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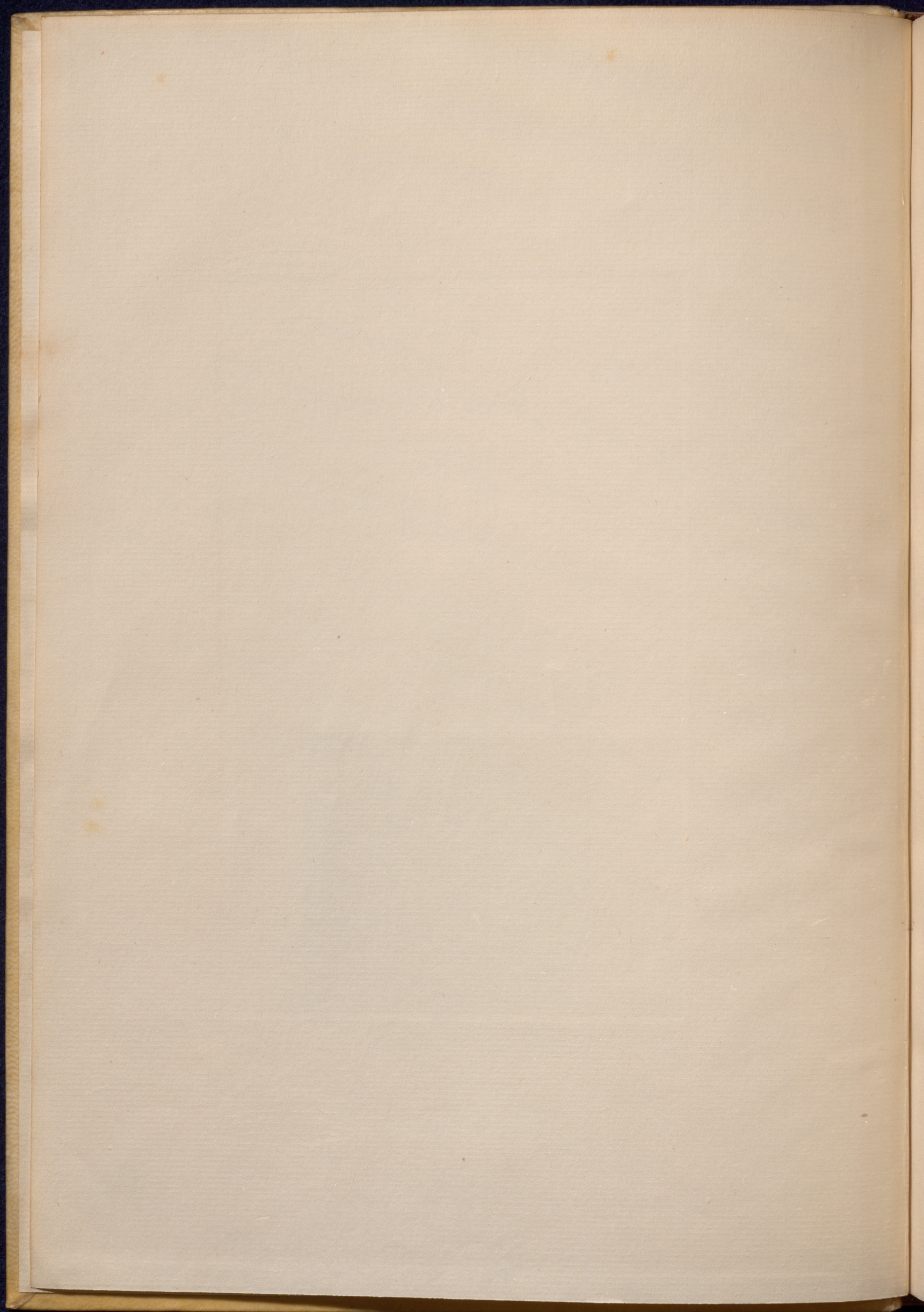
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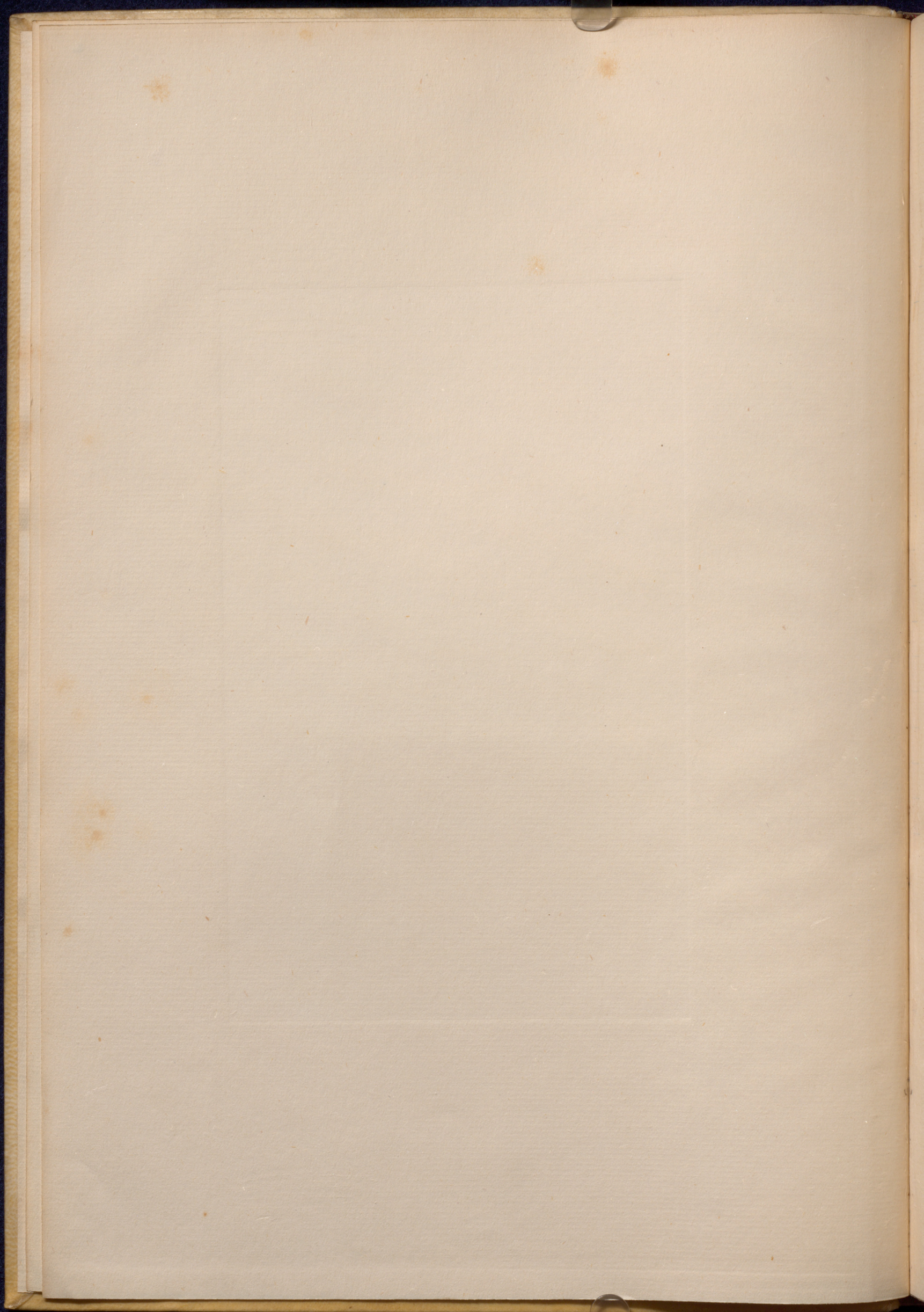
7607. In English, on paper: written about
1687: $12\frac{7}{8} \times 8\frac{1}{4}$ in., 43 leaves.

'An accompt of the proceedings against
Magdalen College', Oxford, 19 Oct.-16 Nov.,
1687, as in Charles Aldworth's anonymous
'Impartial Relation of the whole proceedings
against St. Mary Magdalen Colledge in
Oxon', 1688, pp. 22-39: followed by copies
of various documents relating to the said
proceedings, as printed in the 'Impartial
Relation' and in J. R. Bloxam's 'Magdalen
College and King James II' (Oxford Histori-
cal Society, 1886), viz.: Bloxam 68 (fol. 20),
49 (fol. 21), 46 (fol. 23), 76, 77, 87 (fol. 23^v),
95-7 (fol. 24), 178 (fol. 26). At fol. 4 is a
letter from the Rev. H. A. Wilson of Magdalen
College, 22 March, 1912, reporting on the MS.
Foll. 28-end are blank.

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FROM
THE LIBRARY
OF
SIR WILLIAM OSLER, BART.
OXFORD





Magdalen College⁴¹
Oxford
March 22nd 1912.

Dear Sir William,

I return the MS. you kindly
asked me to examine, and with it
I send for comparison a printed volume
which contains most of the matter
of the MS. though differently arranged.

MS.		An Impartial Relation
Sheets 1-5	=	Pp. 22-29, 30-39
Sheet 6, pp. 1-2	=	Pp. 6-7
Sheet 7, p 1	=	P. 5.
Sheet 7, pp. 2-3	=	Pp. 12-15.
Sheet 8, pp. 1-2		Pp. 29-30

The Statement of the Case of the College
(Sheet 6, pp 3-4) appears in Foxam's

Magdalen College and H. James II. pp. 38-39

in a more complete and correct form. It seems to me that the words "Presented to the Duke of Ormond Apr. 21." at the top of p. 3 really refer to the letter preceding. The "Case" was not apparently sent to the Duke, but prepared for the Ecclesiastical Commission.

The last item in the MS. I am pretty sure I have seen elsewhere, but I rather think it is not in Polocani's volume, and I do not think it is in any copy of the "Impartial Relation" which I have seen.

There are a good many MSS. in our library which, like these, contain much of the matter printed in the "Impartial Relation" and of which it would be difficult to say whether they were copied from the printed text, or from some earlier

form of the work which circulated in⁵ MS. They often show some slight variations from the printed text, evidently not mere slips of the copyist - including sometimes phrases omitted in the printed volume, like that at the end of the long paragraph on p. 1 of sheet 2.

The MS. is apparently not the work of a single writer - but I should say that most, if not all, of it had been copied by persons who were not very familiar with the matter - it does not seem to me to be written, for instance, by any of the fellows of the time.

The "Quakers'" on the last leaf may I think be the document referred to in Pop. Cartwright's Diary, as "a nameless letter". Roxam. p. 145.

The price suggested by the pencil note on the mill-board seems to me rather above the value of the MS. sup.

cially in view of the mutilated state
of some of the pages.

Very truly yours
H. D. Wilson.

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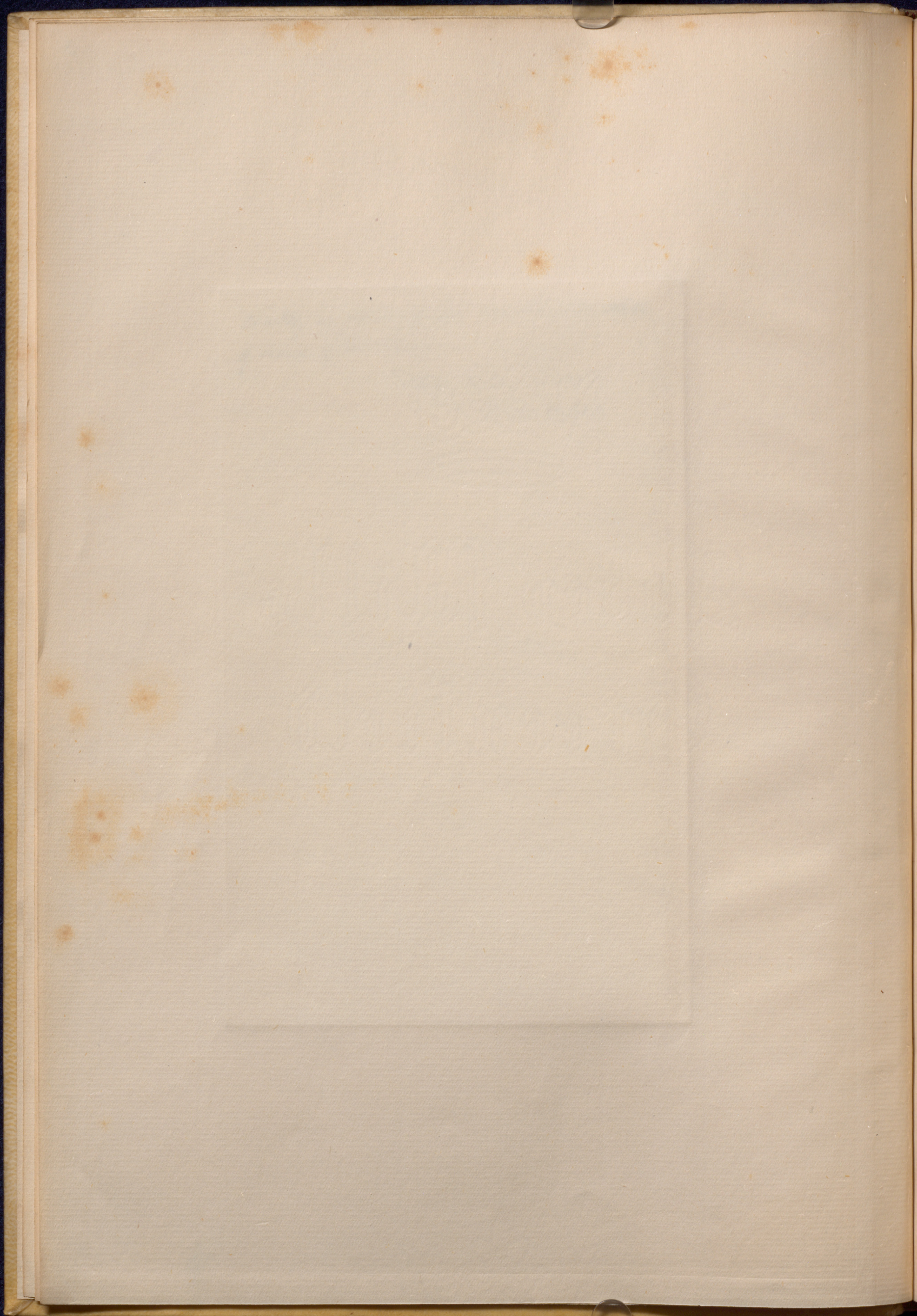
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On Wednesday y^e 19th of October 1657: Atterbury y^e messengers first a Citation on Magd: Coll: Chappell door requiring y^e pretended Post^r & Fellows & other members of y^e Coll: to appear before y^e L^ds Com^r: B.P. of Chester in y^e chappell at 9 of y^e clock on Friday morning Oct^r 21. On Thursday y^e L^ds Com^r: came onto town attended by 3 troops of horse y^e quarter here. On Friday morning at 9 they went into y^e chappell: y^e President & Fellows thinking they designed to sit in y^e Quire, had made no preparations of seats in y^e outward chappell: upon w^{ch} they went into y^e Hall: y^e first thing was reading their Commission, w^{ch} in generall was y^e same wth y^e former: these 3 being added to y^e others & particularly imposed personally to visit Magd: Coll: only. this done y^e names of all y^e Collegiats were called over. D^r Hough being called first. All in town appeared, & excuses were made for y^e absence, then a speech was read by y^e B.P. of Chester. in it his L^d was severe ag^t Disloyalty & disobedience, obediⁿce he spoke much of y^e King's gracious promises, to Arch-B^rs & B^rs. w^{ch} he said deserved our thanks with on bended knees, notwithstanding y^e Oxon reasons to y^e contrary, w^{ch} they knew best who were y^e An^glⁱan there of. He told them it could not be expected but y^e y^e Kg would give all encouragement to the society of his religion, w^{ch} could be done wthout severity & cruelty w^{ch} his majesty abhorred, & without in^{fr}ing y^e Church of England w^{ch} was at present by law established. He told them their Corporation was y^e same as all others was y^e Crown. & y^e it was insolent for their Locall statutes to spurn against the y^e maker of those distempers had brought this visitation upon them, y^e consequence of w^{ch} might be ill to y^e Church & University. y^e however they might escape in this world these things were w^{ch} they be accounted for above ~~all~~ their other sins in y^e next. He exhorted them by y^e bowells of Christ to consider these things. He told y^e y^e eyes of y^e world were upon y^e m, & y^e they ought to take care how their practices might influence their deluded admirers: in short y^e whole design of the speech seemed by promises & threats to aim at inducing y^e m to a compliance. The Court being adjourned till 2. The Com^r: were conducted into y^e chappell to prayers by y^e President D^r Hough, who placed y^e B.P. in his own seat, y^e other 2 next him on y^e same side, & sat himself in y^e vice-presidents seat. In y^e afternoon, after calling over y^e names of y^e D^ries, Chaplains, Choristers, & Coll: servants y^e President interposed desiring leave to speak, before they proceeded any further, w^{ch} being granted, he told them y^e y^e time betwixt their Citation & this appearance was so short, y^e y^e society had not time to advise wth Councell how to behave themselves on this occasion, & therefore he desired of their L^ds a copy of their Commission, w^{ch} time to consider it. it was answered by y^e B.P. of Chester, it is upon record you may have it above. Pres^t. Is it the same wth y^e other L^ds Com^r: have, B.P. yes for y^e most part it is. Pres^t. why then my L^ds I doe assure your L^ds, & if you please will make oath of it, y^e I have often endeavourd to get a copy of it, & could never procure it, so w^{ch} no answer was returned. The L.C. 9. asked whether he had not heard it read, or whether he would hear it again. He replied he was not capable of making a judgment of it himself, but it was possible there might be errors & defects in it, such as perhaps y^e society might make use of to their own advantage, & if so he was confident it was neither his majesties intention nor their L^ds y^e they should be debarr'd of it, however a copy was deny'd, so y^e President said, my L^ds I doe declare in y^e name of my self & y^e greater part of y^e Fellows, y^e we submit to this visitation as far as is consistent wth y^e Laws of y^e Land, & y^e statutes of the Coll: & no farther. I desire your L^ds y^e it may be recorded, w^{ch} was twice repeated. L.C. 9. you cannot imagine y^e we act contrary to y^e Law of y^e Land, & as wth y^e statutes y^e King hath dis-posed wth us; doe you think y^e we came here to act against y^e Law? The President returned, my Lord it would not become me to say so, but I'll be plain wth your L^ds, I finde y^e commission gives you authority to change & alter y^e statutes & make new ones as all think fitt, now my L^d we have taken an oath not only to observe these laying his hand on y^e book) but to admitt of no new ones or alterations in

these, this must be if rule of my behaviour here. I must admit of no alteration from
it as by y^e grace of God never will. B^p of C. Doe you observe all these statutes? Pres^t.
my L^d I hope I doe. B^p. you have a statute there for mass. Pres^t. the matter of y^e oath
is unlawfull, as in such a case no man is oblig'd to observe an oath, besides that
statute is taken away by y^e laws of y^e Land. B^p. by w^h Law? D^r Stafford answered by
y^e Law w^{ch} obligeth us to say common prayer, I hope your L^d doth not imagine y^e
we can say common prayer & mass together. B^p. do you then allow y^e an act of
parliament can free you from y^e obligation of a statute? Pres^t. my L^d I doe
say but y^e his Majesty may alter our statutes, nor do I know but y^e a parliament
may do y^e same, I despaynt not their power, only this my L^d I say, y^e I w^h have
already taken an oath to observe these statutes as they now stand, and am faine
not to admit of any change or alteration by any Authority w^hsoever (and then
upon y^e Pres^t turned to y^e oath w^{ch} y^e Fellows take at their admission, where they
swear to observe those statutes as no others according to y^e Litterall and grammaticall
sense & read it to their L^{ds}) I can obey none but these, those who come after
such alterations are made may receive them under such limitations & restric-
tions, as if my L^d is our case as to y^e statute of y^e Mass.

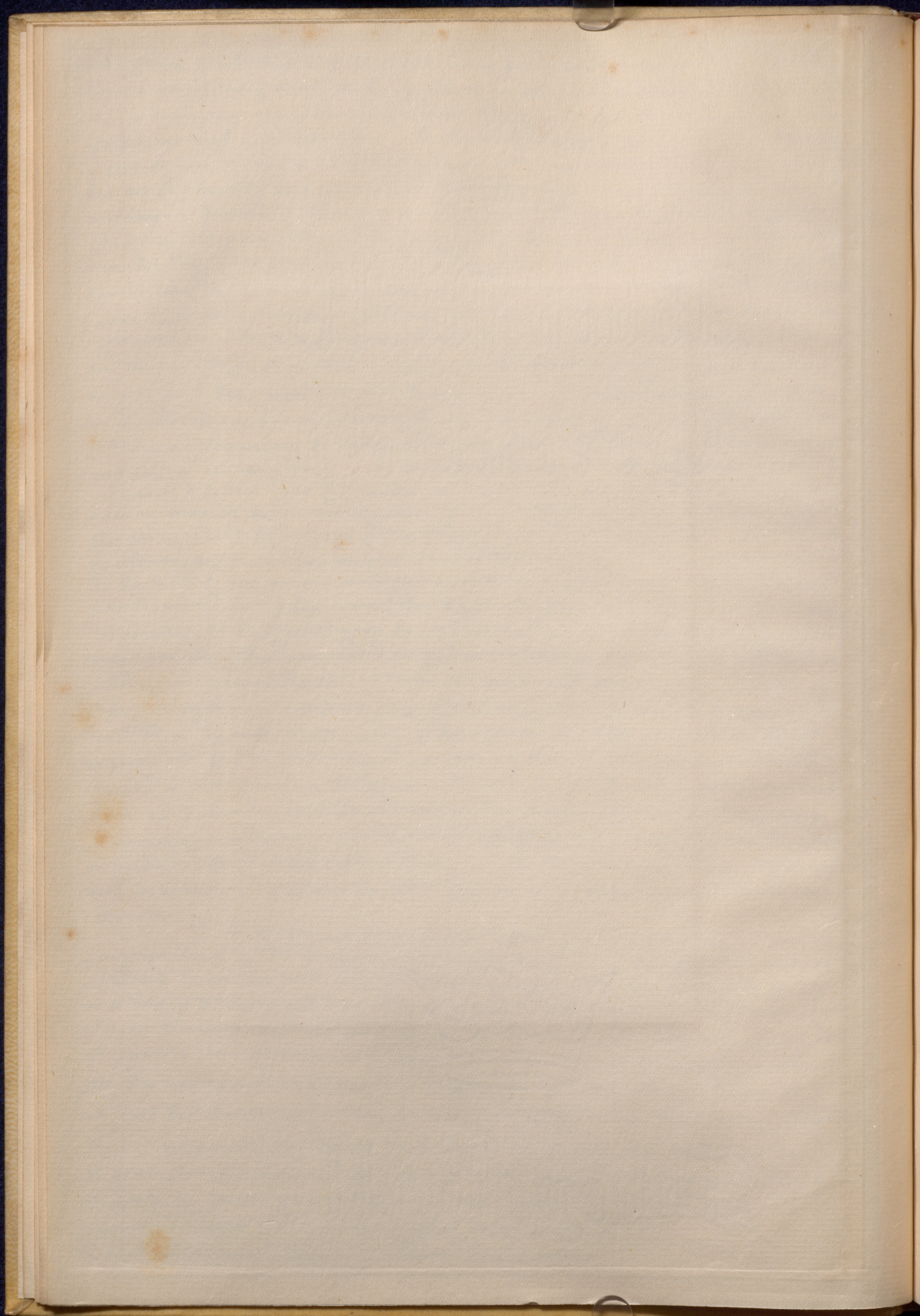
Then y^e Decree of y^e Com^t. of y^e 22^d of June was read, declaring y^e President's elec-
tion null & void, as he was asked whether he did know of it, Pres^t. yes I did hear
it. B^p. why then did you not obey it? Pres^t. My L^d I was never cited before your L^{ds}
nor was I ever heard by them either in person or by proxy. & I think I'm y^e only
instance of any man y^e hath been deprived of a free hold wherein he was legally in-
vested, & of w^h he was quietly possid^d wthout being summoned or heard, here mention
was made of D^r Farfax's suspension, whereupon y^e Pres^t said. My L^d he is absent, &
if your L^{ds} please to give me leave I have something to say on his account. Your
L^{ds} may please to observe in y^e Decree, y^e y^e reason given, why D^r Farfax was suspended
from his Fellowship was because he had not obeyd his maj^{ties} command in electing
Mr. Anthony Farmer President of y^e Coll: Delegates were made on^t as your L^{ds} justify
in it. On y^e 29 of July, notwithstanding w^{ch} this Decree for suspending D^r Farfax
was first on y^e Coll: gates, August y^e 2^d the B^p. C. said y^e y^e King had for y^e most part
recommended to y^e Presidentship of this Coll: the Pres^t replyd y^e he was y^e 20th
or four of y^e number had been recommended by y^e Kings & Queens of England, w^{ch}
2 of 3 were every qualified for y^e office, the B^p asked who were they. Pres^t. There was
one my L^d in Edward y^e 6th time, one in Queen Elizabeth's time, & two in y^e last
time, B^p. was there never one in Charles y^e first's time? Pres^t. my L^d not y^e we know of.
B^p. what think you of D^r Oliver. Pres^t. My L^d it doth not appear unto us y^e ever held
a mandate, no such thing appears upon our Register, B^p. but it appears unto us, &
I'll bring you one shall swear he had a mandate. Pres^t. My L^d y^e truth is we have
lost y^e Register of D^r Oliver's election & admission. the Registers betwixt 40. or
there about & 60, containing y^e business of those times, being taken away by those
y^e were turned out of y^e Coll: at y^e time: but I believe my L^{ds} y^e we are able to prove
y^e he was elected & admitted according to y^e statute. B^p. was D^r Clarke a statutable
person? Pres^t. Yes My L^d. B^p. Doe not your statutes require y^e y^e party should be in
orders, was he in orders? Pres^t. My L^d y^e statutes only require y^e he should be D^r of
or Physick, or Mast: of Arts. there is indeed a statute made y^e says y^e
certain day y^e Pres^t or a junior Fellow shall read prayers, & so
clude y^e y^e Founder supposed we might sometimes have a Preside

& in such a case he takes care if Senior Fellows shall do his duty. Here Mr Charnock
 interpos'd, My Ld will you please to ask Dr Hough whether Dr Clark was married or not.
 no s^r he was a widower said y^e Pres^d. About this time a petition of y^e society to his maj^{ty}
 was read, sign'd y^e 9 of Aprill & presented y^e 16th by y^e hands of Captain Bagshaw &
 Dr Tho: Smith to y^e Earl of Sunderland, wherein they set forth y^e having heard y^e his
 Majestie would recommend Mr Farmer to them, a person utterly incapable, they did hum-
 bly beseech him either to leave y^e to a free Election, or to recommend a qualified per-
 son. BP. was this your petition? Pres^d. yes. BP. why then did you not stay for his maj^{ty}
 answer? My Ld we did to y^e very last day wherein we are limited to finish y^e Election,
 & My Ld Sunderland returned this answer in y^e Kings name y^e his maj^{ty} expected to be obey'd
 now My Ld we could no longer defer y^e Election because our statutes enjoin us to finish
 it within such a time, & we stay'd y^e outmost. nor could we choose y^e person his maj^{ty}
 recommended knowing him so unfit as we afterwards made him appear to be. the society
 therefore was forc'd to proceed to y^e Election of another person, & did agree in one such as you
 see. the BP. said y^e a Mandate always included an Inhibition. Pres^d. My Ld I cannot conceive y^e.
 BP. but I can, & if you question it lets y^e Kings Council to argue it. Pres^d. My Ld whilst y^e
 person his maj^{ty} recommends appears duly qualified for y^e place it seems indeed to im-
 ply y^e we should not proceed to y^e Election of an other, but when he is known to be utterly
 incapable it seems to be y^e same as if there was no letter at all. Some other things and
 questions lesse materiall were put & so they adjourn'd till Saturday the 22^d at 9 in
 y^e morning to y^e Common room, y^e Hall as they said being inconvenient. As soon as their
 Lps were mett in y^e Common room & y^e society before them, y^e first word was with drane
 & after a little time y^e Pres^d was call'd in alone. the BP. of C. put this question to him
 will you submit to y^e Decree of y^e Com^{rs} whereby your Election is declared null and
 void? Pres^d as to y^e Decree of y^e Ld above it is a nullity from y^e beginning to y^e end as far
 as it relates to me, I never having been Cited, nor having ever appeared before them
 either in person or by Proxy. besides my cause it self was never before them, their Lps
 not enquiring or asking one question concerning y^e Legality & statuteness of my
 Election, for w^{ch} reasons, as I'm inform'd, y^e Decree was of no validity against me, even
 according to y^e methods of y^e Civill Law. But if it were, I'm possess'd of a free hold accorde
 to y^e Laws of England, & by y^e Statutes of y^e Society, having been Elected unanimously, &
 wth as much formality as any of my Predecessours Pres^{ts} of y^e Coll: & afterwards admit-
 ted by y^e BP. of Winton our visitor as y^e statutes of y^e Coll: require, & therefore I cannot
 submit to y^e sentence, because I think I cannot be depriv'd of my free hold but by Course
 of Law in West^{er} Hall, or by being someway incapacitated by y^e Founder's statutes. &
 After some discourse y^e BP. of C. said, will you deliver up y^e keys of y^e Presidents office
 & Lodgings to y^e use of y^e person whom y^e King hath appointed your Pres^d as y^e statutes
 require. Pres^d. I will immediately do it if y^e appear. the BP. bid him turn to y^e part of
 y^e Pres^d oath where he promises quietly to submit, if he shall be expelled for his own
 fault, or for any other cause. Pres^d. My Ld y^e statute only concerns me if I'm expelled
 for any fault committed by me. BP. vel ob aliam causam. Pres^d. then my Ld to be short
 here is no cause. BP. I ask you again will you deliver up y^e keys to y^e Pres^d whom his
 Maj^{ty} appoints? Pres^d. My Ld there neither is or can be any other Pres^d as long as I live
 to obey y^e statutes of y^e Coll: & therefore I do not think fitt to give up my right, y^e keys
 & Lodgings. BP. we may demand them of you as visitors. Pres^d. My Ld we never deliver
 them up to y^e BP. of Winton, & we own no greater visitoriall power than his, he
 is by vertue of a Royall Charter y^e we live together, & enjoy
 that impowrd a Founder to give us a Rule & oblig'd us to

act by oath suitable to it, & if Bp of Winton is hereby constituted our Visitor, & all
this we owe from y^e Kings Authority. The Bp of Winton is our ordinary Visitor, if Kg
as I presume, our extraordinary. but your L^{ds} know it hath been controverted whether
y^e King can visit a private Colli or not. the Authority of y^e Pres^t is made by delivering
y^e statute book & keys, & therefore I look upon you as an essentiall badge of my office.
but my L^d I humbly begg of your L^{ds} if I may have leave to ask one question: your L^{ds}
are pleas'd to demand of me to give up these things. Do your L^{ds} own my right? for
if not w^t is it your L^{ds} would have me give up: Bp. we we look upon you as an intru-
der. Pres^t my L^d if I am an intruder y^e Bp of Winton made me one, & I thank God
for it. My L^{ds} y^e time we have been allow'd to prepare our selves for this appear-
ance hath been very short, but one day betwixt y^e & your citation; we are un-
ignorant in y^e laws, & I must confess it of my self in particular. I have
endeavour'd to give your L^{ds} a plain & satisfactory reply to such questions
as you have been pleas'd to put to me. 'tis very probable y^t thro' ignorance
& inadvertency I may have expos'd my self unavarily. but if so I beseech your
L^{ds} let no advantage be taken of it, my intencion hath been always to express
my self w^t all imaginable duty to his maj^{ty}, & respect to your L^{ds} if I've done o-
therwise I beseech your L^{ds} candour in a favourable interpretation of w^t I said y^t
nothing may be taken amiss where all was dutifully intended. And now my L^{ds} I've
thus far appear'd before your L^{ds} as Judges, now I address to you as men of honour and
Gentlemen; & I beseech you to represent me as dutifull to y^e last degree as I always will
to his maj^{ty} so far as my conscience permits me to y^e last moment of my life, & w^t
I'm dispos'd here I hope your L^{ds} will intercede if I may no longer lay under his maj^{ty}'s
displeasure, or be frownd upon by my Prince w^t is y^e greatest affliction can befall
me: upon this y^e Pres^t was order'd to withdraw & after a little time he & y^e Fellows were
call'd again. then y^e Bp of C. repeated this question. Dr Hough will you deliver up
y^e keys & quit your possession of y^e Lodgings to y^e person his maj^{ty} hath appointed
Pres^t to w^t no answer was made. y^e Bp. repeated it a 2^d time, to w^t the Pres^t
answered my L^d I've neither heard nor seen any thing to induce me to it. then y^e Bp.
repeated y^e same words a third time, whereupon y^e Kg's Proctor accus'd y^e Pres^t in
threes of contumacy, & y^e Bp admonish'd him thrice in these words. Dr Hough I
admonish you to depart peaceably out of y^e Lodgings & to act no longer as Pres^t or
pretend'd Pres^t of this Colli: w^t being said he strook his name out of y^e Buttery
book, & admonish'd y^e Fellows & others of y^e Society no longer to submit to his Au-
thority.

