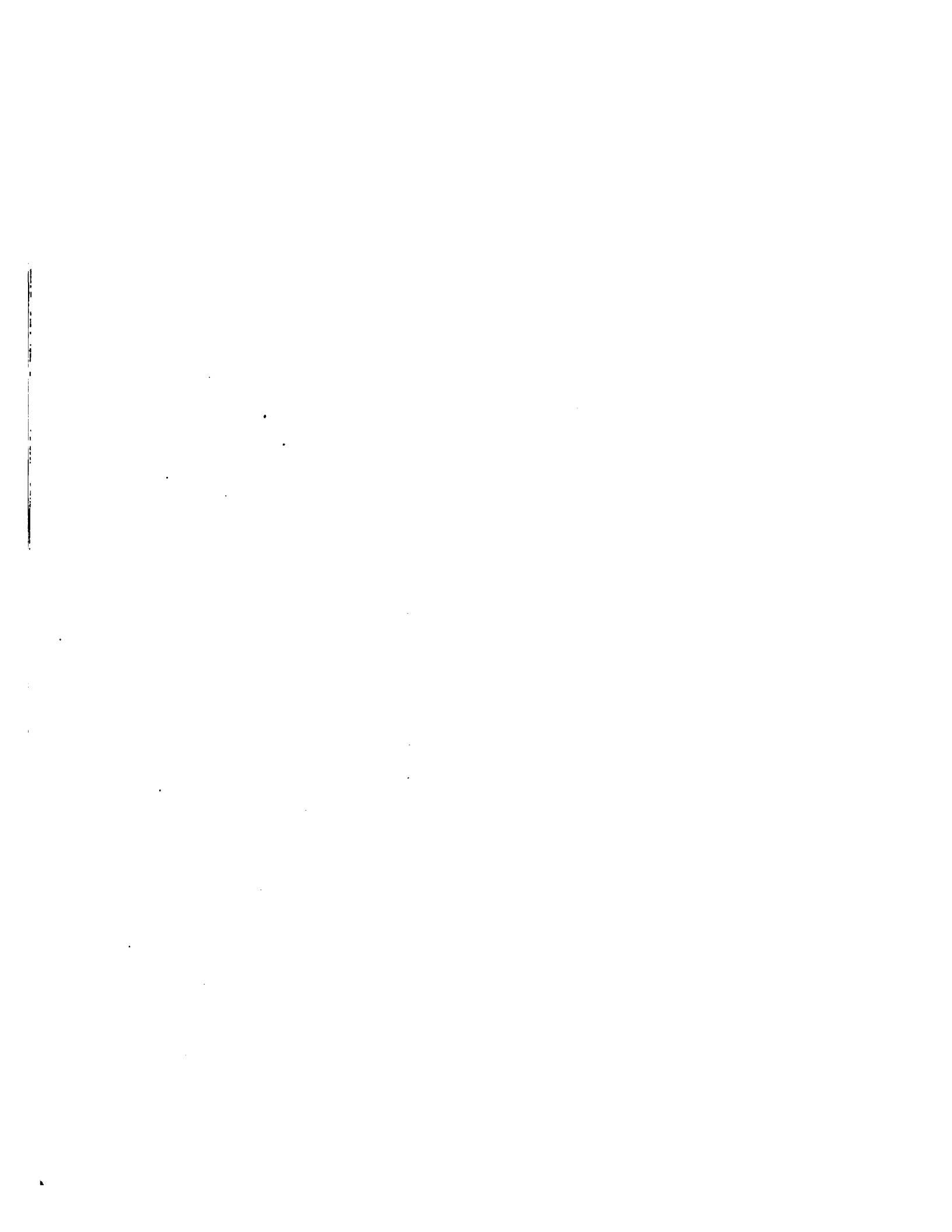
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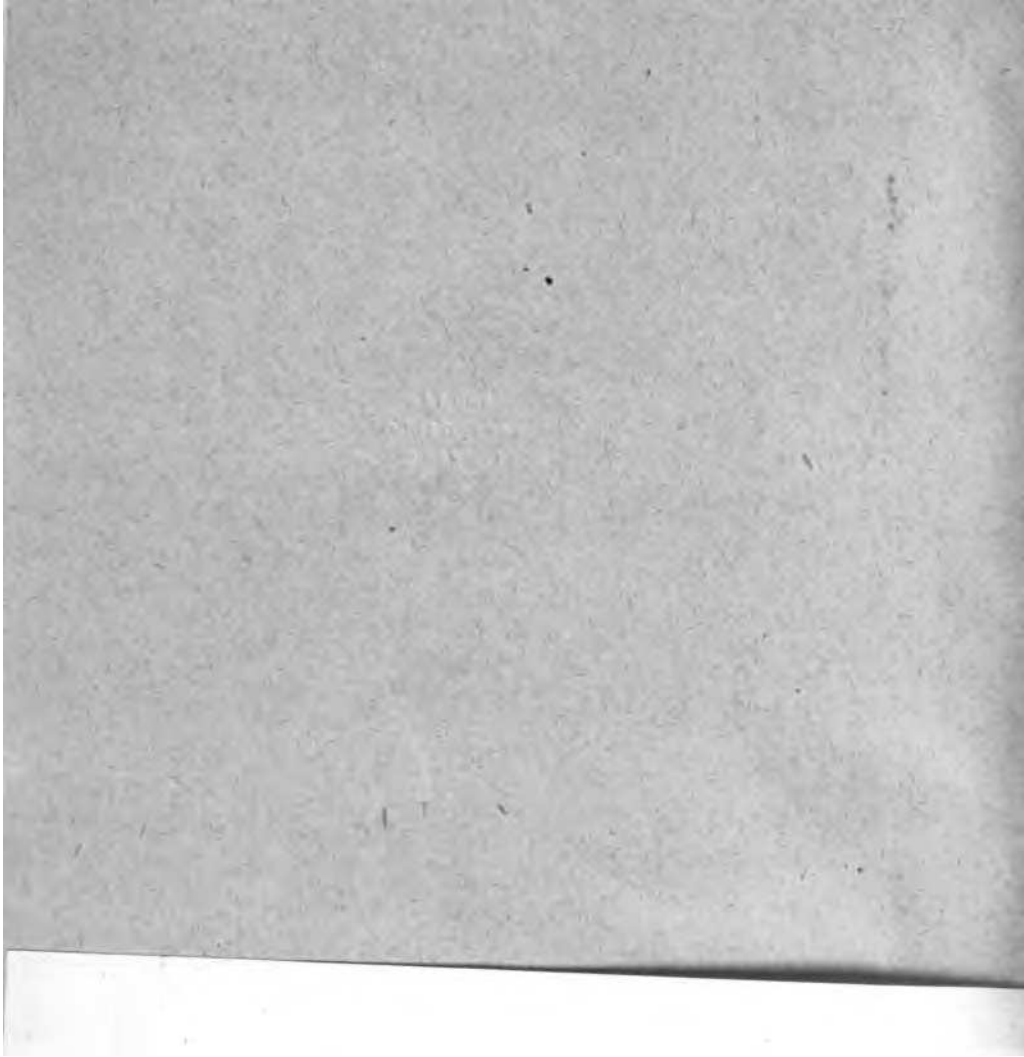
STATE OF IOWA,

