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Nowo3 onohoe

## BASIC PRONUNCIATION OF ARAPAHO SOUND SYSTEM

Arapaho Alphabet: B C E H I K N O S 3 T U W X Y °

### Vowel pronunciations:

Short vowel: e as in bet or net      i as in it or bit      o as in son or sun.  
u as in push or put

A long vowel is a combination of two or more same vowels. ee, ii, oo, uu, eee, iii, ooo, uuu

Long vowel: ee as in at or hat      ii as beat or ski      oo as in thought or caught  
uu as in flute or through

A diphthong is a combination of two or more different vowels:

Example: ei is the long A vowel sound as in day  
oe is the long I vowel sound as in pie.  
ou is the long o vowel as in glow.

### Pronunciation Key -- Consonants

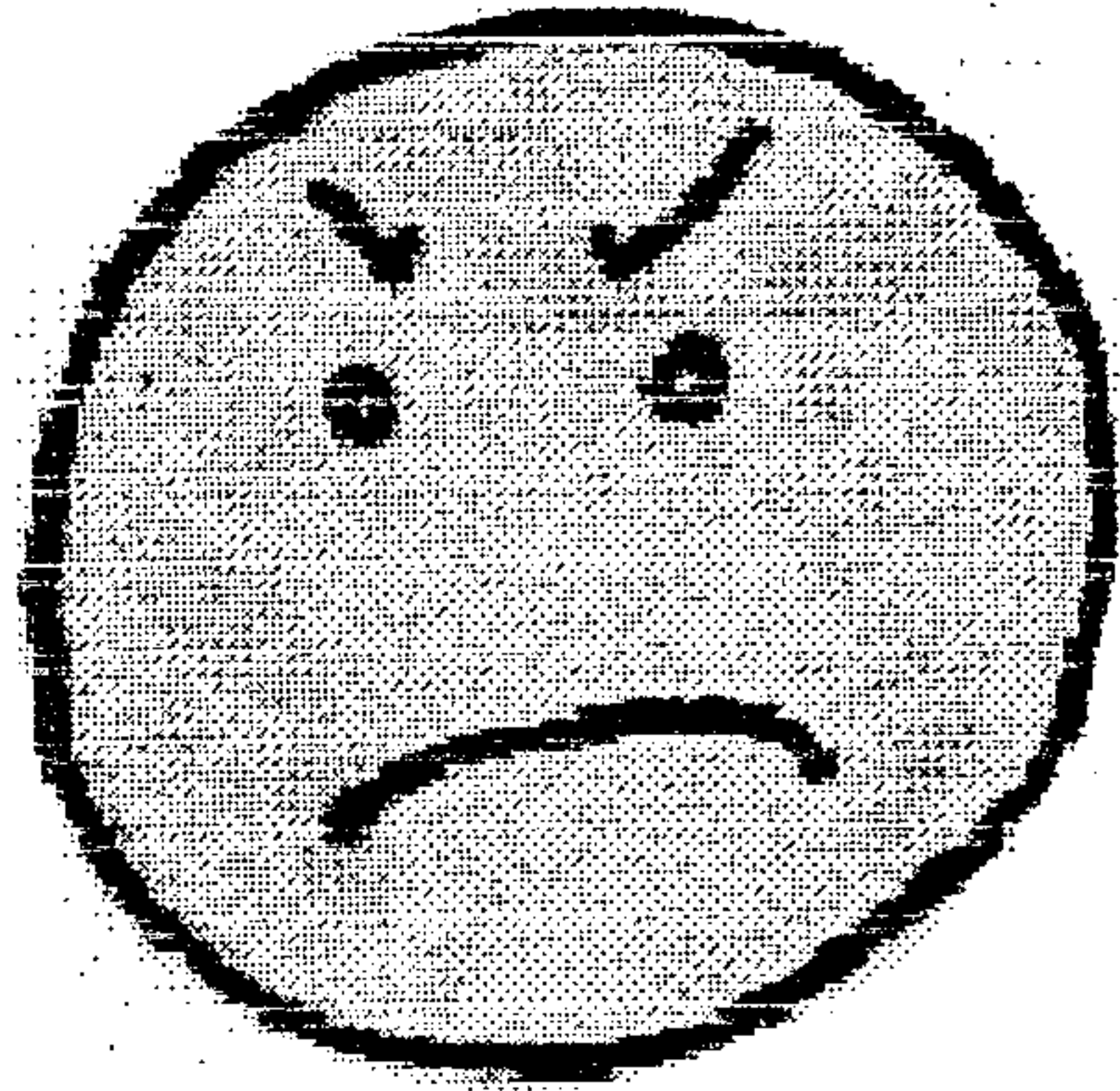
- B is between the voiced B and the blown P. Usually more like a B at the beginning of a syllable and more like a P at the end of the word.
- C is between the voiced J and the blown CH. Usually more like a J at the beginning of a syllable and more like a CH at the end of the word.
- H is just breathed at either end of a syllable.
- K is between the voiced G (as in gum) and the blown K.
- N As in noon.
- S is always pronounced as in sing, and never like the Z sound in trees or closet.
- 3 As in three, thin, bath.
- T is between the voiced D and the blown T.
- W As in water.
- X is sound not heard in English, but similar to the German Machen or the Greek XI, start to say K sound, but breathe out hard enough to make the back of your throat (your glottis) vibrate a little.
- Y As in Yes, young, unless it is blown U or I.
- ° is called the glottal stop, and doesn't make a sound. It shows that the sound or breath is cut off suddenly.



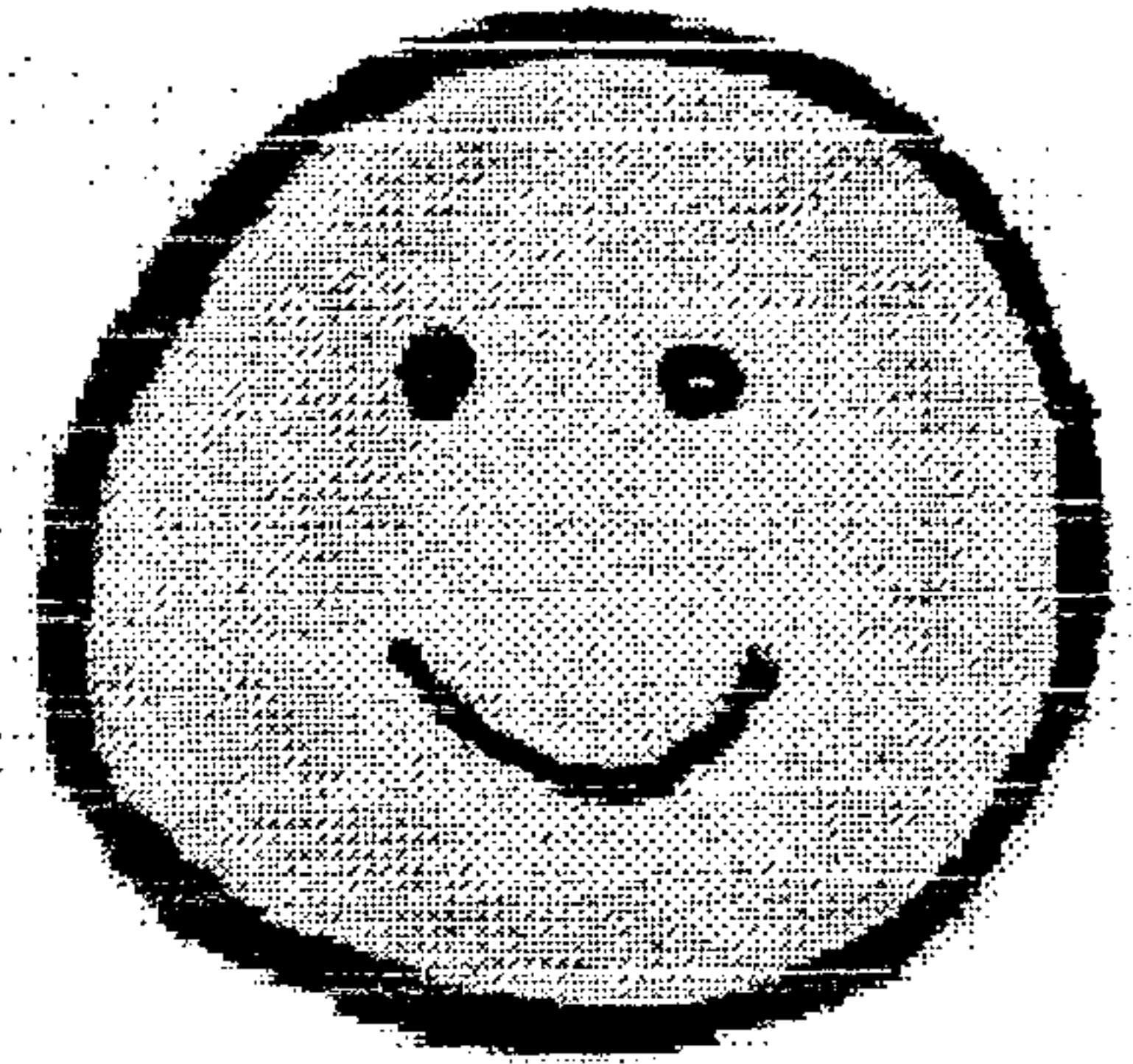
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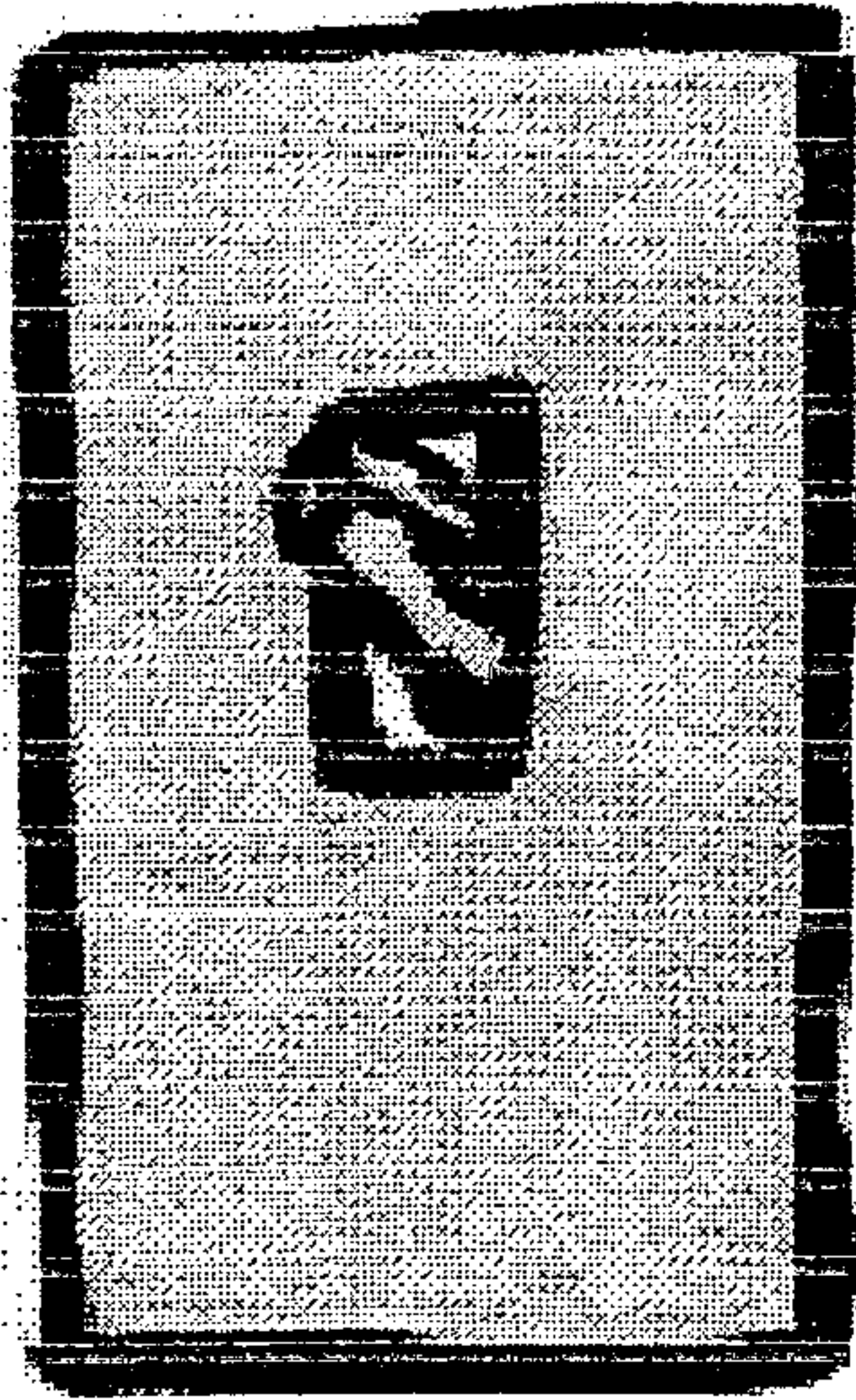