Dr Fairfaxes case before y^e Com^{rs} October y^e 21st 1677. Oson. at y^e 1st Sessions
(viz) on Oct: y^e 21st Dr Fairfax purposely absented himself, but Atterbury making
affidavit he was in town, y^e he advis'd him to appear y^e Dr accordingly did. soe the
next day y^e Dr being call'd in alone, & y^e doors immediately shut, he beg'd of their L^{ds}
y^t some company might be let in because, as all had observ'd, y^e Bp in his speech at
y^e opening their commission promised to transact every thing in y^e face of y^e worlde
the Bp. complain'd of y^e crowd, y^e Dr therefore desired to fetch in but 2 or 3
at last but one, & him at the door, y^e Colli: steward, a publick Notary. Bar.
I remember you must not think to prescribe to the court. Bp. What y^e y^e cause
of your strange contempt in not appearing on either Session yesterday. Dr
Fairfax. no contempt my L^d, but for these ensuing reasons. 1st I shoud
suspension above had eas'd me of that trouble, the Dr
which with much adoe was receiv'd by y^e Commi

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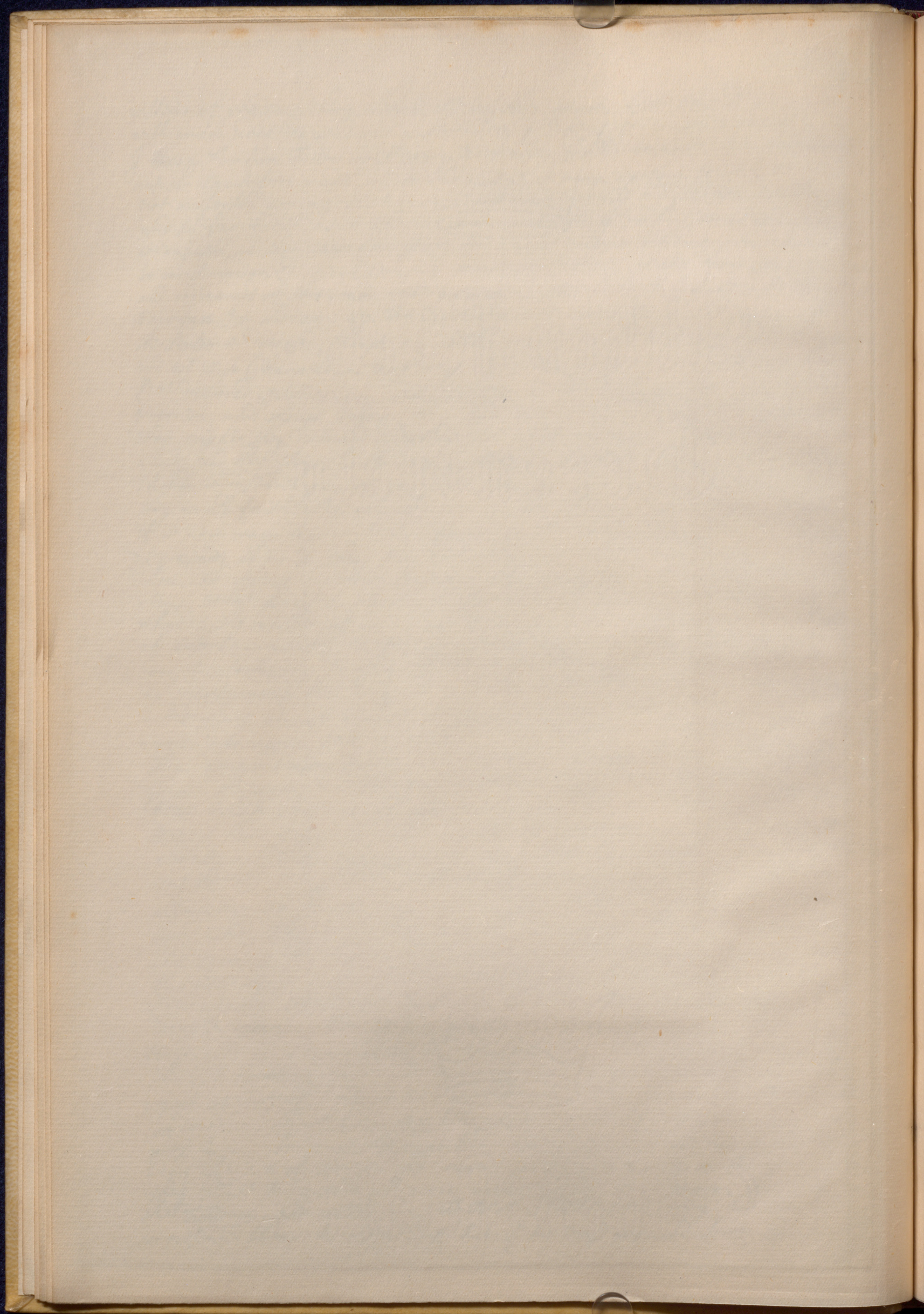
2) The Dr insisted very much on ^{Reasons} ~~quitting~~ ^{their} J^{es} gave all
Whitehall, for his Suspension, viz for not obeying his maj^{ties} man-
date for in cloaking Ant Farmer, he tendering a copy of Articles
made against him, and your J^{es} ordered his Suspension to be first
on y^e 2^d of Oct gave 5 days after the famous hearing the second reason
for his non appearance y^t upon the first of the ensuing Term, the Dr
intended to meet the C. J. at his Court of K^s bench for wife agt y^e
sentence his followers being a freehold witness Joverys case. B^{ut} you
will find but little favour there Dr Fairfax, my J^{es} in Courts of justice
I only expect justice, and turning to the C. J. again I have my self
been about 4 years in all the Courts of West. Hall and found ex-
cellent justice, and I will see how it is now. C. J. you shall have
justice. Dr Fairfax; but your J^{es} may save me the labour of a four-
day, and charges, by improving your J^{es} deserved interest in my J^{es}
Com^{mons} there and got y^e now to take of my Suspension, it is ill ha-
ving at this time of the year, besides I am not sick. B^{ut} J^{es} ent
to sit in West hall requires a purse Dr Fairfax. my J^{es} did
not say I was poor. C. J. you must make your supplication and submission
on to the K. Dr Fairfax my J^{es} they tell me this business lyes in y^e hands
J^{es} Court, and only three, and besides the trouble I am otherwise to give y^e to
J^{es}, not a noise will the cause that Dr Fairfax is suspended for this very
and only reason, (viz) not obeying y^e K in cloaking Ant Farmer such al-
lusion, and under correction, all your J^{es} seem to be obliged to take of
my Suspension, to take of the shame from that body whose number by ad-
Commission adjunct, you your selves have lately increased. B^{ut} J^{es} ent
we must not endure these reflections on y^e Court. B^{ut} will you sub-
mit to the visitation; Dr Fairfax y^e read a paper subscribed by him and
dated oct 22 in these words. my J^{es} I have been summoned and appeared in this
cause before y^e E^xch^{est} Comm^{ission} at White Hall wth whom your J^{es} are now
joynt in commission, and then gave in my answer; I have nothing to add
add to it. and find no reason to retract it, Henry Fairfax. B^{ut} will you
admit y^e B^{ut} of Oxon; Dr Fairfax I am suspended; B^{ut} have you done any so-
ne collegiate act since your Suspension? Dr Fairfax my J^{es} I have gone all
into y^e Hall, and layd in my Chamber. I did not think their J^{es} or how they
suspended me ever intended y^t I should not eat or drink or sleep. B^{ut} were
your Suspension of would you agree to admit y^e B^{ut} of Oxon? Dr Fairfax
I have but my J^{es} I could not do it. then all the fellows together were called
into y^e Court — not only y^e officers and Mr Hodges, but y^e Commissioners are
witnesses this narrative is true, and the Dr appeals to them all and they all look
naked.

The President being answered y^e B^{ut} put the question to all the fellows (viz) whe-
ther they would assist at the admission of the B^{ut} of Oxon, as
to be installed President by virtue of the Kings mandate to w^{ch} was answered
by all to this effect. (excepting Dr Dudley and Dr The Smith who answered doubt
fully) and Charnock who answered he would assist, yet they were under oaths
to y^e contrary and therefore could not do it. then all were commanded to
withdraw, and Dr Dudley was called in alone they asked him concerning the
mandate of installing a President w^{ch} he in shewed y^e was taking y^e B^{ut} of
deaths oath, and y^e oath of allegiance and Supremacy. Then the Court

adjourned till 2 in the afternoon. As soon as they mett a letter to
the East of Sunderland from Dr. Dosey was read dated the 28 of
Aug: signifying that the Society, in answer to his Master's letter com-
-mending you to admit ye 30 of Oct: agreed unanimously in this an-
-swer that the place was full. Their Dps were please to ask the
Follows singly, whether that was ^{their} answer: and as many as was those
resident owned that it was. During this examination, the Dr. of Exeter came
into the Court and having waited until it was ended on their Dps at a
pause he made his application to y^m. My Dps if your Dps please to give me
leave, I would gladly speak a word or two. They were all please to put
of their hats and said that he might, where upon he said; My Dps you
were please this morning in pursuance to a secret of the Dps commissioners
at London, to deprive me of my place of president of this Coll: and to
strike my name out of the buttry book I do hereby protest against
all your proceedings and agt all if you have done or hereafter shall do
in prejudice of me and my right as illegall, unjust, and Null, and
therefore I appeal to our Sovereign Soth the King: in his Courts of justice
upon w^{ch} the Strangers and young Scholars in the room gave a great
huzz; w^{ch} so much incited their Dps that the Sth of Exeter declared he thought
to be bound over to the ~~same~~ place upon w^{ch} the President and Follows
offered to purge upon oath if they were no way concerned in this thing
either directly or indirectly. The President further declaring if he was
heartily ashamed and troubled at it. Then the Sth declared he be-
-lieved he was no way necessary to it. Then all were commanded
to withdraw and after half an hour all were called in again.
Then the Sth stood up and so such sentences were not to be suf-
fered in the Court and advised that if the civil power could not
keep y^m quiet, the military should. Charging the president with
being an occasion of it and there fore bound him under a bond
of a 1000 and security to the like value to make his appearance
at the 10 bench bar the 12th of November having before overruled
his prohibition saying those were no appeal Rights to White
Hall, or the Chancery: because they were a supream court and
included both in themselves. After this was read, y^e answer w^{ch} they sent
shows returned to his master upon his command to y^m upon y^e 4th of
Sept: to Elect ye 30 of Oct: the answer was under y^e hand of a
Publick notary subscribed by all the Follows y^e protest (except M^r T^h
Charnock.) The 30 of Chisler was please to Charge the Follows
of unmanously w^{ch} for sending such an answer to their Dps
after such a manner. So they adjourned till Tuesday ye 24 of
Oct: at 9 in the morning, when the Court mett Dr. Stafford offered
a paper in answer to what was objected on Friday, that a mandrake
implied an inhibition, w^{ch} their Dps having perused would not suffer
it to be read publicly: but asked the Follows whether they would
sign it challenging ^{them} at their perill to do it. Then the Follows had
leave to withdraw into the hall, where being not satisfied it
was not necessary to sign a plea w^{ch} their lordships refused to have
argued, they returned the paper into the Court only, subscribed by
Dr. Fairfax and Dr. Stafford the latter after some debate ordered forth
it but Dr. Fairfax stood to it. After this Mr. Higgins chaplain to the
Dps of Exeter, was called in who delivered a paper empowering him as Proctor.

to be installed President for his ^{2d} ~~1st~~ being read together with the ^{2d} ~~1st~~
 mandate for the B^d of Oron; the question was put to two or three of ye
 seniors whether they would ~~assist at this installment~~ assist at this installment
 w^{ch} they refusing the Court adjourned to the Chappell where the B^d of Ches-
 -ter put m^r Higgins into the Presidents place ~~shall~~ where he took the oath
 Oath enjoined by the Statutes on the President at his admission; and the
 Oath of Allegiance and Supremacy. the latter of w^{ch} the B^d of Chester or-
 -dered him to take on his knees w^{ch} he accordingly did; then their J^{es} con-
 -ducted him to the door of the Presidents Lodgings where knocking thrice
 and the door not being open they retired to the common Room and commis-
 -sioned Attorney and a Tipstaff to fetch a Smith to force open the
 door, w^{ch} was done, their J^{es} being present all this while, none of the fel-
 -lows (except m^r Chesnoek assisting or being so much as present at either
 either of these performances. Their J^{es} being returned to the common
 room Dr Fairfax desired leave at their request to speak and being per-
 mitted he told their J^{es} they had been a doing a thing to w^{ch} he by no
 means could consent. B^d. ~~Will~~ You are big to be delivered of your own
 Disobedience will you submit to the B^d of Oron, as now installed President
 by virtue of the R^y mandate. Dr Fairfax I will not, I cannot. Because
 we have a Statutable and Legal President already. Then the same question
 was put to the Society w^{ch} being business of great moment; they desired
 time to consider of it till the afternoon, then the Court was adjourned till
 till 3 of the Clock at w^{ch} time the answer was given in by the Society
 (except Dr Fairfax who had given in his in the morning) that w^{ch} ^{upon}
 upon his maj^{ty} hath been presented by his Royal Authority the cause the
 right reverend Father in God Samuel D^r of Oron, to be installed
 President w^{ch} whose names are hereunto subscribed as far as is law-
 -full and agreeable to the Statutes of this Coll^y: and no way Prejudiciall
 to the Right of Dr Hough w^{ch} was accepted, except the last clause of the C^{of}
 and Pass-jewell declared as unjust, was insignificant, fined nothing they could
 do could any way invalidate Dr Houghs ~~possession~~ ^{way} but left y^e still at
 liberty to be witnesses for him or any other ~~way~~ ^{way} serviceable to
 him in the recovery of his right. upon this assurance they so-
 -only was prevailed with to leave out the last clause, then all
 B^d asked him what he meant by his paper, a fore mentioned
 dated Oct 22^d whether he did submit to the Authority of the Court
 y^e Court opened and the D^r complained before all the company
 that he had been closeted privily. and being demanded as before
 that he would obey the Court and the B^d of Oron, he plainly
 denied both; then the buttory book was sent for and his name by
 the B^d of was commanded to be struck out; and the Sentence
 passed. Forasmuch as you have denied the authority of the court, and
 refused to obey the B^d of Oron, whom the King hath made your Pre-
 -sident, and taken commons after your suspension, we declare your
 place void and command you quickly to depart this Coll^y: within
 14 days. after w^{ch} the D^r said, my J^{es} all the huge calamity y^e have befall-
 -ed me ^{in particular} have ^{been} ^{derived} upon the sole account of a religious and conser-
 -vation of our pious founders Statutes whereof I have
 taken above 28 years C^{of} no speeches, besides if you have any paper

instead of reading them have y^m in the court; but the J^r prevailed
with much ado to read his protestation w^{ch} he left in the court: I
Henry Fairfax Fellow of St Mary Magdalen Coll: do under my former
answer here before made, and to the intent it may appear, that I have
not consented nor agreed to any thing done against me ^{or before me} is lib. nulla,
and so far forth as it shall appear ^{adversely}, I do say, it is iniqua
et injusta, and that therefore I doe from it as iniqua et injusta appeal
to our Sovereign & the Leg^m his courts of justice, as the laws Statutes
and ordinances of this realm will permit in the behalf of Subscriber Henry
Fairfax Oct the 25: 87. This Protestation was overruld, and a copy of
the Sentence deny'd, though earnestly desired at the instance of J^r Rogers
and M^r Vice Chancellour. Two days after the close of the Sessions their
L^{ds} declared y^m selves very well satisfied in the answer the Society had
given in, and though before they had laid a libel to their charge, yet
that ought they declared they had met with nothing ^{from} but only
= by ty, and that they should receive the same from them; that y^e had
shown themselves men of excellent temper that day and before. that
they would faithfully represent it to their advantage above; that
if it any way lay in their power to serve y^m they should be ve-
= ry ready to do it, then they adjourn'd till Monday morning. ordering
them to bring in their answers and ^{provision} of time to their ques-
= tions; what provision have you for the entertainment of strangers
what is the value of it? how is it apply'd? and where the place
of entertainment? On Wednesday morning y^e 26 they made it appear
very satisfactorily to their L^{ds} that they were oblig'd to give
in charity money but 2-3-4 and that besides they gave in communi-
= bus annis almost an 100 as appears by the paper they then deli-
= ver'd into upon this their L^{ds} were pleas'd to expatiate upon y^m
their generous ~~mind~~ bounty and liberality, saying the complaint ag^t
y^m upon this account was so groundless it would enoed the King to the
better belife of y^m in all other matters. Then a Petition of J^r Rogers
late Organist desiring to be restor'd was read but he
= verall miscomprehensions being evidently prov'd ag^t him, it
was thrown out. the J^r was advis'd to rest satisfied with the
allowance of 30 per annum w^{ch} the Coll had bestow'd upon
him when they turn'd him out of his place. Thurs: the 27 of Oct.
this morning they received a list of what wages had been pay'd
= 2 years last past; M^r Charnock the new convert asked their
L^{ds} whether these wages stood good w^{ch} had been paid since J^r
Houghs election. the J^r answered in the affirmative. adding y^m
Corporations always stick by their seals. then their L^{ds} perused
the Coll's ~~books~~ register and finding nothing ~~adverse~~ there on to ob-
= ject against y^m, they were return'd, then they adjourn'd till Monday
afternoon, at w^{ch} time they told them, that having received no ex-
= press from above, as they expected, they adjourn'd the Court till Friday
= day the 28 of Oct in the morning. To y^e 28 at 8 in the morning
they L^{ds} being all were command'd to be draw; then only
the Fellows were call'd in, the J^r of Chichester said they had formerly
represented them to the King but y^t his Maj^{ty} required some further

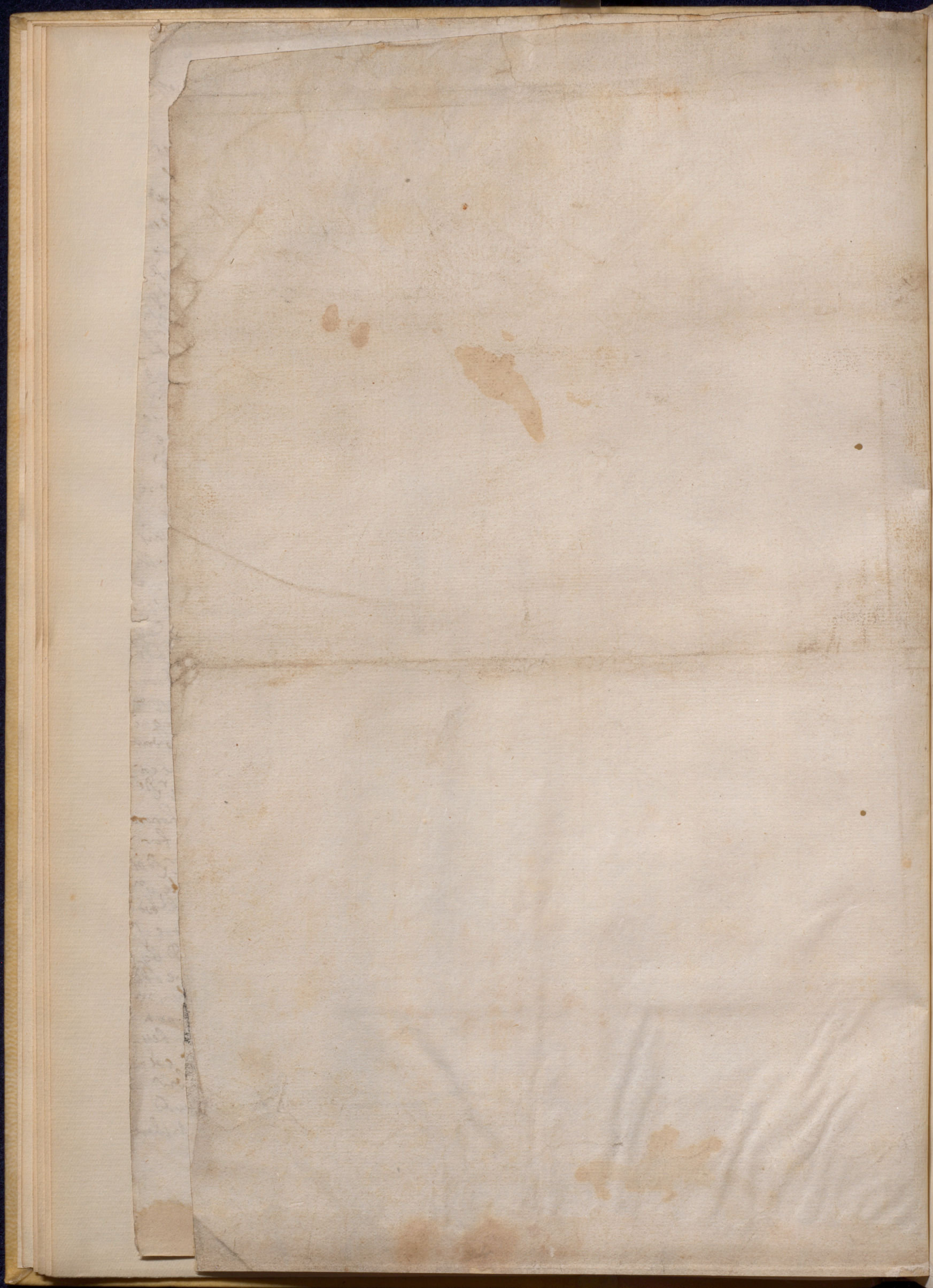


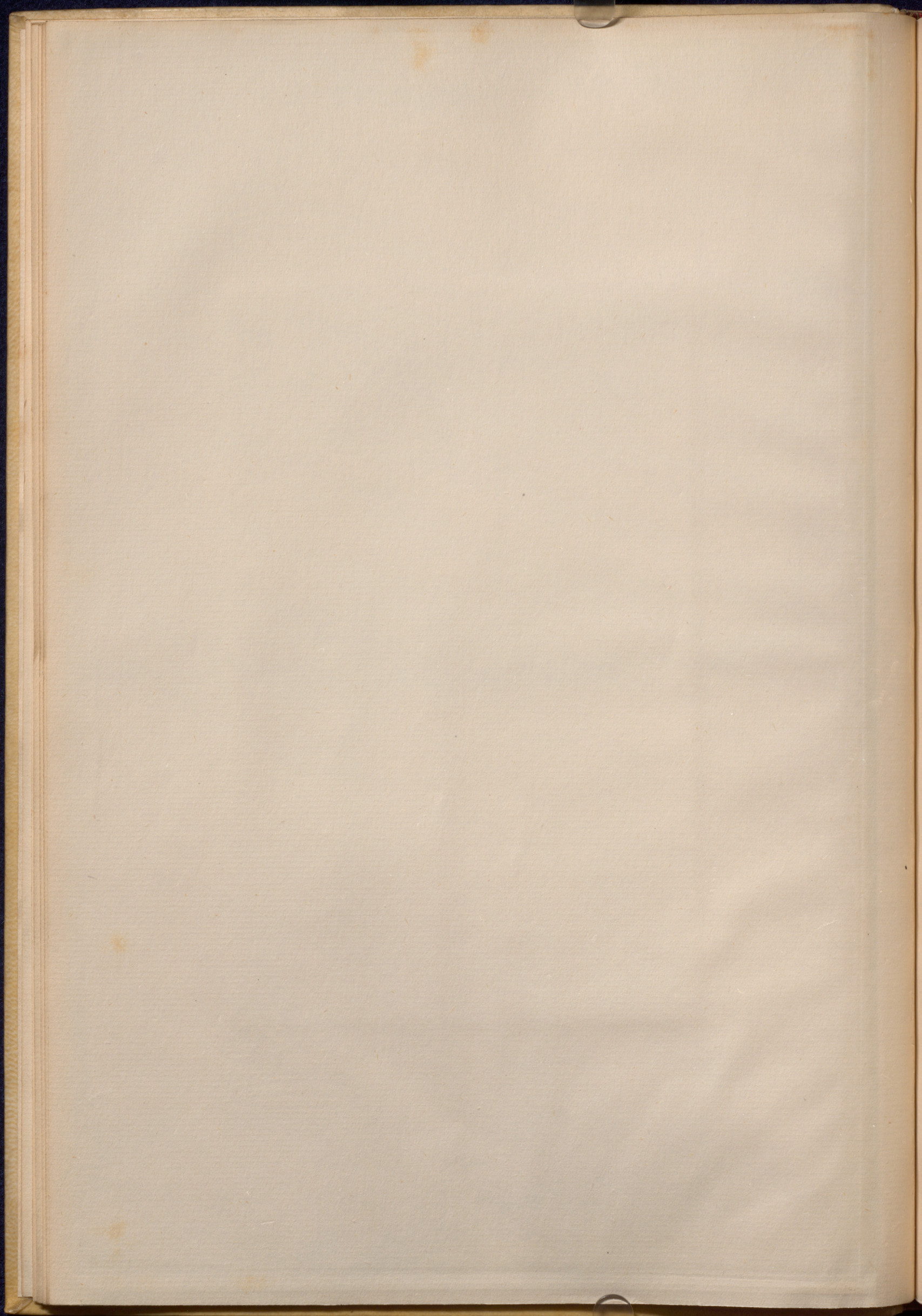
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Submission wch they advised y^m to make, acknowledging their contempt
to his sacred majesty in person and to his letter and that they
should promise to behave wth his loyalty for the future, and y^t
they should some way own the justice and legality of the proceedings
of that Court, and implore his majestys pardon and lay themselves
at his feet, The Fellows making a little pause the B^p said they might
read it themselves, if they thought fitt. M^r Tucker should ask
them in a form if they pleased. then all the Fellows were sworn into
the Hall where they were up this following answer. May it please
your Ex^{ty} we have endeavoured in all our actions to express our duty
with all humility to his majesty, and being conscious to our selves that
in the whole conduct of the business before y^r Ex^{ty} we have done nothing
but what our oaths and Statutes indispensably oblige us to, we cannot
make any declaration where by we acknowledge y^t we have done
any thing amiss having acted by the Bishopric of Loyalty and
obedience to his sacred maj^{ty} so far as we could wth out doing vio-
lence to our consciences or prejudice to our rights (and w^{ch} we
humbly conceive to be that of electing a President from w^{ch} we are
sworn upon no account to depart, we therefore humbly beg y^r Ex^{ty} to re-
-present this favourably, wth our utmost duty to his majesty, whom God
grant long and happily to reign over us. Upon their Ex^{ty} perusing this
answer they expressed their dislike of it; saying it did not come up to the
address sent to his maj^{ty} at Bath w^{ch} they caused to be read, to this it may be
ph^{ys}d y^t they hoped their behaviour since had been every way agreeable to
they had there promised, then their Ex^{ty} said it did not come up to what they de-
-livered in on Tuesday, here D^r Bayly said my Ex^{ty} we have acted conformable
to our oaths and truly my Ex^{ty} I cannot possibly confess any crime, B^p we dont
expect you to confess any capitall crime only to make some acknowledgements
then Mr Fulham said my Ex^{ty} we are ordered to address our selves as having ac-
-ted in contempt of his ^{h^{is} sacred maj^{ty}} authority w^{ch} my Ex^{ty} I look upon as the greatest
a crime that upon any account I would be guilty of it. My Ex^{ty} we have en-
-deavoured to obey his maj^{ty} to the utmost of our power, and being y^r Ex^{ty}
were pleased to accept our answer on Tuesday I humbly conceive y^t your Honor
is engaged that nothing farther be required of us. B^p you are a very for-
-ward speaker and abound in y^r own sense. M^r Fulham my Ex^{ty} I hope y^r Ex^{ty}
will give me leave to speak when our fortunes are so considerably at stake y^r
D^r Bayly desired their Ex^{ty} to give him leave to explain w^{ch} he meant by the word
submit in his answer on Tuesday, because he heard their Ex^{ty} understood more y^t
was meant, and that their Lordships should goe away under a mistake he said by
the word submit in the former answer he did not intend any future obe-
-dience to the B^p of Oxon; but meant it in reference to the R^{ts} Authority, in
as much as he did not oppose or resist the B^p of Oxons installment, upon
this a fresh question was put to the Fellows, whether they would obey
the B^p of Oxon as their President in his ch^{ur}ch house? to w^{ch} all ex-
-cept, or 2, answered they could not obey the B^p of Oxon as their
President. Upon the question being put to M^r Fulham he answered
that D^r Hough having been duly elected and admitted President there
by obtained a right w^{ch} he was not

Handwritten text, likely a letter or document, written in cursive script. The text is heavily faded and mostly illegible due to age and ink bleed-through from the reverse side. The document appears to be a formal letter or a detailed account, possibly related to business or legal matters, given the structured nature of the writing. The text is organized into several paragraphs, with some lines indented, suggesting a formal structure. The paper is aged and shows signs of wear, including discoloration and some staining at the bottom.