FOR THE YEARS 1890 AND 1891,

With the regards of

Mrs. S. B. Maxwell.

State Librarian.



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An agricultural department, including horticulture and domestic animals, has been added. In this connection, I would respectfully suggest that a number of copies of the reports of our State Agricultural Society be given the library for distribution to other libraries. I am informed by Mr. Noyes, librarian of the Brooklyn Mercantile Library, that inquiry is made at his office, almost daily, for the agricultural reports of the Western States, by immigrants and others desiring homes in the West; to such inquirers, Iowa is a sealed book.

The crowded condition of the library has been the burden of library reports (as well as of the librarian) for lo, these many years, and what more can be said! Every available foot of space in the library-room and in the duplicate-room down stairs has been filled by additional shelving.

Most of the congressional documents and files of newspapers have been placed in the duplicate-room; persons desiring to consult them have the pleasure of standing edgewise between shelves and boxes and possibly removing one or two rows from the shelf before finding the desired volume. I have known instances of gentlemen losing their reverence for books through such experience, especially when the thermometer stands at 15° below zero. In the library proper, shelving has been placed upon the tops of the cases and crowded with books, at the risk of ruining the bindings and killing or maiming the person who attempts the dangerous ascent of short ladders and narrow shelves to reach them. Much valuable time is wasted in the handling of books, which can be obviated only by more room. We not only lack space, but a place of security against loss by fire, tornadoes, etc. The destruction of this invaluable collection of books, which may occur any windy day, would be a calamity from which our State would not recover for generations, if ever. In view of the many dangers surrounding the library, the want of room and the extra work and waste of time resulting therefrom, the injury to the books, etc., etc., would it not be well to provide that the library-room in the new capitol be finished at once and the library removed thereto?