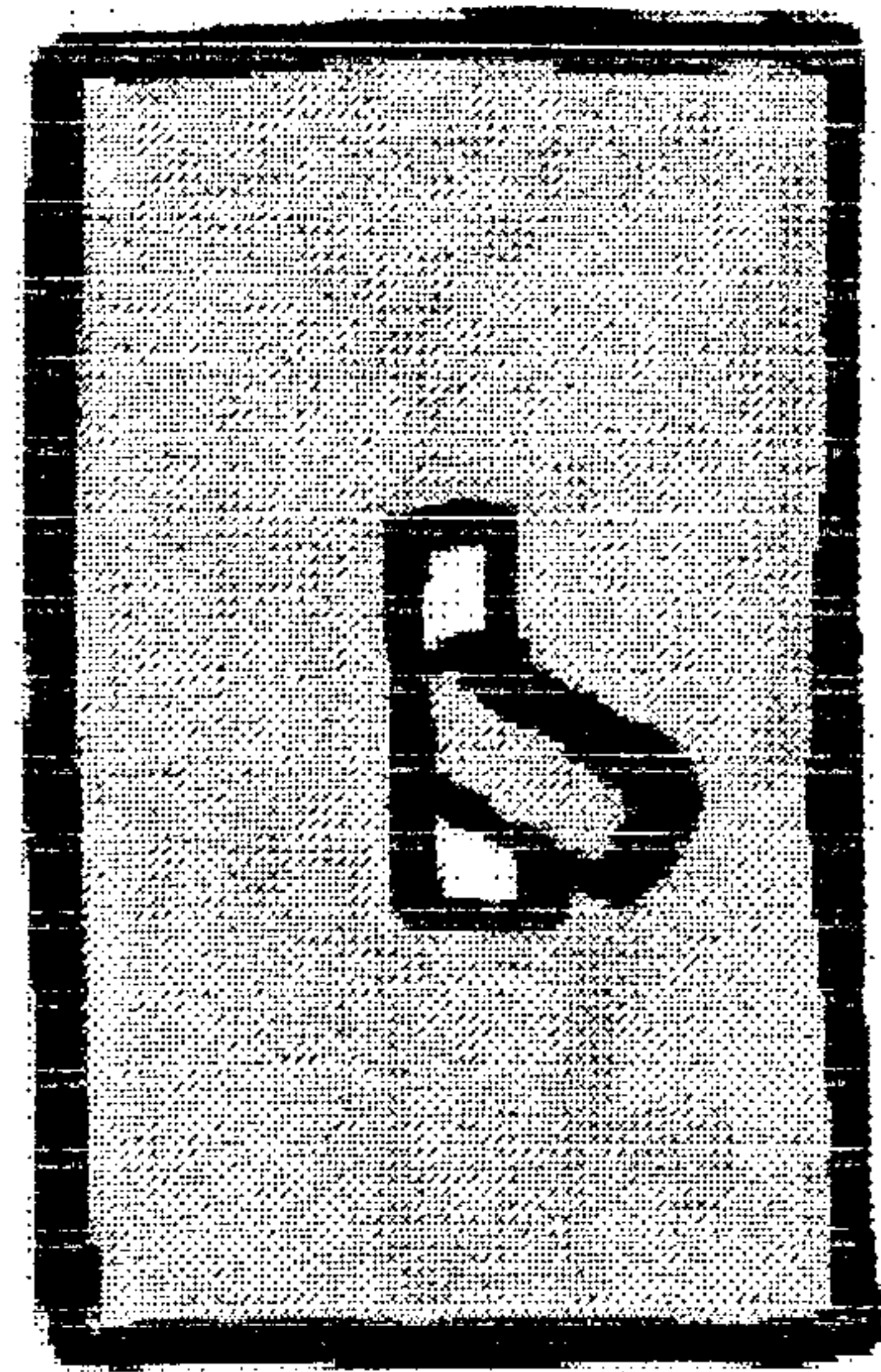
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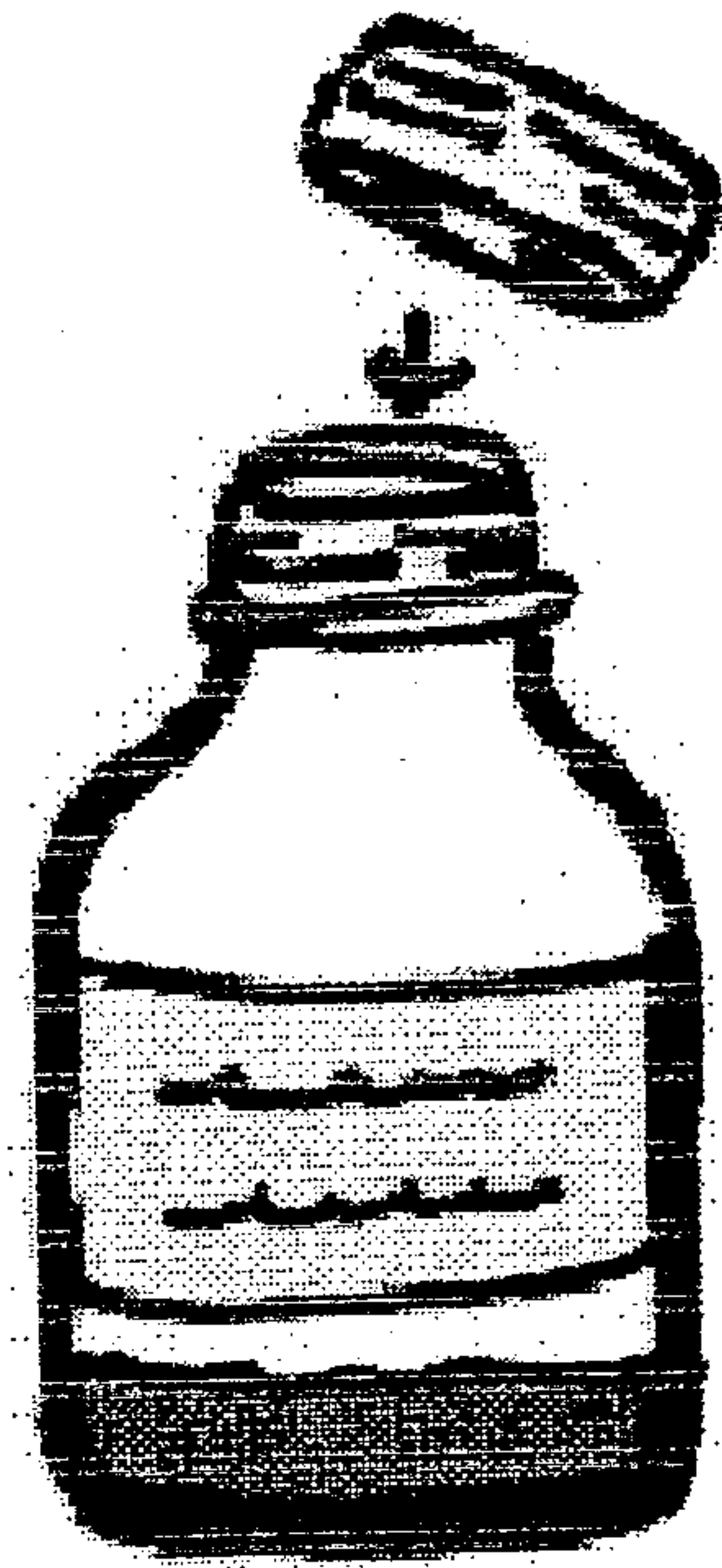
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Bih'inkuutii.



Koonenoo.



Hokhoo.