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satisfie he had any ways forfeited, and therefore he could obey no other person as Presi-
the Bp of Chester then ask'd him, whether he would obey y^e Bp of Oxon as in possession, nor
he answerd he could not because y^e Bp had not lawfull possession, it was ask'd him wherein
he said he had not possession in due form of law, nor by proper officers, he having been
inform'd y^e proper Officer to give a possession of a free hold was y^e Sherif, with a posse-co-
mitatus, & C. Turay who's y^e best Lawyer you or I, your Oxford Law is not better then
your Oxford Divinity, if you have a mind to have a posse-comitatus you may have it
soon enough, Mr Fulham, my self I intended nothing but respect to your s^rs and have
endavour'd to speake and behave my self wth due deference, and I hope y^e s^rs will
put a favourable construction upon what I said, then all were commanded to withdraw
then y^e Buttery-booke was call'd for, after this Mr Fulham was sent for in, and suspended
under this form, by y^e Bp of Chester. Mr George Fulham we have thought fitt, to suspend
you from y^e profits of y^e Fellowship during his Maj^{ty}s pleasure, for your contempt and
opprobrious language, then they adjourn'd y^e court till Wednesday y^e 16 of Nov^r ordering y^e
absent Fellows to bee sent for home against that time, for they immediately went for
London.

The time appointed being come y^e Comis^r mett in y^e Common room and admitted
Mr Jouner and Mr ^{Alibone} ~~Malone~~ (both Papists) actual Fellows taking only y^e cold Oath
without y^e Oath of Allegiance and Supremacy, which are always requir'd at y^e
admission of a Fellow, after this, they proceeded to call over y^e names of y^e Fellows,
and excuses being given in upon oath for those y^e were absent, y^e Bp of Chester
proceeded thus

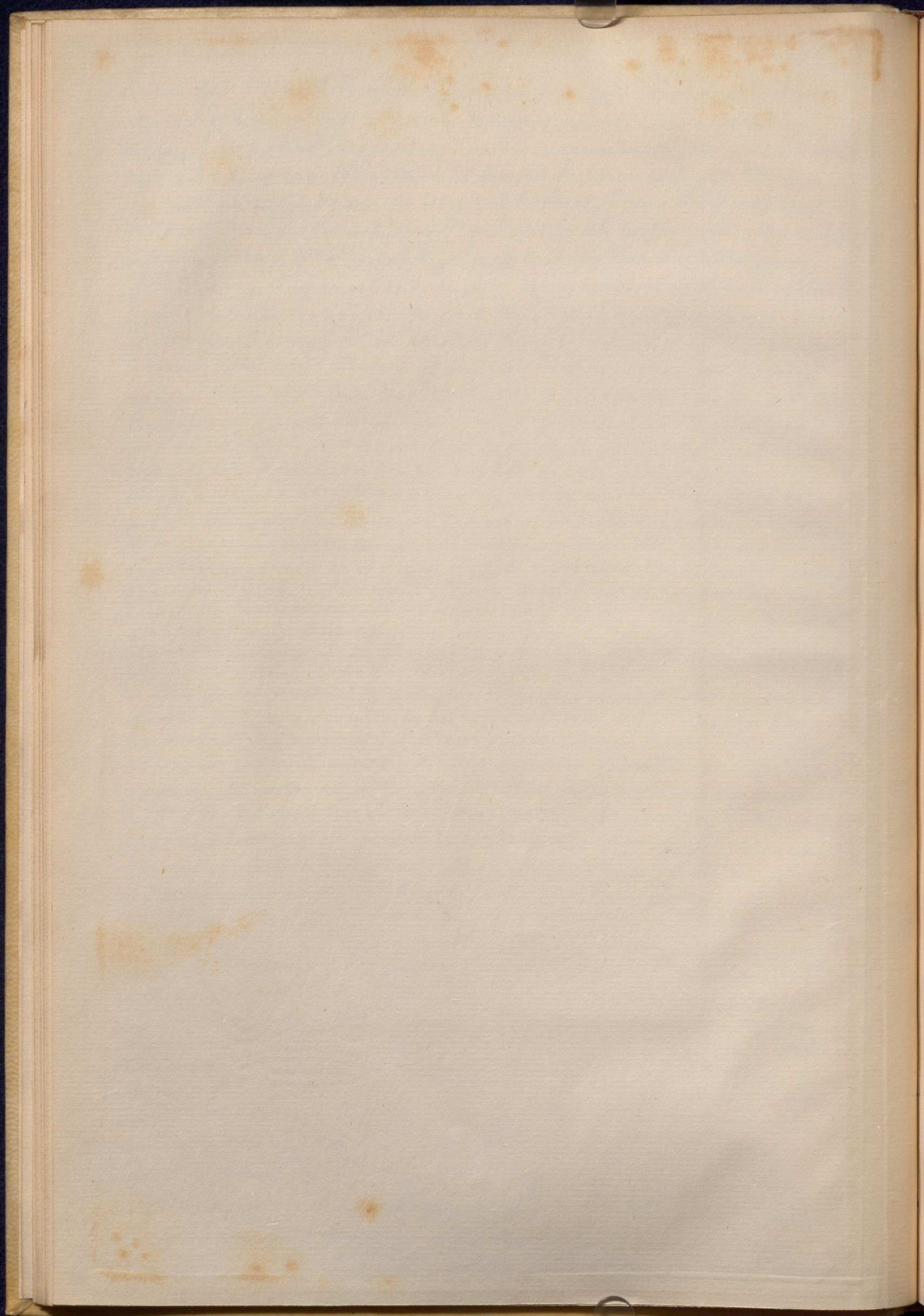
Your many contempts and wilfull disobedience have occasion'd this visitation
which will at last end in y^e ruine, this society of y^r has been long exercis'd in
y^e methods of quarrelling, and hath always been troubled with factious spirits, and
restless mutinies, ever since y^e restauration of y^e late King, you have encourag'd
quarrels between your selves and President, quarrels at length between y^e selves
and visitor, you last Visitor I have oft heard complain that this society was overstockt
with an unquiet and turbulent generation, by these steps of quarrelling wth y^e President
and visitor, you have at last advanced to y^e highest pitch of insolence, to quarrell
y^e Prince and to affront his sacred Maj^{ty} I endavour'd at y^e first opening of our
Commission to make you sensible of y^e scandals, y^e your disobedience would bring
upon our Religion, how much it would stain and dishonour y^e liberrall and
ingenious Education you have had in this society, you cannot but know y^e his Maj^{ty}
is supream ordinary, you cannot but have read in Bracton (who was for 20 years
& C. under Hen: y^e 3^d) nemo presumat de factis ejus disquirere, ne dum contra
factam ejus venire, all disobedience implies pride, for no man can disobey
his Governour but he who thinks himself wiser, y^e reputation and honour of
a Prince, and his respect abroad are y^e chief Standards of Government, but
these pillars as much as in y^e lies you have endavour'd to shake, and unless
his Maj^{ty}s honour and right be vindicated by us, he can neither expect to be
serv'd at home, nor observ'd abroad, your impunity therefore cannot con-
sist wth his Maj^{ty}s Honour, but your punishment must be as publick as your
crime, it cannot be conceiv'd how his Maj^{ty} in justice, honour, clemency
and in Royall tenderness could have proceeded otherwize then he has
done; On y^e 3^d of Aprill a Mandate was directed to you for y^e choosing of
Mr Farmer, on y^e 13^d of Aprill you presented a petition to y^e President
wherein you laid your selves prostrate at his Maj^{ty}s feet representing

him of incapacity of Mr Farmer, desiring of benefits of his gracious
Declaration for preserving of rights and properties and beseeching him to
Nominate an other person qualify'd according to y^r Statutes, and in y^e Election
of him you would shew a ready obedience, so said and so done, Gentlemen, had
been very well, but immediately after delivering of Petition, you not waiting
his Maj^{ty}'s answer proceeded on April y^e 15th to y^e Election of Dr Hough, so that
by this act w^{ch} was plainly contrary to his Maj^{ty}'s Authority, whose Mandate
did certainly imply an Inhibition, you directly confronted y^r former
principles of a ready obedience and were resolv'd to give y^e King nothing
but good words, when you had done this (as men of ill designs are always
in haste for a confirmation of it) you immediately went and surpris'd y^r
Visitor, and by that means perswaded him to confirm Dr Hough y^e very
day, y^e ~~very day~~ ^{he} received an order from y^e L^d President to y^e contrary,
upon this news y^e King was much amaz'd, and required an account of
their proceedings, therefore upon y^e 28th of May y^e L^d Com^r issued out a
Citation, and after hearing their plea, upon mature Consideration with
y^e most Learned both of Common and Civill Law judg'd y^e pretended Elec-
tion of Dr Hough to be null and void, and him to be amov'd, this was
signify'd to you by an Instrument dated y^e 22nd of June w^{ch} was affixt on
y^e Coll^g gates, after this on y^e 14th of August a Mandate was sent to you
to choose y^e B^l of Oxon, upon w^{ch} terms his Maj^{ty} was graciously
pleas'd to dispen^{ce} wth your disobedience hitherto, but this bring disobe-
dience to his Maj^{ty} in person, on y^e 4th of Septemb^r sent for you, X church, and
commanded you immediately to goe into your Chappell, and admit y^e B^l of
Oxon y^r President, you went straight into your Chappell (a place one would
think should have inspir'd more devotion and awe of his sacred Maj^{ty} into
you) and there contemptuously subscrib'd and sign'd a paper directly thwating
his Maj^{ty}'s command, y^e ground of your disobedience you pretended to be that you
could not elect him, whereas you could not but know by a written Mandate
lying by you, y^e admission would have satisfi'd his Maj^{ty}, Conscience y^e State
Topick of Religion was here brought to vindicate y^r reculant and contum-
acious behaviour, you pretended you were oblig'd by Oaths, and I am sorry that at
y^e same time you forget y^e of Allegiance, and indeed there is nothing a greater
signe of hypocrisie then partiall obedience, had you any due respect to y^e Father
of y^r Country, and y^r holy Mother y^e Church, you would have sacrific'd your
pretended scruples as a peace offering to y^e King, y^e best of us, I am sure have
reason, to begg Gods and y^e Kings pardon, but you, as tho' his Maj^{ty} reigned by
courtsey would have a King under you, but none over you, you urg'd y^e
observance of y^e Statutes, of w^{ch} it ^{appears} you have not been such constant observ-
ers when y^r humour prompts you to a dispensation of them, then you can readily
embrace it, I will content my self to insist only upon one, that of being serv'd
only per Masculos, by w^{ch} great scandalls have come to y^e Society, by reason
of Bastards, but when y^e King interposeth in whose power alone it is to
dispence wth them, then you presently act according to such methods as these

None of those pretences will excuse with wise and sober men, this was y^e only oppo-¹⁵
sition his Maj^{ty} mett wth in his progress, where over his Maj^{ty} came he worked
a miraculous conversion except in Oxford, and so far satisfy'd every^{one} with y^e
equity of his proceedings, that none went away discontented from his presence,
unless it was for this reason that they could enjoy it no longer: on y^e 21 of Octo:
we came to Oxon, where opening our Comission, I tooke care to represent to you the
hainousness of y^r offence, and to perswade you a serious repentance, one Saturday
in y^e morning we requir'd you to admitt and install y^e Bp^{pe} of Oxon, w^{ch} all
except 3 refused: in y^e afternoon Dr Hough having been depriv'd by us, and com-
manded to depart y^e Coll: came into us without asking leave, but not without great
attendance (Circumstances I think much unbefitting a man pronounced expelled,
and there entred a protestation against all that we had or hereafter should doe
in prejudice of him and his right, as illegal, unjust and null, w^{ch} he deliver'd
not in writing but by word of mouth, a thing repugnant to y^e Nature of all appeals,
and what was worse without y^e usuall salvo to his Maj^{ty} superiour Authority,
when he had spoken it, there follow'd^{thence} tumultuary, seditious, insolent hum, w^{ch}
if you y^r selves had not applauded or at least consented to it, it was impossible
but if you might have discover'd some of those turbulent Murtherers, however
since his carriage and language gave occasion to it, it was thought fitt y^e he only
should be obnoxious, and accordingly he was bound over on Tuesday y^e 25 of Octo:
we our selves caus'd y^e Bp^{pe} of Oxon to be install'd by his proxy, after w^{ch} we pro-
pos'd to you, whether being now install'd by y^e Kings Mandate you would submit
to him, in licitly et honestly, to w^{ch} you gave an answer and y^r hands after
some consultation, in y^e Affirmative, you then also desired us y^e we would
represent y^r case favourably to his Maj^{ty} giving all assurance of y^r Loyalty and
obedience, but this appearance of submission lasted not long, for on Friday
you being requir'd by us to subscribe such a submission to his Maj^{ty} as we thought
agreeable to y^e duty but you after deliberation sign'd such a paper as seem'd
rather to be a protestation against y^r former submission, then an acknowledgement
of y^r crime, upon this we might justly then have proceeded to expulsion, but
thought fitt to take a journey first to London, and acquaint his Most Gracious
Maj^{ty} with y^r most disobedient and ungratefull behaviour, his Maj^{ty} was
extreamly amaz'd y^t his clemency should be so despis'd, but to y^r comforts be it
spoken, his patience and goodness extends as far y^e provocations can, but if you still
persist in this your obstinacy, those y^e are too tall to stand, and too stubborn to bend
must be broken, and now I think I have said enough to let you know y^e y^e figleaves
you have so artificially stick'd together are not sufficient to cover y^e nakedness,
I wish to God you had y^e same tenderness to y^e owne concerns, as his Maj^{ty}
Comis^s have for you, but if you still persist to oppose y^e Royall Authority of y^e
King, we who are come to vindicate y^e right and honour of his Maj^{ty} are resolv'd
to discharge our consciences and duty to God and y^e King without any respect
to particularity, for as for us we have no more regard to peoples dislike then to
what they dream, popularity is that w^{ch} fools doat on and wise men despise,
by reason of y^e late hypocritical submission y^e Court above has thought fitt
upon mature Consultation to draw up this Instrument w^{ch} shall be read to
you, to w^{ch} if you shall immediately subscribe before you leave y^e roome, we shall
leave you to his Maj^{ty} pardon (except Dr Thomas Smith and Mr Charnock)
with whose behaviour y^e King is well satisfy'd and that he expects nothing
farther from them, this being ended all were commanded to withdraw except y^e Bellons

to whom their ^{Lds} tendered a form of submission to be signed importing an acknow-
-ledgment of their contempt of y^e Kings Authority, and obstinacy in persisting
therin; y^e they should beg his Maj^{ty}s pardon, approve of all y^e Comis^s had
done, and submit to y^e B^r of Oxon as lawfull President of y^e Coll. Dr Aldworth
was called first to sign y^e paper he being Vice President, y^e paper being read to all
y^e Fellows, y^e Vice President said my ^{Lds} we desire time to consider of it, and give our
answer in writing, B^r of Chester No you must every one signe or refuse as you are
called, B. Jenner, theres no answer to be given but ay or no, they all movd again
for time but it was refused. Vice President my ^{Lds} this is my first appearance before
yt ^{Lds} since y^e sitting here, and therefore I pray to be heard, My ^{Lds} I am as ready
to comply wth y^e Kings pleasure as any man living, neither doe I know if
we have ever in this place been disobedient to y^e King wher ever it was in our
power to obey his comands, Our Founder in y^e first clause of y^e Oath we take at y^e
election, has enjoyned, that noe one shall be President of this Coll: but who has been
bred in it, or in y^e Coll: where himself was bred, now for us who have elected Dr
Hough a person qualified according to y^e Statutes, who has been installed, sworn,
confirmed and approved in all ways and manners prescribed in y^e Statutes, for us my
^{Lds} to accept and admitt a stranger and foreigner in this place, is to y^e best of my
understanding a giving up of y^e rights of y^e Coll: and of all our successours, and diverting
y^e Revenues of y^e Coll: to other uses y^e y^e Founder designed it, here Mr Vice Presid^t was interrup-
-pted. B^r your Statutes are overruled by y^e Kings Authority, Vice Presid^t my ^{Lds} y^e ^{Lds} sitt here as
as Visitors w^{ch} implies there are certain laws and Statutes w^{ch} we are bound to observe and
by w^{ch} we are to be governed and if it shall appear to y^e ^{Lds} y^e we have acted conformably
to these Statutes, I hope we shall neither move y^e Kings displeasure, nor y^e ^{Lds}, after this
he added y^e whole tenour of y^e Statutes runs y^e we shall inviolably maintain our rights
and obey y^e rules of our Founder, he has layd a curse upon us if we vary from them,
here he repeated y^e words of y^e Founders ordinary, sub ~~non~~ Anathematis et maledic-
-tionis omnipotentis Dei ne quis etc. Item subterminatione divini Iudicii miter-
-rimus etc. B^r are you not to obey y^e King as well as y^e Founders Statutes, Vice President
my ^{Lds} I ever did obey y^e King and ever will, our Statutes w^{ch} we are sworn to obey are con-
firmed by severall Kings and Queens before and since y^e reformation, and as we keep them
they are agreeable to y^e Kings Laws both Ecclesiasticall and Civill and whilst we
live up to them we obey y^e King, B^r your Statutes were never confirmed by th^y present
Majesty, after this their ^{Lds} pressing to signe or refuse, Mr Vice President ^{Lds}, then my
Lords I'll deal plainly in regard to my Oath and y^e Statutes to y^e rights of all our suc-
cessours, and of Dr Hough whom I believe to be as fairly elected and as legally possessed
as ever any since y^e foundation of y^e Coll: I cannot submit to y^e B^r of Oxon as Presid^t, so he
was ordered to withdraw, after this y^e same question was put to all y^e Fellows singly, who
all refused to signe y^e submission, except Dr Thomas Smith and Mr Charnock and Mr
Tompson who were not prest to signe, having as their ^{Lds} said behaved themselves
dutifully to y^e King after a short time all y^e Fellows who refused to signe y^e sub-
mission were called in, and by sentence of their ^{Lds} expelled y^e Coll: for con-
tempt, after sentence all that were declared expelled by writing or other-
-wise spoke to this, My ^{Lds} we profess all duty to his Majesty and respect
to y^e ^{Lds} but beg leave to declare we thinke our selves injured in y^e ^{Lds} proceedings and therefore
protest against them, and will use all just lawfull means to be relieved No: 16: 1584
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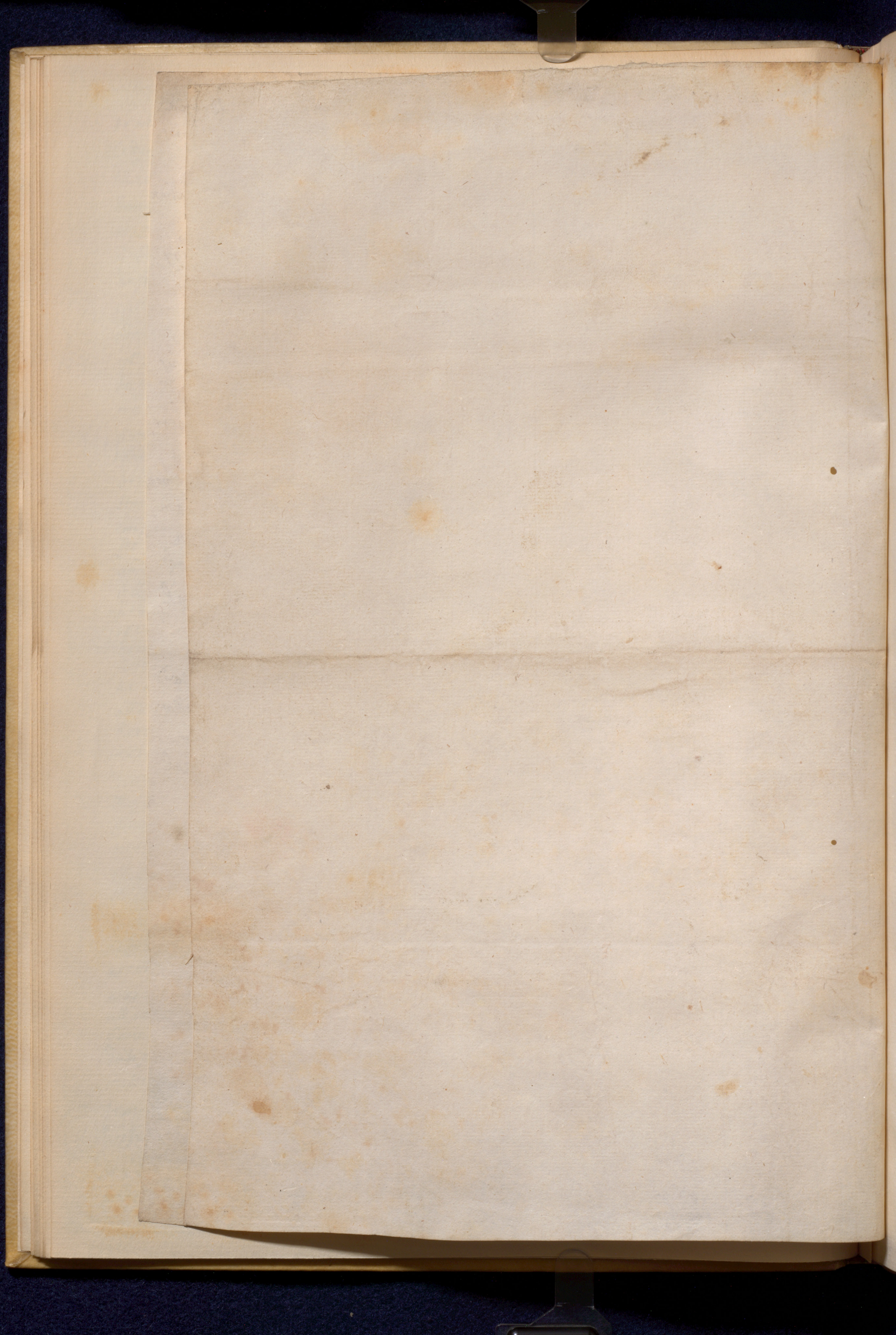


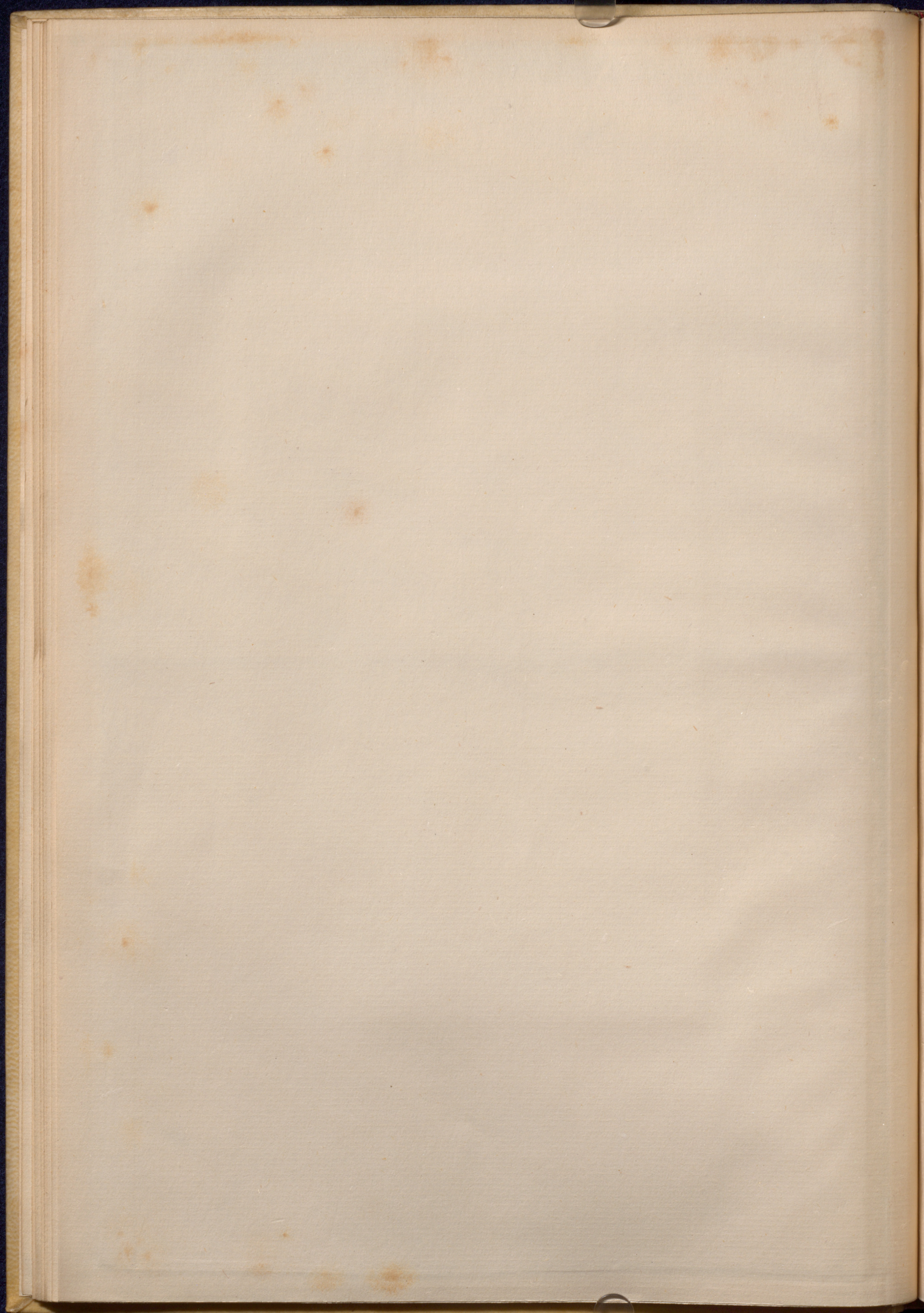
(5) There was no Exception to their Behaviour at this sitting, at 12 a Clock
as soon as their ¹⁷Propose, y^e Decree for y^e Expulsion of 25 of y^e Fellows
was first upon y^e Coll: Gates, w^{ch} runs thus -

By his Maj^{ties} Comm^{ns} for Ecclesiasticall Causes, & for y^e Visitation
of y^e Universitys & Cathedrall & Collegiate Churches, Grammar Schooles,
Hospitalls &c. particularly authoriz^d & impowrd to visit S^t Mary
Mago: Coll: in this University of Oxon.

