

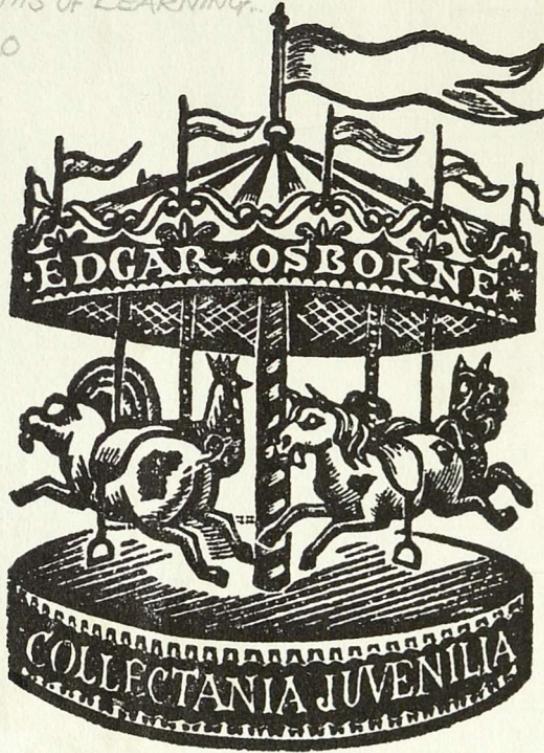


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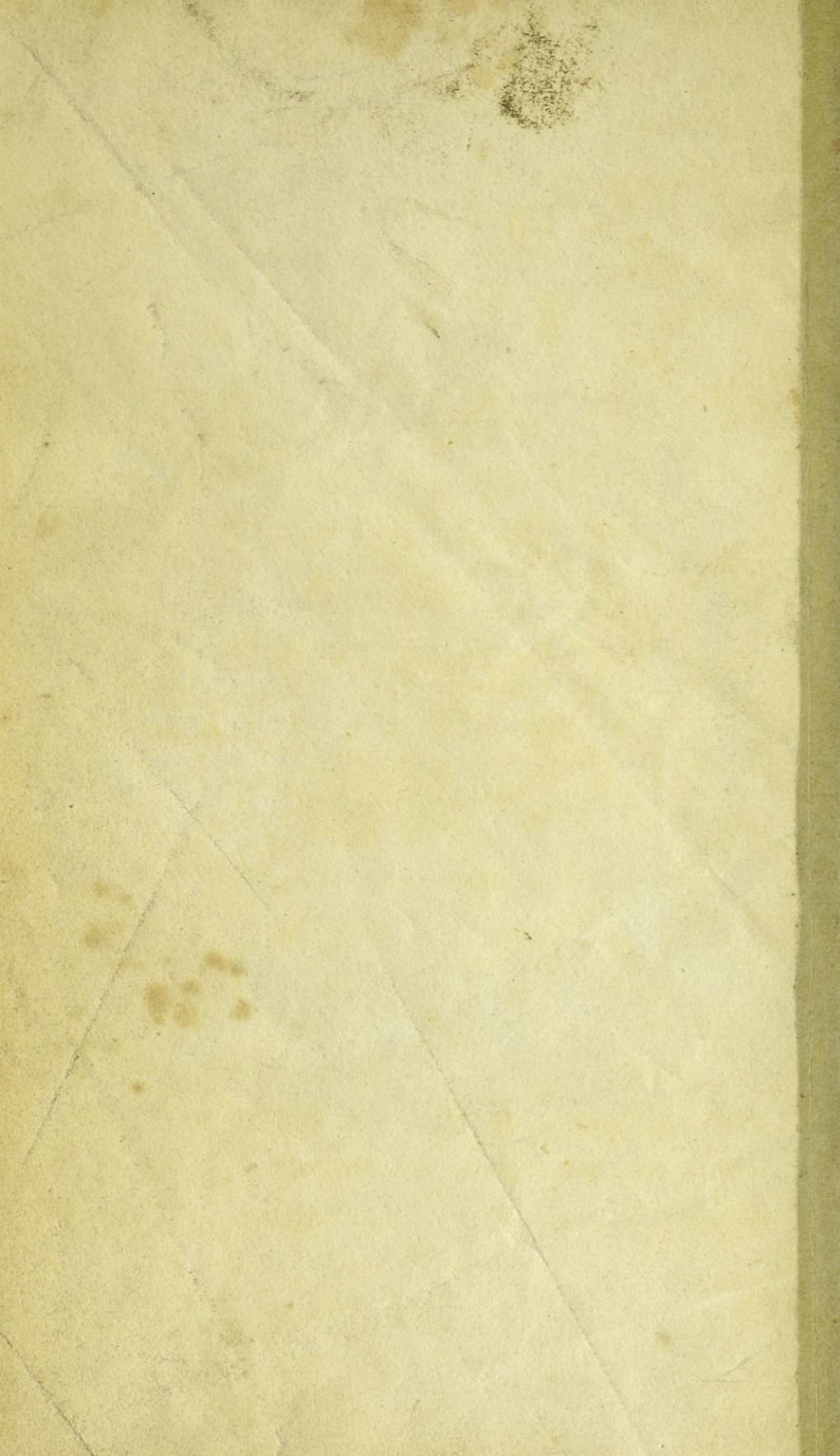


