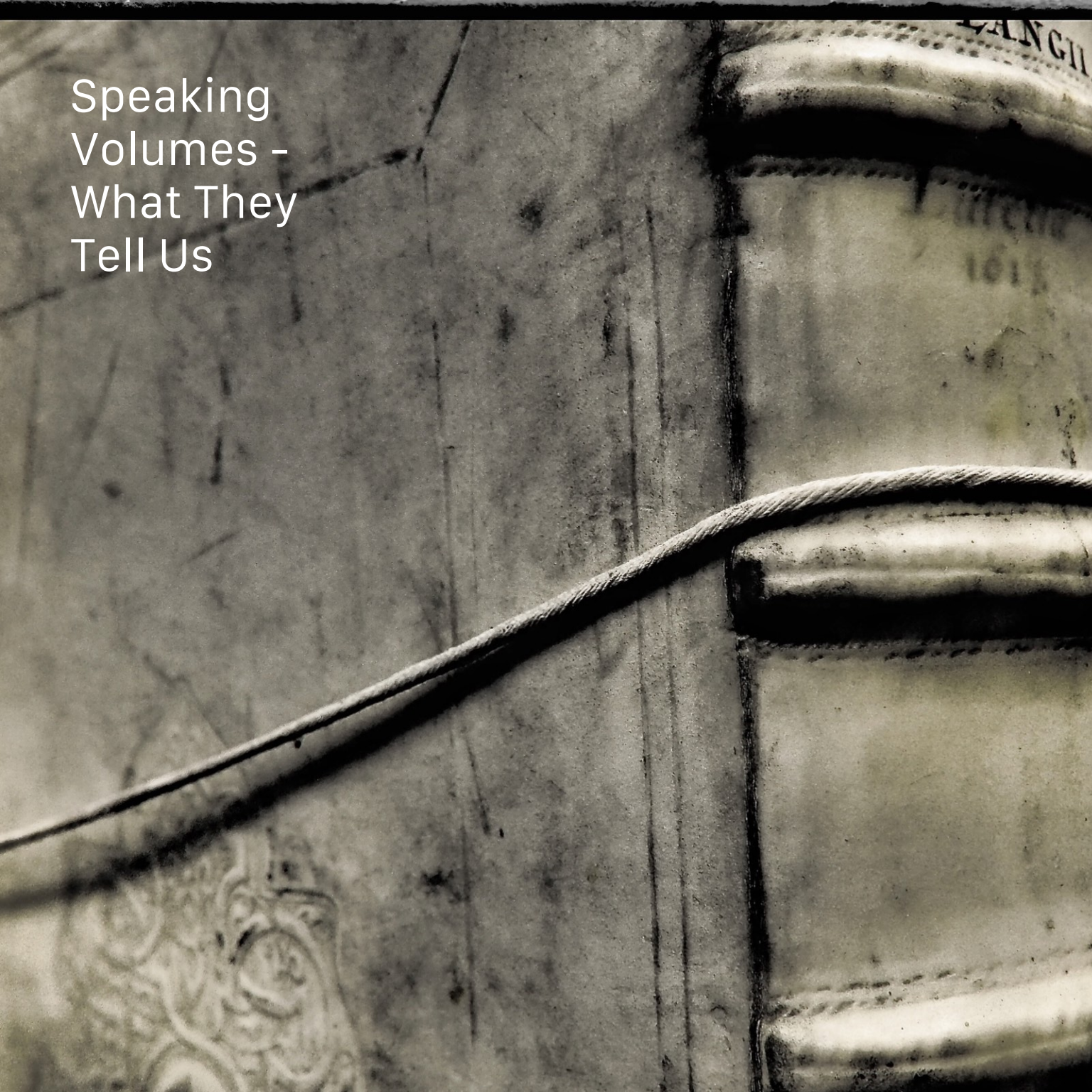


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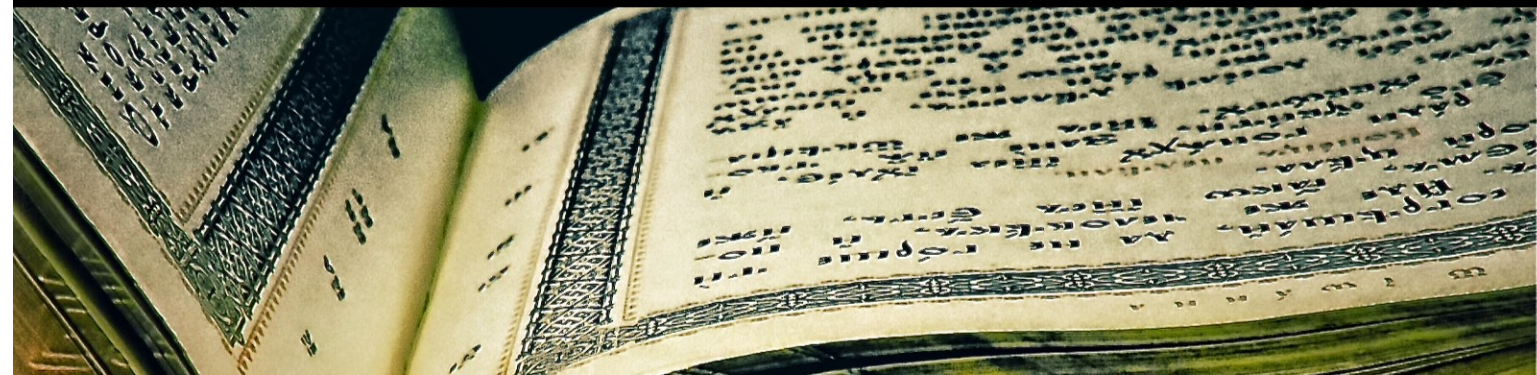
DREW and MARGARET LINDSEY SANBORN

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An exquisite series of fine art photographs of books on the
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The Books

"Even before one engages with the contents of a book, one must encounter it as a physical object. The binding, illustrations, decorations, paper, and typography can work together to create a work of art unto itself.

We offer here some of our photographs from the shelves of rare book rooms, history archives antiquarian booksellers, and from our own studio, that we believe highlight the art of the book.

Margaret: For me an exciting part of photographing is the ability to focus closely on small details, like a ripped binding that exposes a different text or finding beautifully embossed edges on a historic Russian New Testament; or discovering an overlooked stack of books down a cellar stairwell.

Drew: My father collected books. There were books in the attic and boxes of them in the basement. The garage was so full of books we barely had room for the car. I, as did my father, love books for their contents but also love them as beautiful objects. I love finding the unusual books-- our local library's book sale is one of the happiest days of the year!" *Drew and Margaret Lindsey Sanborn*

The Photographs

"Our photographic works are a blend of similar, but differently focused, sensibilities. We photograph, edit, and exhibit together and often spend hours working at the same location.

Drew and Margaret arrived at their mutual interest in the arts by individual routes, although both retired from careers in academia and happily live in the Sanborn family home in Maine.

Drew: We physically photograph on our own...

Margaret: ...but we ultimately blend our work together. We think our photographs speak to each other.

Drew: We literally intersperse each other's photographs in any exhibit or book we make.

Margaret: Sometimes we can't tell which one of us took a particular photograph." *Drew and Margaret Lindsey Sanborn*





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Drew Sanborn, Watkinson Library, at Trinity College
Hartford, CT



Double Opening

Drew Sanborn, Special Collections, Olin Library, Wesleyan University,
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Hartford, CT





