



study of historic climate delves into more and more North American records. Excellent studies of the period using documents of the Hudson's Bay Company have been published by Alan Catchpole, Cynthia Wilson, and Tim Ball in a series titled Climate Change in Canada in Syllogues, the house journal of the National Museum of Natural Sciences. It is interesting to speculate on the significance of this year for such events as the shift to inland posts by the Company and the merger with the North West Company, or the Seven Oaks massacre and hardships faced by the Selkirk Settlers. Much of the planned conference will focus upon the evidence of the severity of the year and the mechanisms involved; however, there will also be papers on the socio-economic impact. More details on the conference will be presented in a subsequent Newsletter and abstracts of interesting papers will be published in another Newsletter.

New Publication

The publishing company of Watson and Dwyer recently had a public presentation of their latest fur trade publication, The Apprentice's Tale, by Ross, at the Rupert's Land Research Centre. The book was presented to the Director, who gratefully received it on behalf of the members. The book may be ordered through your local bookstore but if you are unable to obtain a copy, please contact Watson and Dwyer Publishing Co. Ltd., 462 Hartgrave Street, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada.

The book records the personal reminiscences of Mr. Ross who was for many years, in the first half of this century, a trader for the Hudson's Bay Company at several posts in northern Canada. At the time of his writing, he was a century fur trader in northwestern and northern Ontario.

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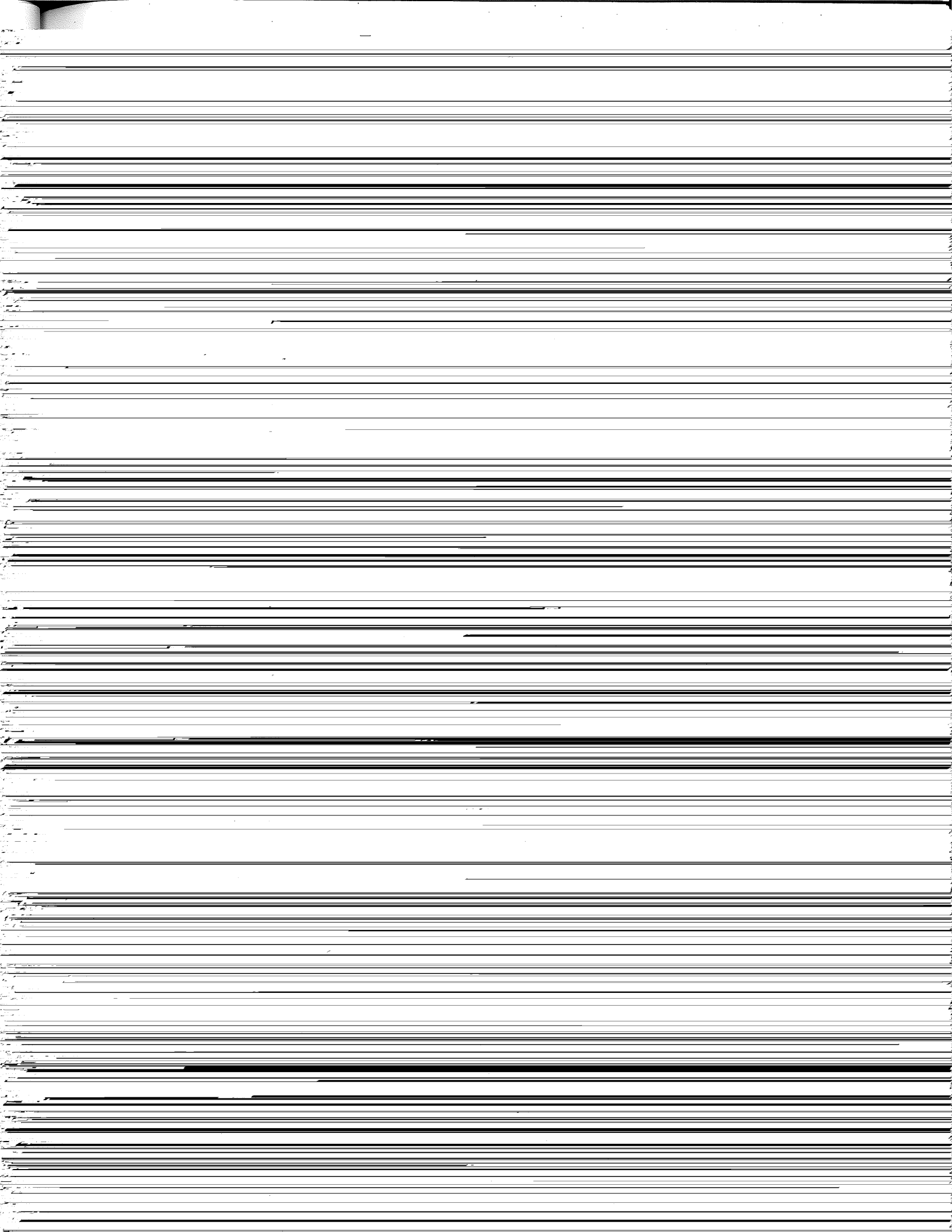