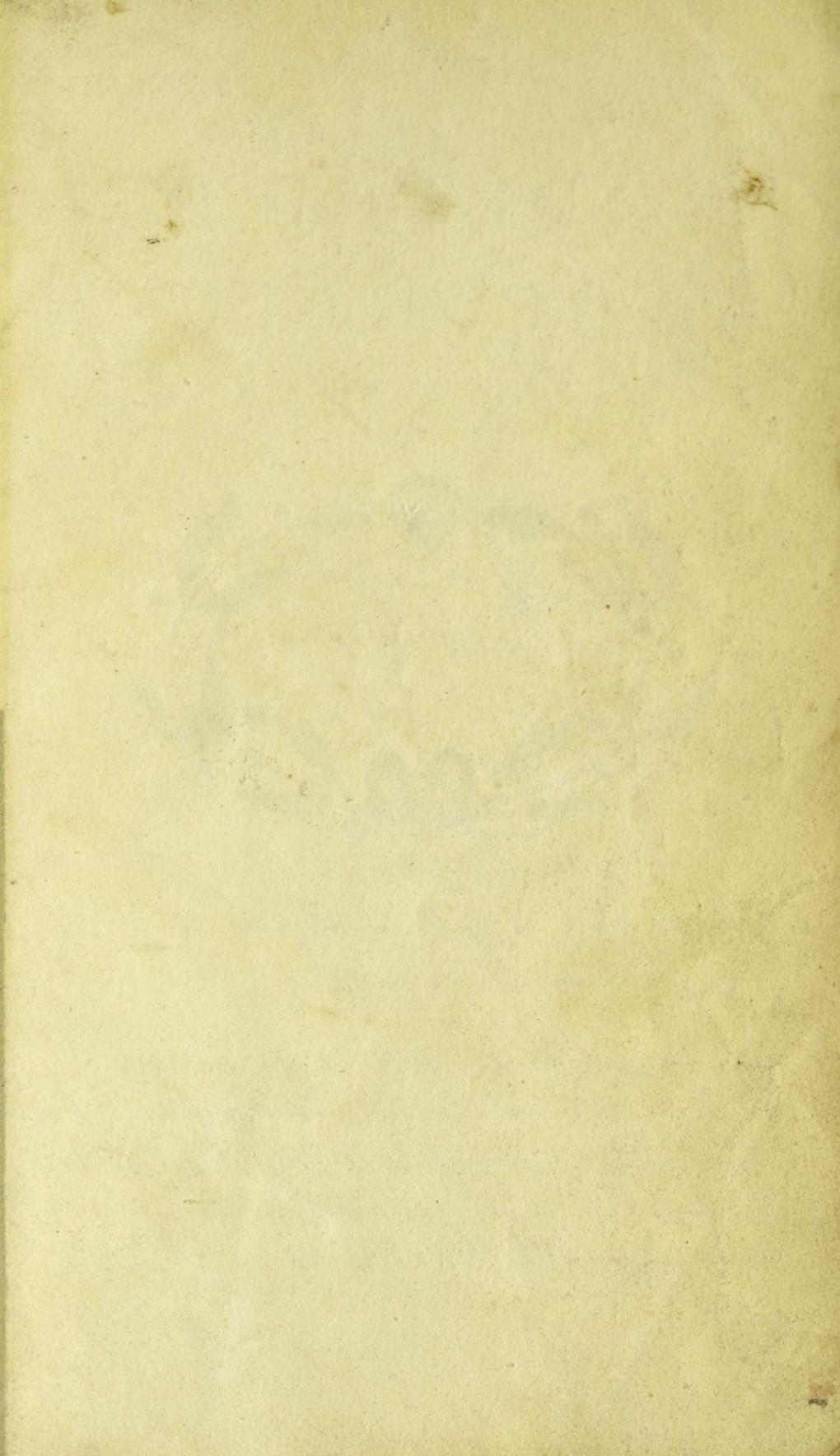
THE
PATHS OF LEARNING
(Strewed with Flowers)
OR
ENGLISH GRAMMAR
(Illustrated.)



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The purpose of
this little work is to obviate
the reluctance children evince to
learning the names and meaning of
the component parts of grammar.
Our intention is to entwine roses with
instruction; and however humble our
endeavours may appear, let it be
recalled that the efforts
of a Mouse set the Lion
free from his toils.





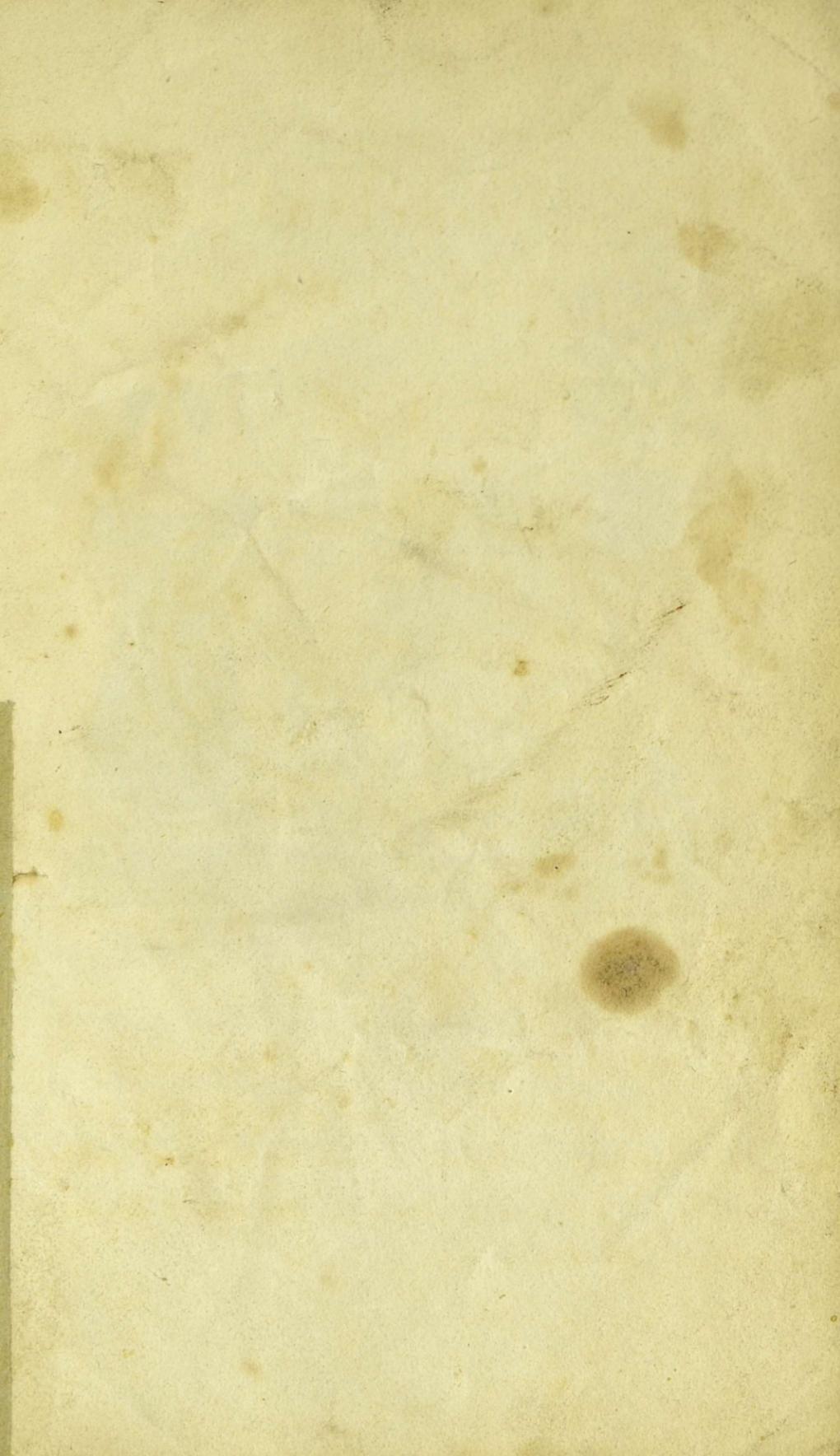
A B C D E F G H I J K L
 M N O P Q R S T U V W
 X Y Z



Twenty Consonants.

b c d f g h j k l m n p q r
 s t v w x z

The vowels make full and perfect sounds without the help of any other letter. A consonant cannot be pronounced without the help of a vowel, nor can any word be spelt without at least one vowel.



VOWELS

a, e, i, o, u, y.

a Rose.



a Girl.



a Cat.