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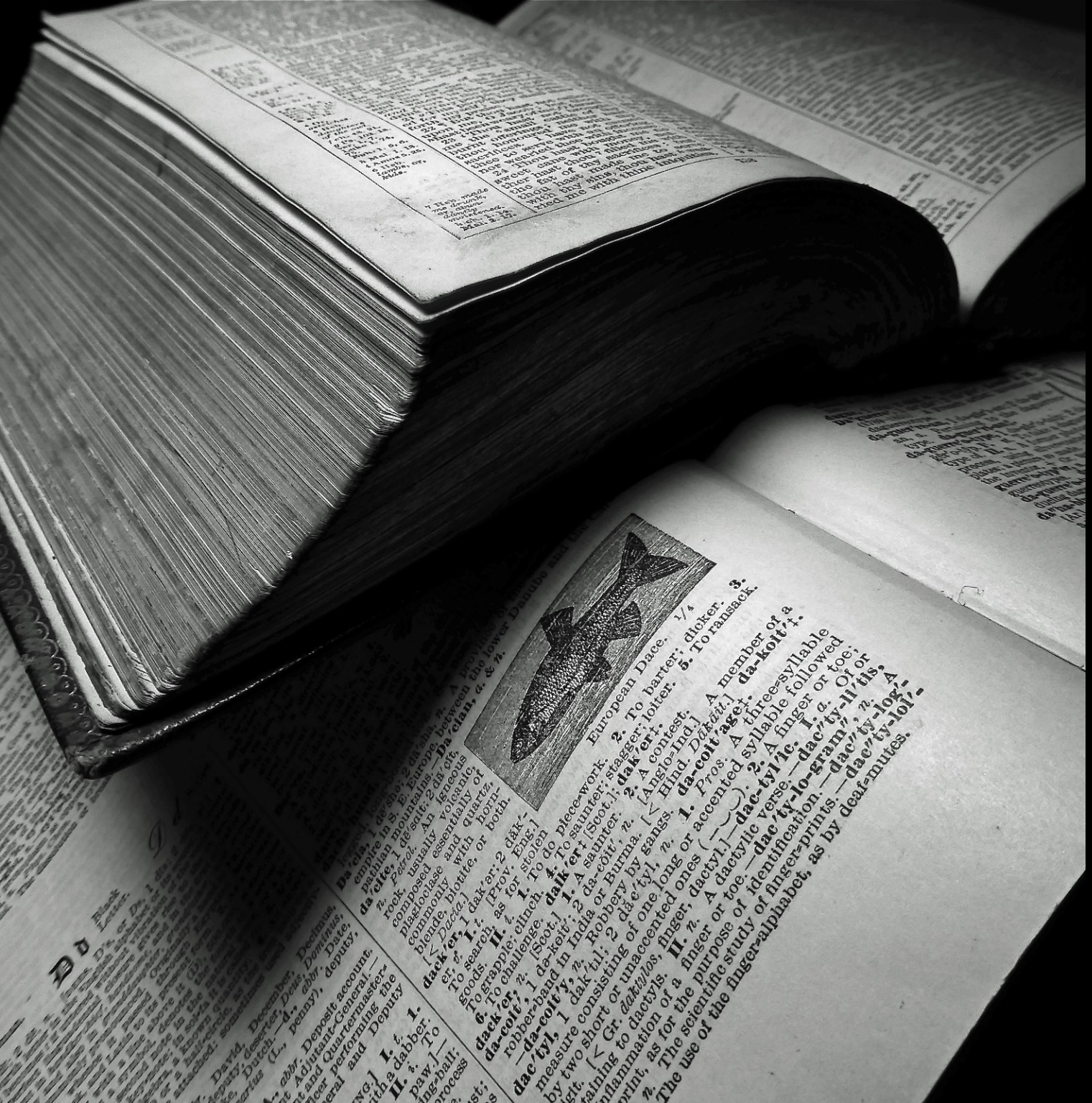
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