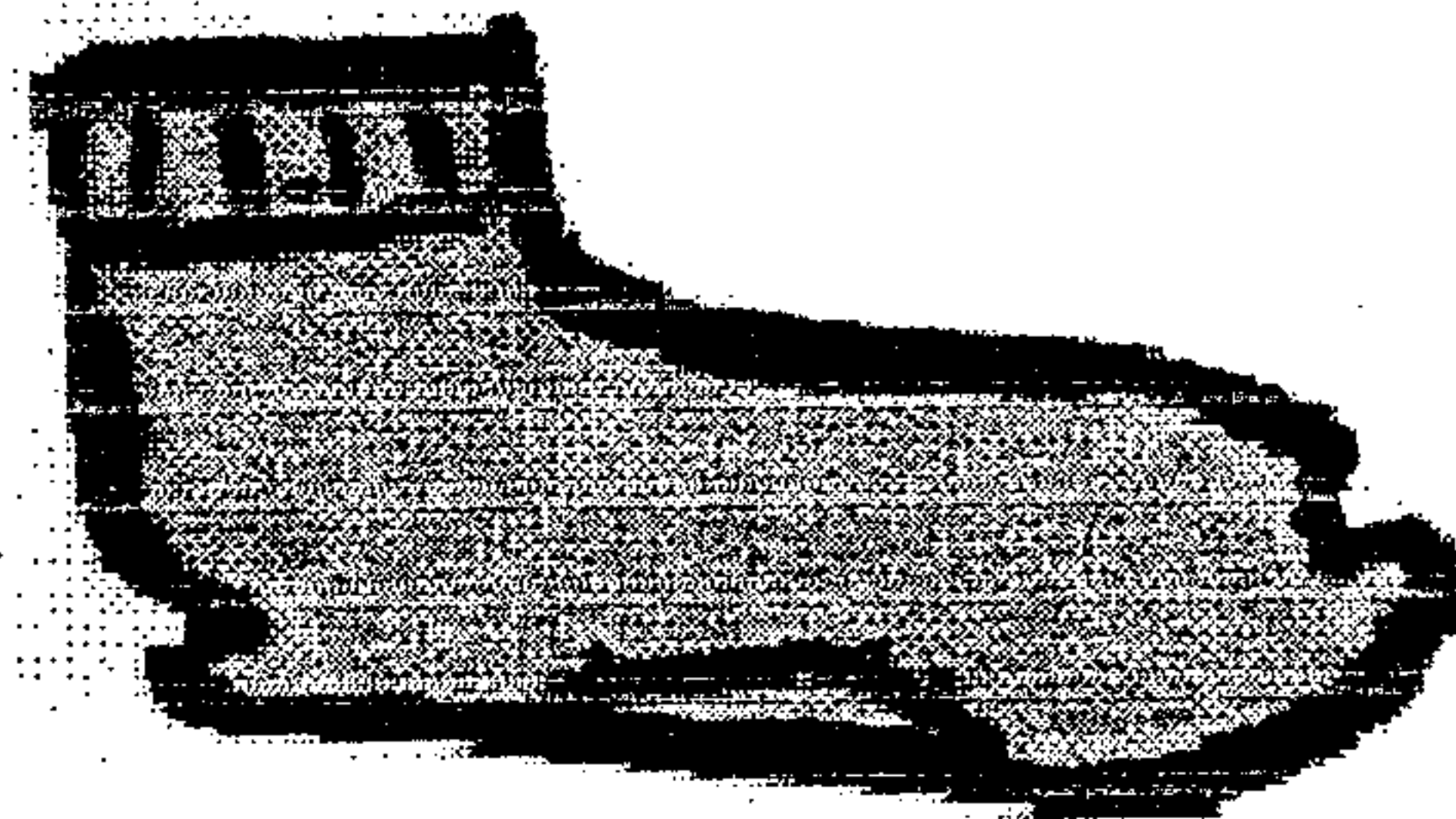




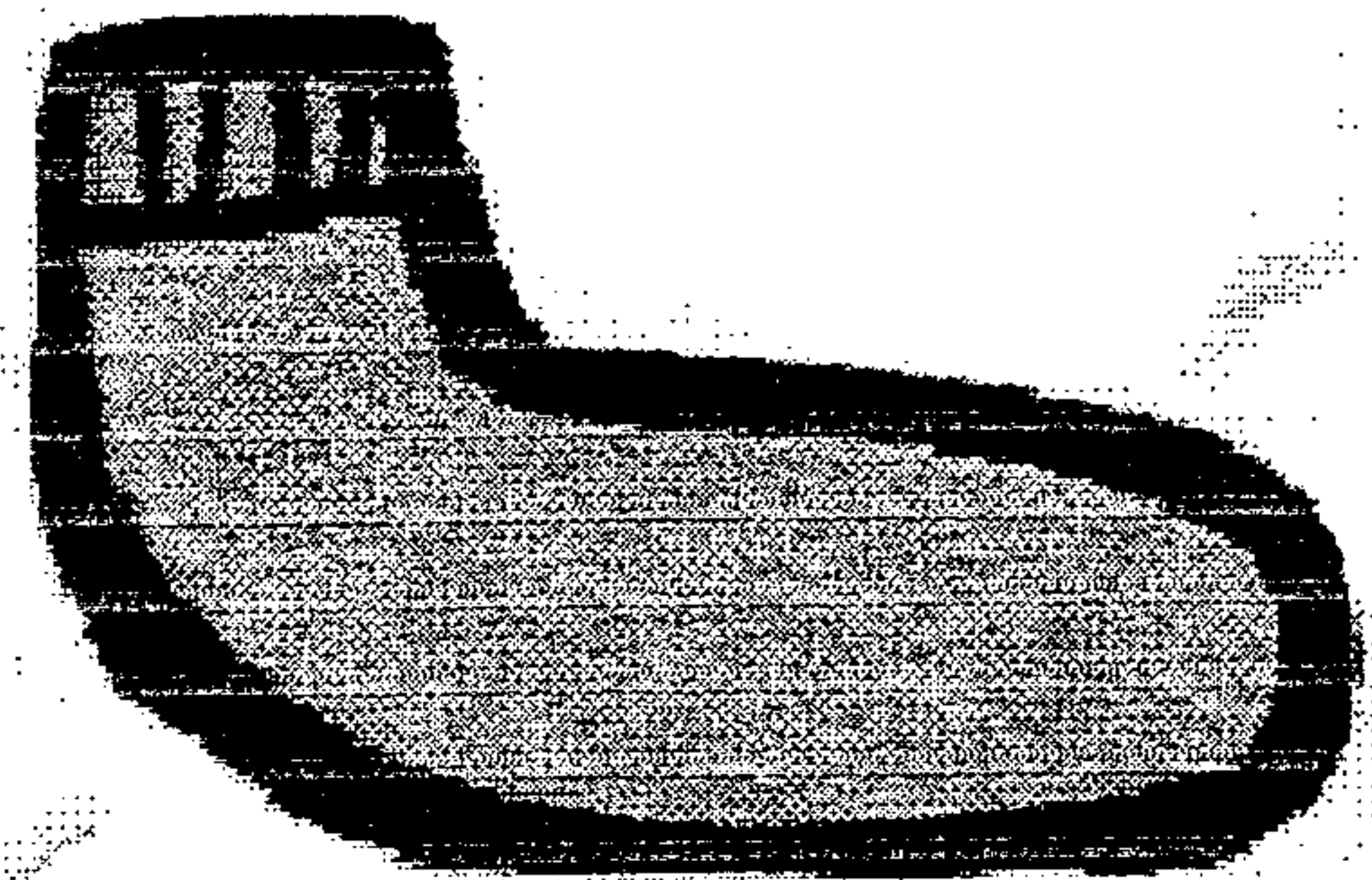
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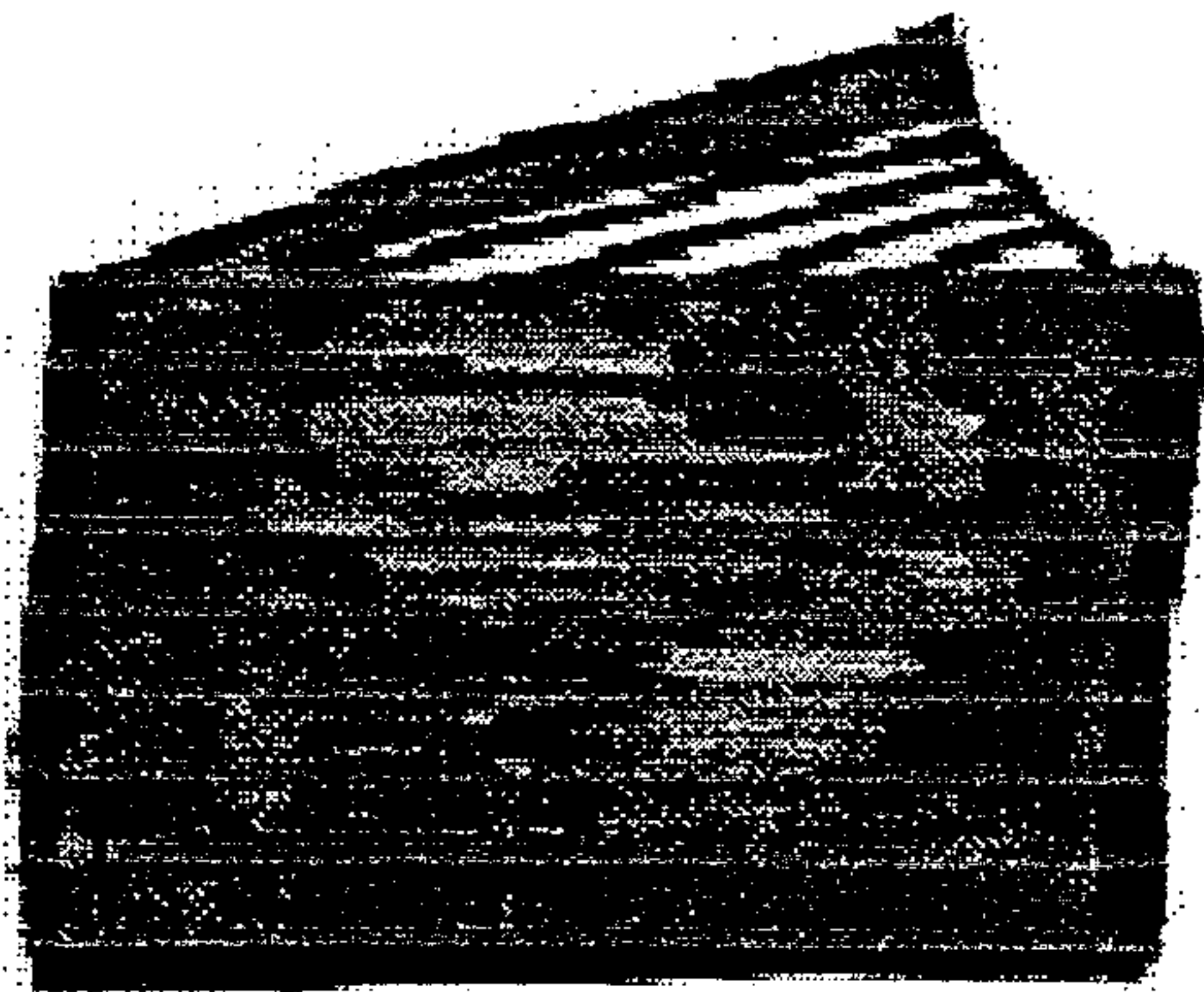