The VOWELS have a perfect sound
in themselves, for example a is a
Vowel and means one thing - as
a Rose, a Cat, a Girl.

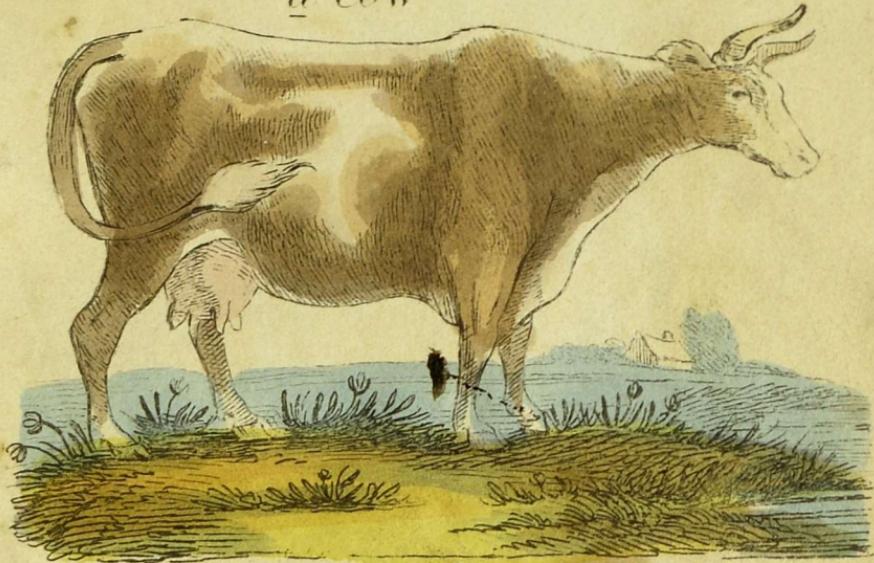
ARTICLES

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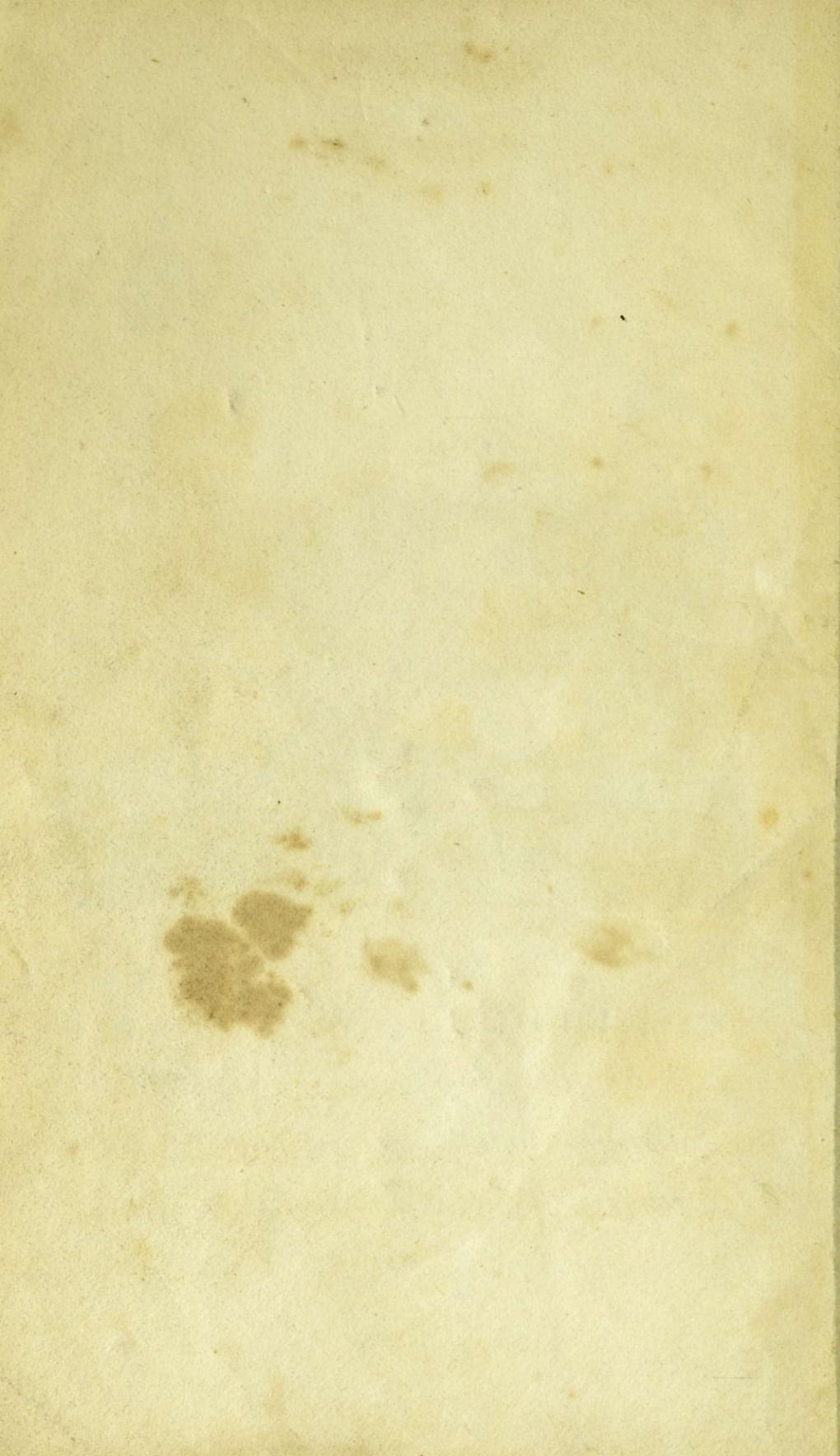
an Apple