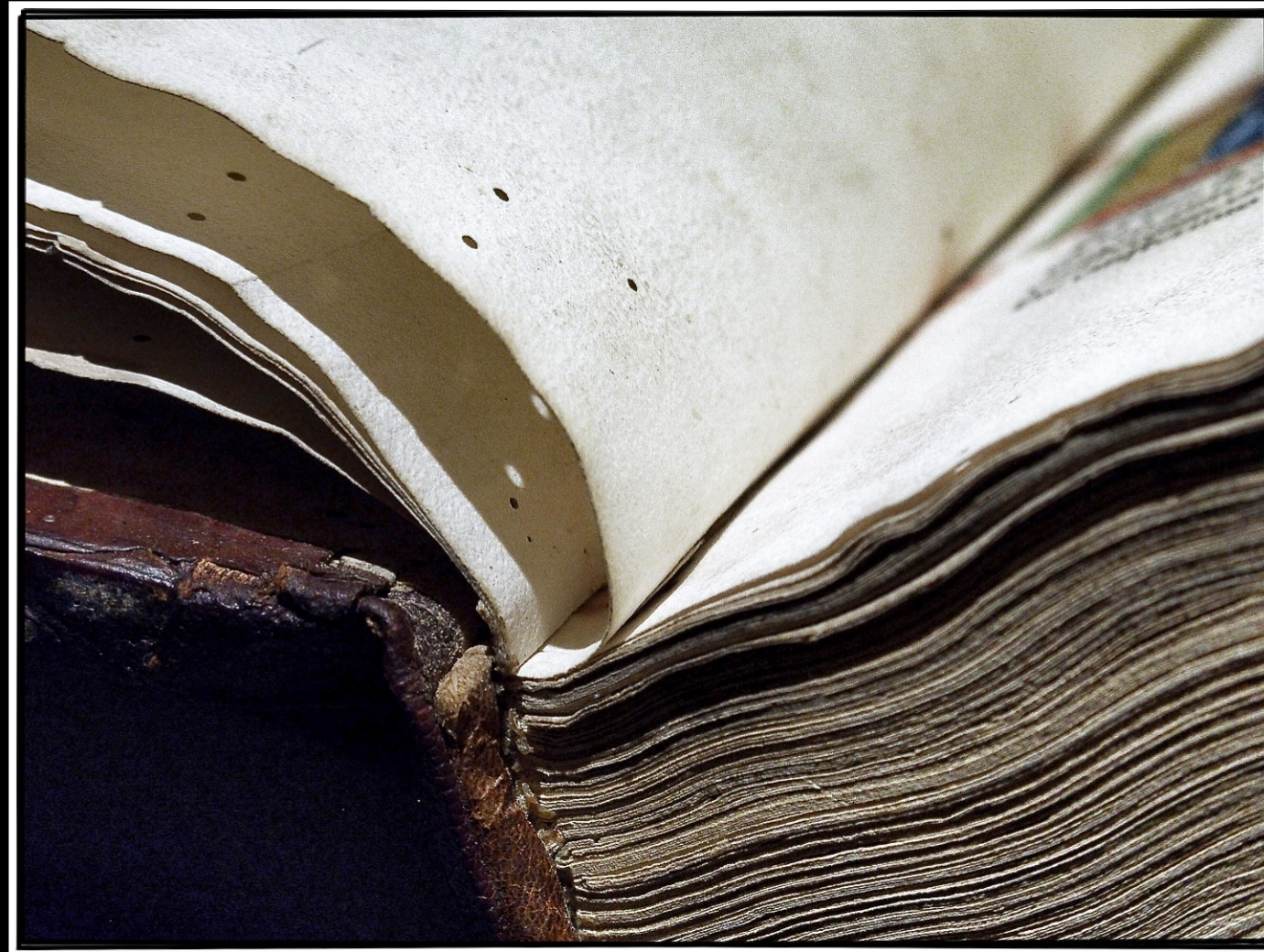
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Inner Thoughts