Whereas in our Visitation of the said College it appeared unto us
that D^r Ch. Adworth, D^r Alex: Pusey, D^r John Smith, D^r Tho. Bayly, D^r
Tho. Stafford, M^r Rob. Almond, M^r Manwaring Hammon, M^r John Rogers,
M^r Rich. Strickland, M^r Hen. Dobson, M^r James Bayley, M^r Jo. Davis,
M^r Francis Bagshawe, M^r James Fairer, M^r Jos. Harner, M^r Tho. Bakeman,
M^r Geo. Hunt, M^r William Craddock, M^r Jo. Gilman, M^r Geo. Falkam,
M^r Ch. Pennyston, M^r Rob. Hyde, M^r Edw. Yerbury, M^r Hen. Holden
M^r Steph. Weekes Fellows y^e said Coll: have been severally guilty of
Disobedience to his Maj^{ties} Commands, & obstinately contemned his Royal
Authority & doe still persist in y^e same, wee have thought fitt upon
mature Consideration thereof to declare, pronounce & Decree, that y^e said
Fellows & evry of them be deprived & expelled from their respective Fellow-
ships, & wee doe by this our sentence & Decree deprive & expell them
from their said severall & respective Fellowships, given under our Seal
the 16th Day of November. 1607.

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The answer of y^e Vice Pres^t and others depu^ted
fellows of St Marys Magd: Coll: to y^e question
Proposed by y^e R^t Hon^{ble} and R^t Reverend
y^e Ch^l Commissioners for
Ecclesiastical affairs

Why they did not obey his Maj^{ties} Letters requiring y^e to elect
and admit M^r Anthony Tasmor President of y^e said Coll?

The said Vice President and others depu^ted fellows answered y^e all
said y^e y^e Coll of St Marys Magd: in Oxon, is a body cor-
porate governed by locall Statutes granted and confirmed to
y^e by his Maj^{ties} Royall Prodecessours King Henry y^e 6th from
him, his Heirot and Successours under y^e great Seal of England, and
which are also since confirmed by severall other Letters Patents of
others his Maj^{ties} Royall Prodecessours, under y^e great Seal of En-
gland.

That by y^e Statutes of y^e said Coll: (to y^e observation of which each
Fellow is sworn) it is ordered, y^e y^e person to be elected Presi-
dent shall be a man of good life and reputation, of ap-
proved understanding, good manners and temper, discreet privi-
dent & circumsp^{ect} both in spirittual and temporall affairs, &
at y^e time of y^e Election, of a President, y^e said fellows are bound
by y^e Statutes to take an oath y^e shall nominate none
to y^e office but such as are or have been Fellows of y^e said Coll
or of New Coll in Oxon, and if y^e are not actually Fellows at
y^e same time of y^e Election y^e be such y^e have lost their
Fellowships in y^e respective Colleges upon exorbitant accounts
and when 2 qualified persons shall be nominated at y^e time
of Election by y^e greater part of all y^e Fellows to y^e said office
of President y^e his seniors also, y^e y^e will elect one of y^e in
their Consensus y^e think most proper, most discreet, most able, best
and best qualified for y^e place, without any regard to love fa-
vour hatred or fear, and every Fellow when he is first admit-
ted to be fellow of y^e said Coll: Swears y^e he will inviolably
keep, and observe all y^e Statutes and ordinances of y^e Coll: and all
and every thing therein contained so far as doth or may concern
him, according to the plain and Litterall and Grammaticall sense
and meaning thereof, and as much as in him lies cause of same to be kept
and observed by others, and if he will not procure any dispensation
contrary to his afore said oath or any part thereof; nor contrary to y^e
Statutes and Ordinances to which he is bound, nor will endeavour y^e any such dis-
-pensation should be procured by any other, or others publicly or privately
directly or indirectly, and if it shall happen y^e any dispensation of
this sort should be procured granted or obtained of what authority soever

it be, whether in Generall or perkeular, or under what form of
words soever it shall be granted, yet he will with his make use
of it, nor in any sort consent thereto
That upon notice of ye Death of Dr Clark late President of
the said Coll: the Vice President of ye said Coll: called a meeting
of ye said Coll: in order to appoint a day for ye election of a new
President, and ye 13 day of Aprill last was the time first with
power to prorogue the same as ye should see cause untill ye 15 day
of ye same month, beyond which time ye could not stably elect
and in pursuance thereof a Citation or premonition was fixt upon
ye Chappell door of ye said Coll: signifying ye same, and by this ye ab-
sent Fellows was summoned to repair thence to ye said Election as ye
Statute in ye case requires.

And ye said Vice President and other depuied fellows say upon ye
eleventh day of ye same month Aprill ye ~~received~~ his majesties let-
ter requiring ye to elect and admitt Mr Anthony Farmer to be
President of ye said Coll: but forasmuch as ye said ~~Mr Anthony~~
Vice President and other depuied Fellows apprehended ye right of ye
election to be in themselves and did believe his majesties inter-
diction to disposses ye of their rights, and forasmuch as ye said Mr Antho-
ny Farmer had never been Fellow of ye said Coll: or New Coll:
and had not those qualifications wch in and by ye Statutes of ye said Coll
are required in ye Character of a President, as ye in their Consensation
and doe very much believe, and in regard ye could not comply with
his Majesties letters without violations of their oaths and Legall
interest hazard of ye Legall interest and property, whereof by their
Statutes ye are possest, and not by their oaths ye are bound to maintain
the reputation of ye same by their humble petition to his majesty, and have
ing deferred their Election of a President to ye last day limited by
their Statutes, they then proceeded to Election, and having first received
ye Blessed Eucharist, and taken ye said oaths as ye Statutes enjoin
to choose a person so qualified as afore exprest, ye did elect ye Rever-
end Mr John Hough Bachelor in divinity, and one of the fellows
of ye said Coll: and a person every way qualified to be their Presi-
dent, who has since been confirmed by ye Bishop of Winchester their
Bishop as ye Statutes of ye Coll: direct ye yet might not be under his
majesties displeasure by their proceeding on ye 19 of ye same month
Aprill ye made an humble representation thereof to his Majesty by his
Grace ye Duke of Ormonde Chancellor of ye University of Oxon, set-
ting forth the indispenable obligation to observe ye Founders Statutes.

All which matters ye said Vice President and other
Depuied Fellows offer to ye ~~your~~ Commendation and
devotion and pray to admitt with your ~~your~~
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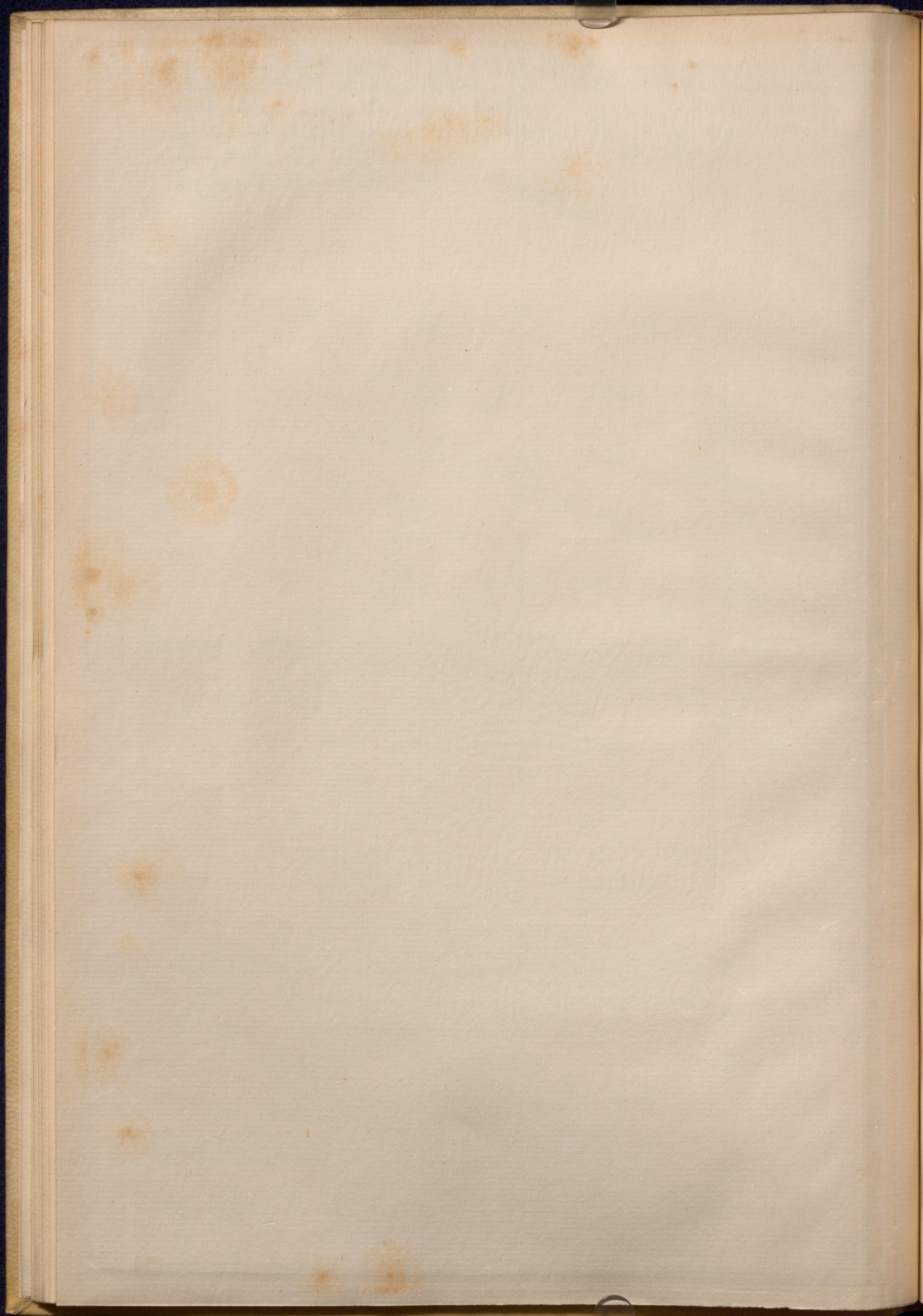
Presented to y^e Duke of Ormond Apr: y^e 21
The case of y^e Vice President and Fellows of St Mary Magd: Coll
in Oxford in their late election of a President

Upon y^e first notice of y^e death of Dr Clarke late Rector: of St Mary
Magd: Coll: in Oxon. y^e Vice Pres^t call'd a meeting of y^e Fellows
in order to appoint a day for y^e election of a new President, and y^e 13
of Apr: was y^e time prefixed with power to prorogue y^e Election as they
should see cause till y^e 15, beyond w^{ch} time it was not in their power to
defer y^e same, this being agreed, a Citation or Remonition was fixed
upon y^e Chappell doore of y^e Coll: signifying y^e same and summoning all
y^e absent Fellows to repair thence to y^e ensuing Election as y^e Statutes in
y^e case directs after this upon y^e 11 of Aprill they received this Majestys
letter in behalf of M^r Farmer, requiring them to Elect and admit him
Pres^t but he having never been Fellow of that Coll: or of New Coll: in
Oxford, w^{ch} are y^e onely persons capable of being chosen by y^e Statutes, and
wanting likewise such personall qualifications as are required in y^e Cha-
racter of a President they did not imagine it was or could be his Majestys
pleasure y^t they should act so directly against y^e express words of their
Statutes so y^t they are strictly and positively sworn, but did humbly
conceive they were bound in duty to believe his Maj^{ty} had been misin-
formed in y^e character and capacity of M^r Farmer, and therefore upon y^e 15
of Aprill y^e last of those days within w^{ch} they were confined to finish y^e
Election they proceeded to a choice and having received first y^e Bishopps Eu-
-charist and taken an oath as y^e Founder enjoyns to choose a person
so qualified as is there specified, they did elect y^e Rev^d M^r John Hough
Bach: in divinity, who is a person every way qualified by y^e Statutes of
y^e Coll: And if it shall be objected y^t his Majesty did in his letter for M^r
Farmer graciously dispense with all those Statutes y^t rendered him incapable of
being elected, and y^t therefore they might have obeyed ~~but~~ without breach
of their Oaths, they humbly beg leave to represent y^t there is an express
clause in y^e Oath w^{ch} every man takes when he is admitted Fellow of y^e
Coll: wherein he swears wthin to procure accept or make use of any
dispensation from his Oath or any part thereof, by whomsoever pro-
-voked or by what Authority soever granted, as to y^e former practice
when they have elected in obedience to y^e Kings letter therefore, it has
been always in such cases w^{ch} y^e persons recommended have been ev-
-ery way qualified for this office, by their Statutes in y^e cases they
always have been, and ever will be ready to comply wth his Maj^{ty} plea-
-sure, ~~it not without~~ it not being without unspeakable regret, y^t they
disobey y^e least of his commands, they know how intimately their
-fate depends upon y^e countenance and favour of their Sover^{ty}, nor
can any thing more deeply affect their souls, then when they find y^e
-selves reduced to this unfortunate necessity of either disobeying his
will or violating their consciences by notorious perjury, per-
-secuting some clauses of Statutes, to which y^e foregoing case
relates. In their Statutes concerning their Election of a Pres^t
his Character is thus described:
That he must be a man of good reputation and good life of ap-
proved understanding good manners and temper, discreet prudent

and circumspect both in Spirituall and Temporal affairs, in y^e same
statutes y^e oath w^{ch} every Fellow Swears before he can give his
vote in y^e nomination of a President is this, if he will name and
or two of y^e Fellows of St Marys Magd: Coll: or of those who have
formerly been Fellows there and have left their places upon
a Legall and creditable account.

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The Letter sent by Mago: Coll: to his Grace y.^d Duke of Ormond
Lord Chancellor of Oxon. &c.

May it please y.^r Grace

Wee y.^e President & Fellows of S.^t Mary Mago: Coll: in Oxon (sensible of
thet Honour & Benefic wee enjoy under y.^r Graces Patronage & howe much it
imports us to have recourse to y.^r Advice in all those Difficulties wherewith wee are
press) having as wee fear displeas'd his Majesty in our Election of a President,
doe humbly beg leave to represent to y.^r Grace, a true State of y.^e Case, & hope
you will please to informe y.^e King howe incapable wee were of obeying his Command

His Maj.^{ty} was pleas'd on y.^e Death of D.^r Henry Clarke President of S.^t Mary Mago:
Coll: to command us by his Letters, to elect & admit M.^r Anth: Farmer into his
Office, a Person utterly incapable of it by our Statutes, as wee are ready to
make appear in many Particulars, & since wee have all taken a Positive Oath
of Obedience to them, & that exclusive to all Dispensations whatsoever, wee humbly
conceive wee could not obey y.^e Command in Favour of M.^r Farmer, unless he had
brought those Qualifications w.th him w.^{ch} our Founder requires in y.^e Person of the
President, & being confin'd as to y.^e Time of y.^e Election, wee have been forc'd
to proceede to y.^e Choice of one who hath approv'd his Loyalty in y.^e whole Course
of his Life, & whom wee think absolutely qualific'd for y.^e Place.

May it therefore please y.^r Grace to interpose w.th his most sacred Maj.^{ty}
in our Behalfe, y.^t wee may not lay under y.^e weight of his Displeasure for not
being in a Capacity of Obeying his Commands, wee knowe him to be a Prince of
eminent Justice & Integrity & therefore cannot thinke that he would value any
Instance of Duty to himselfe w.^{ch} manifestly breaks in upon y.^e Obligations of our
Consciencies, & y.^r Graces extraordinary unblemish'd Loyalty to y.^e Crown, & that regard
w.^{ch} wee assure our selves, our most Hon.^{ble} L.^d & Chancellor hath to y.^e Peace and
welfare of this Place induces us to presume y.^r Grace will omit noe Endeavours to rel.
Before his Maj.^{ty} Eyes y.^e true Reasons & Necessity of our Proceedings, that God
Almighty may protect y.^r Grace shall be y.^e daily Prayers of

May it please y.^r Grace
y.^r Graces most Obedient

The Sentence of D^r Jo. Hough President of S^t Mary Magd^e.
Coll: stuck upon y^e Coll: gates, by y^e Order of his Maj^{ty} Comm^{rs}.
for Ecclesiasticall Affaires.

Whereas it appears unto us that M^r John Hough Batchellour in Divinity
hath been unduly elected President of S^t Mary Magd^e. Coll: in y^e University
of Oxon wee have thought fit upon mature Consideration thereof, that y^e said
Election be declared void, & y^e said M^r John Hough, be removed from y^e said Pre-
sidentship, & accordingly wee doe hereby declare, pronounce & decree, that y^e said
Election is void, & doe remove y^e said M^r John Hough from y^e Place of President
of y^e said Coll:

Given under our hands & seals June 22 An^o D. 1607.

The Sentence of D^r Charles Alsworth Vice-President of S^t Mary Magd^e.
Coll: & D^r Henry Fairfax

Whereas Charles Alsworth D^r of Law Vice President of S^t Mary Magd^e. Coll:
in y^e University of Oxon & y^e Deputy of y^e Fellows of y^e same house, have
been convened before us for their Contempt in not obeying his Majesties
Letters Mandatory for electing & admitting M^r Anth^y Farmer President
of that Coll: And y^e said D^r Alsworth & Deputies having been heard, there-
upon wee have thought fit to declare, pronounce & decree, yt y^e said D^r Alsworth
shall for y^e said Contempt be suspended from being Vice-President of y^e Coll:
& also that Henry Fairfax D^r in Divinity one of y^e Fellows of y^e said Coll:
shall for y^e said Contempt be suspended from his Fellowship, & accordingly
wee doe hereby suspend y^e said D^r Charles Alsworth from his Vice-Presidentship
of y^e said Coll: & y^e said Henry Fairfax from his Fellowship in y^e said Coll:

Given under our hands & seals June 22. 07.

JAMES REX

Trusly & well beloved, wee greet you well, whereas wee are informed
that a Sentence or Decree lately made by our Comm^{rs} in Ecclesiasticall
Affaires touching an Election in that our Coll: hath not been obeyed, Our
Will & Pleasure is, that noe Election or Admission be made of any Person or
Persons, whatsoever, into any Fellowship, Demyskip, or other Place or Office,
in our said Coll: till wee shall signifie our farther Pleasure, any Statute, Cu-
stome or Constitution to y^e contrary notwithstanding, & soe expecting y^e ready
obedience herein wee bid you farewell. By his Maj^{ty} Comm^{rs}.

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I am of Opinion that his Majesties Commands ought to be obey'd, & that they
doe not come within y^e word Dispensation in y^e Fellows Oath, & y^e y^e forbearance
ought to be noe Prejudice to y^e Probationers otherwise nowe to be admitted.

Tho. Boucher.

To our Trusty & well beloved y^e Sen^r Fellowe of S^t. Mary Magd: Coll:
in our University of Oxon, & to y^e rest of ~~our~~ the Fellowes of our said College.

JAMES REE

Trusty & well beloved wee greet you well, Whereas y^e Place of President
of our Coll: of S^t. Mary Magd: is nowe void our Will & Pleasure is, & wee doe
hereby Authorize & require you forthwith upon y^e Receipt hereof, to admit
y^e R^t. Rev. Father in God Jam: R. B^p of Oxon into y^e said Place of President
to hold & enjoy y^e same, wth all y^e Rights Priviledges & Profits, Emoluments
& Advantages thereunto belonging, any Statute or Statutes, Customs or Constitutions
to y^e Contrary in any wise notwithstanding, wherewith wee are graciously pleas'd
& doe accordingly hereby dispenze in his behalf, & soe expecting y^e ready
Obedience herein wee bid you farewell

Given at our Court at Windsor Aug. 14. 57.
in y^e third year of our Reign

By his Majesties Command

Sunderland. P.

To y^e Sen^r Fellowe of S^t. Mary Magd: Coll:
or in his Absence to y^e Sen^r residing there

The R^t. Having been pleas'd by his Letters Mandatory to require y^e Fellowes
of S^t. Mary Magd: College to admit my R^t. B^p of Oxon President of y^e College,
his Maj^{ty} Commands me to let you know, that immediately upon receipt hereof
he would have you assemble y^e Fellowes & communicate to them his Maj^{ty}
said Letters, & I am farther commanded to let you that his Majesty expects
a ready Obedience to be paid to his pleasure herein, I desire you would send
me an Account of y^e Proceedings as soon as you can that I may acquaint his
Maj^{ty} wth it, I am y^r Sunderland.

The B^p of Oxon's Letter directed to y^e Sen^r Fellowe of y^e College.

S^r. y^e will receive herewith his Maj^{ty} mandate to admit me President of y^e Coll:
together wth a Letter from my R^t. Sunderland pursuant to his Maj^{ty} Command. I am
indispos'd as I have been for some Time & not in a Condition as yet to travel, and
therefore my Request to you is, y^e upon y^e Receipt of y^e Kings Pleasure you would doe me the
same forthwith to admit me by Proxy (i) either y^e next Sen^r Fellow under y^e selfe resident or
of my Chaplains M^r. Will: Wickin or M^r. Tho. Collins whom I depute in my stead, wth y^e
as usual in Lawe as if I were there my selfe & if a most usual & customary Practice, & by soe doing
y^e will oblige y^r Loving Friend & Brother I am. OXON.

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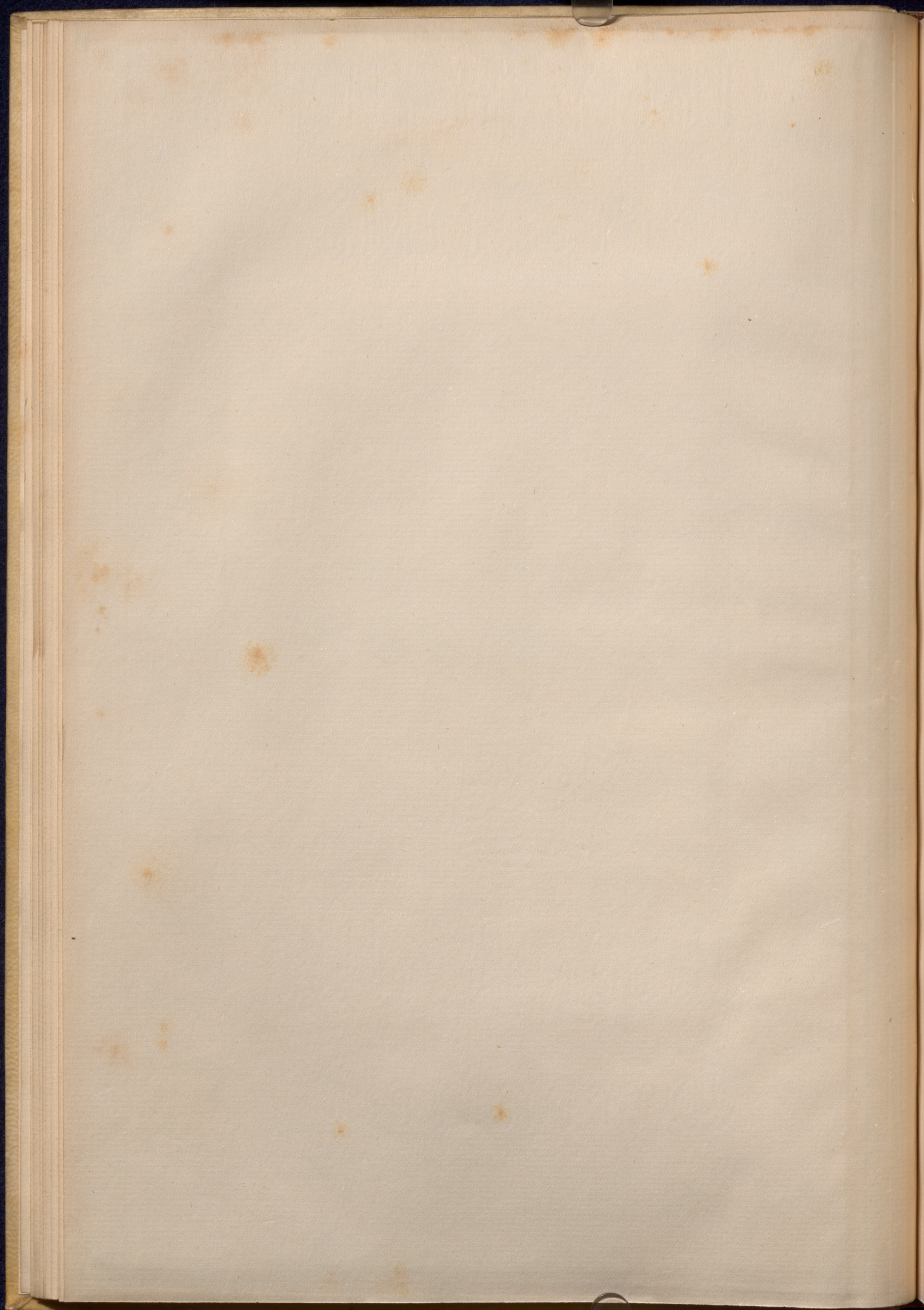
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To y.^d R.^d R.^d & R.^d Hon.^{ble} by Maj.^{ty} Commissioners for y.^d visiting
of S.^t Mary Magd. Coll. in Oxon. 26 9

May it please y.^r ^{Sups}

On Friday last in y.^d Afternoon you seemd to misht very much on this
(viz.) y.^t by Maj.^{ty} in commanding y.^d Fellows of this Coll. to elect M.^r Farmer
President, did thereby inhibit them to elect any other Person whatsoever, (which ha
not yet been made appear to be Lawe, either out of y.^d Books of Civil, Canono
or Common Lawe) neither is it agreeable to reason, y.^t a Command to Elect
a Person uncapable should include in it an Obligation not to elect a Person
capable, that being a kind of Contradiction in Terminis; yet this being granted
it cannot in y.^d least affect y.^d said Fellows or invalidate their Election of J.^r Hoag
notwithstanding his Maj.^{ty} Mandate in behalfe of M.^r Farmer, who being uncapable
of y.^d Place y.^d Fellows cannot be said to be guilty of Disobedience or Disloyalty
in proceeding to y.^d Election of another Person, who was qualifd according to the
Statute, being forc'd to make an Election. For they are oblig'd by y.^d Statute of the
Coll. (w.^{ch} call'd together to elect a President or any other Officer) under Pain of
Perpetual Expulsion from y.^d Coll. to meet & make an Election, w.^{ch} Punishment

pro facto incurr, who either refuse to meet when soe call'd, or being
met to Nominate or Elect a Person into y.^d Office, void as appears by y.^d Statute of
y.^d said Coll. Titulo de Numero Scholarium et Electione Presidentis. Nowe according
to y.^d Founders Directions ⁱⁿ y.^d Statute on y.^d 15th of April last, the Fellows were
call'd together by y.^d Vice-President to elect a President in y.^d Place of J.^r Clerk
deceas'd, & y.^d Oath requir'd to be taken before y.^d Election was administr'd to them
by y.^d Vice-President, whereby they are oblig'd to Nominate & Elect a Person
y.^t either is or has been Fellowe of Magd. Coll. or of New. Coll. in Oxon.
w.^{ch} Oath when y.^d Fellows had taken it was not in their Power to Elect M.^r Farmer
& yet they were then oblig'd to make an Election, under Pain of Perpetual
Amotion from y.^d Coll. as appears by y.^d foresaid Statute. And it cannot be imagin'd
y.^t his most sacred Maj.^{ty} did expect y.^d Fellows should be either perjur'd or forfeit
their Right to their Fellowships rather then disobey his Commands, his Maj.^{ty} having
most graciously declar'd that Conscience ought not to be forc'd, & that none of his
Subjects should be molested in y.^d Enjoyments of their Rights & Priviledges.
Nowe that our Proceedings at the Election cannot lay any Imputation of Disobedience
or Disloyalty upon us, will thus be made appear; Either wee had y.^d Power to
Elect a President or wee had not, if wee had not, to what End or Purpose
did his Maj.^{ty} Command us to Elect one, if wee had, our Power was either
restrain'd to y.^d soe & soe qualifd, or wee were at Liberty to choose

whom wee pleased, but wee could not doe y^d latter as appears by our Statutes,
& therefore wee could not elect M^r. Farmer, being not invested wth any Power
to choose a Person unqualified; & if wee had soe done our Election would
have been null & void in it selfe, & y^d Person elected lyable to be turned out
by our Visitor. As for y^d Decree of his Maj^{ty}s Comm^{rs}. (in Pursuance of w^{ch}
y^r ^{Sup}s have admonished D^r. Hough to recede from y^d Place of President, and
quietly to resigne y^d Keys of his Office, & have struck his Name out of y^e Coll. booke)
wee humbly conceive it to be null & void in it selfe to all intents & Purposes.
D^r. Hough being thereby deprived of a free hold for Life, (of w^{ch} he was duly
& legally possessed) without ever being called to defend his Right or any Misd-
emeanor objected ag^t him, Wherefore wee humbly beg leave of y^r ^{Sup}s
that D^r. Hough may be permitted to defend his Right & Title to y^d Presidentship
at Common Lawe, before any other Person is put in Possession of y^d Place

Tho. Stafford
Hen. Fairfax

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Some Quærers put to y.^e Comm.^s sent to y.^e B. of Ches.
by an unknown hand.