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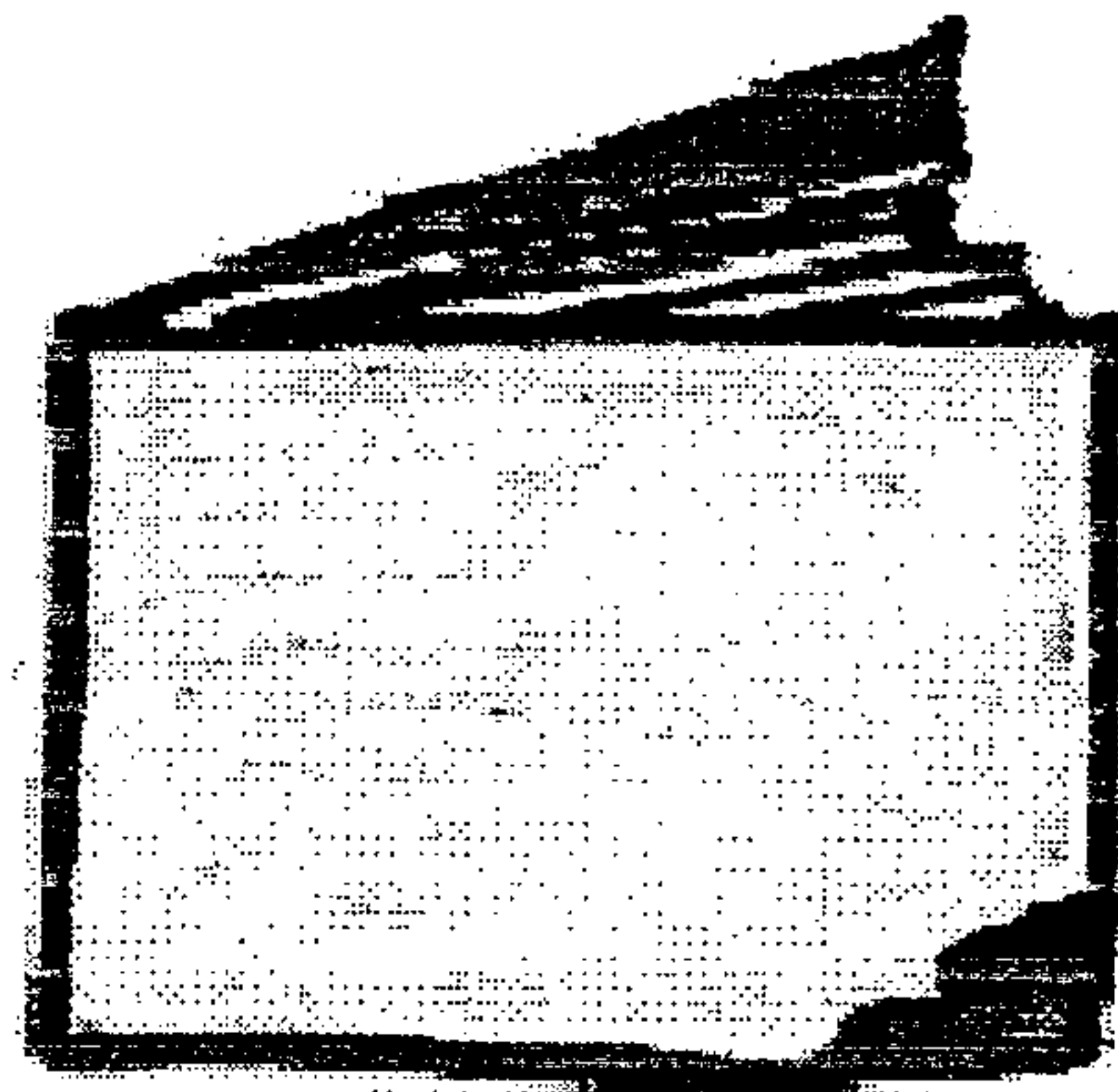


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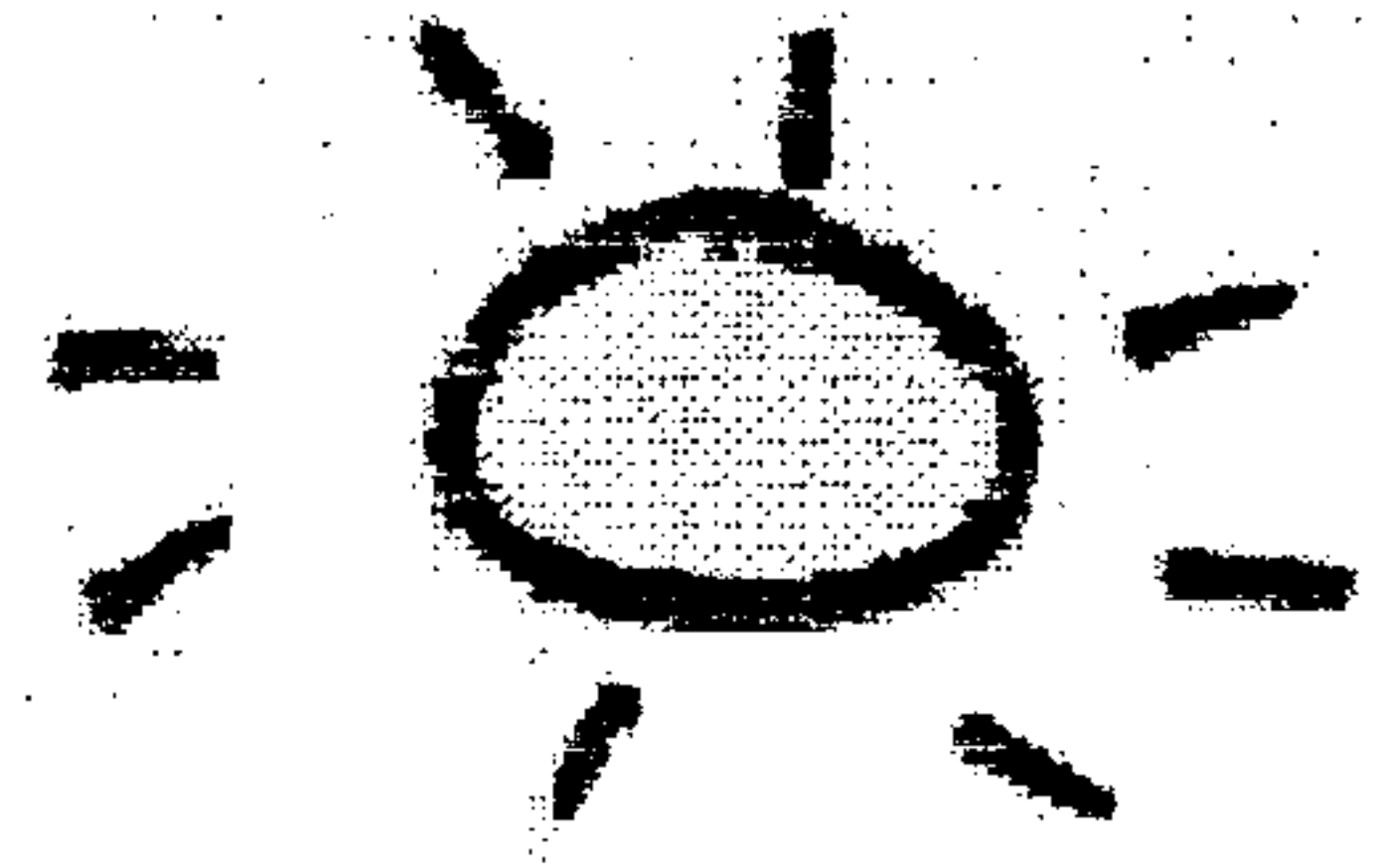