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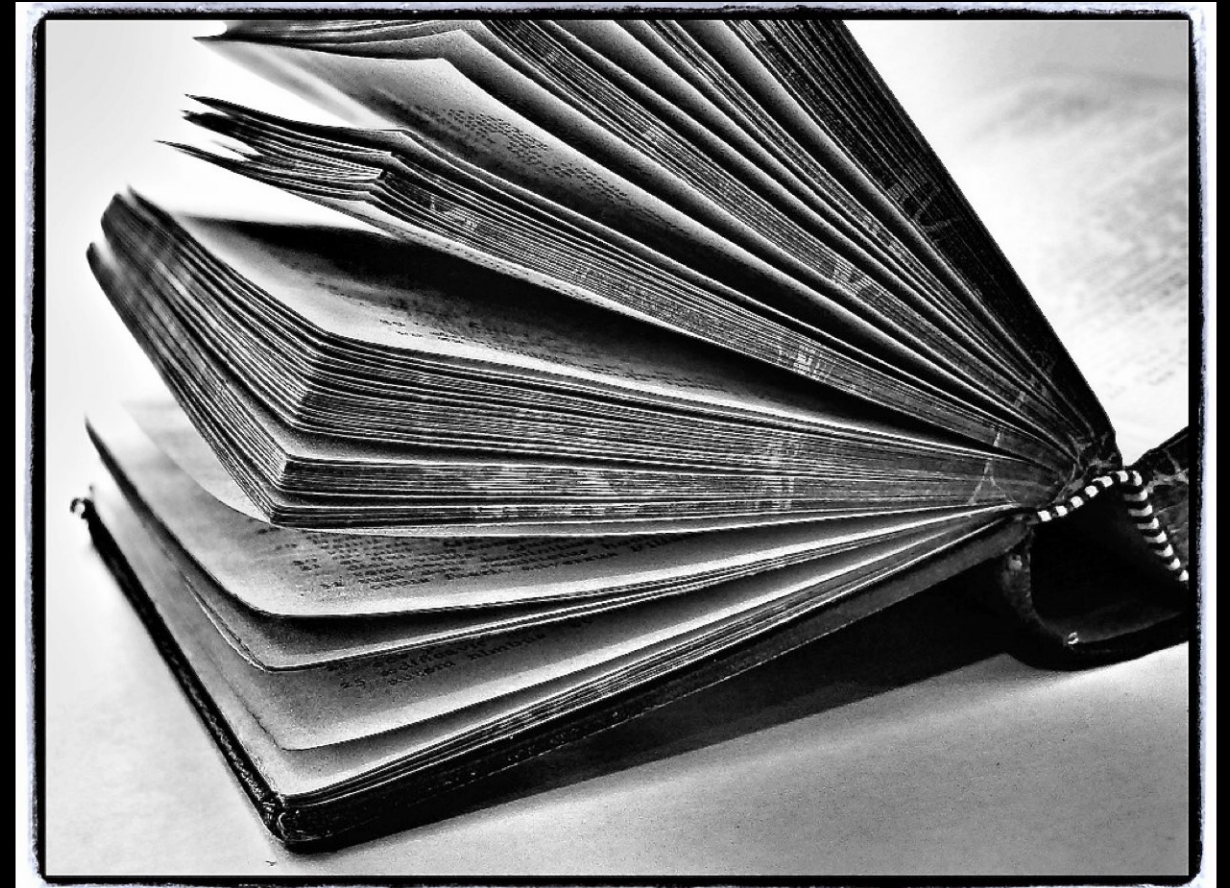
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