Very respectfully,

Mrs. S. B. MAXWELL,

State Librarian.

MRS. S. B. MAXWELL, LIBRARIAN, *In account with State Library—Appropriation and Miscellaneous Fund.*

1879.		DR.		
Oct. 1	To balance.....	\$	579.88	.....
Dec. 31	To amount received from sale of reports for the quarter.....		798.25	.....
1880.				
Jan. 1	To appropriation for 1880.....		1,000.00	.....
Mar. 31	To amount received from sale of reports for the quarter.....		1,921.05	.....
June 30	To amount received from sale of reports for the quarter.....		220.50	.....
Sept. 30	To amount received from sale of reports for the quarter.....		17.60	.....
Dec. 31	To amount received from sale of reports for the quarter.....			.....
1881.				
Jan. 1	To appropriation for 1881.....		2,000.00	.....
Mar. 31	To amount received from sale of reports for the quarter.....		300.00	.....
June 30	To amount received from sale of reports for the quarter.....		31.75	.....
Sept. 30	To amount received from sale of reports for the quarter.....			.....
1879.		CR.		
Dec. 31	By books purchased for the quarter, per voucher.....	\$	217.58	.....
Dec. 31	By expressage and freight as per voucher.....		19.30	.....
Dec. 31	By assistant.....		7.00	.....
1880.				
Mar. 31	By books purchased for the quarter, per voucher.....		1,128.84	.....
Mar. 31	By expressage and freight as per voucher.....		36.32	.....
Mar. 31	By assistant.....		97.75	.....
June 30	By books purchased for the quarter, per voucher.....		520.41	.....
June 30	By expressage and freight as per voucher.....		8.60	.....
June 30	By assistant.....		112.00	.....
Sept. 20	By books purchased for the quarter, per voucher.....		309.48	.....
Sept. 30	By expressage and freight as per voucher.....		13.45	.....
Sept. 30	By paid assistant.....		120.00	.....
Sept. 30	By paid State Binder as per voucher.....		204.25	.....
Dec. 31	By books purchased for the quarter, per voucher.....		364.16	.....
Dec. 31	By expressage and freight as per voucher.....		24.05	.....
Dec. 31	By paid assistant.....		120.00	.....
1881.				
Mar. 31	By books purchased for the quarter, per voucher.....		1,950.08	.....
Mar. 31	By expressage and freight as per voucher.....		23.00	.....
Mar. 31	By paid State Binder as per voucher.....		221.30	.....
Mar. 31	By librarian's convention.....		104.00	.....
June 30	By books purchased for the quarter, per voucher.....		473.99	.....
June 30	By expressage and freight as per voucher.....		16.45	.....
June 30	By paid State Binder as per voucher.....		66.45	.....
Sept. 30	By books purchased for the quarter, per voucher.....		440.58	.....
Sept. 30	By expressage and freight as per voucher.....		17.35	.....
Sept. 30	By balance.....		246.69	.....
			\$ 6,864.03	\$ 6,864.03

IOWA SUPREME COURT REPORTS.

Statement of the number received, disposed of, and remaining on hand for sale October 1, 1881.

Volume.	No. on hand at date of last report.	No. purchased and received from State.	No. sold and exchanged.	No. on hand September 30, 1881.	
1	16	.....	3	13	G. Greene's Reports.....
2	3	.....	3	.....	.....
4	12	.....	3	9	Iowa Reports.....
22	8	.....	1	7	".....
23	7	.....	2	5	".....
30	23	.....	5	18	".....
32	24	.....	5	19	".....
33	12	.....	5	7	".....
34	4	.....	4	.....	".....
35	55	.....	2	53	".....
36	3	.....	1	2	".....
37	20	.....	2	18	".....
39	45	.....	3	42	".....
40	53	.....	3	50	".....
41	46	.....	5	41	".....
42	30	.....	3	27	".....
43	24	.....	11	13	".....
44	18	.....	8	10	".....
45	22	.....	12	10	".....
47	10	.....	10	.....	".....
48	.....	317	317	.....	".....
49	.....	317	317	.....	".....
50	.....	317	317	.....	".....
51	.....	317	317	.....	".....
Total	435	1268	1359	344	.....