My L.^d

y.^e were pleas'd at y.^e first sitting in Magd. Coll. to declare that you doubt'd not see to manage the Visitation of it, as to approve y.^e Justice of y.^e Proceedings to all reasonable Men: 'Tis upon this Encouragement that I who have not y.^e Honour to be of that Society, presume to offer to y.^e Considerations a few modest Quærers w.th my humble Request, that before you proceed to any farther severities in y.^e Coll. you would be pleas'd to give a clear & satisfactory Answer to them. The Quærers my L.^d are these y.^e follow

1. Whether it be not consonant to y.^e Maxim, (that y.^e King of England never dies) to looke upon y.^e whole succession of y.^e K.^s & Queens as one & y.^e same Person, soe as that all Just & Lawfull Acts & Grants done & made by any one Prince for Perpetuity, shall be duly reputed y.^e Acts & Grants of all Successive Princes, & oblige them noe lesse then they did that Prince by whom they were done & made.

2. Whether all former K.^s & Queens of this Realm, at least those who have in any of their Acts & Grants expressly declar'd, that they did intend by them to oblige their Successours, noe lesse then themselves, were not of this Opinion?

3. Whether all Founders of Colleges & Hospitals &c. did not make y.^e Royal Confirmation, the Condition of their founding & endowing their Colleges & Hospitals: soe y.^e they would never have founded & endowed them, if they had not thought all succeeding Princes oblig'd by y.^e Acts of those K.^s & Queens, who did soe confirm their Statutes & Orders?

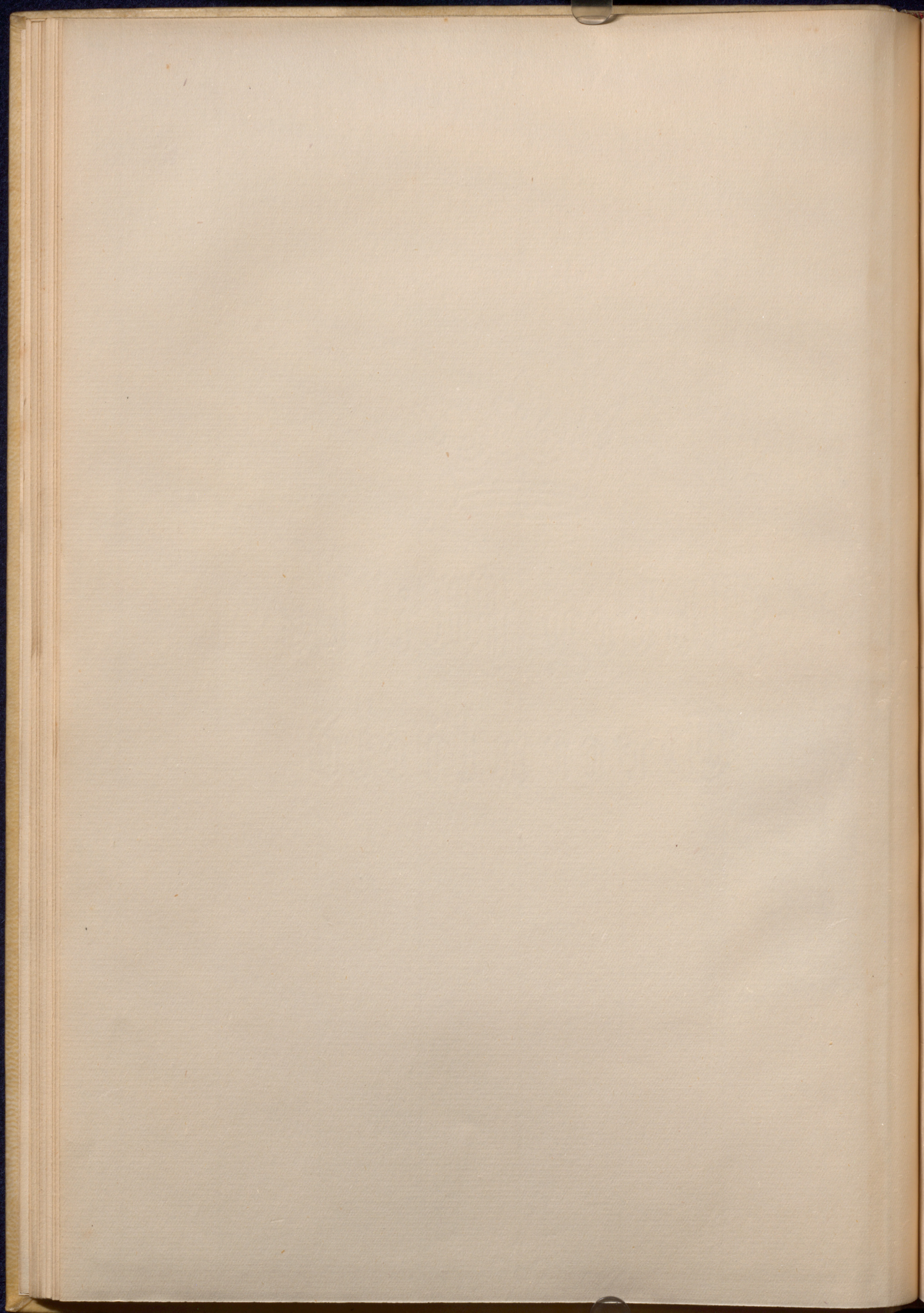
4. Whether those members of Colleges, who by Vertue of their Statutes (soe confirm'd) of their Respective Colleges, have taken an Oath, to keep & observe perpetually such their Statutes (w.^{ch} is particularly y.^e Case of Magd. Coll.) & never to accept of or use any Dispensation, & whom soe ever granted dispensing them from y.^e Obligation of any Part of their Statutes, or (w.^{ch} respect to y.^e Coll.) can admit of any Dispensation, w.^{ch} any Part of their Statutes, without committing the guilt of Perjury?

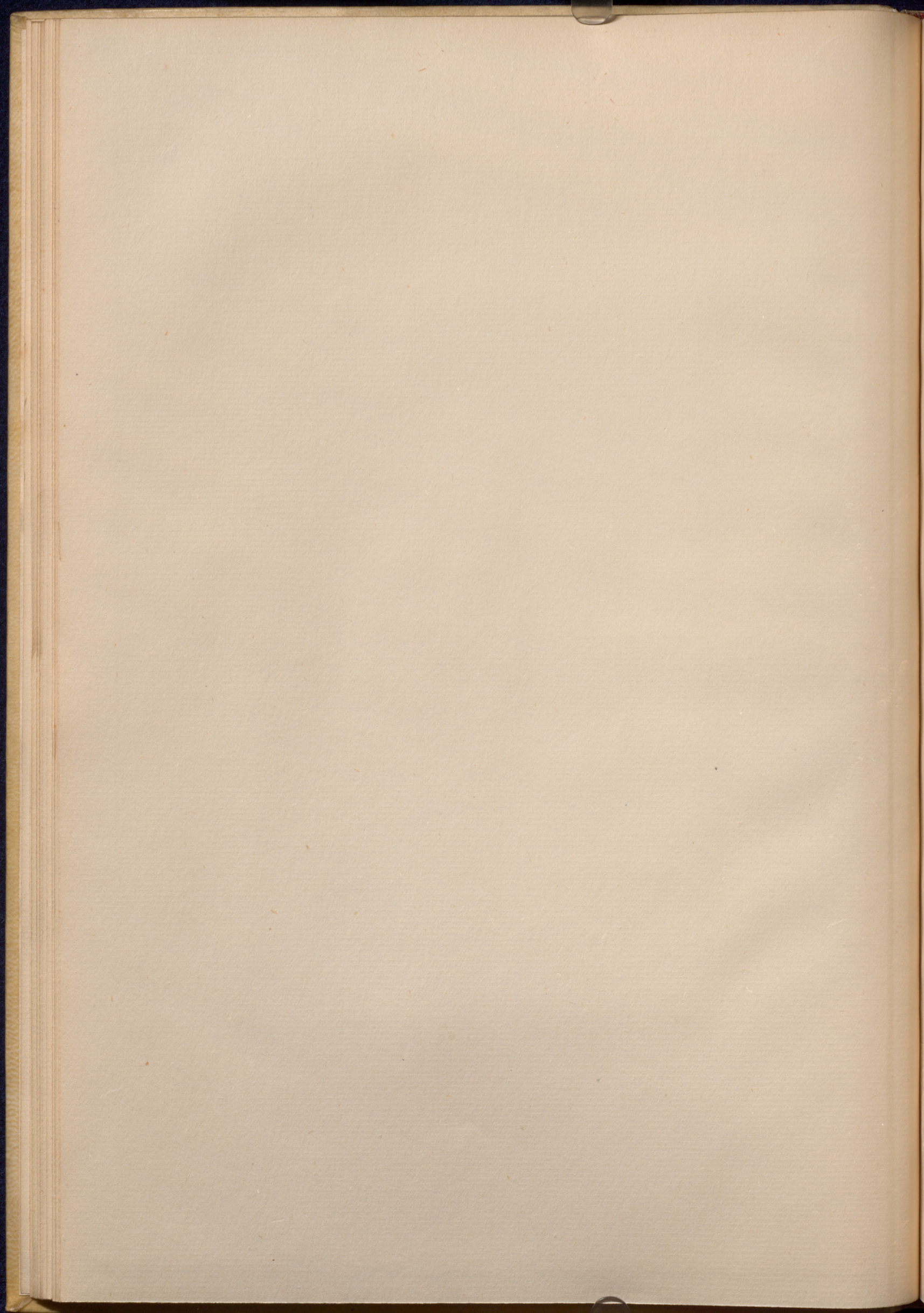
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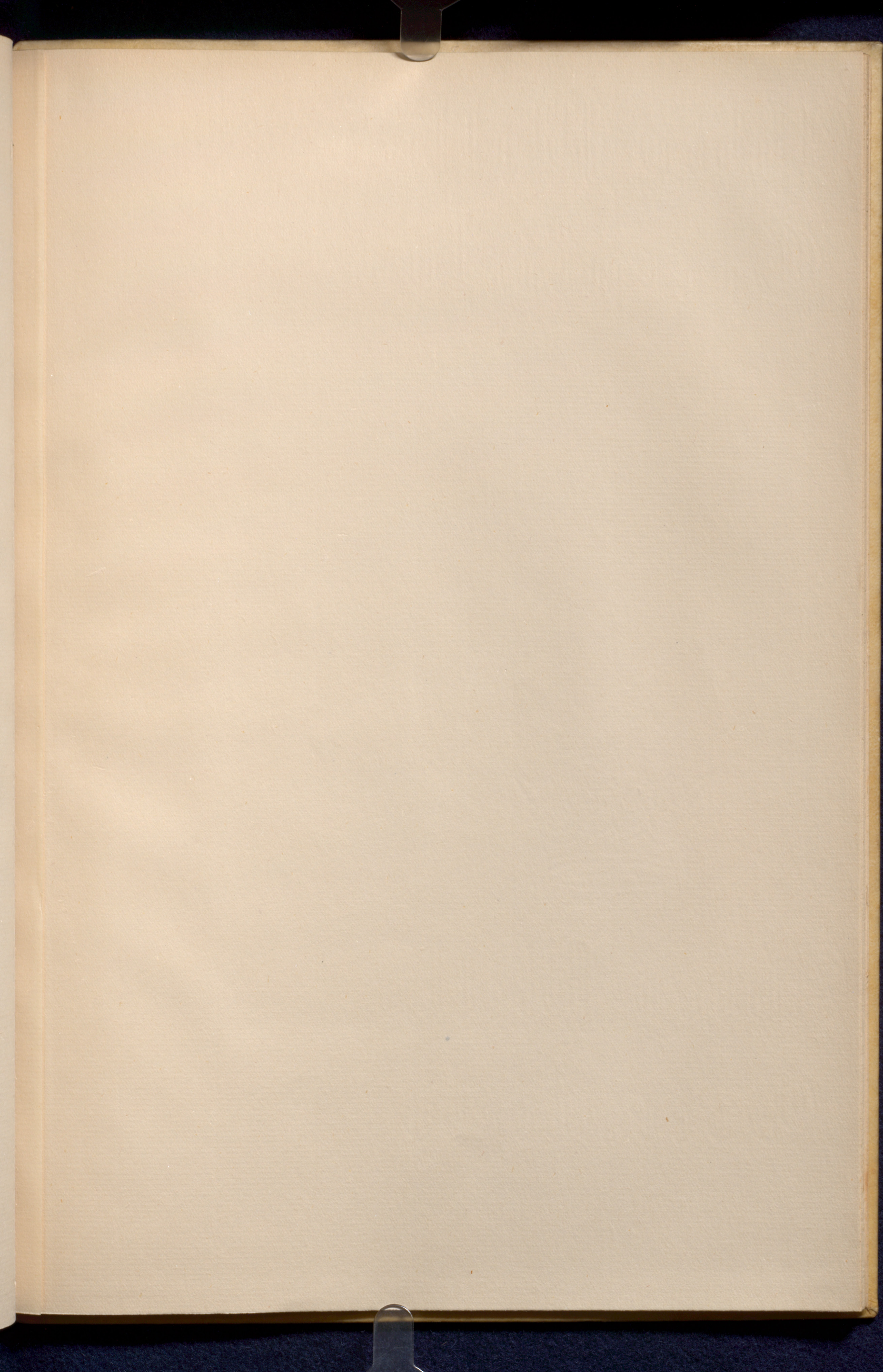
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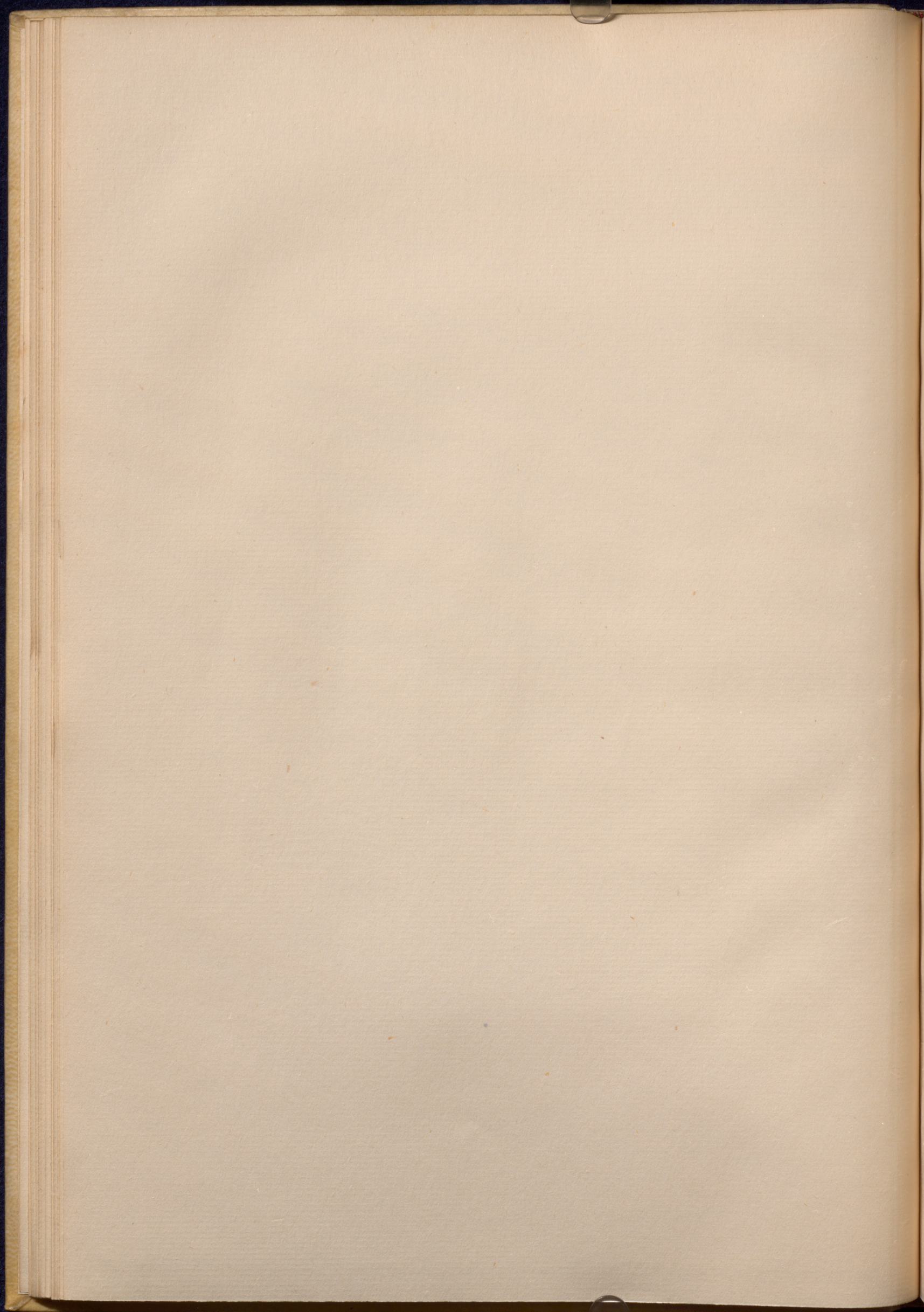
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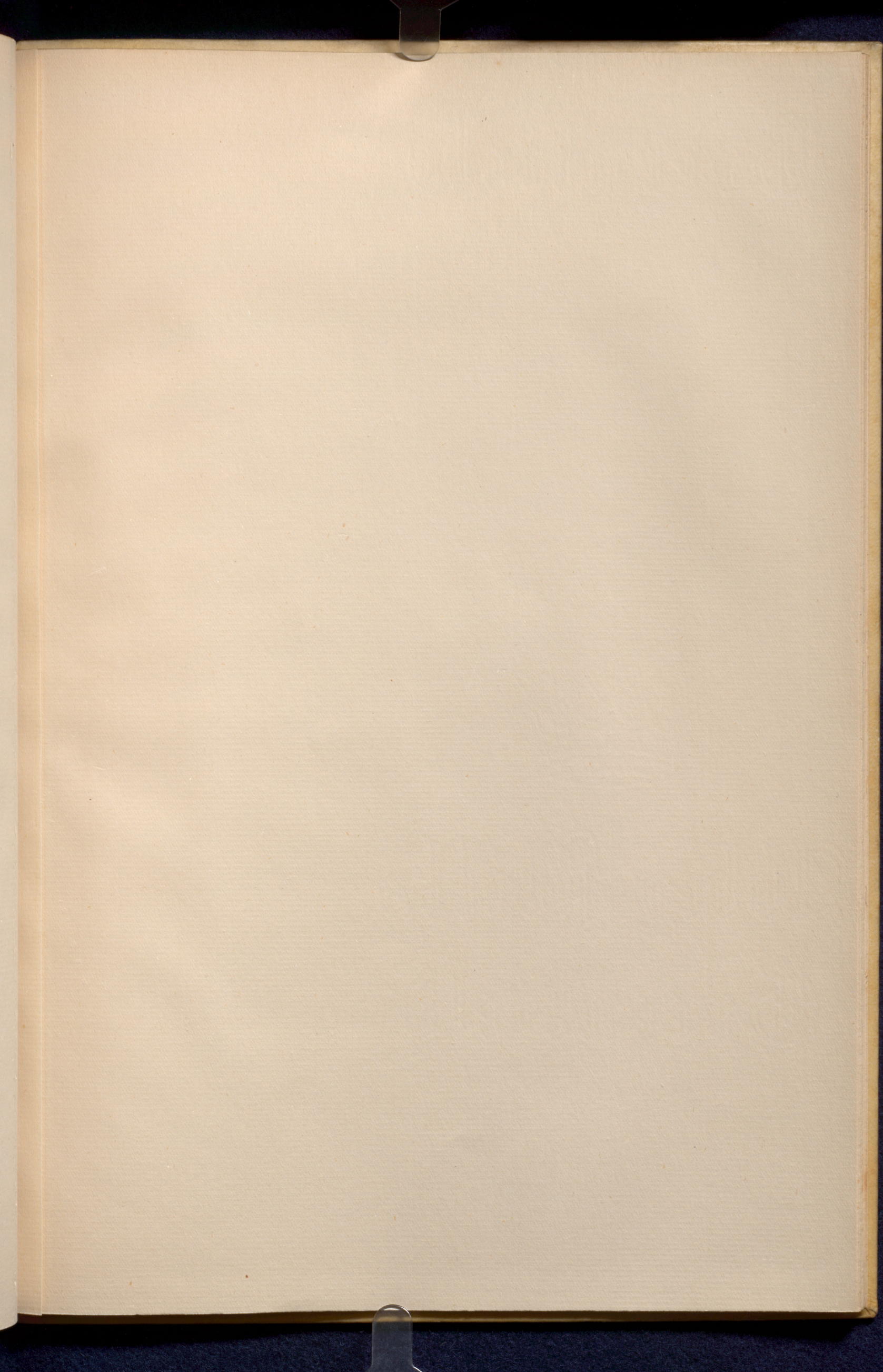
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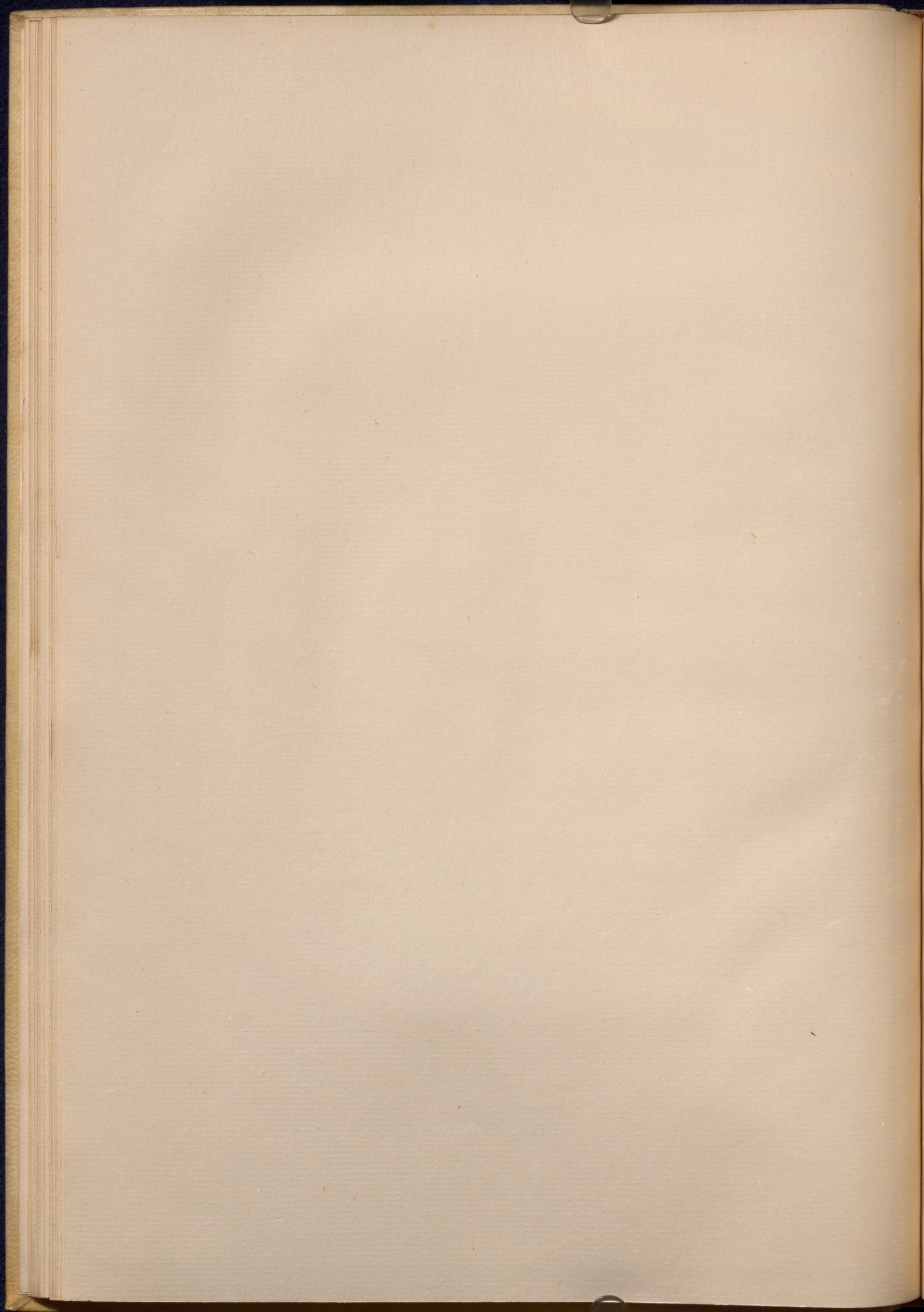