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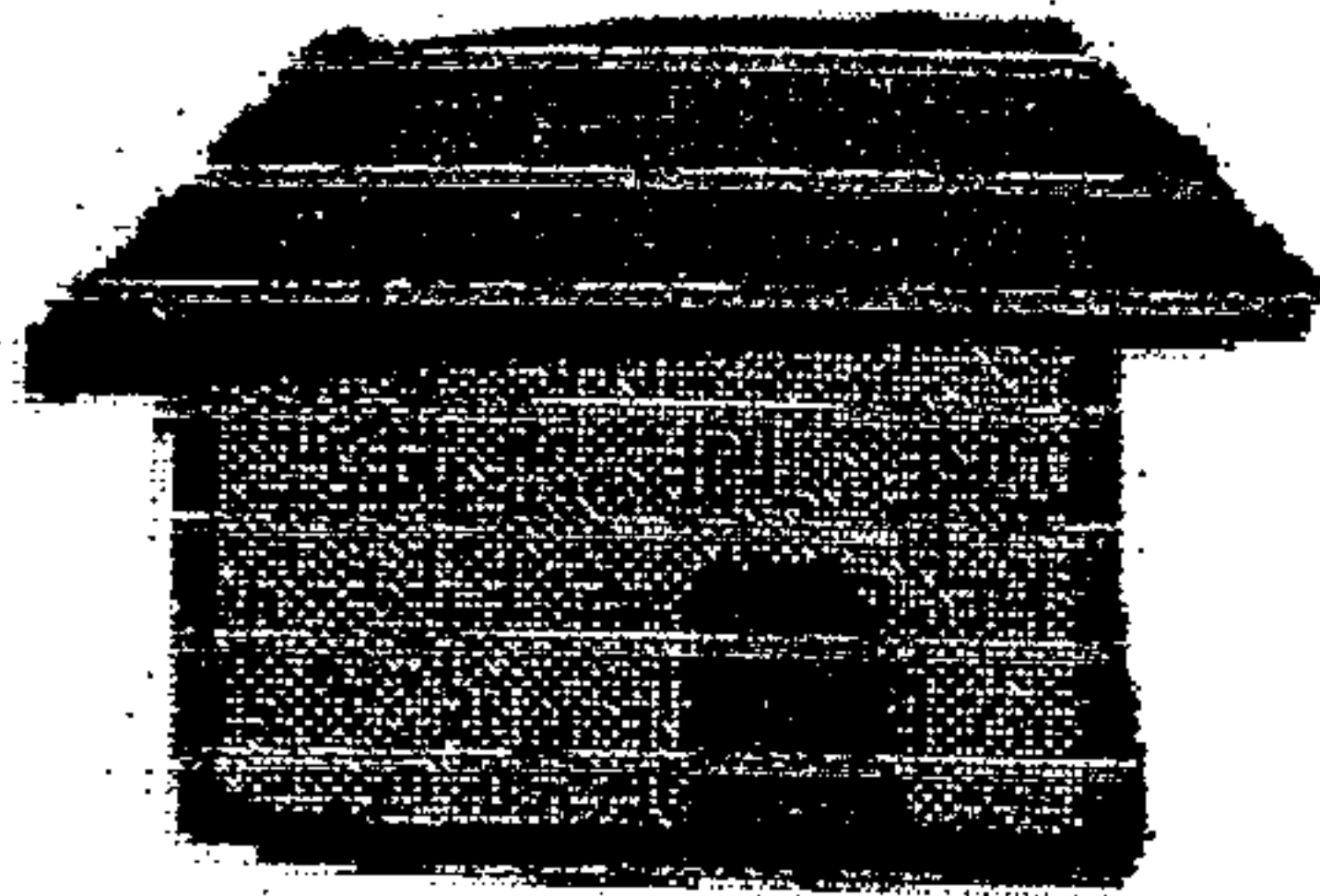
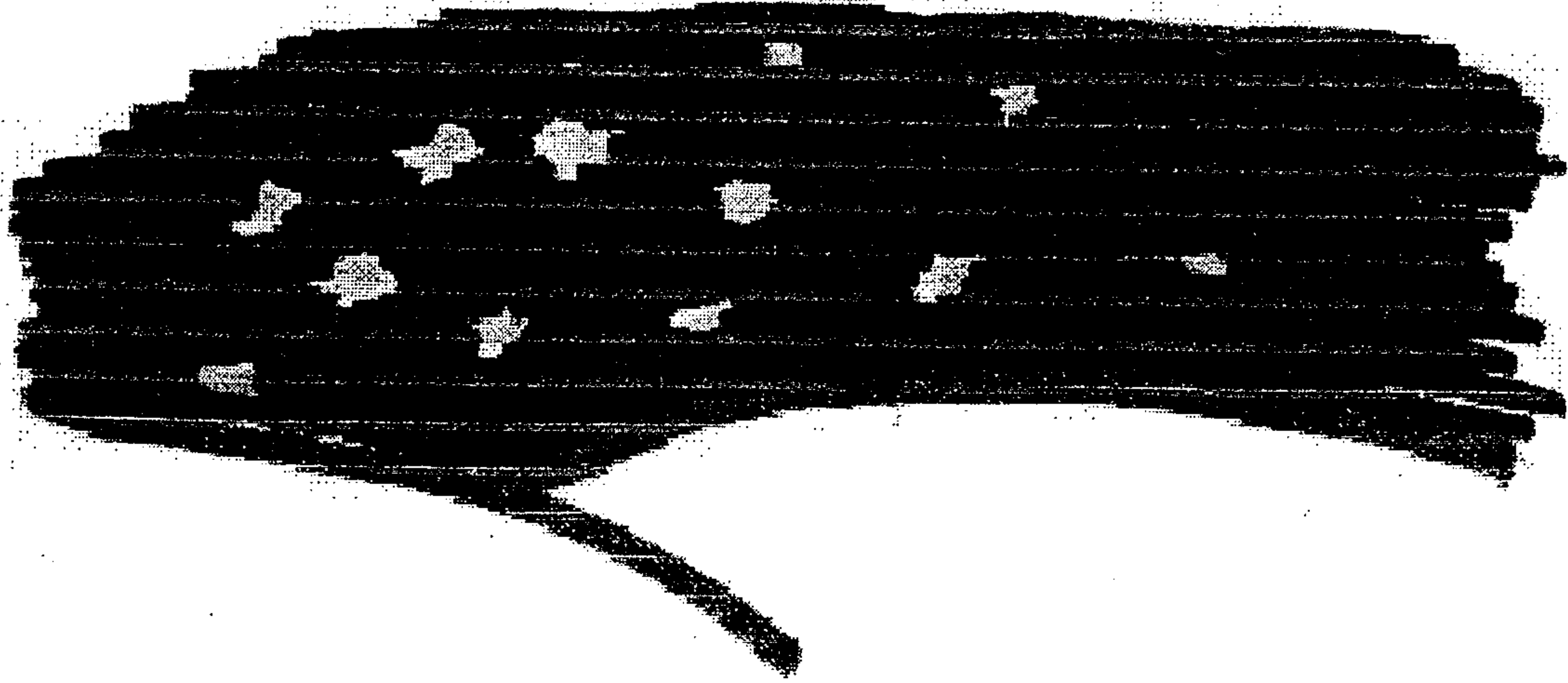


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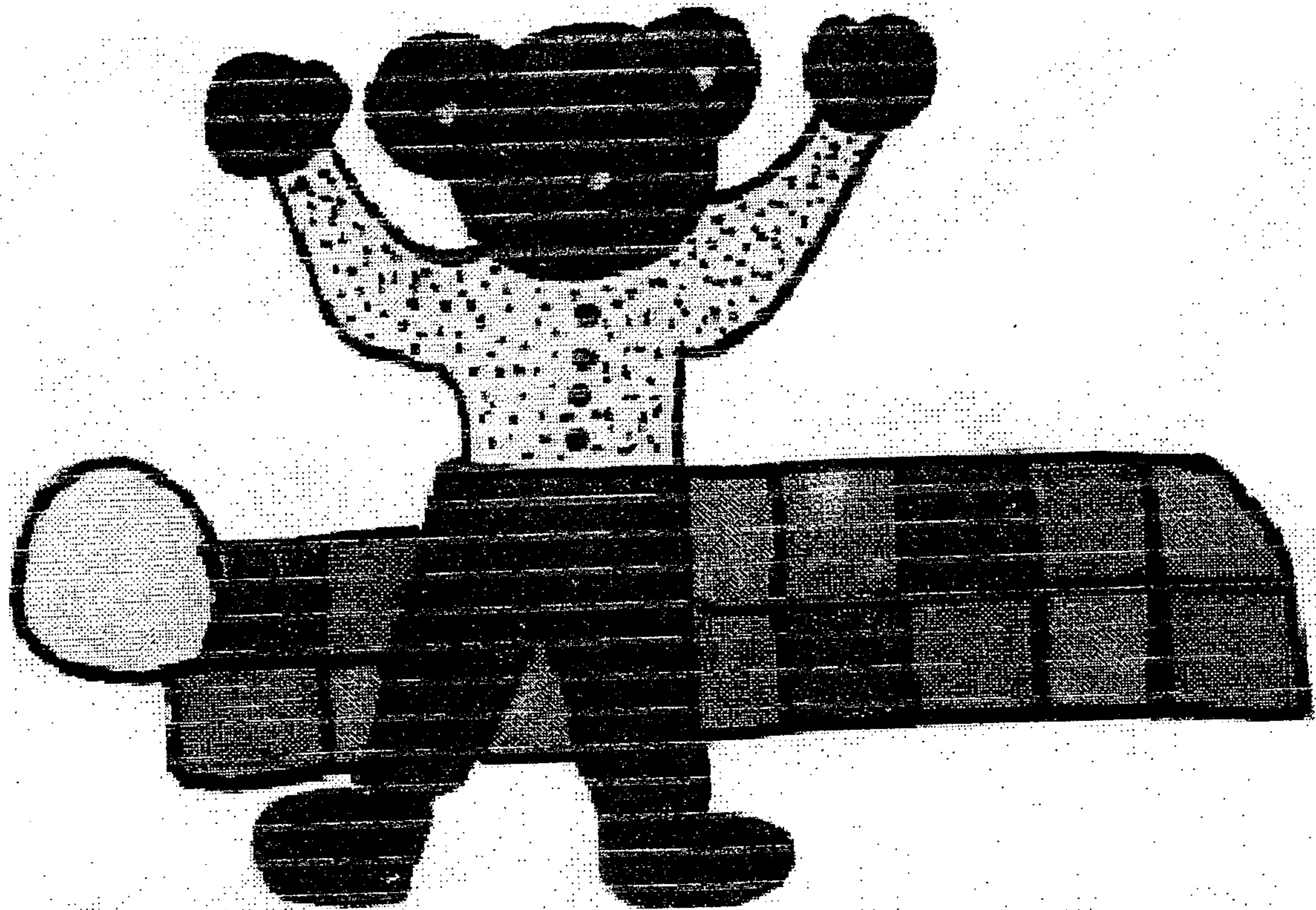
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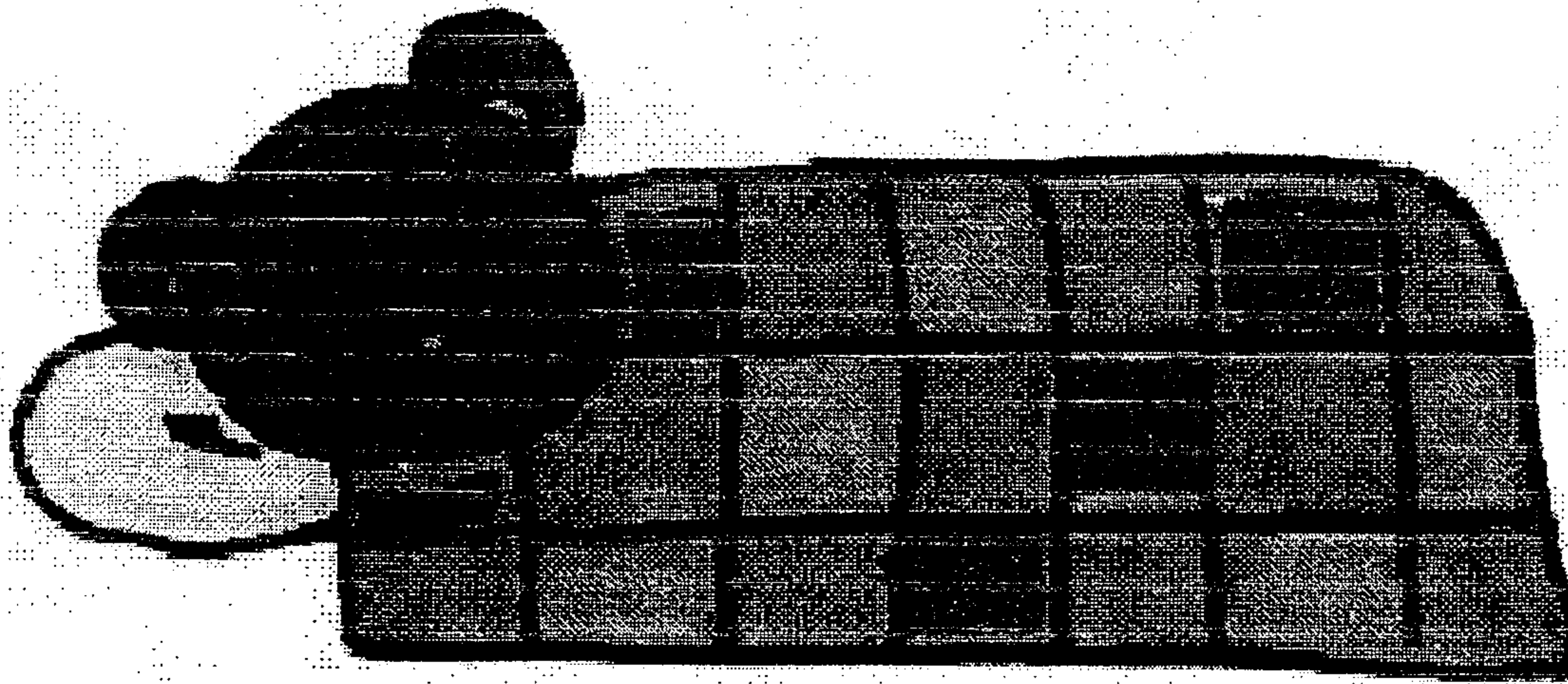
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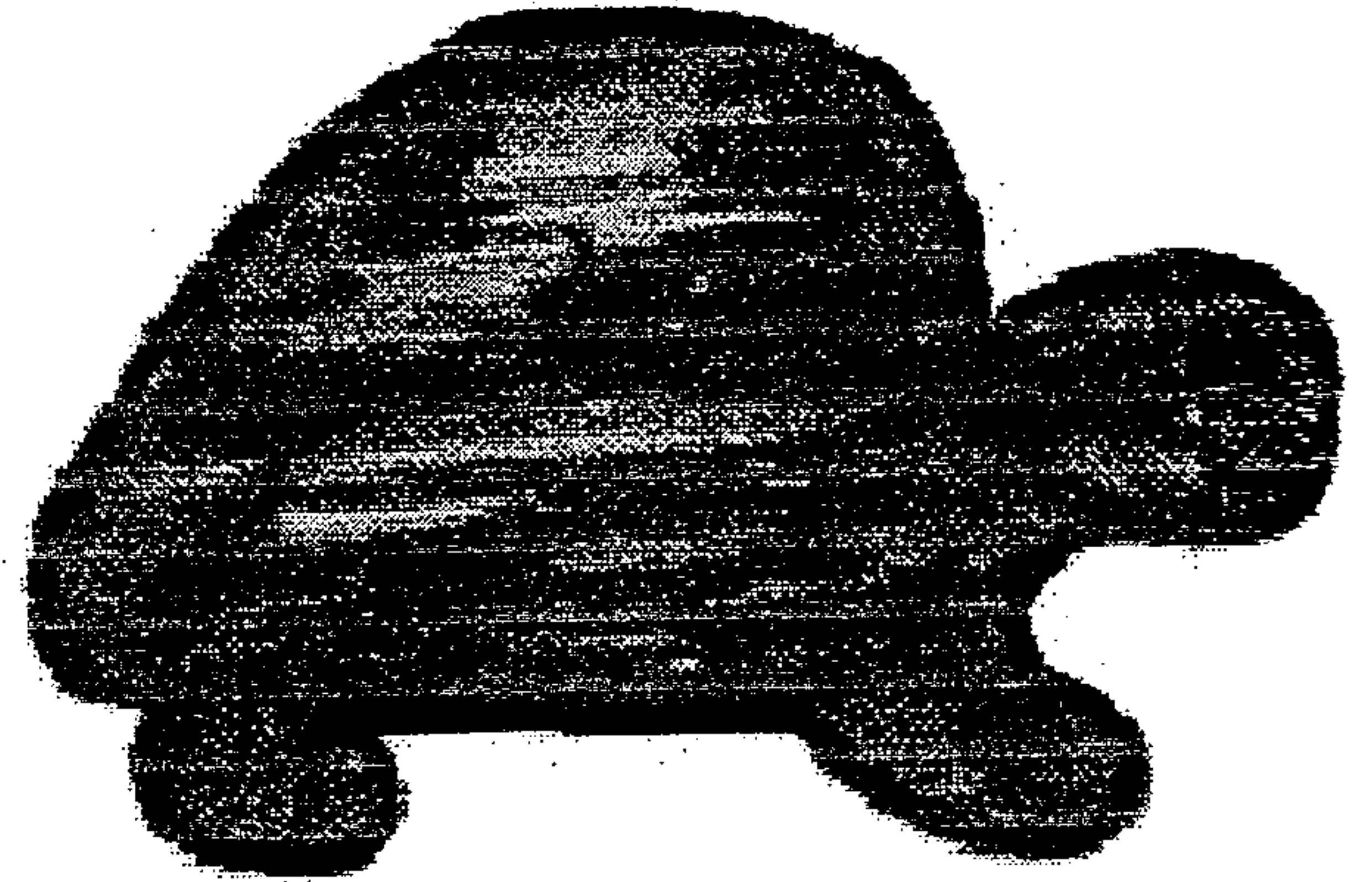