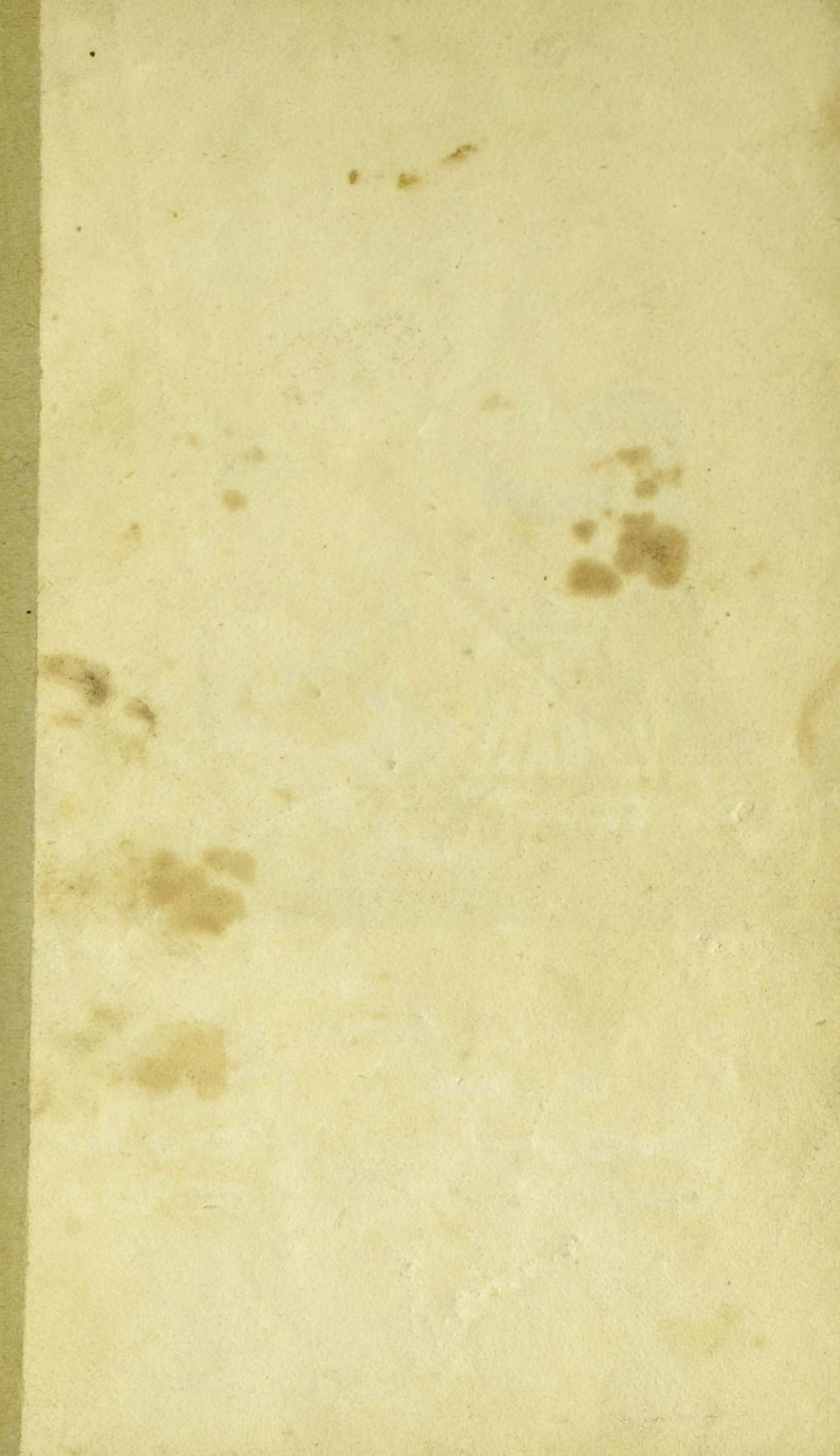


a Cow



The ARTICLE a becomes an before a Vowel, and it is called an indefinite article because it means any thing, as a Cow, an Apple.



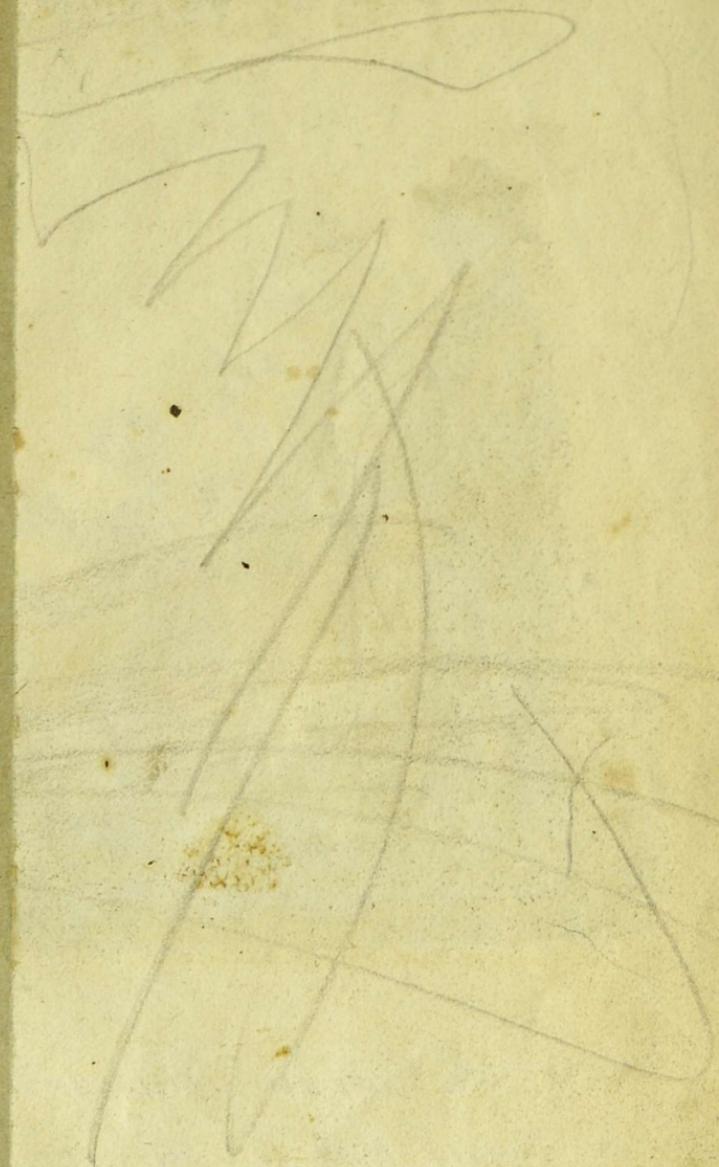


ARTICLE

the



THE is called a definite Article because it means some particular thing, as I caught a Pigeon, but not the Pigeon with strings round its neck.



NOUN

is the name of any thing, person or place.



NOUNS mean things; whatever we can touch or see, as Gentleman, Dog, Field, Flower, Kate or Ann.