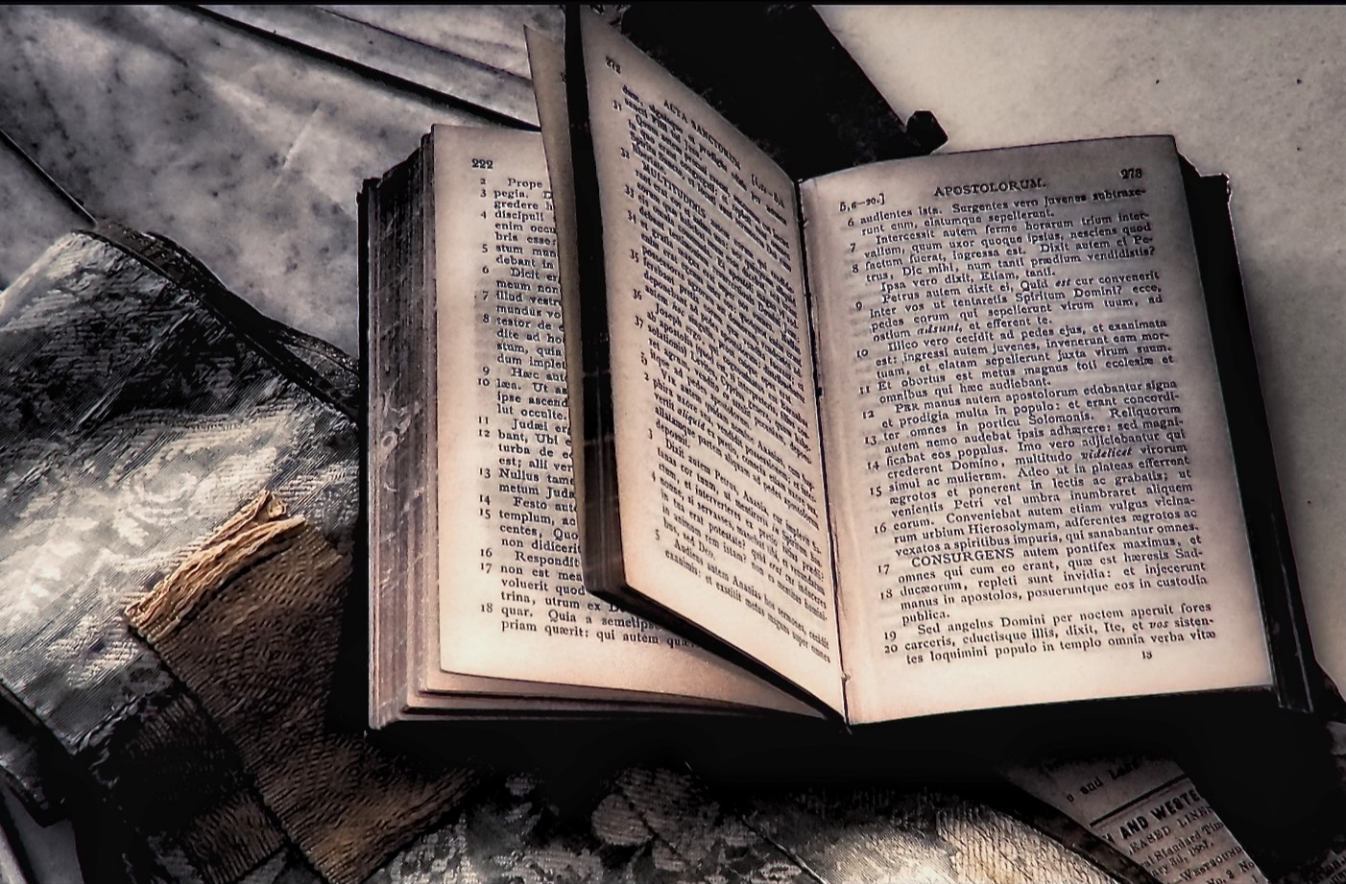
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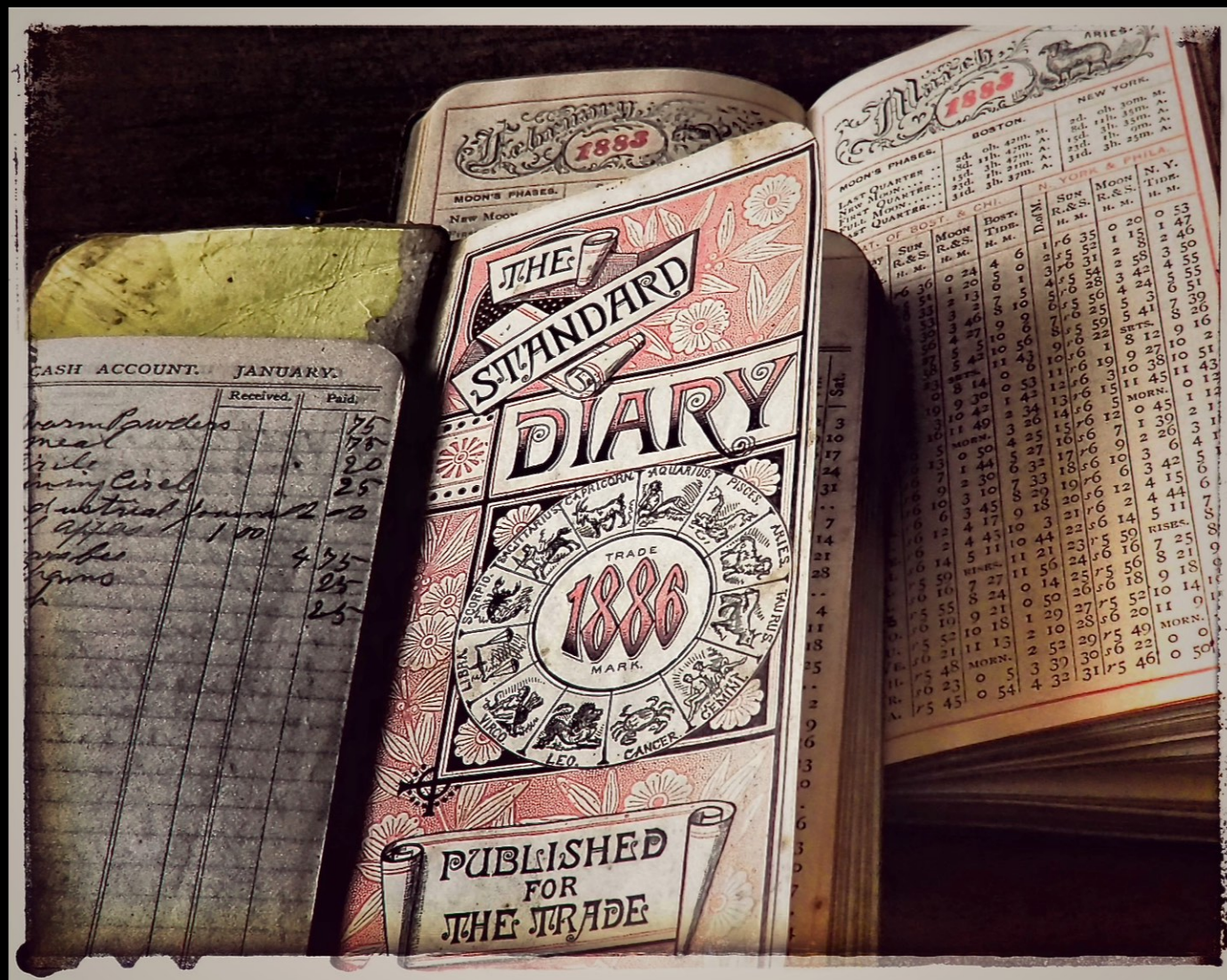