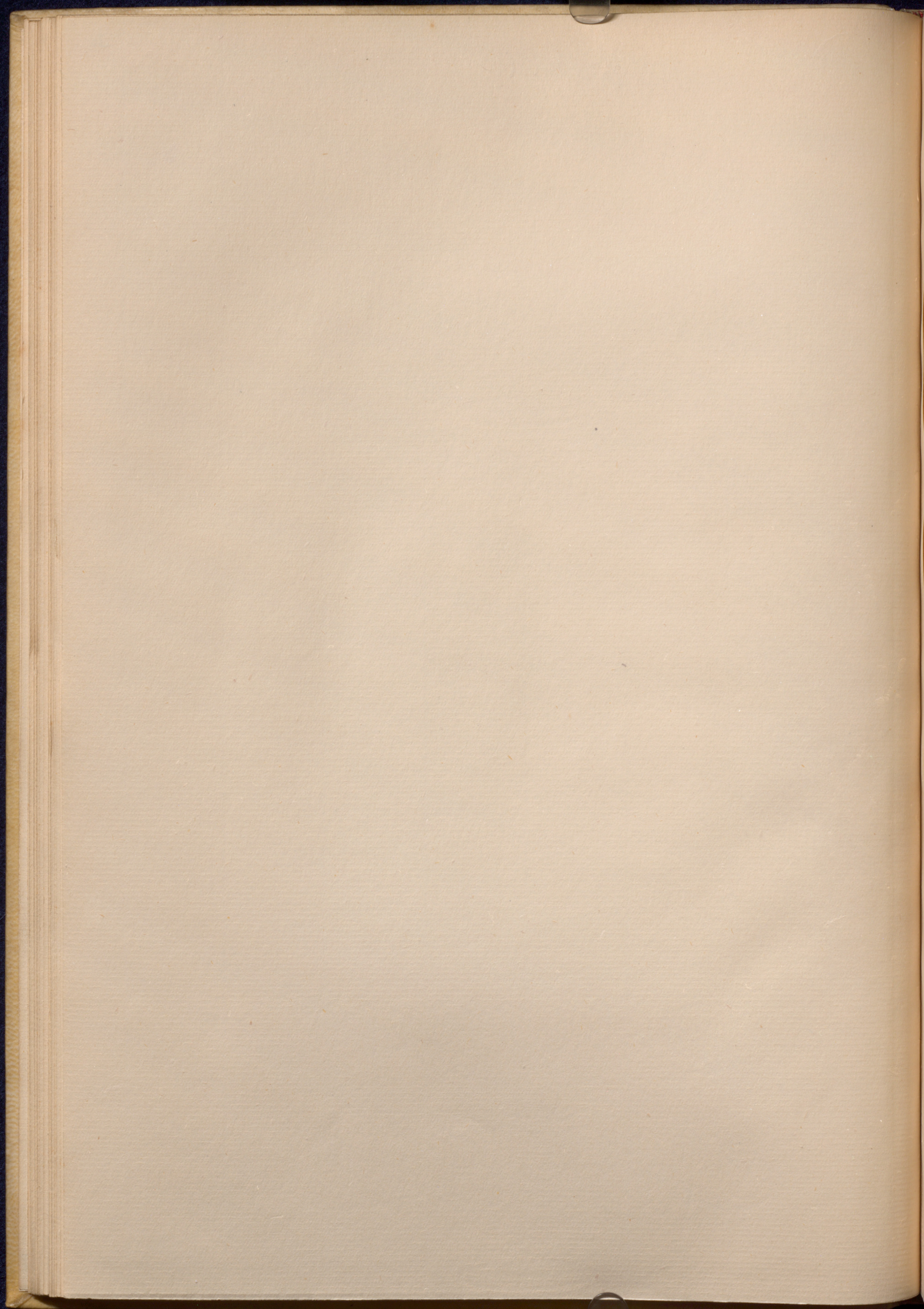


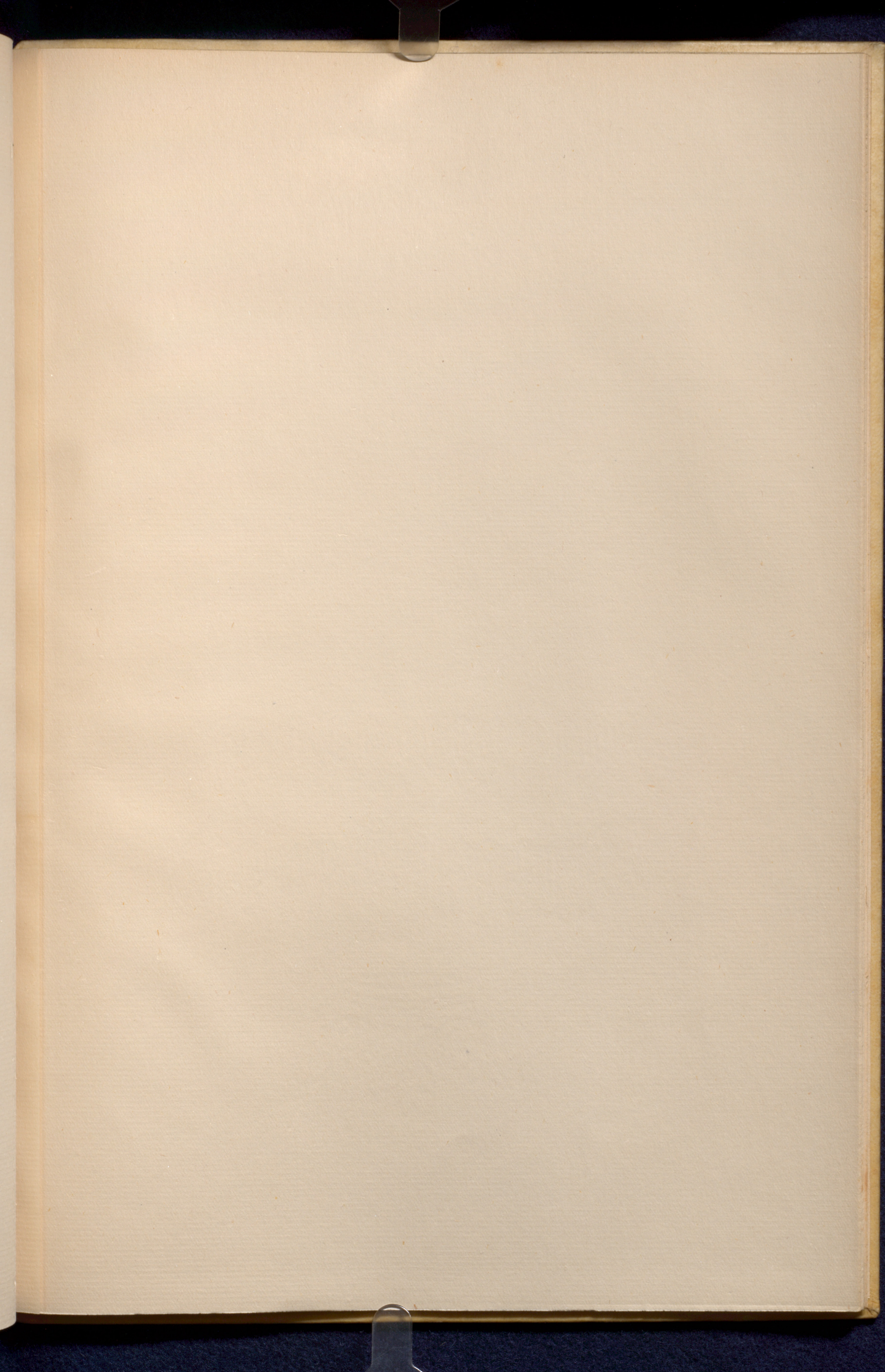


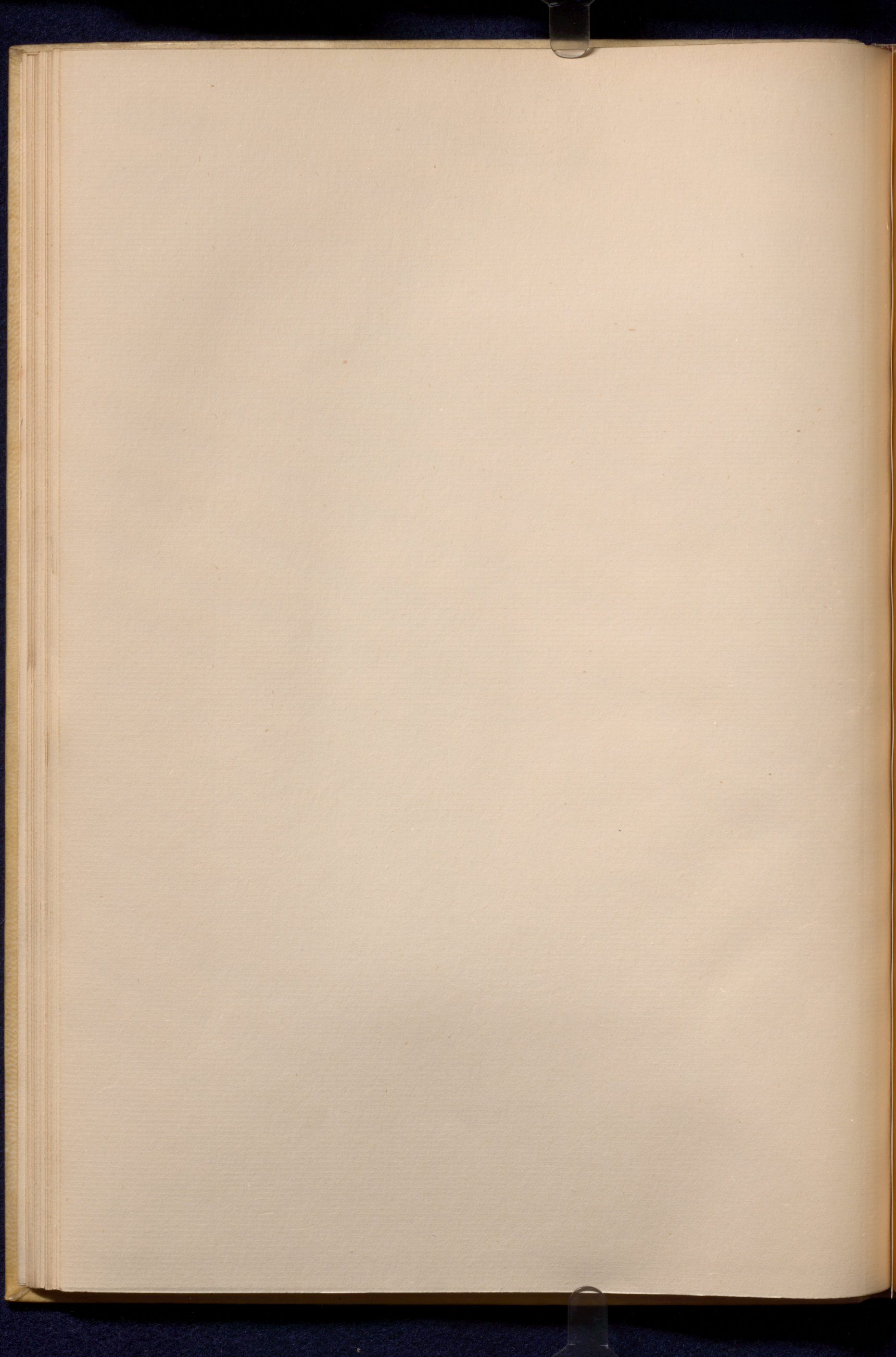


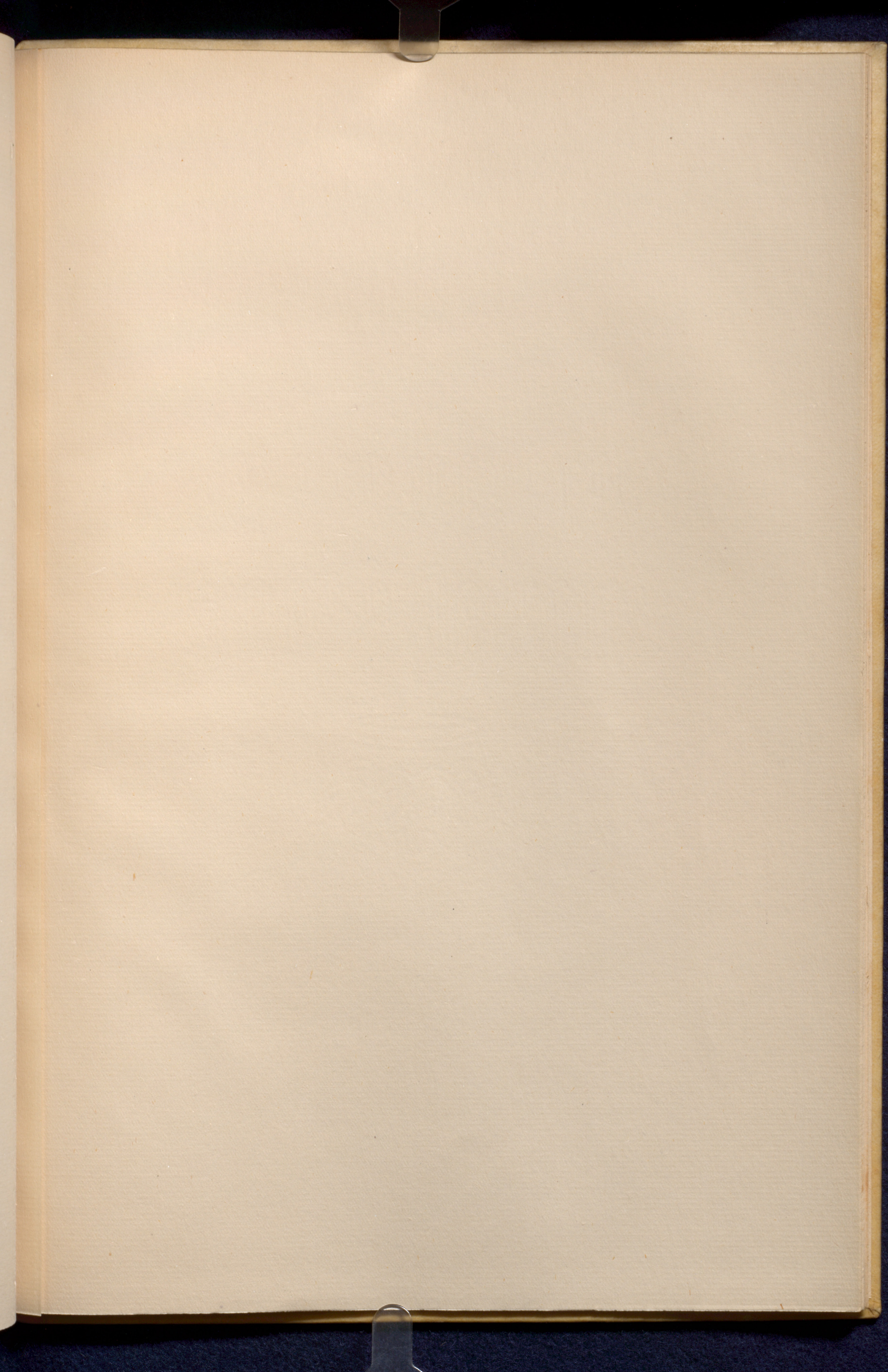


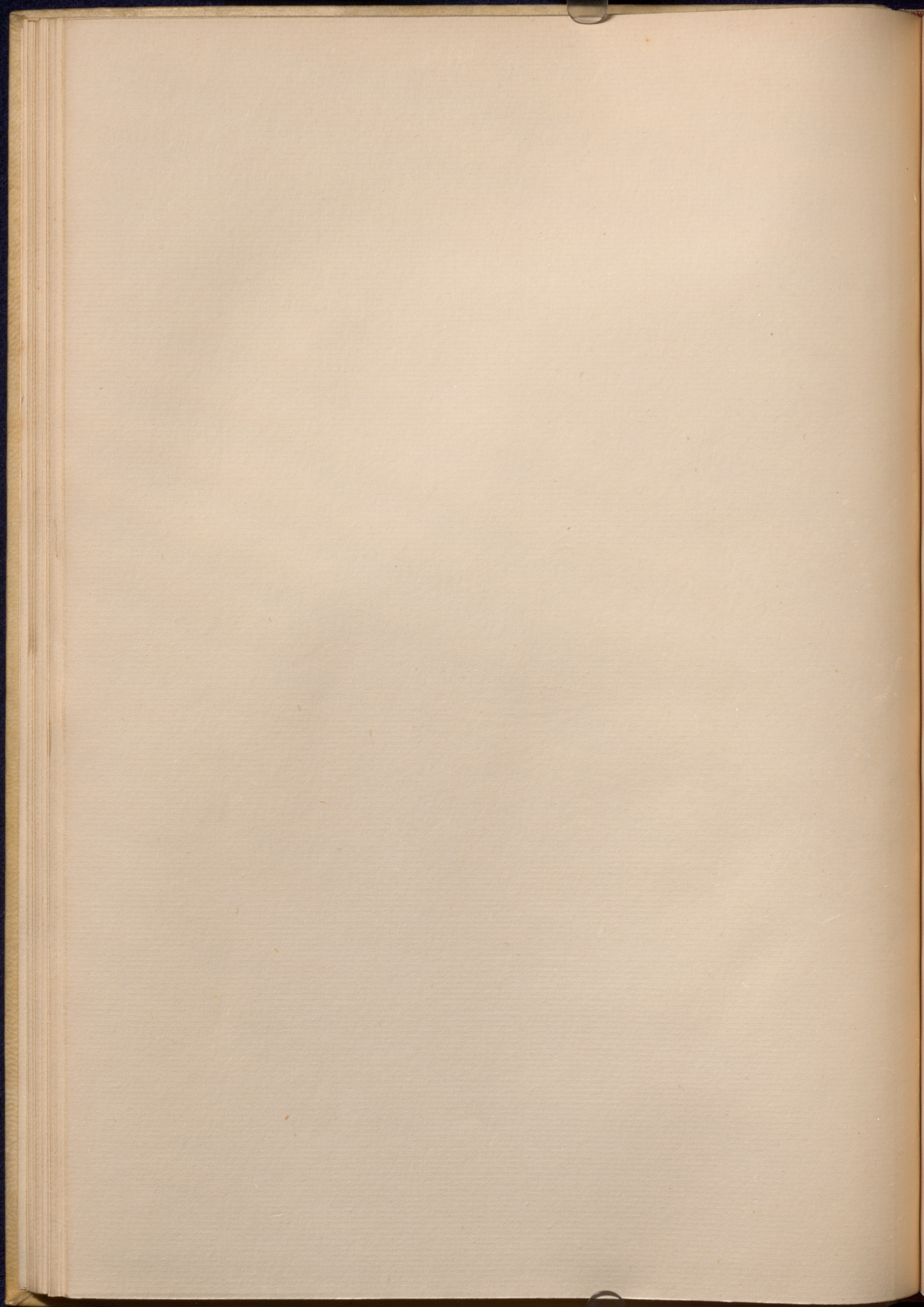


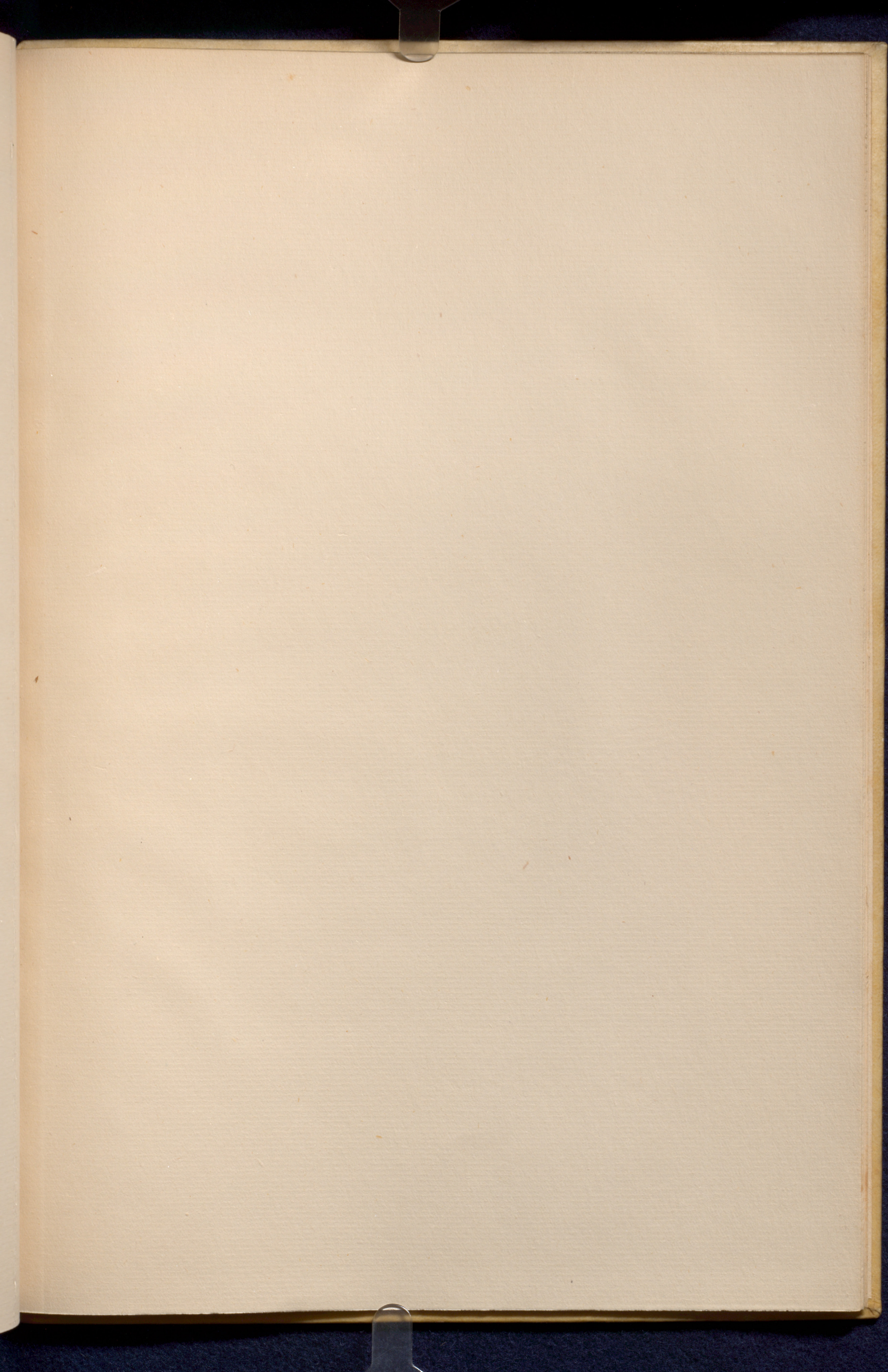


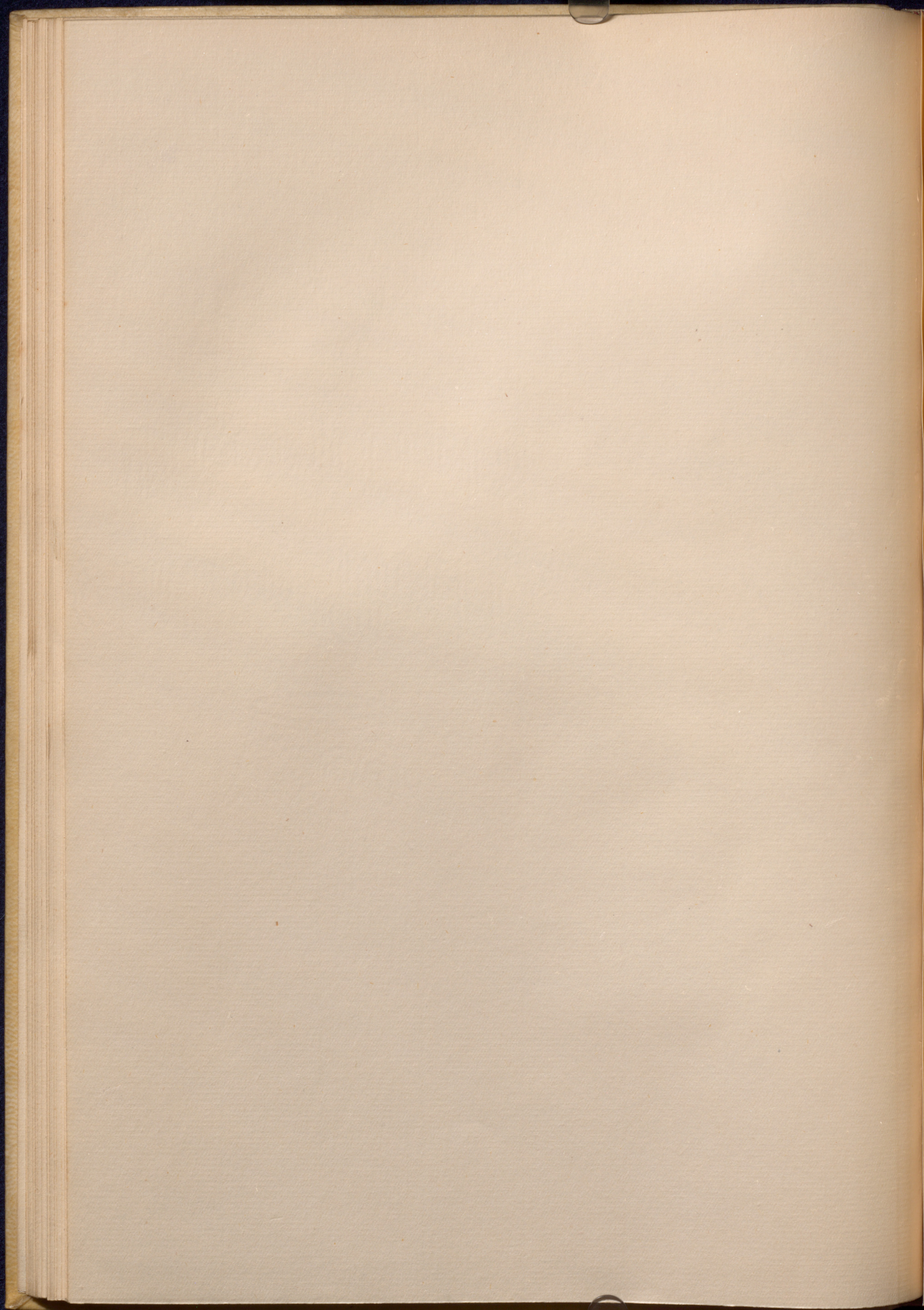


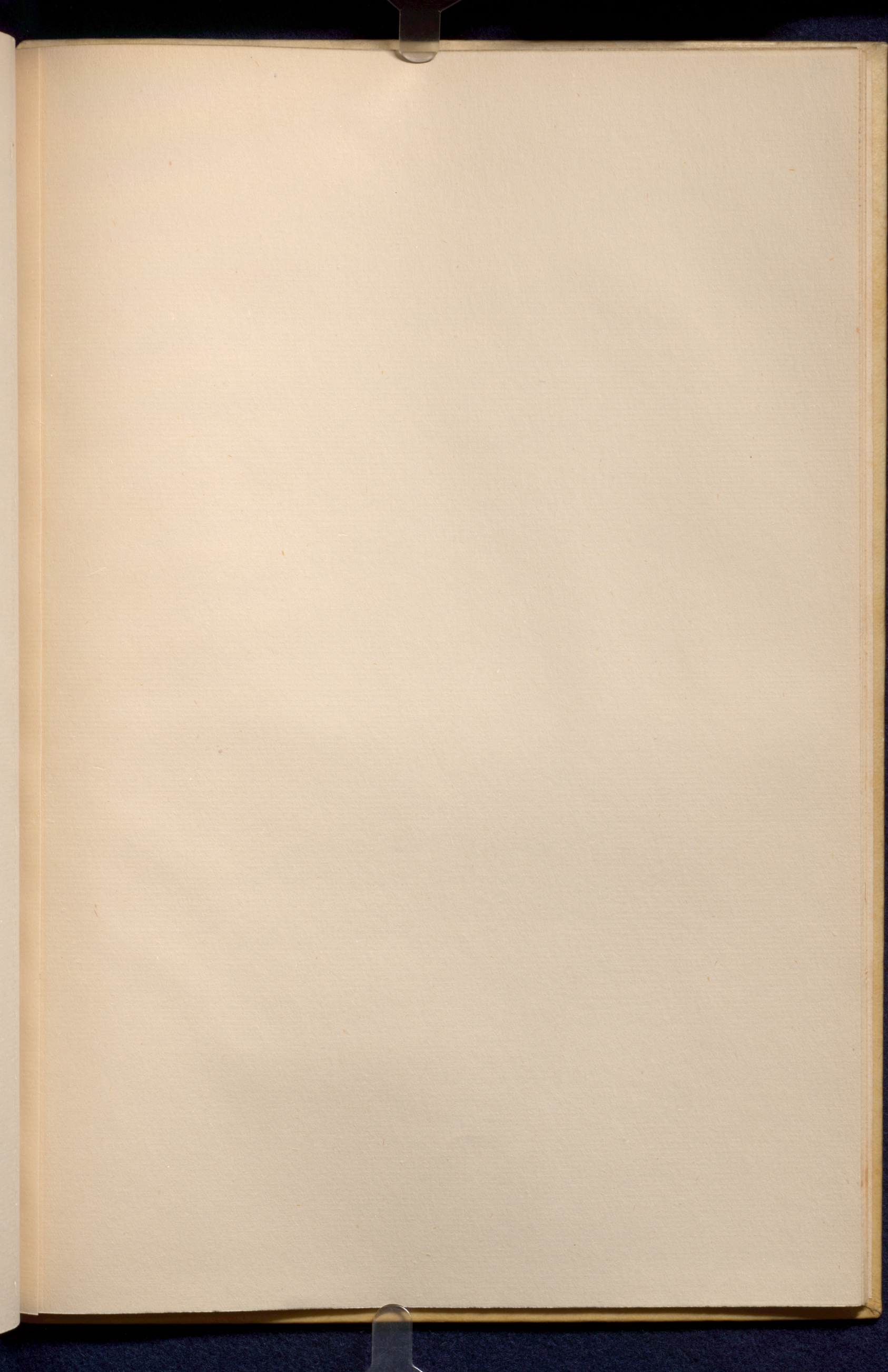