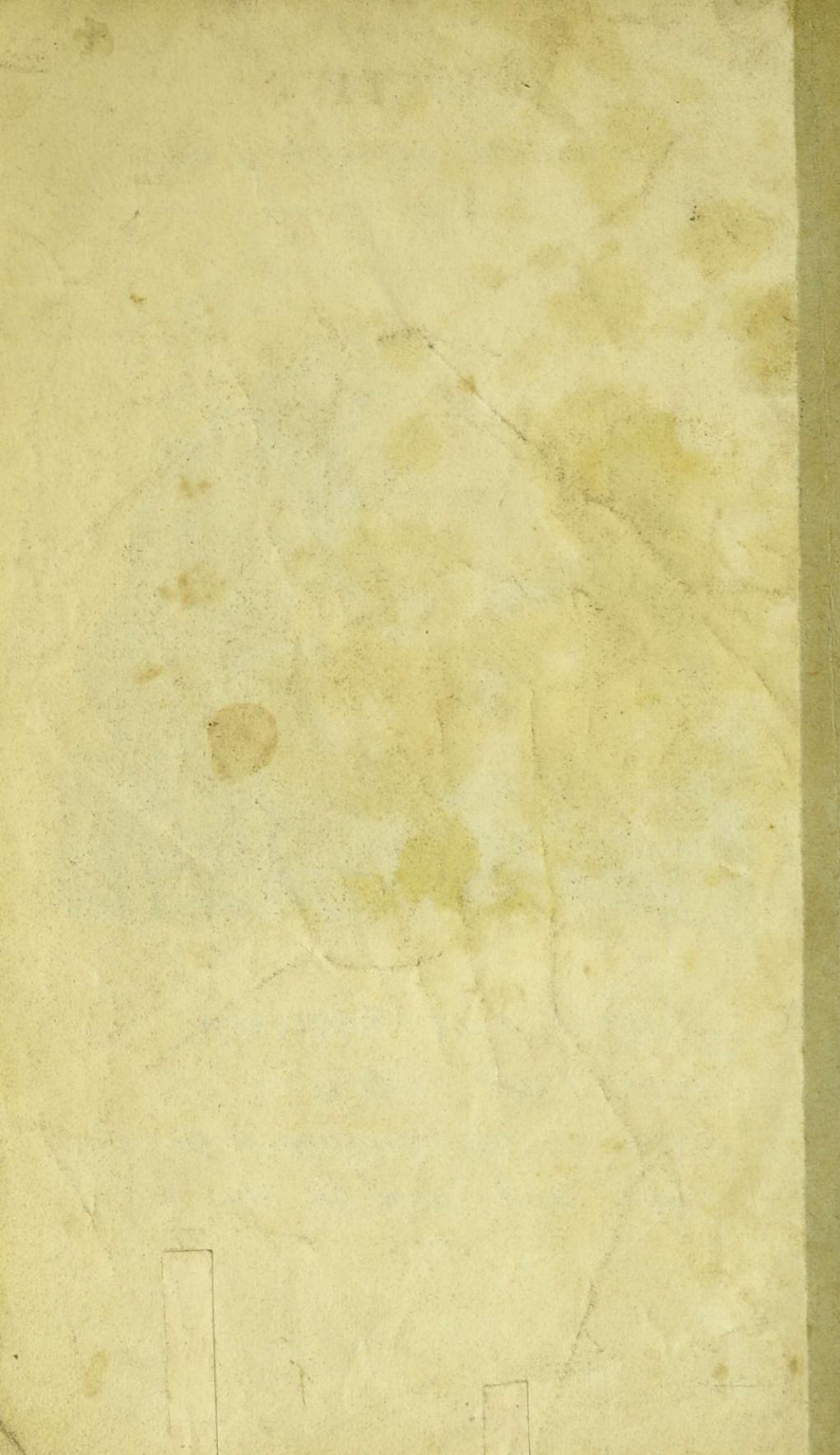
ADJECTIVE

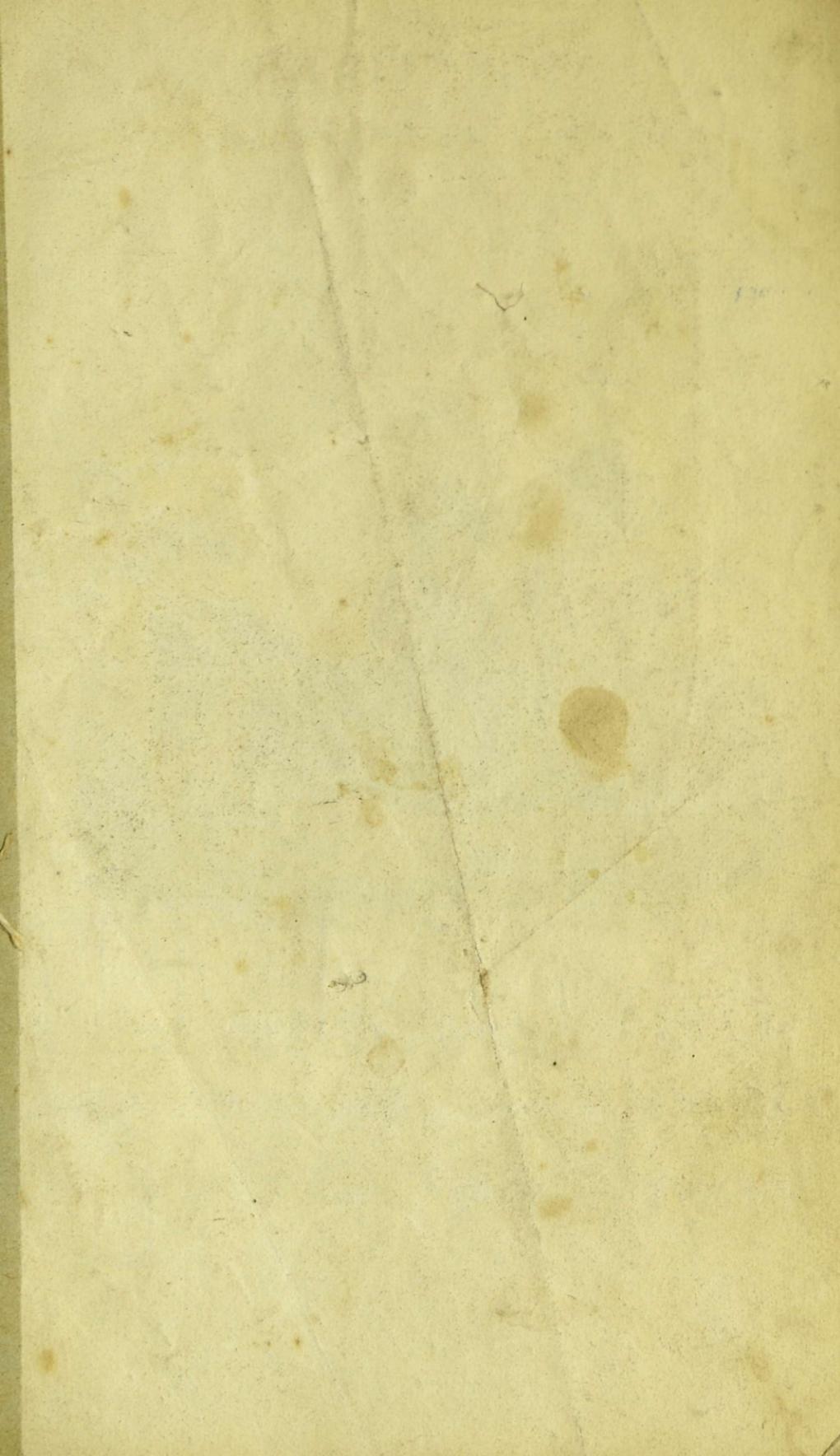
means the quality of a thing



*A Good Girl relieving a
poor lame Man.*

*Good is the quality of the Girl,
lame and poor of the Man.*





ADJECTIVES

have three degrees of comparison



MARY is short.—Positive degree, 1.

JAMES is shorter.—Comparative degree, 2.