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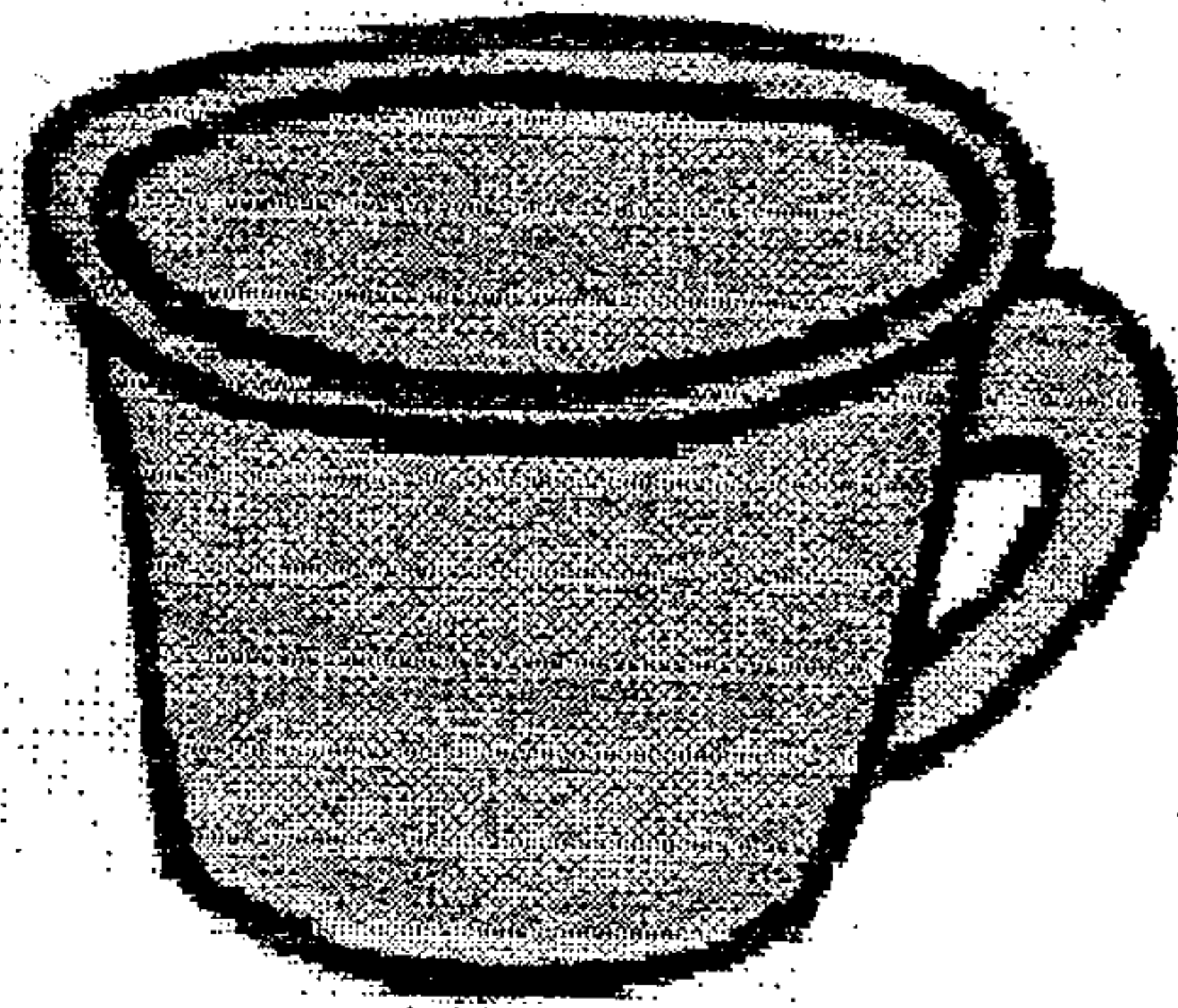
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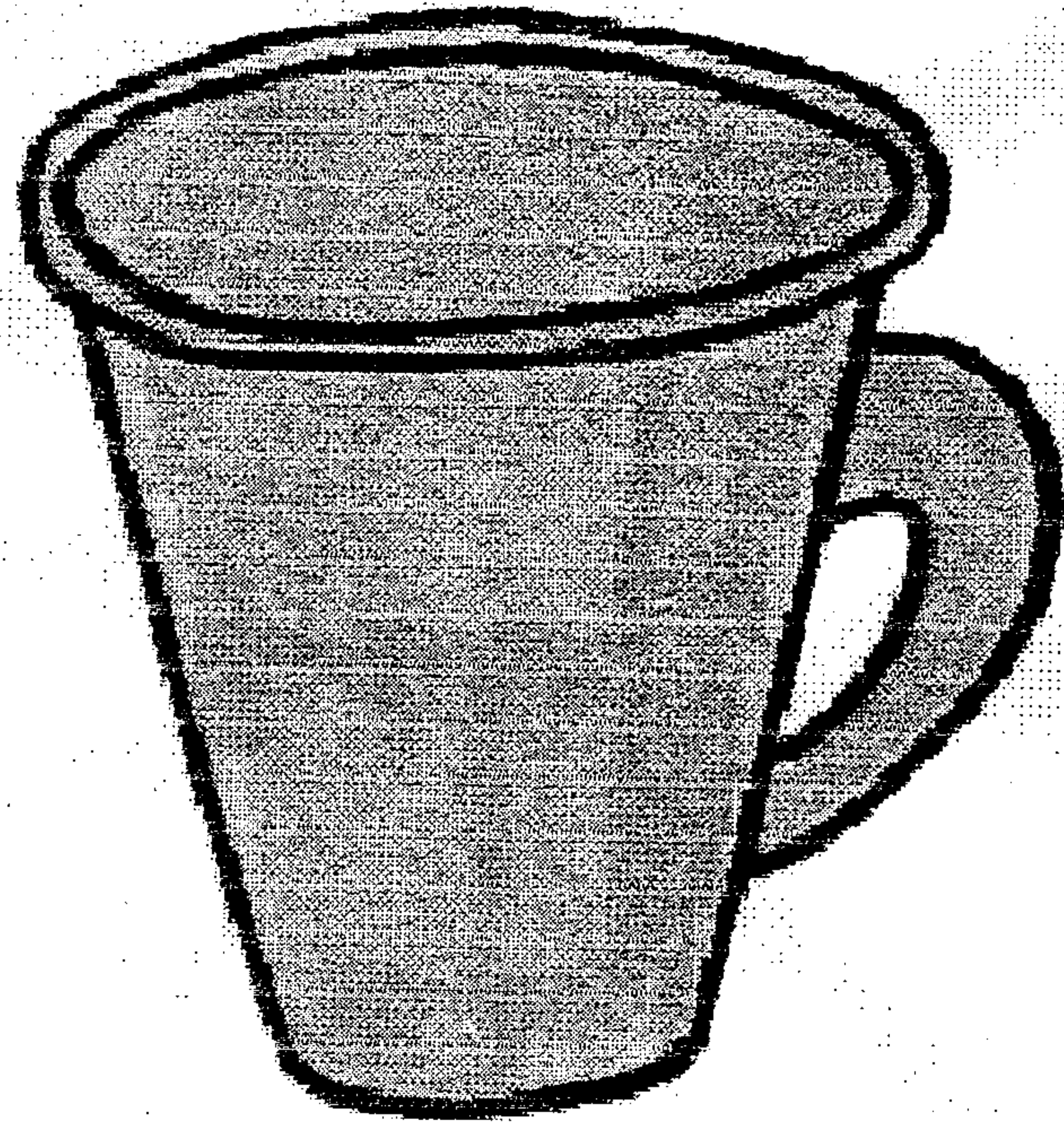
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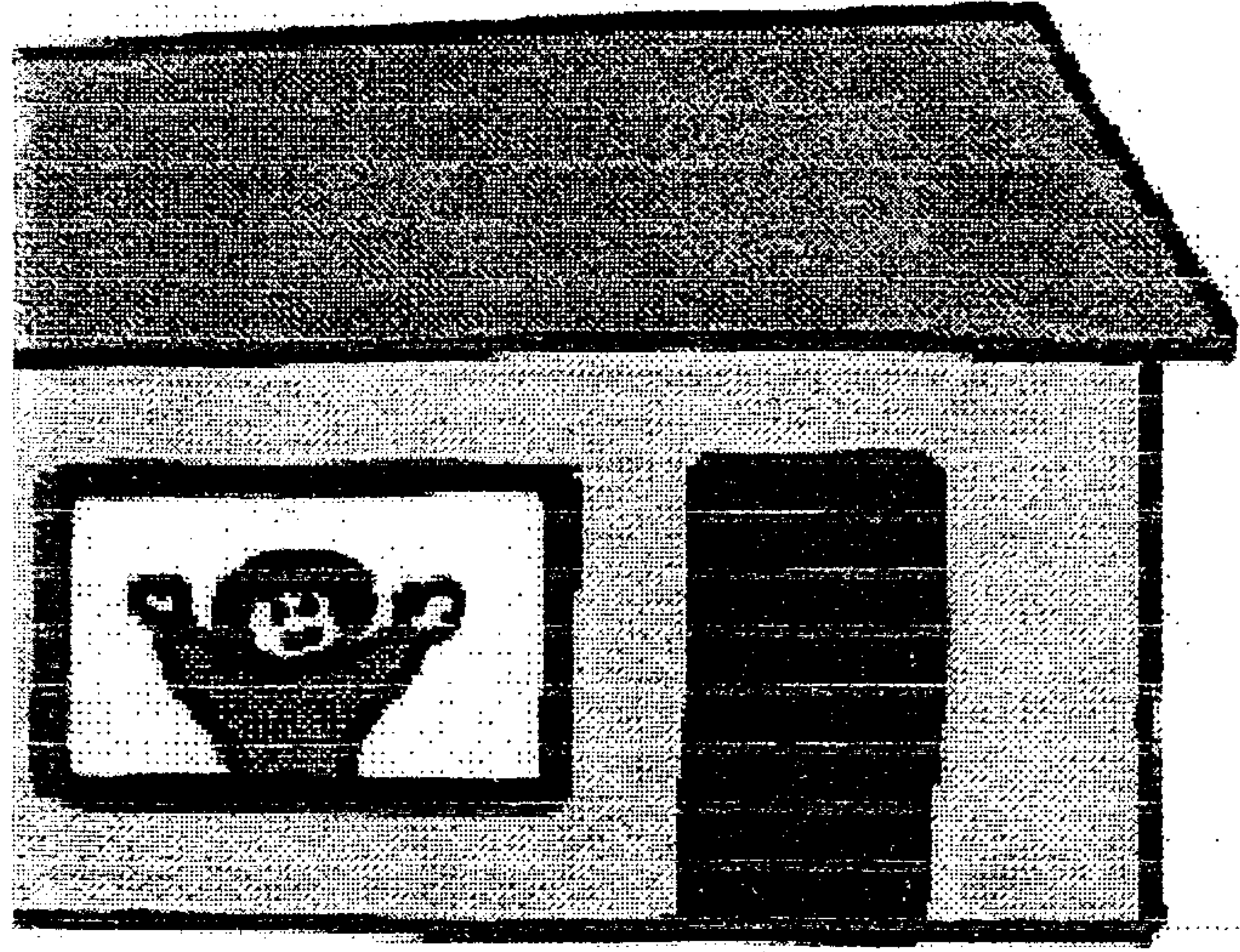