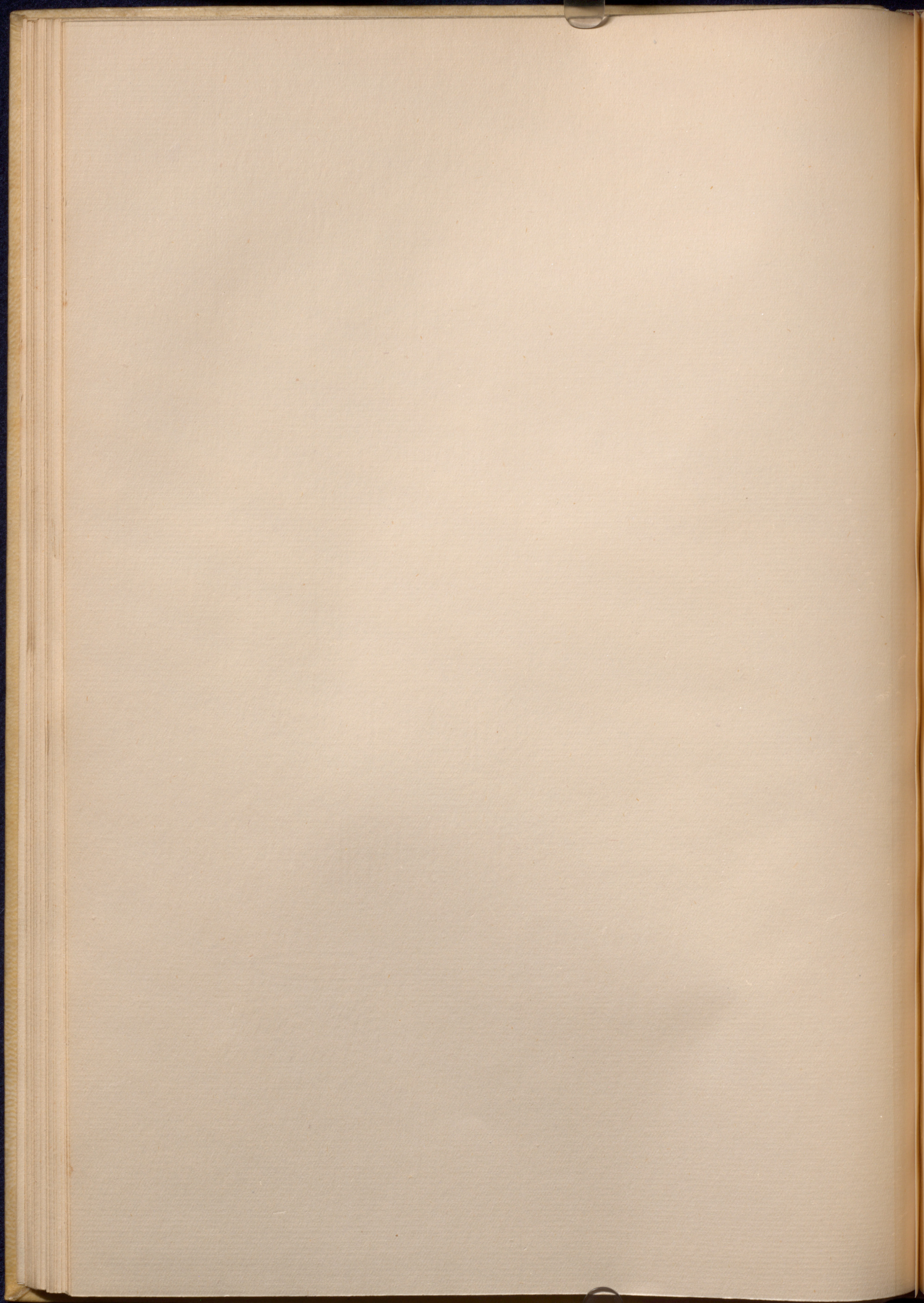


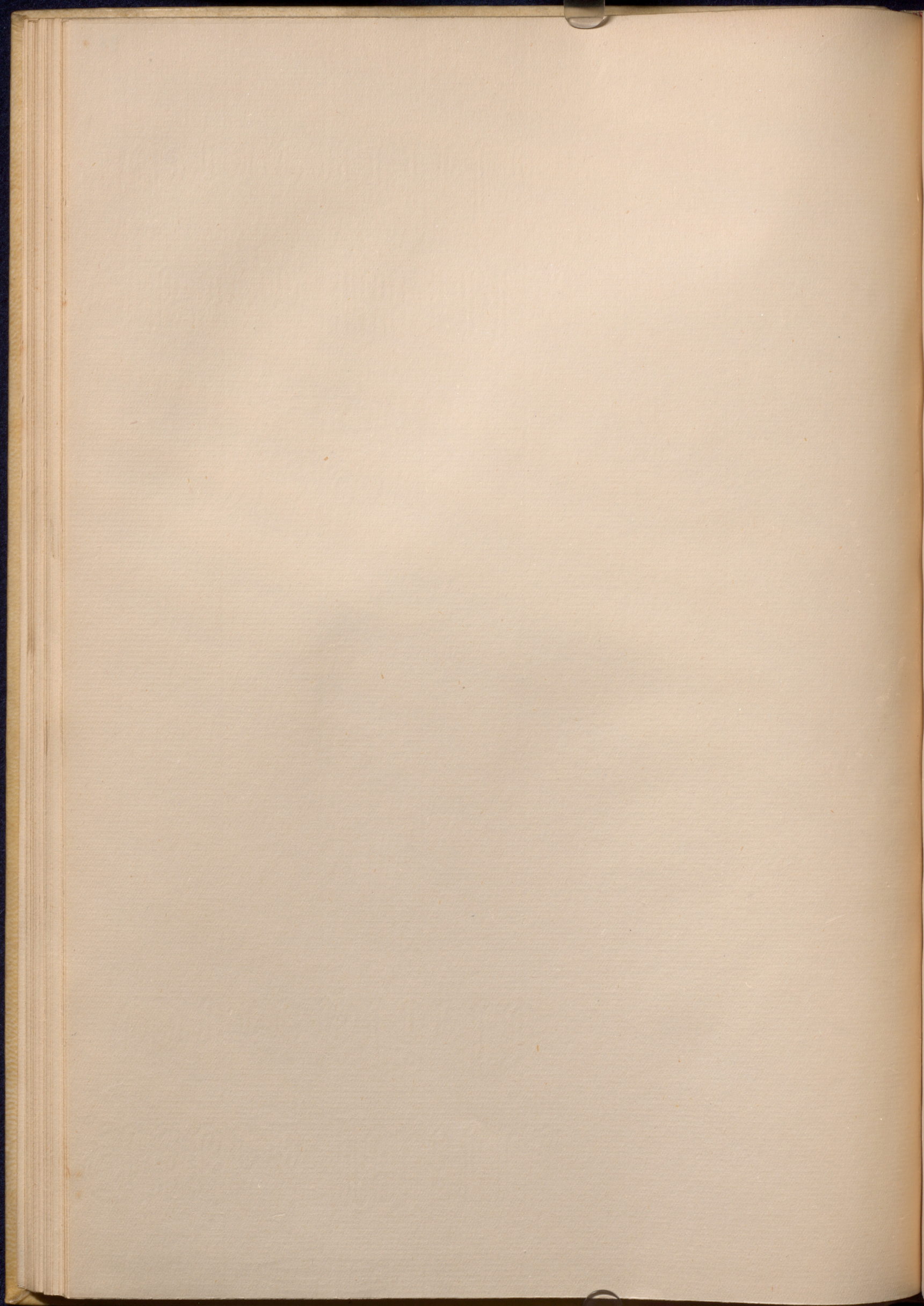


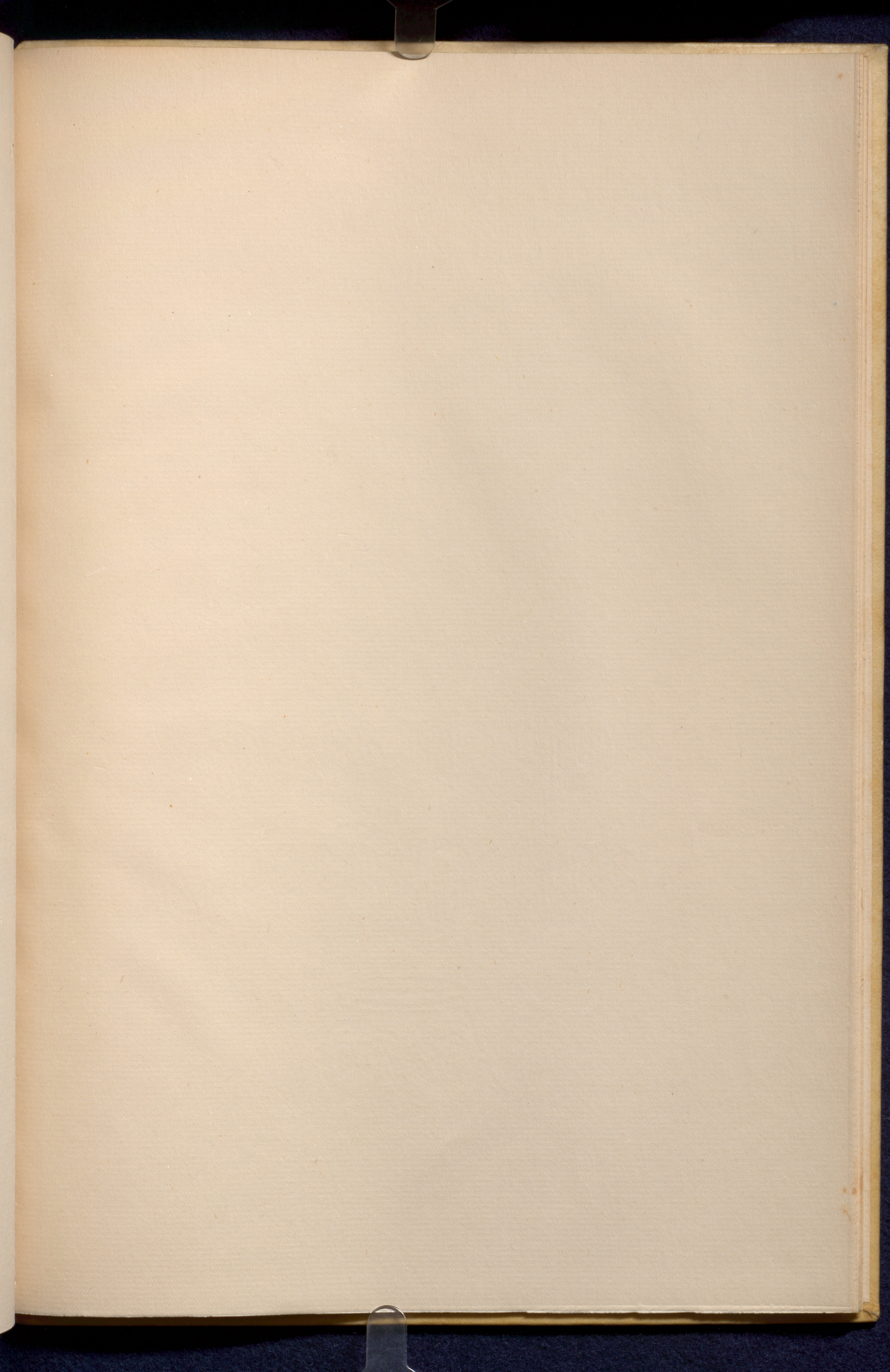


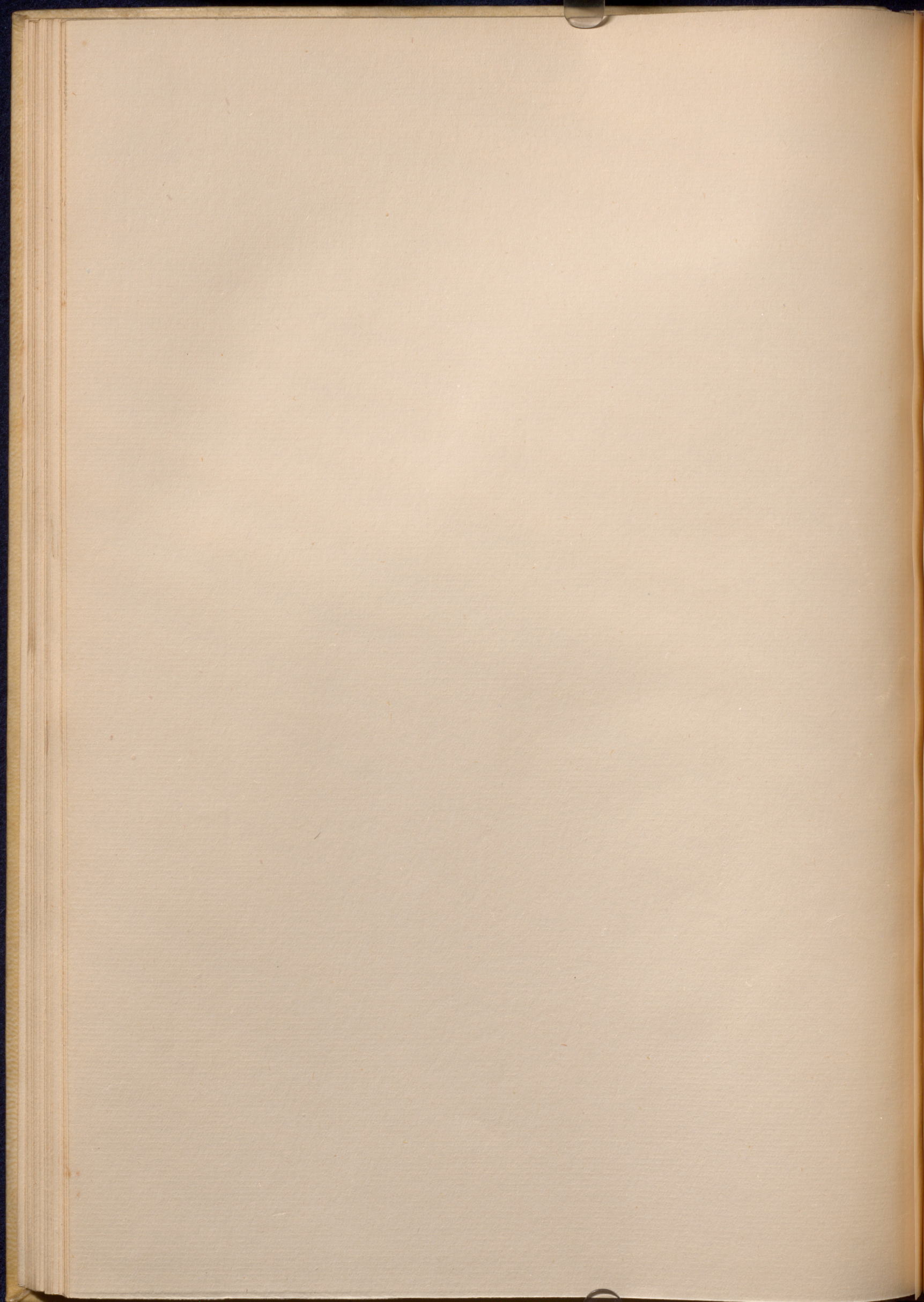


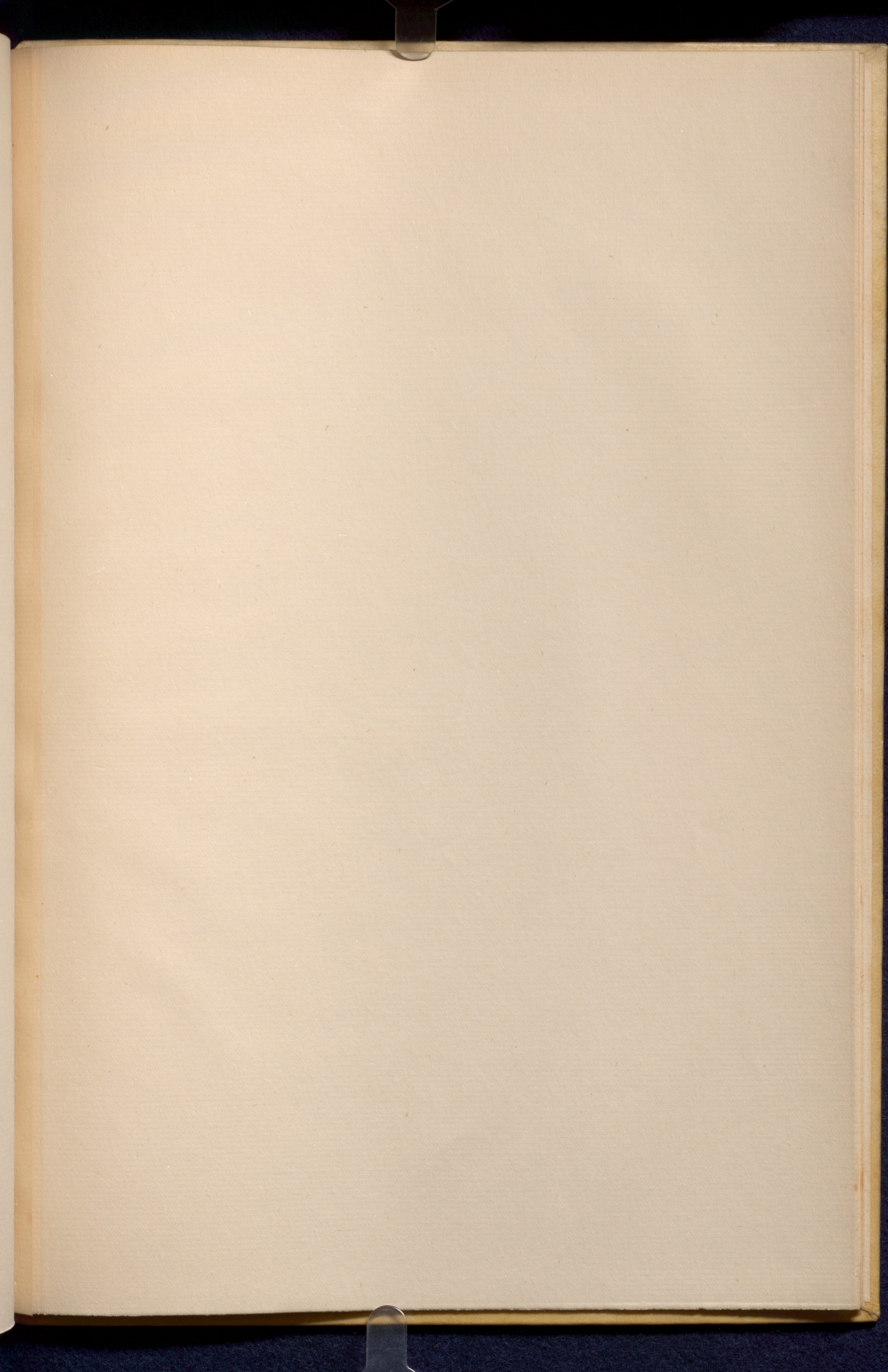


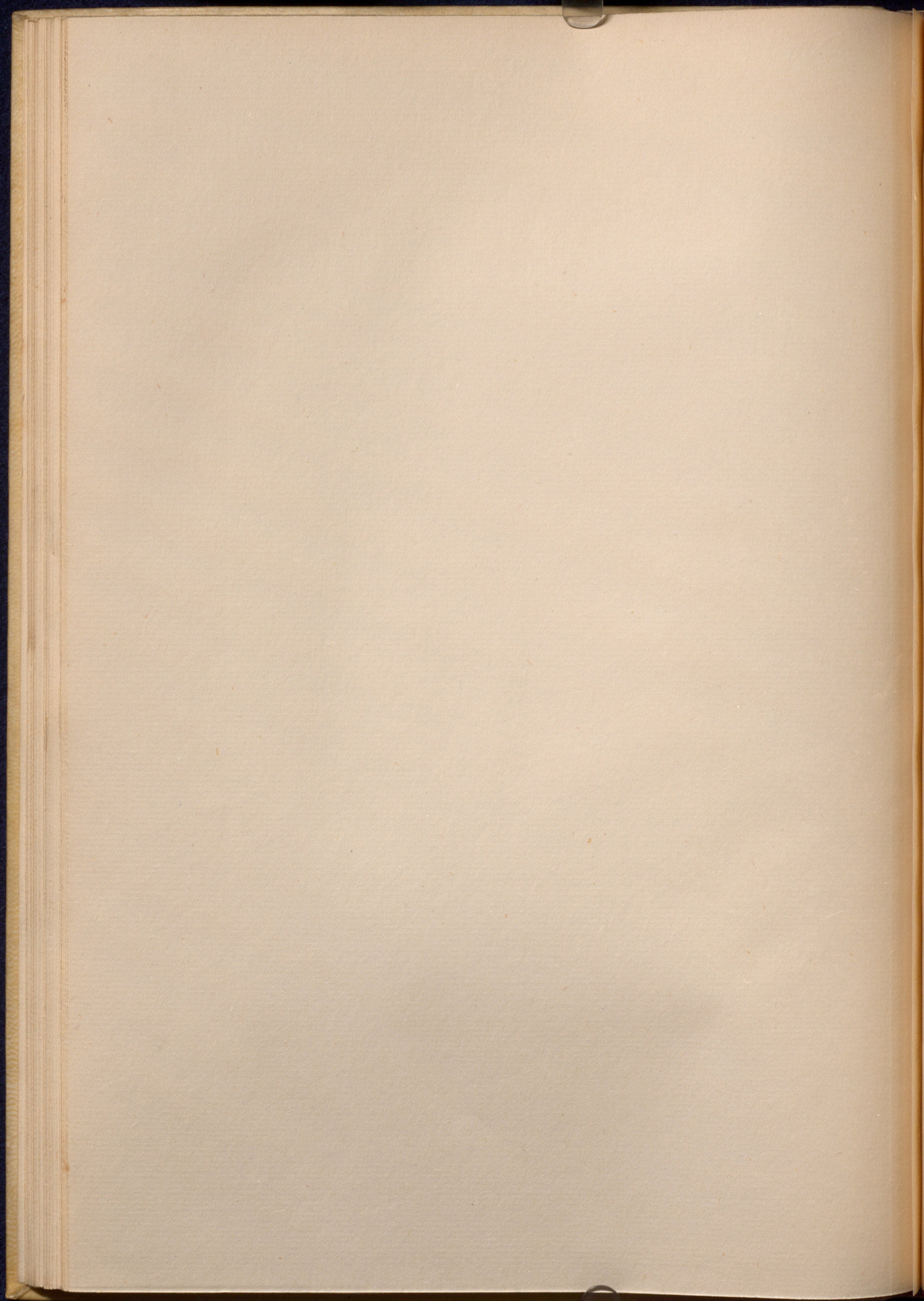


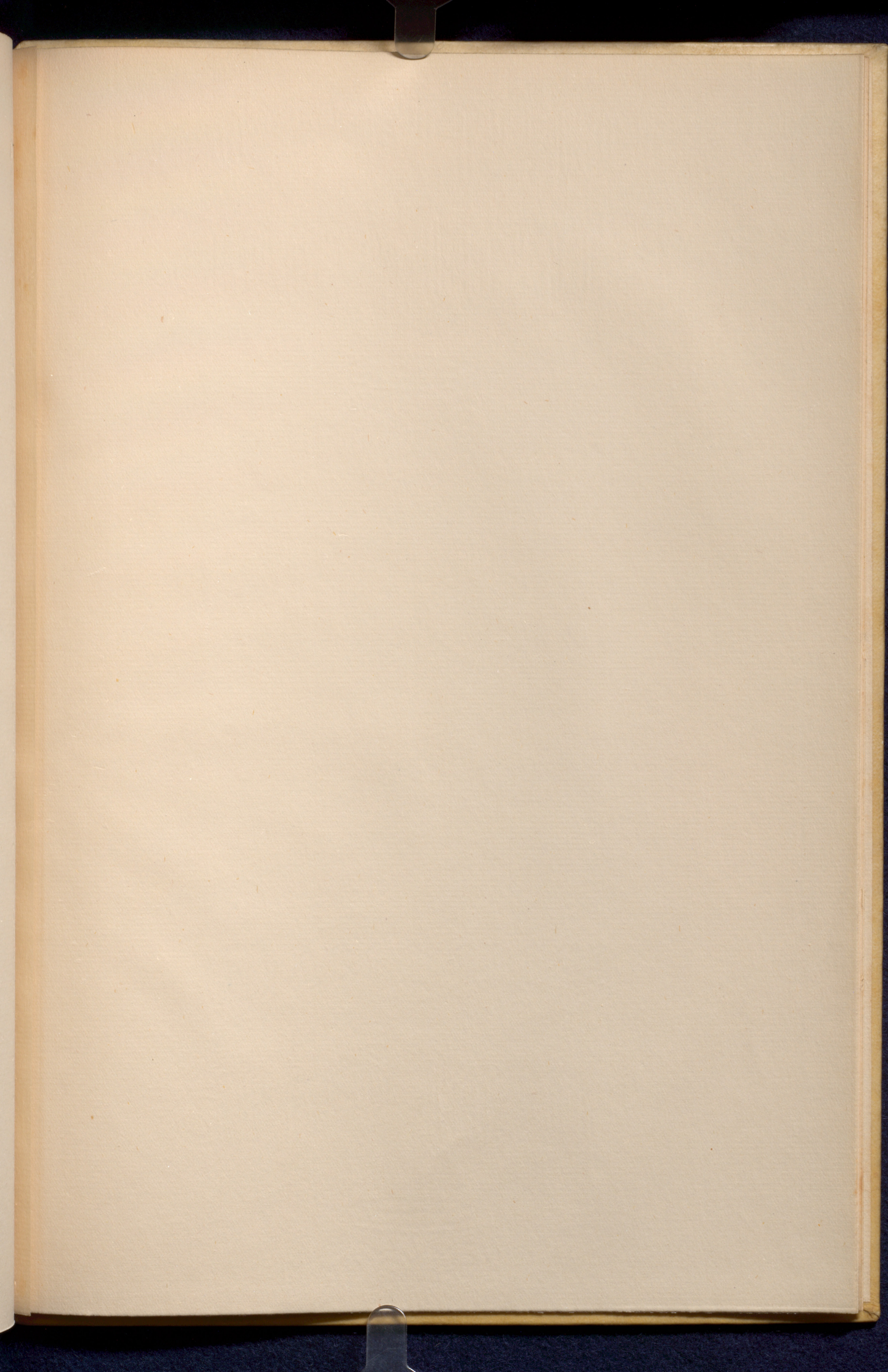


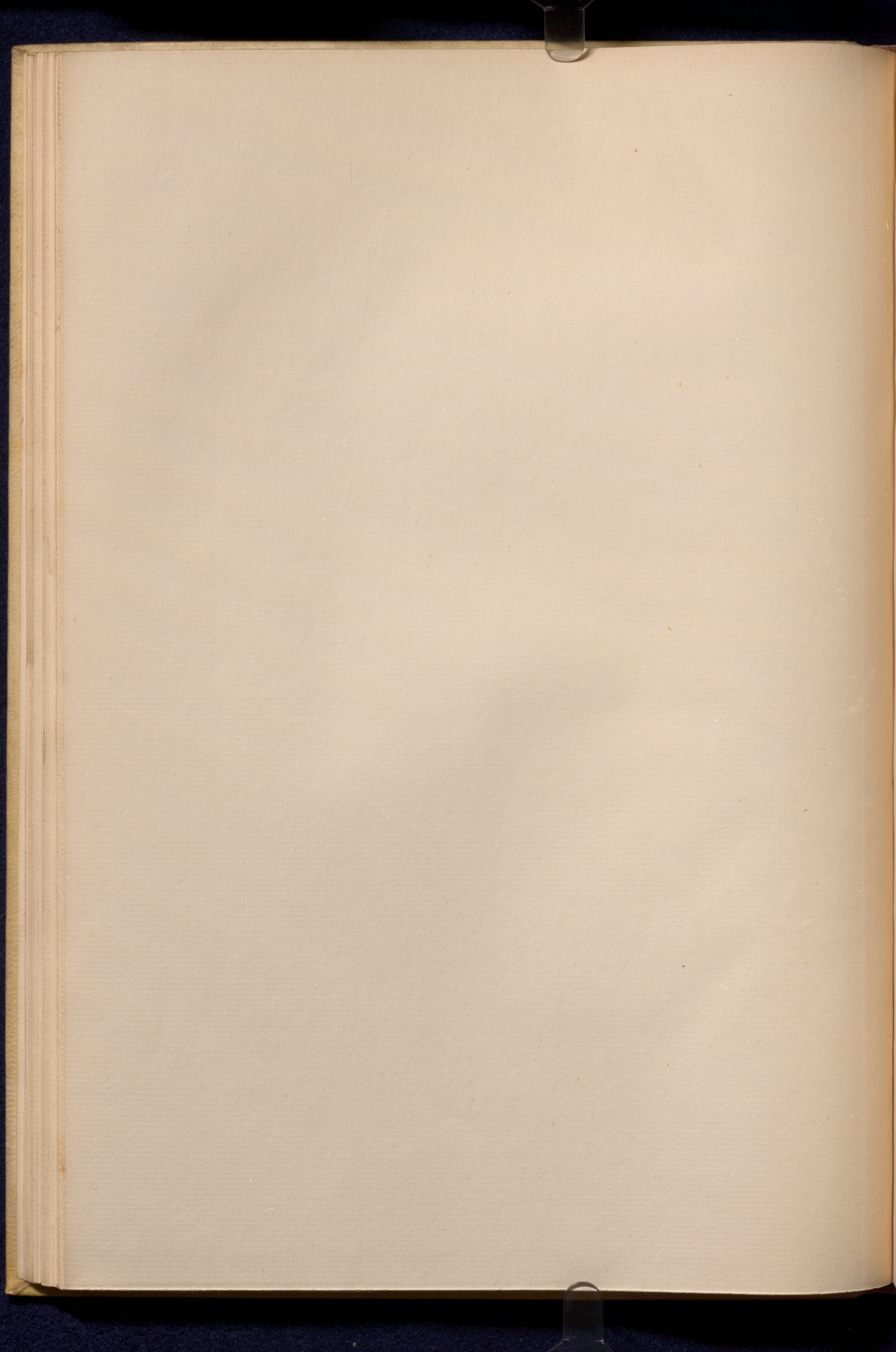


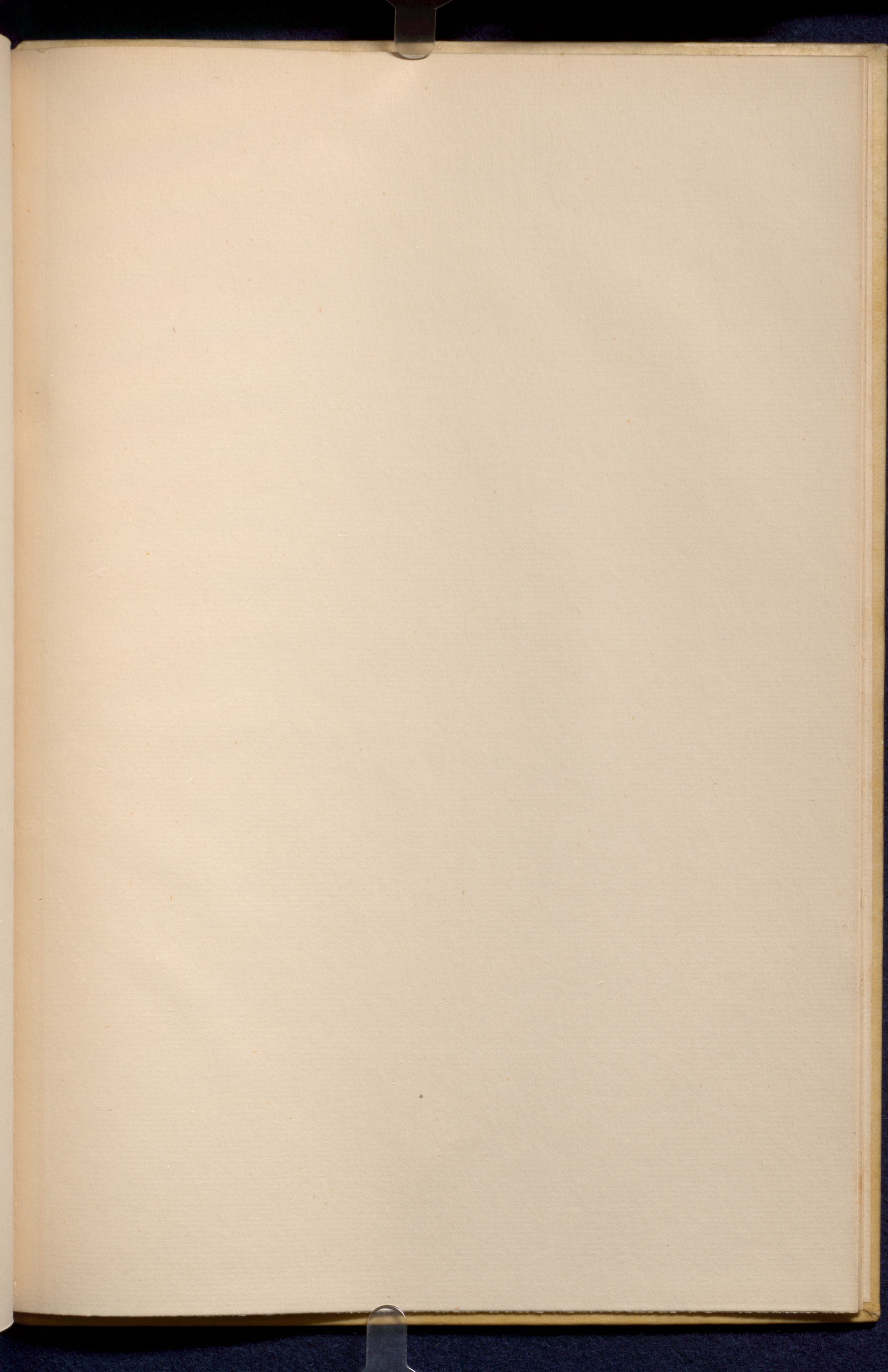