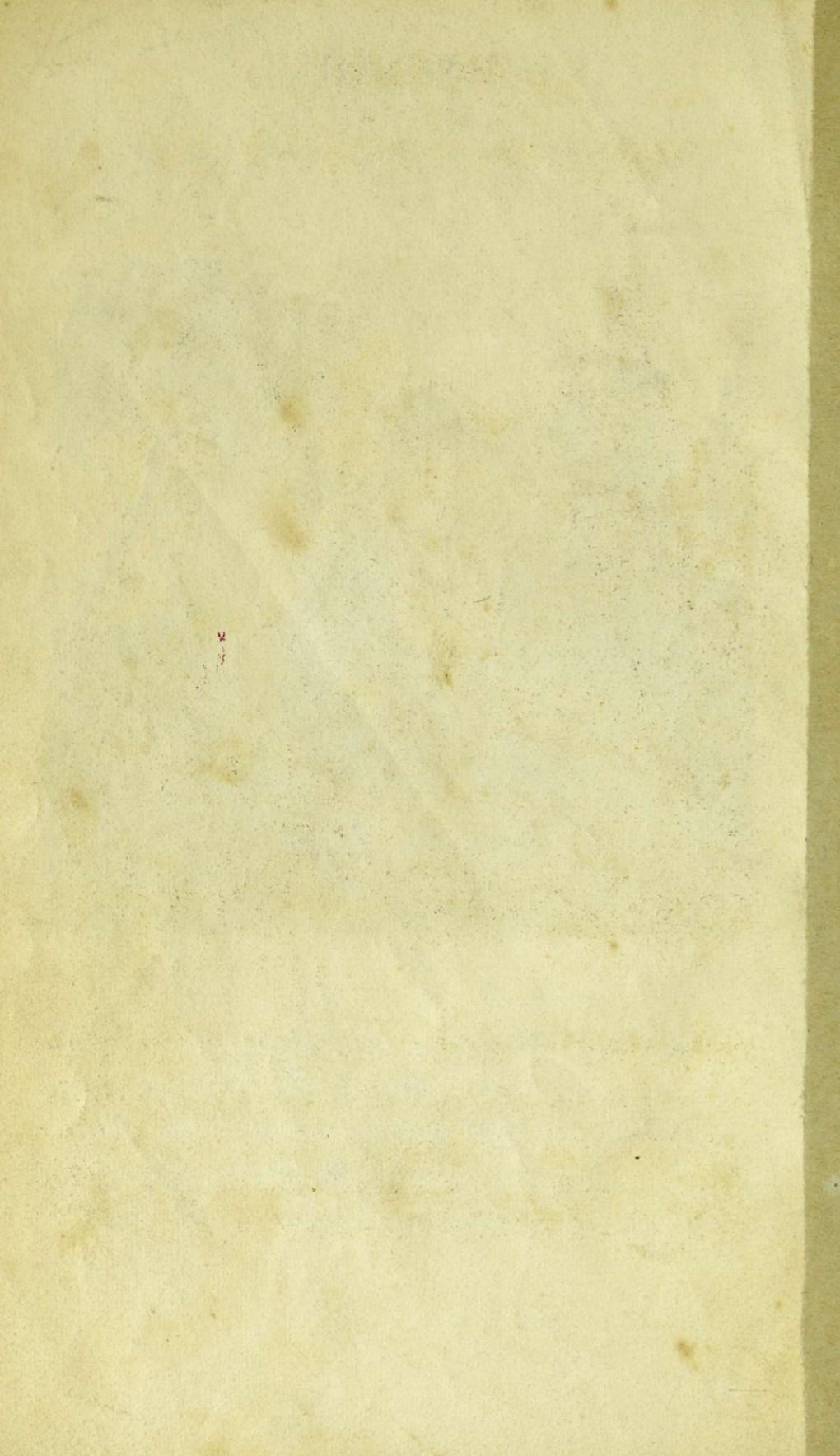
FRANK is shortest.—Superlative degree, 3.

PRONOUN

I. thou. he, she, my, thy, it,



PRONOUN is a word used instead of a noun, to avoid the too frequent repetition of the same word, as Jane has a Garden and she waters it. — she and it are Pronouns, for Jane and Garden.