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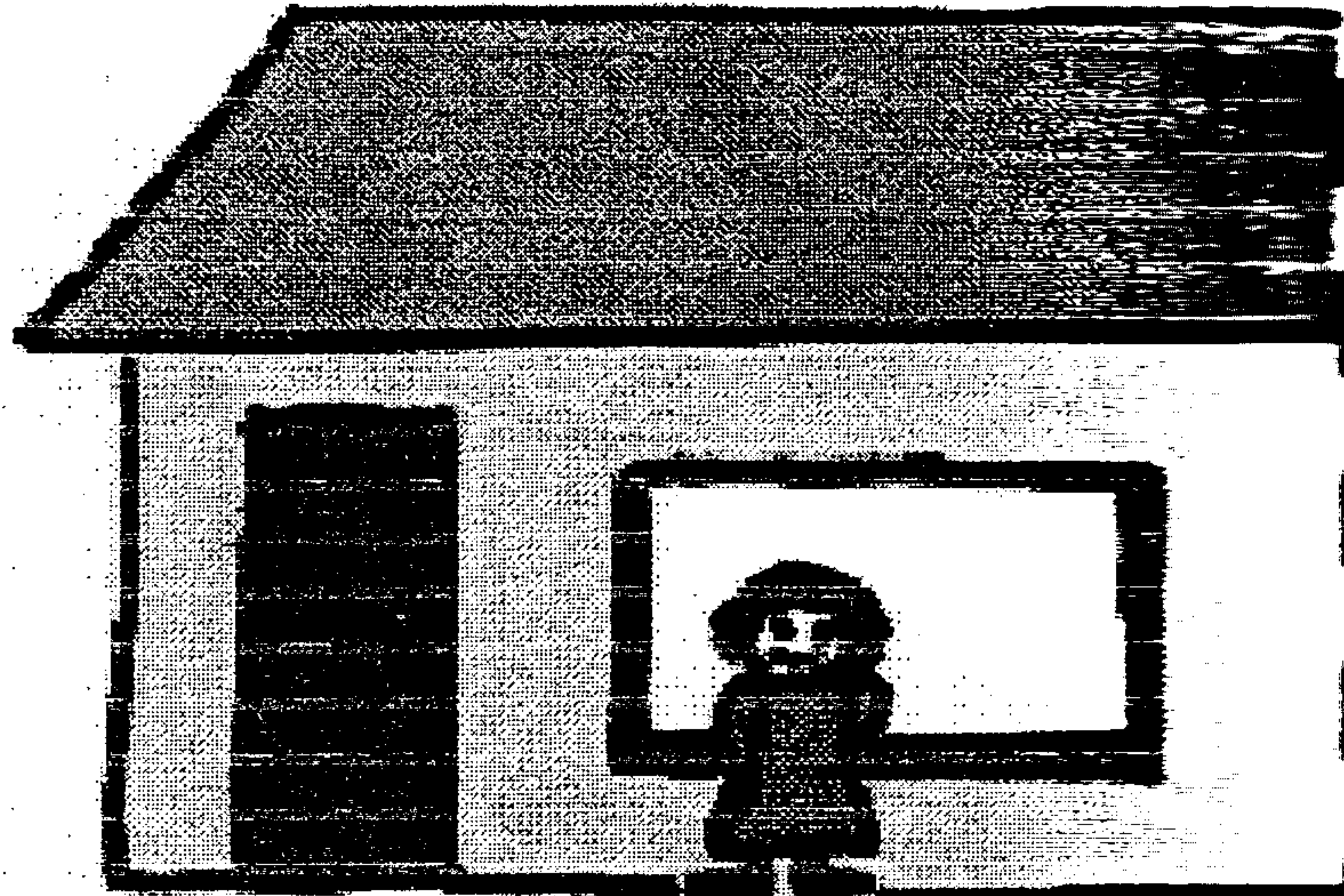