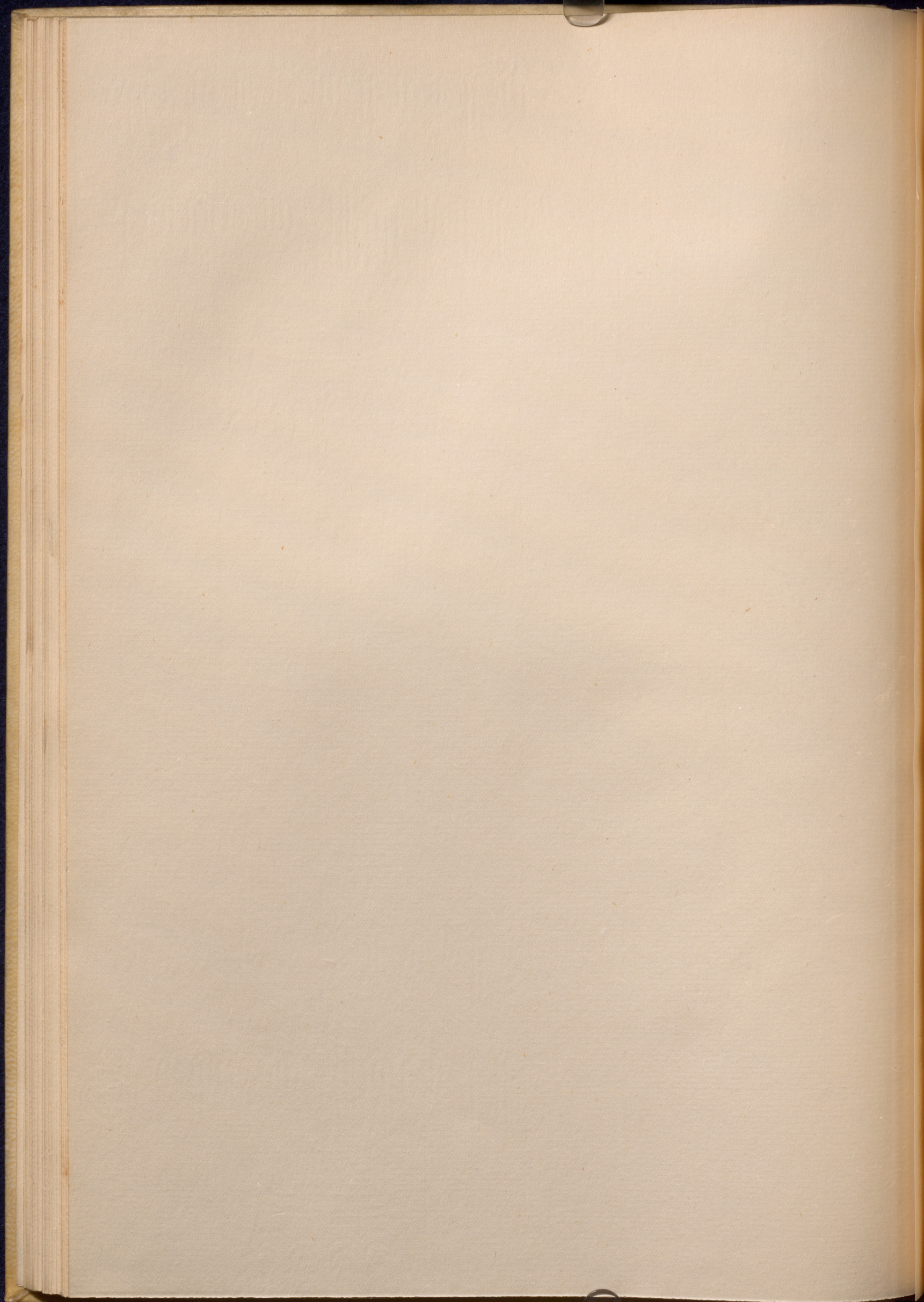


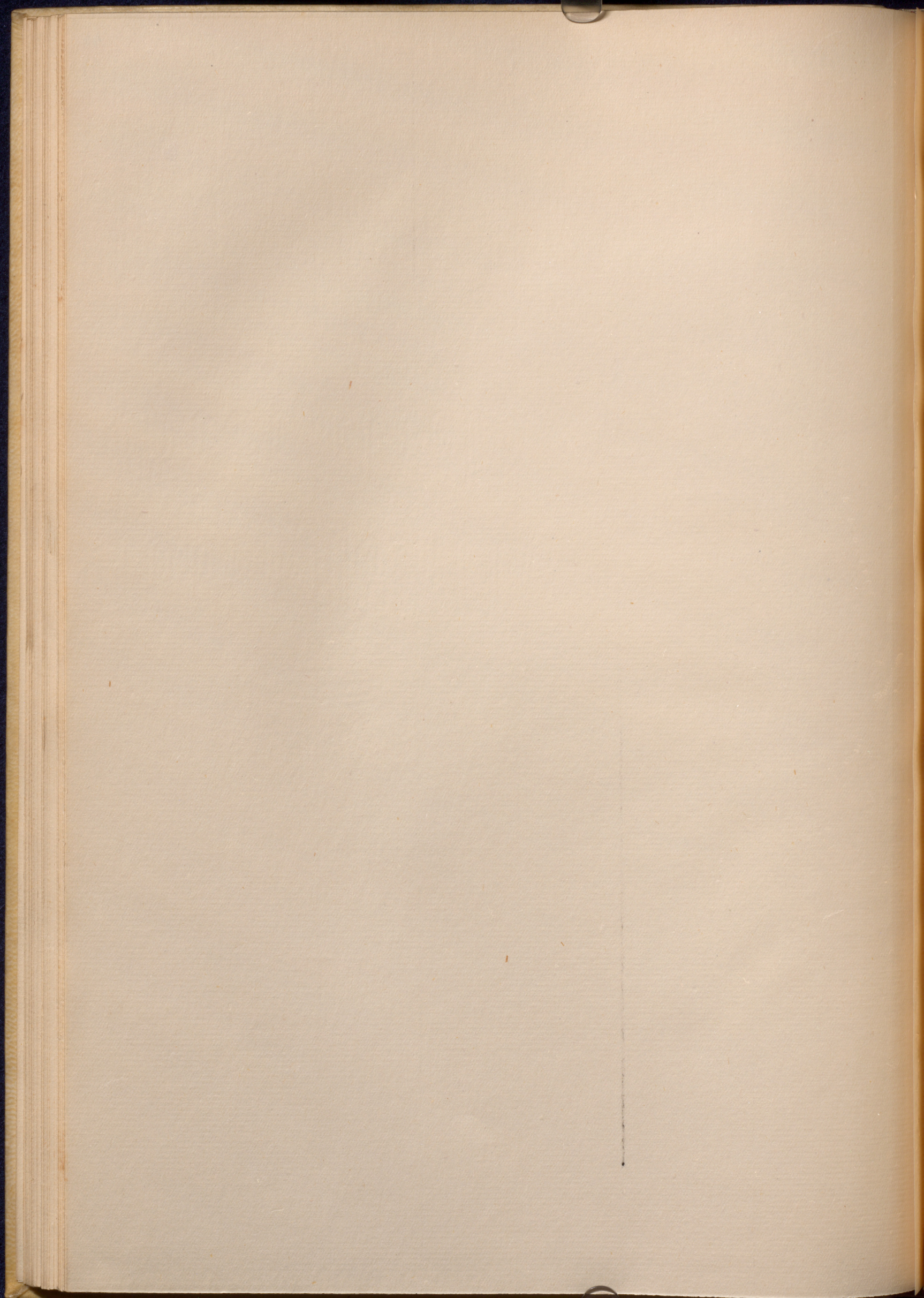


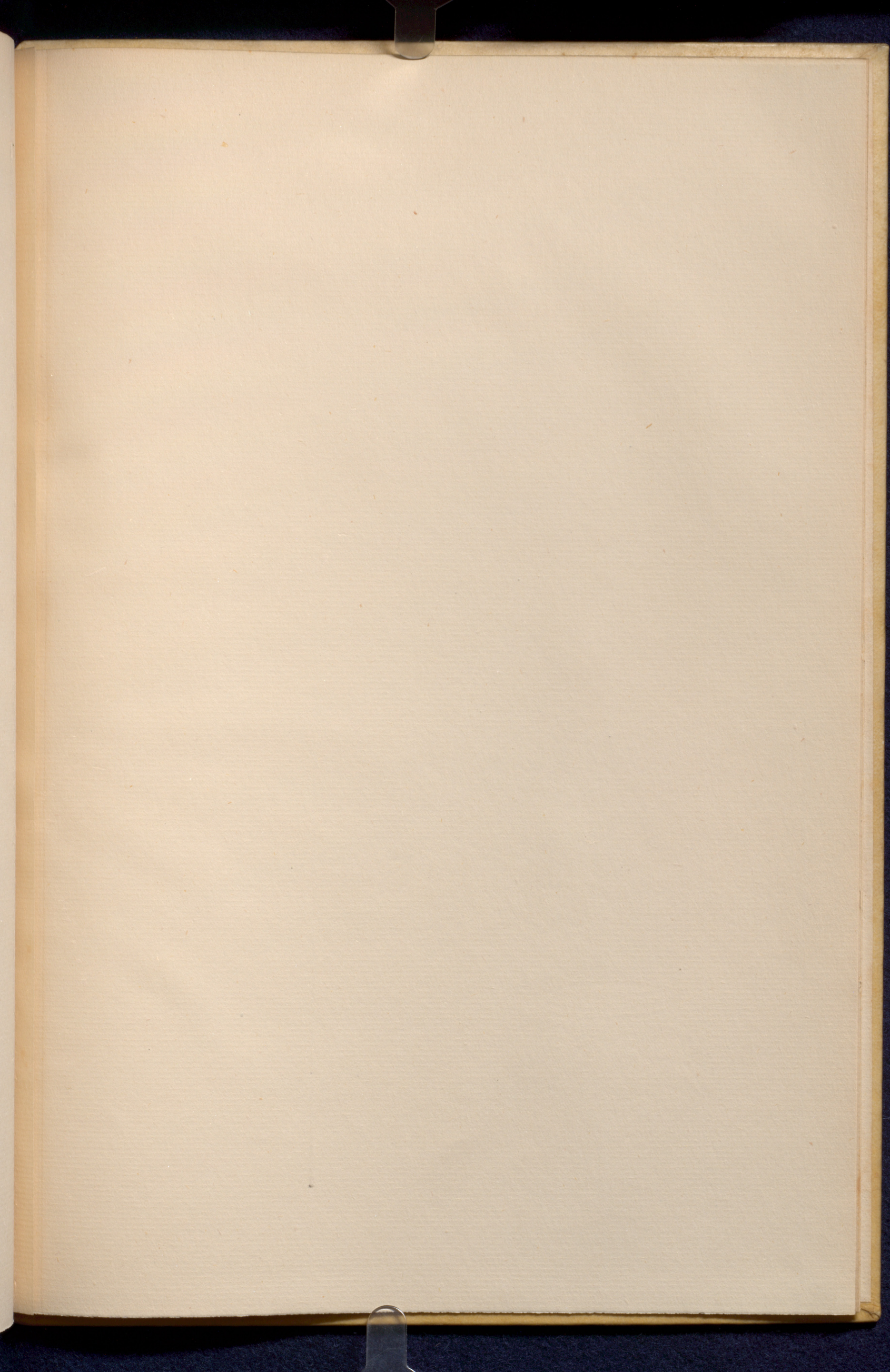


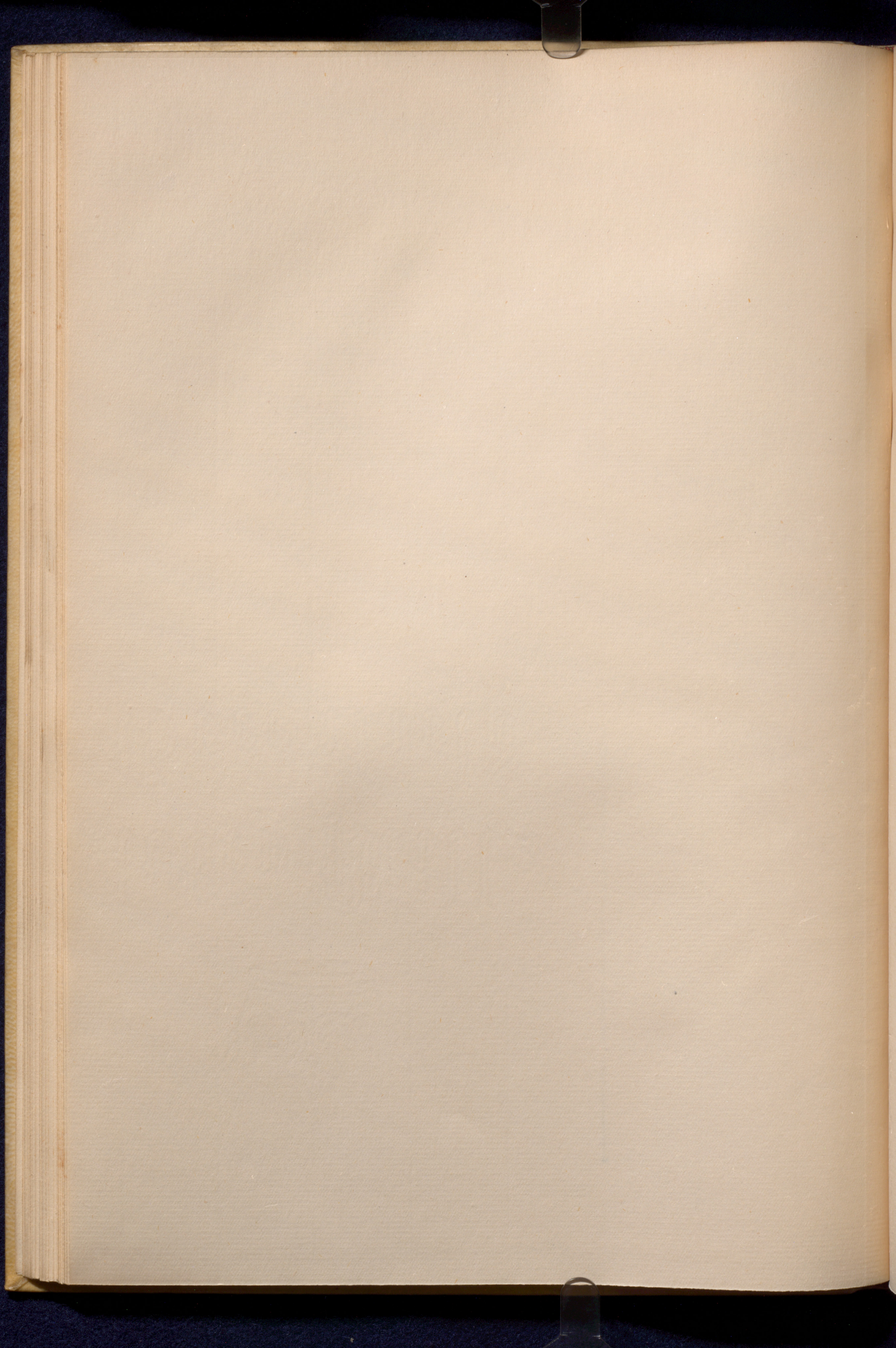


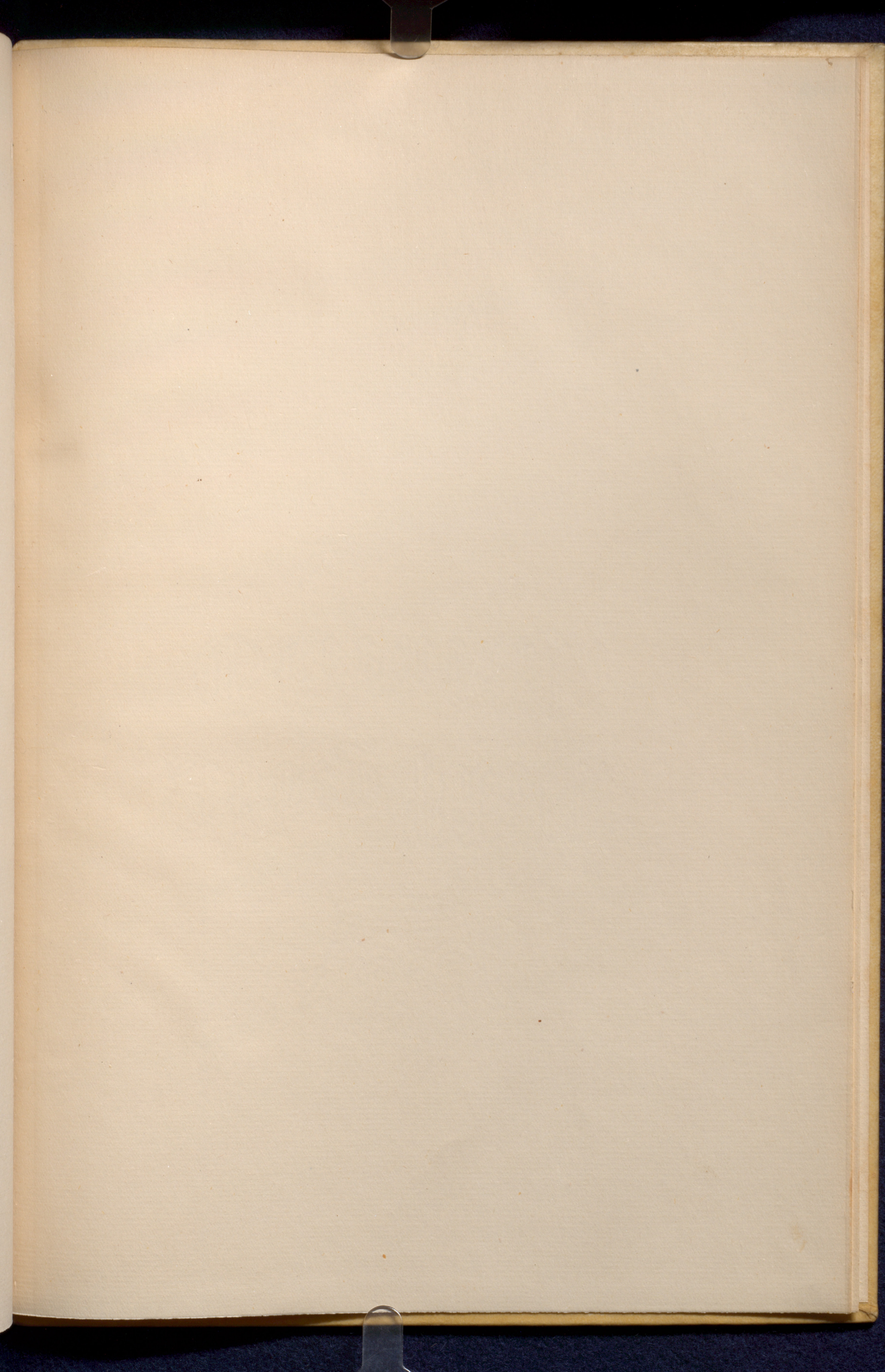


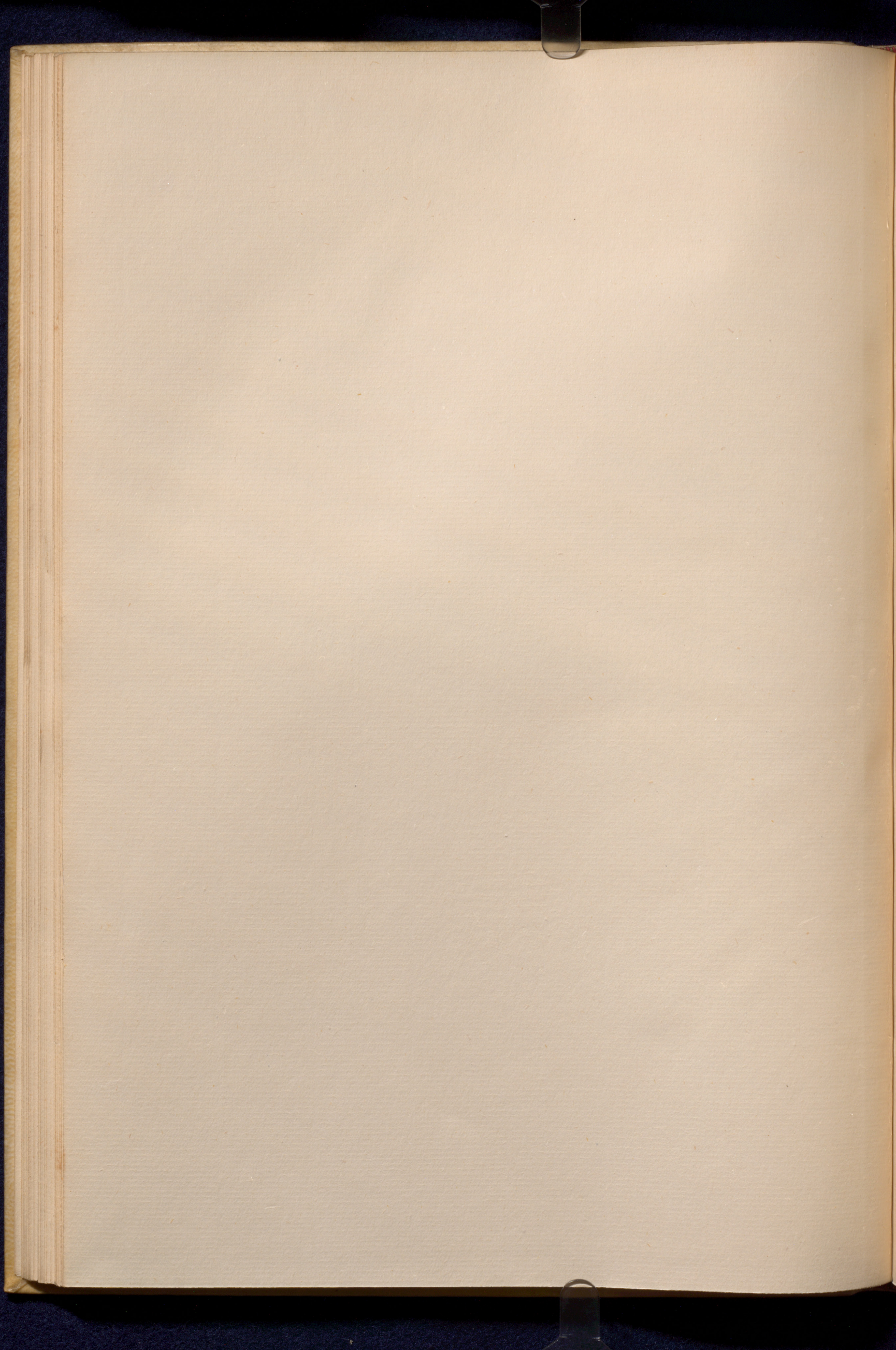


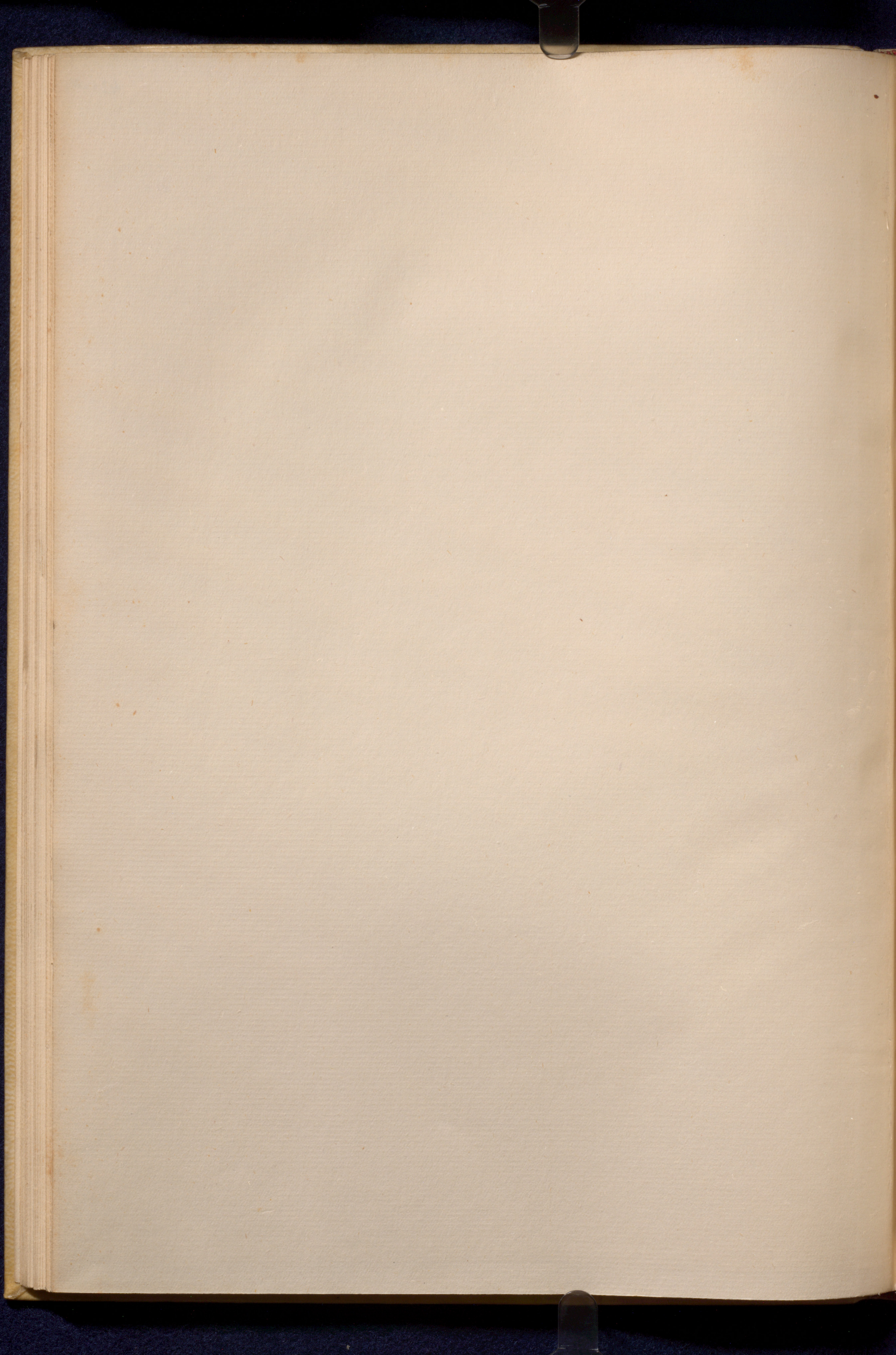












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