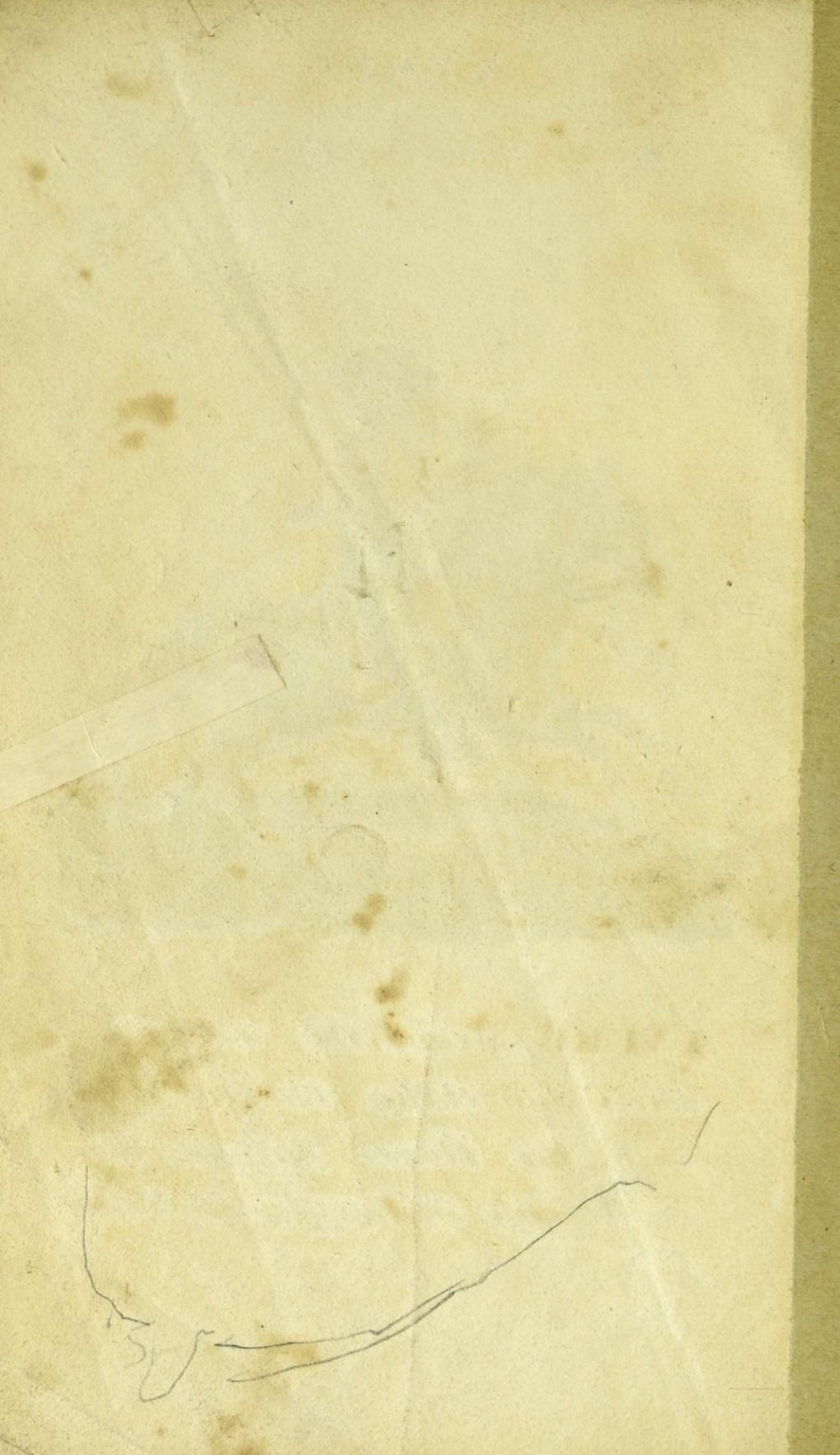


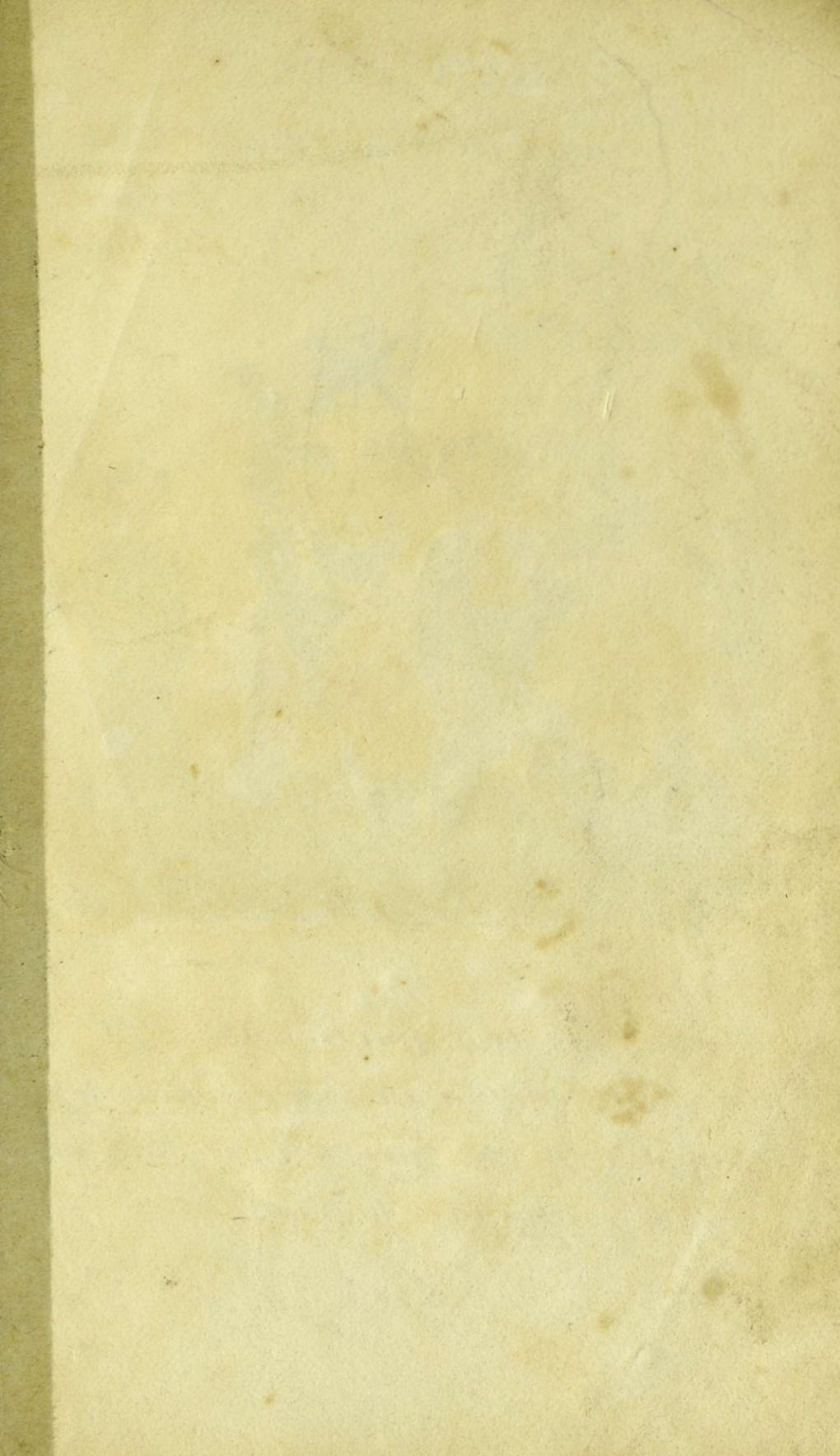
VERB

to ride, to walk, to laugh, to cry.



A VERB, means the act of
doing any thing, Charles rides,
well, the Horse gallops; the
words ride and gallop are Verbs.





PARTICIPLES

are derived from Verbs.

Past
marched

Present
marching



There are two participles.—1st the past, ending in ed as marched, armed.—2nd the present, ending in ing—as walking.—holding.