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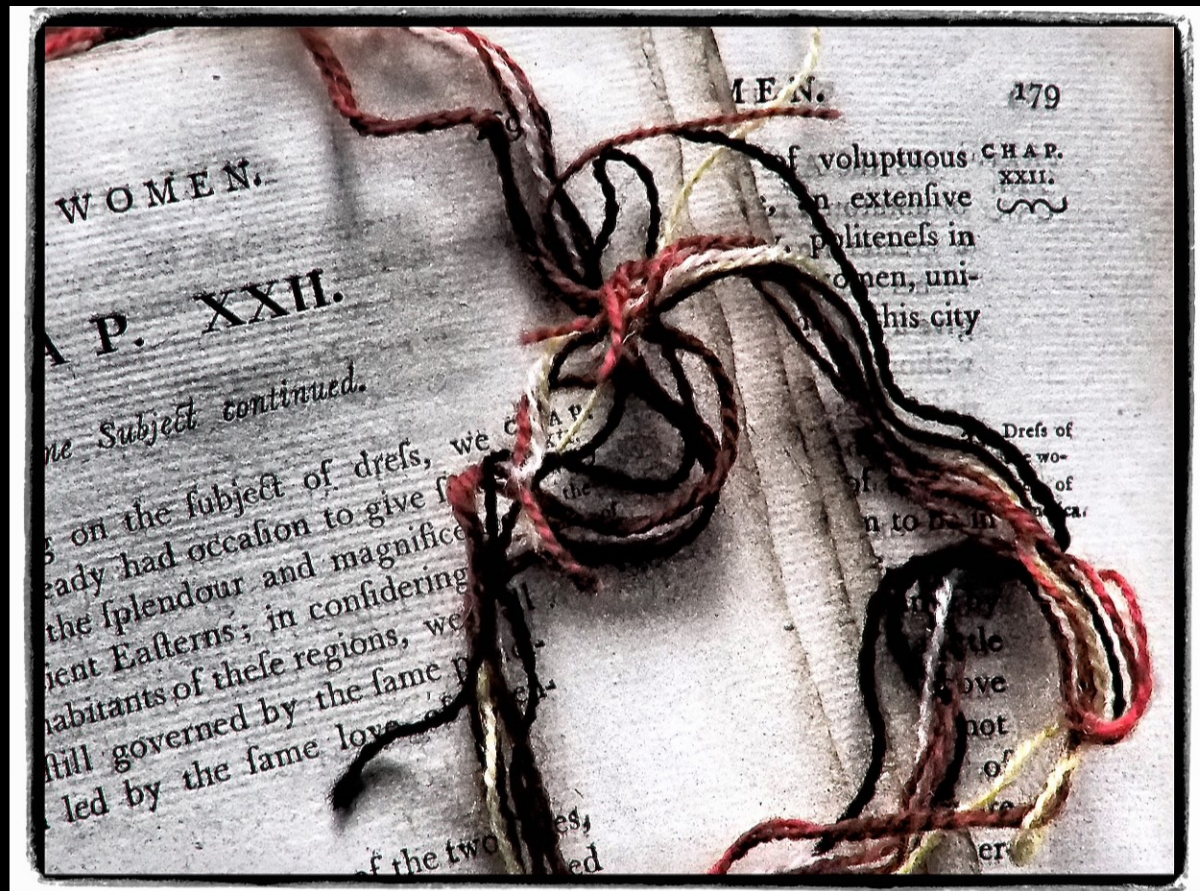


Pressed for Time
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