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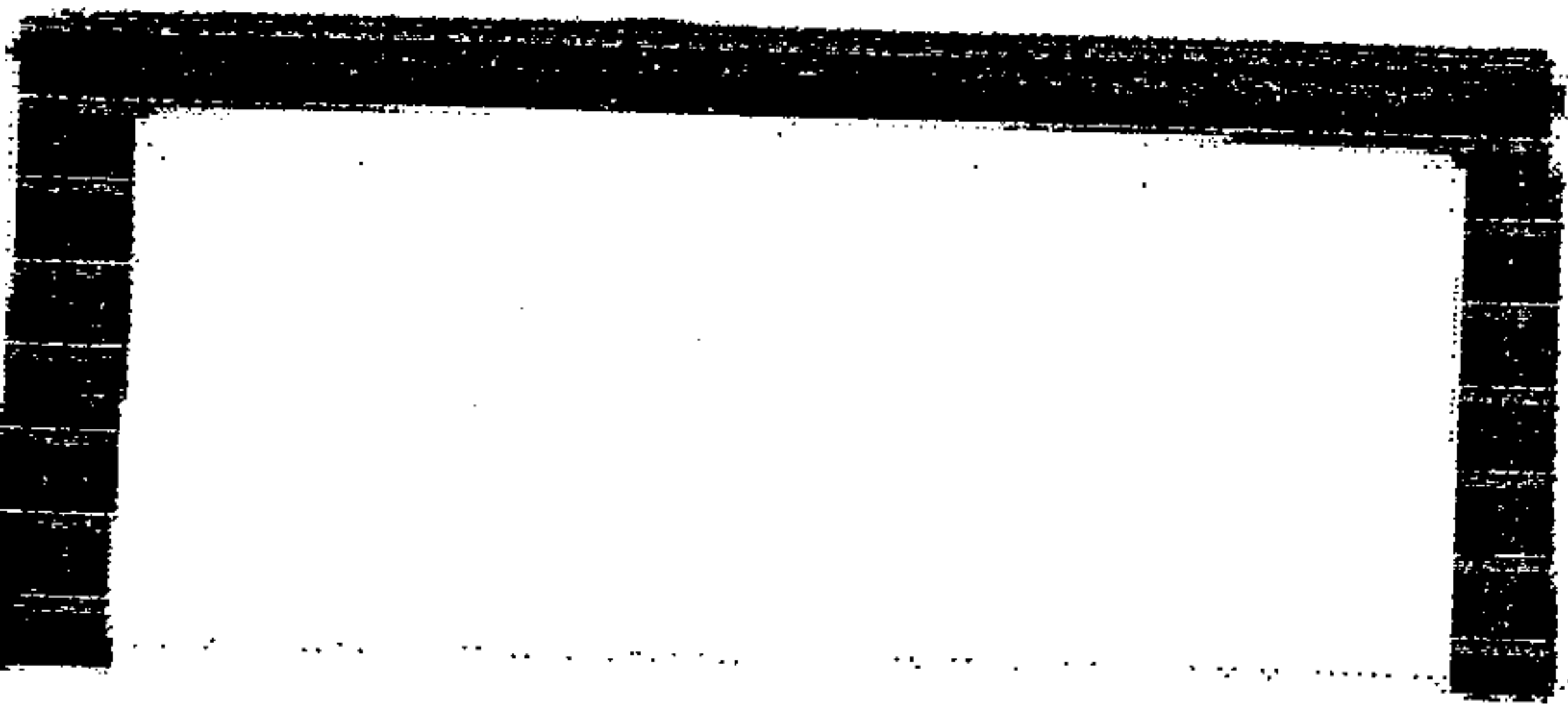




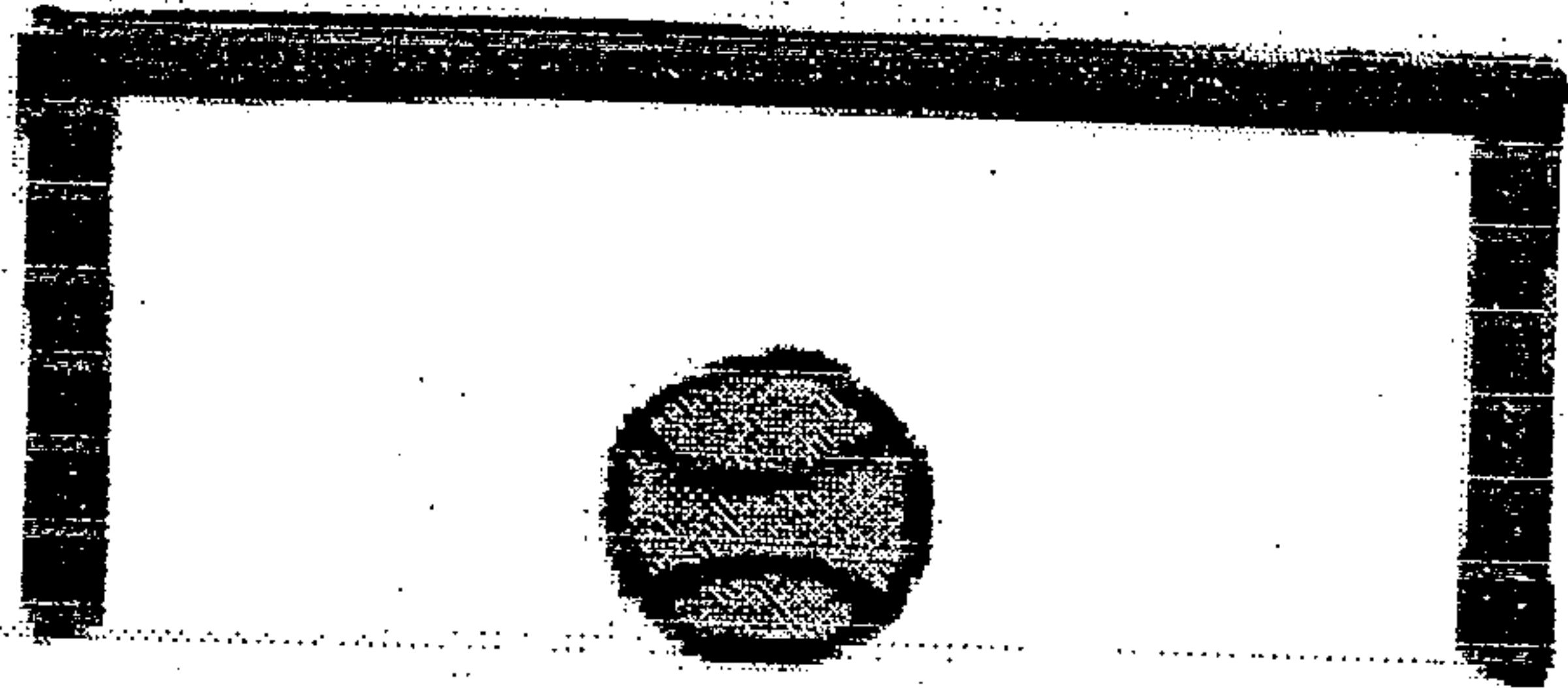
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Ce'e3i'

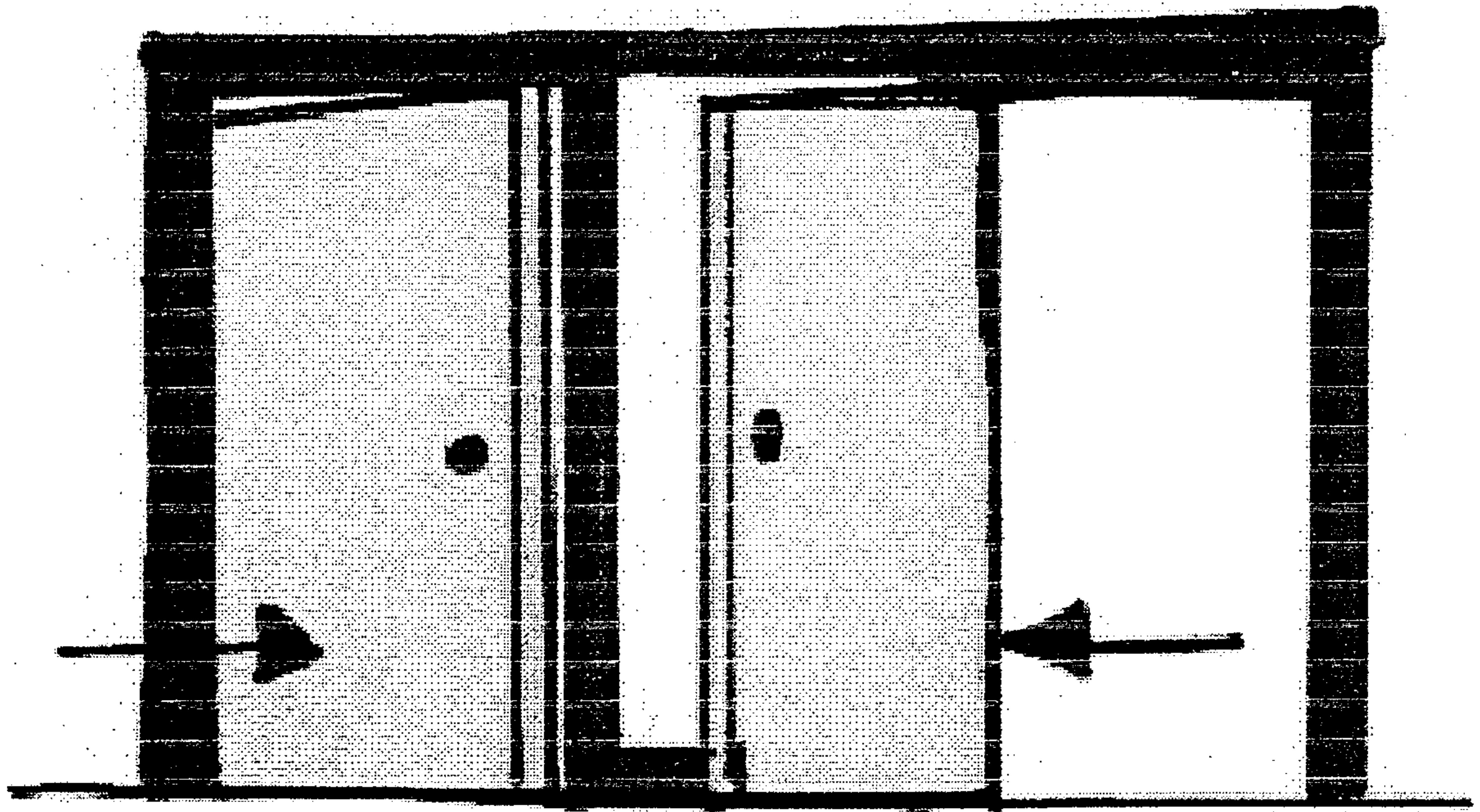


Hihcebe'



Ceeniihi'





Howuuteenin  
tecenoo.

Koonenoo  
tecenoo.

1. Heesnoneet. - He's angry.  
Honoobeiht. - He's happy.
2. Noh'oeseikuutii. - Turn the light on.  
Bih'inkuutii. - Turn the light off.
3. Koonenoo. - Open it. (inanimate)  
Hokhoo. - Close it. (inanimate)
4. Koonooku. - Open your eyes.  
No'uusi'oo. - Close your eyes.
5. Koo3eineiht. - It is old.(animate)  
Wonooneiht. - It is new. (animate)
6. Wonooyoo'. - It is new.(inanimate)  
Koo3eyoo' - It is old.(inanimate)
7. Hiisi' - It is day.
8. Tece' - It is night.
9. Howoto'oo. - Wake up.
10. Nokhuut. - Go to sleep.
11. Hookciihiht. - It is small.  
Beneesei3e'. - It is big.
12. Hookcii'oo'. - It is small.(inanimate)  
Beneesoo'. - It is big. (inanimate)
13. Ciitoowuu'. - Inside.  
Ce'e3i'. - Outside.
14. Hihcebe' - up.  
Ceenihi' - down.
15. Howuuteenin tecenoo. - Close the door.  
Koonenoo tecenoo. - Open the door.

Heces Nowo3onohoe

Nih'oo3itootoo': Ni'oeet, 3oo3ouuteiseet noh Wahoond'

Nihwo3anoha': Wahoond'

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