ADVERBS

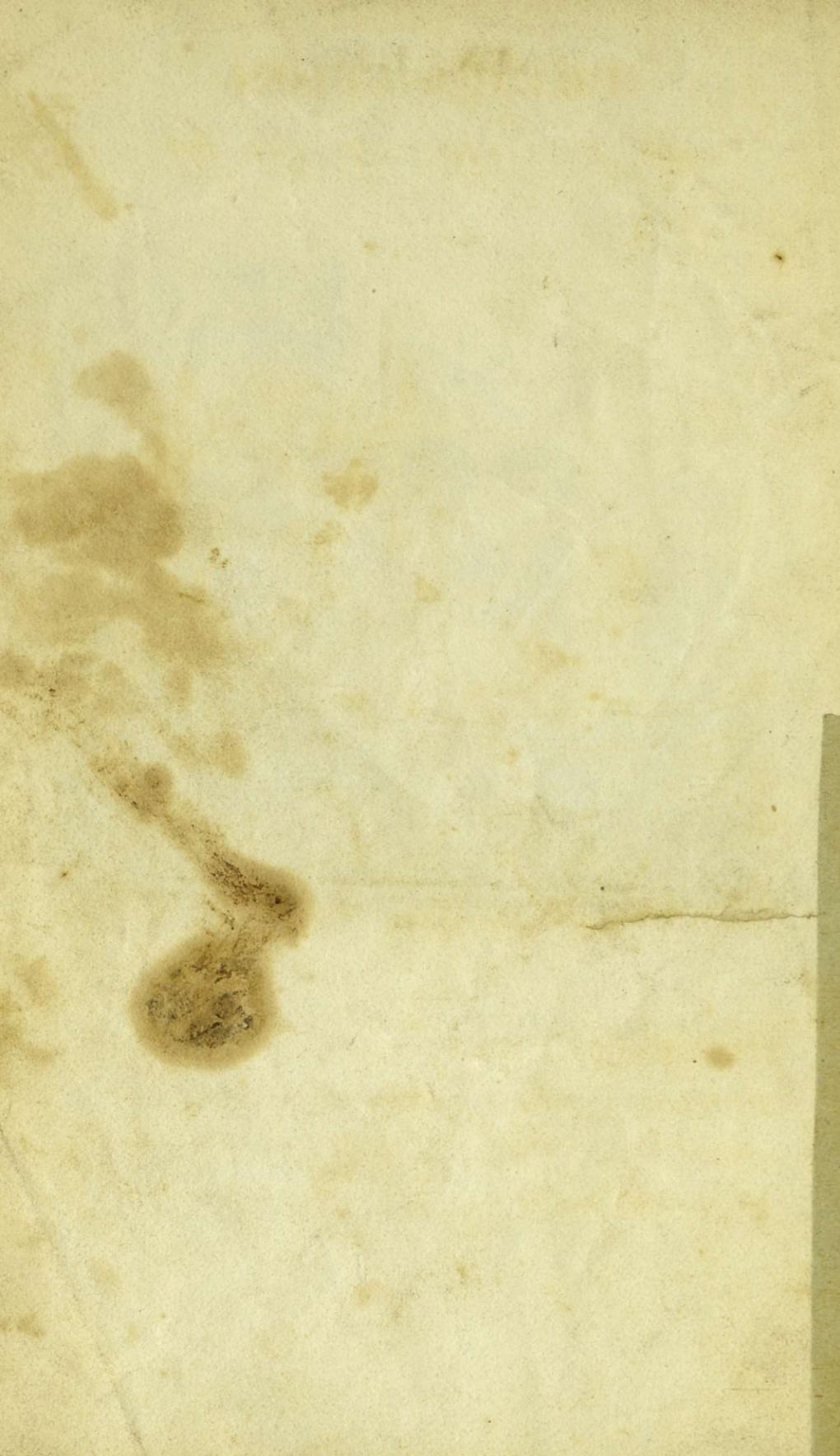
are words add-ed to Verbs, Participles and Adjectives.



Many adverbs end in ly.

Ellen works neatly, sings

sweetly; sews industriously.



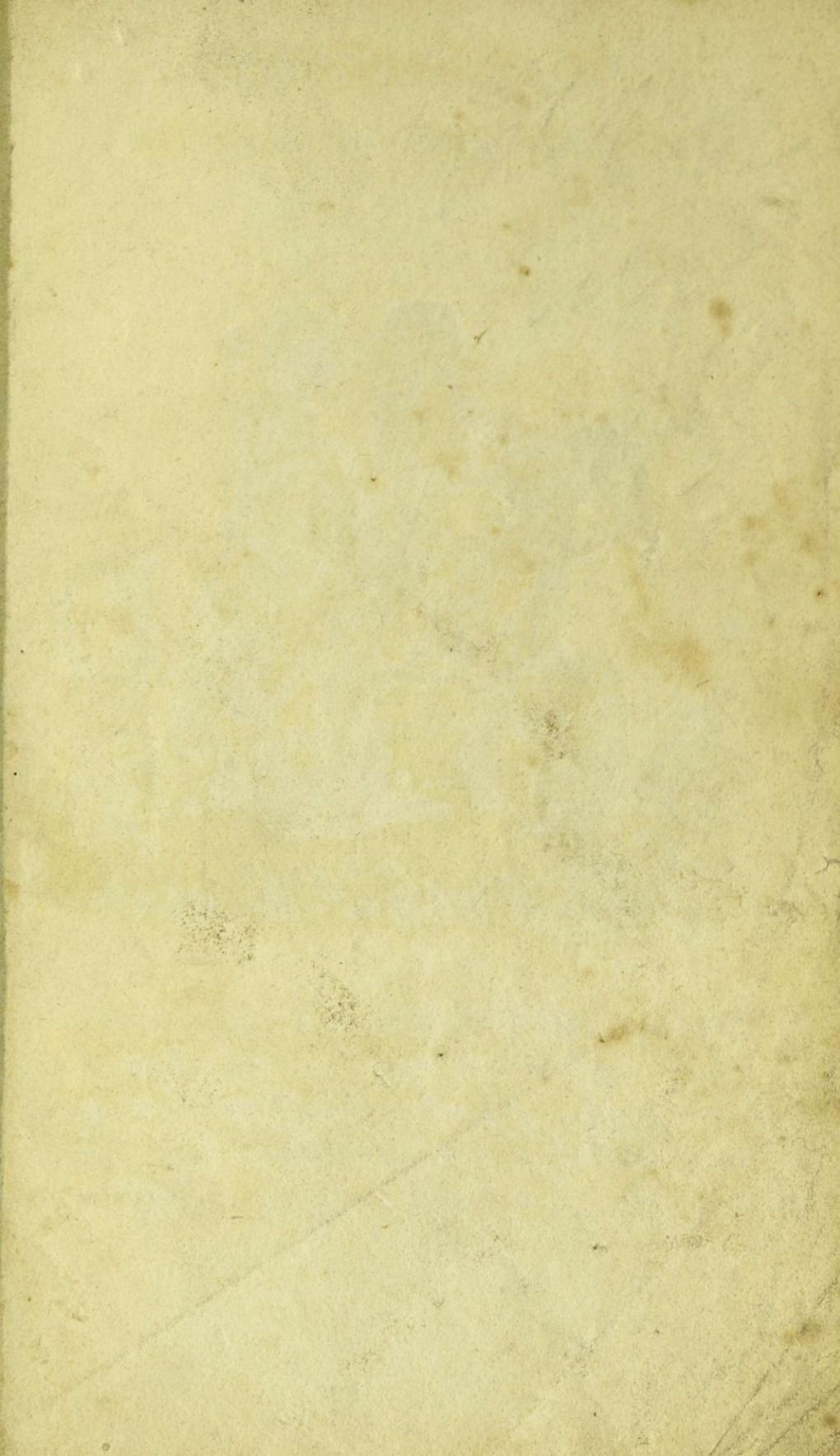
PREPOSITION

at to from of for by



PREPOSITIONS are put before nouns, verbs, and pronouns, as
on the river in my Boat, near some Swans with my Fanny.

m



CONJUNCTION

and, but, if, yet,



CONJUNCTIONS are words that join sentences and words together,
you and I rode together but we did not reach London, yet we saw it.— and, but, yet, are all conjunctions

INTERJECTIONS

ah! alas! O! la! fie! hush! behold!



INTERJECTIONS are exclamations denoting any sudden emotion of the mind, either of pain, pleasure, or surprise.



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