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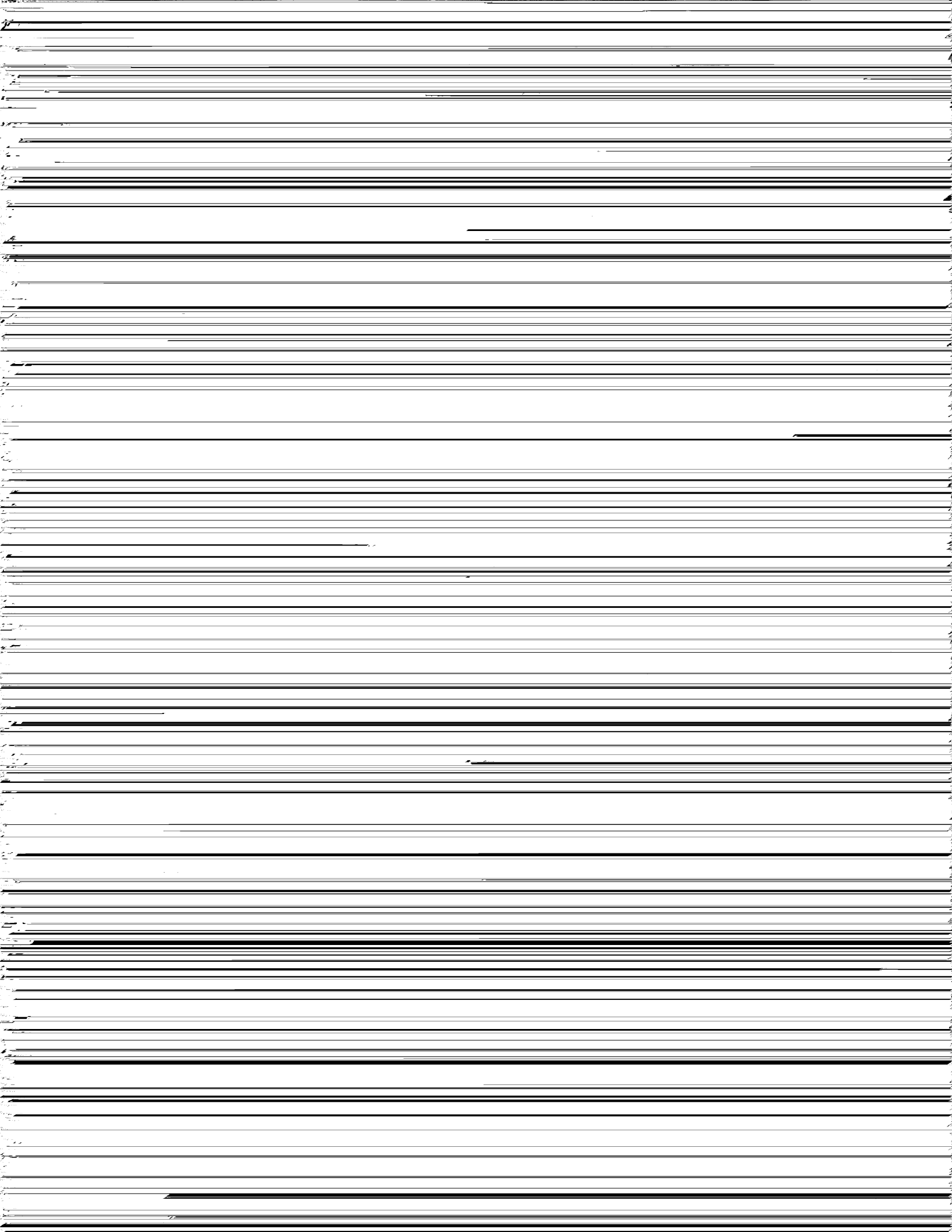
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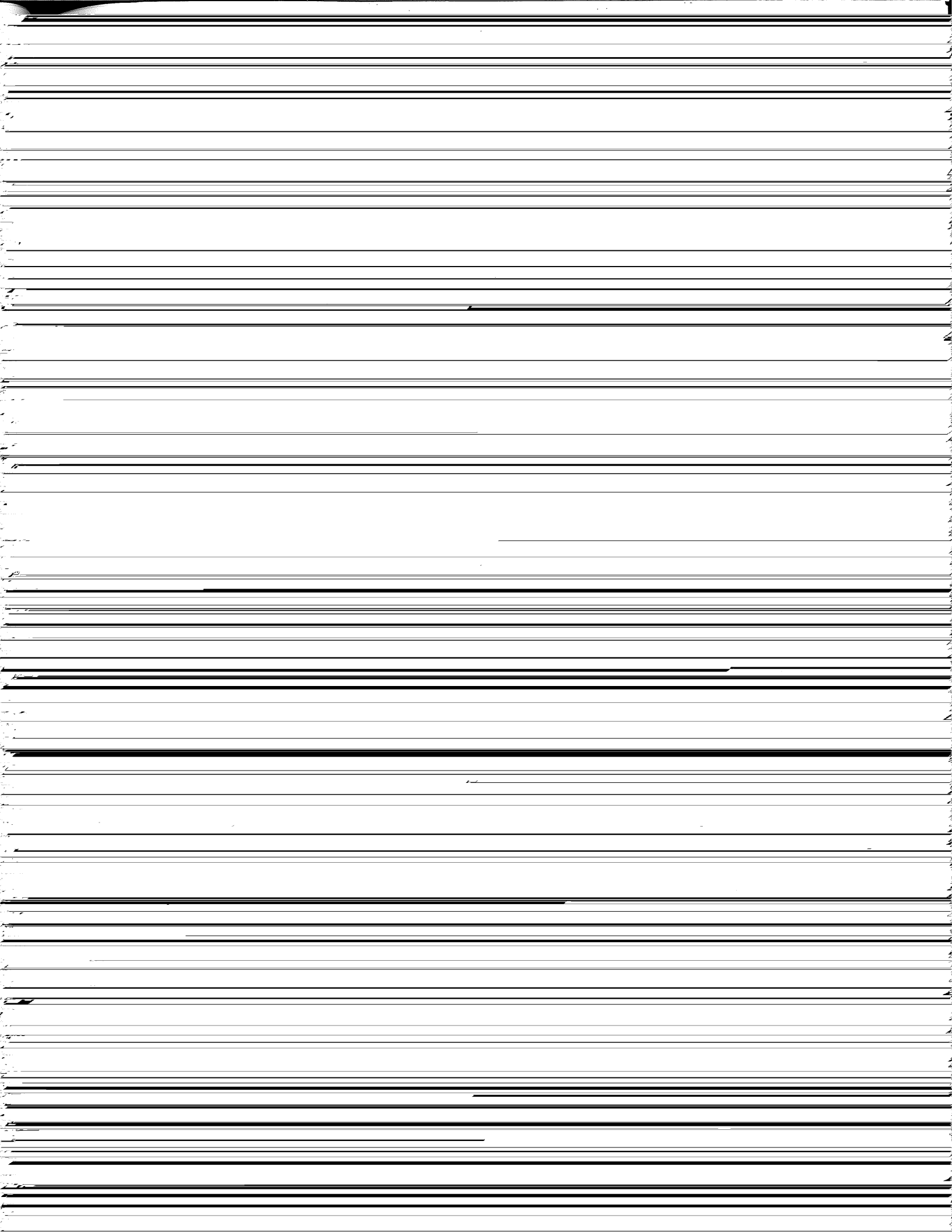
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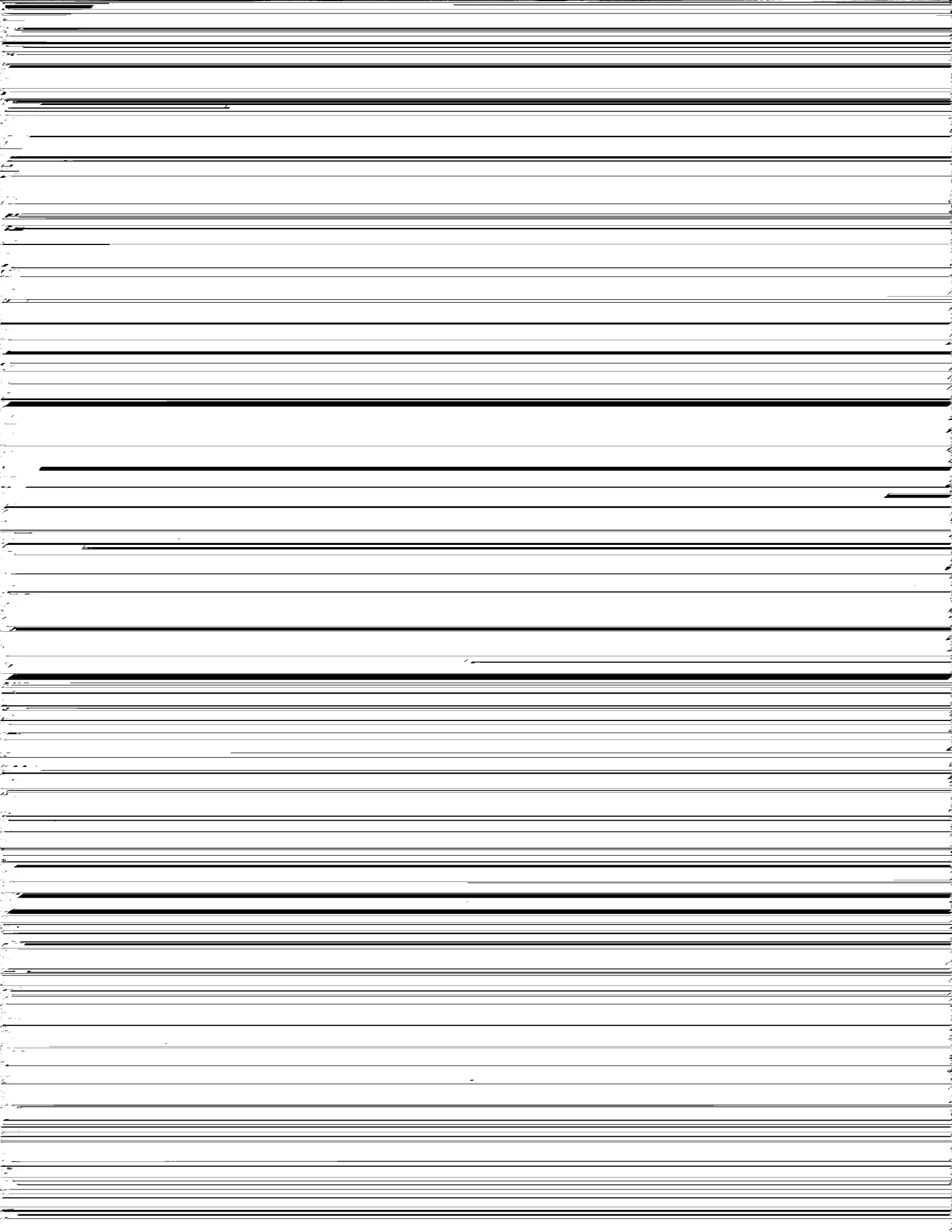
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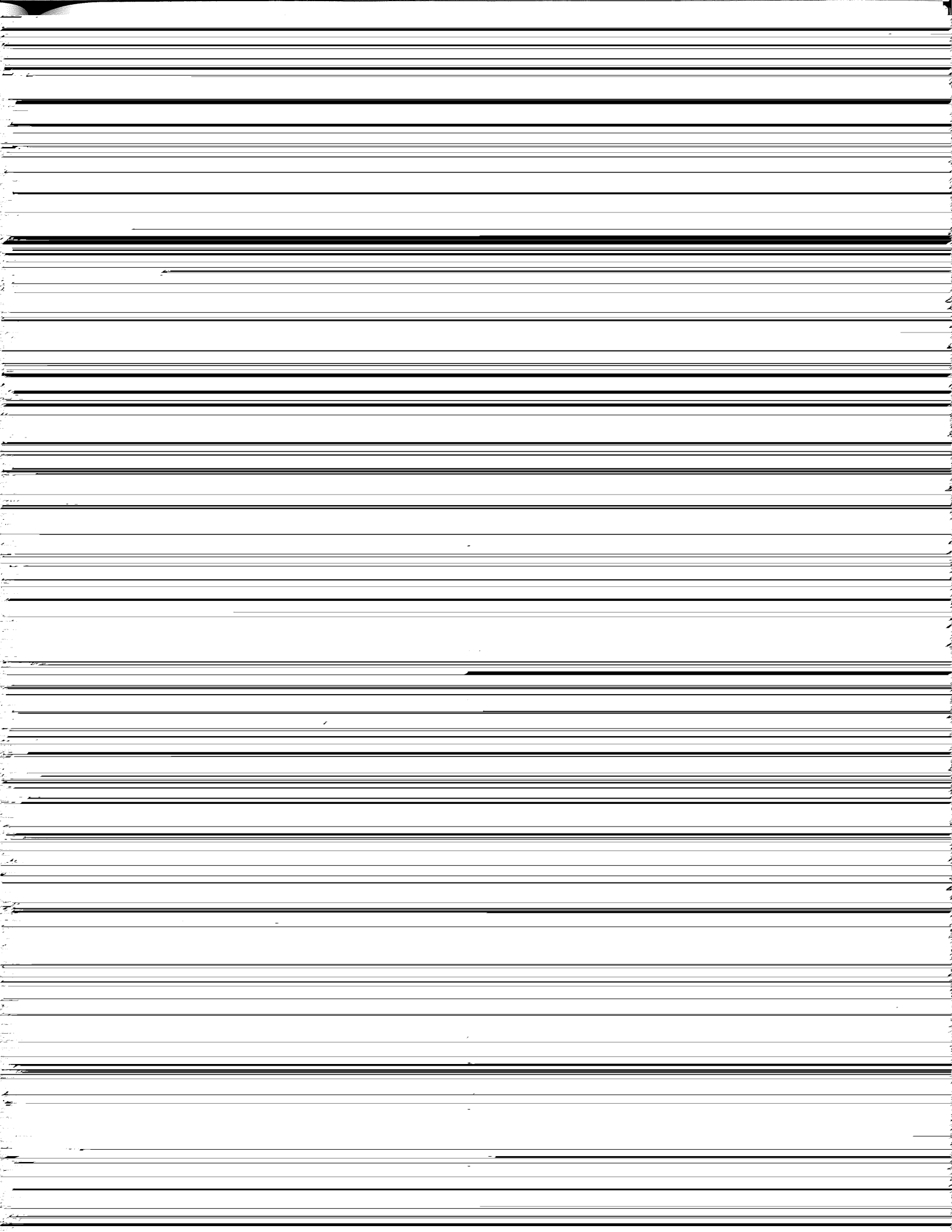
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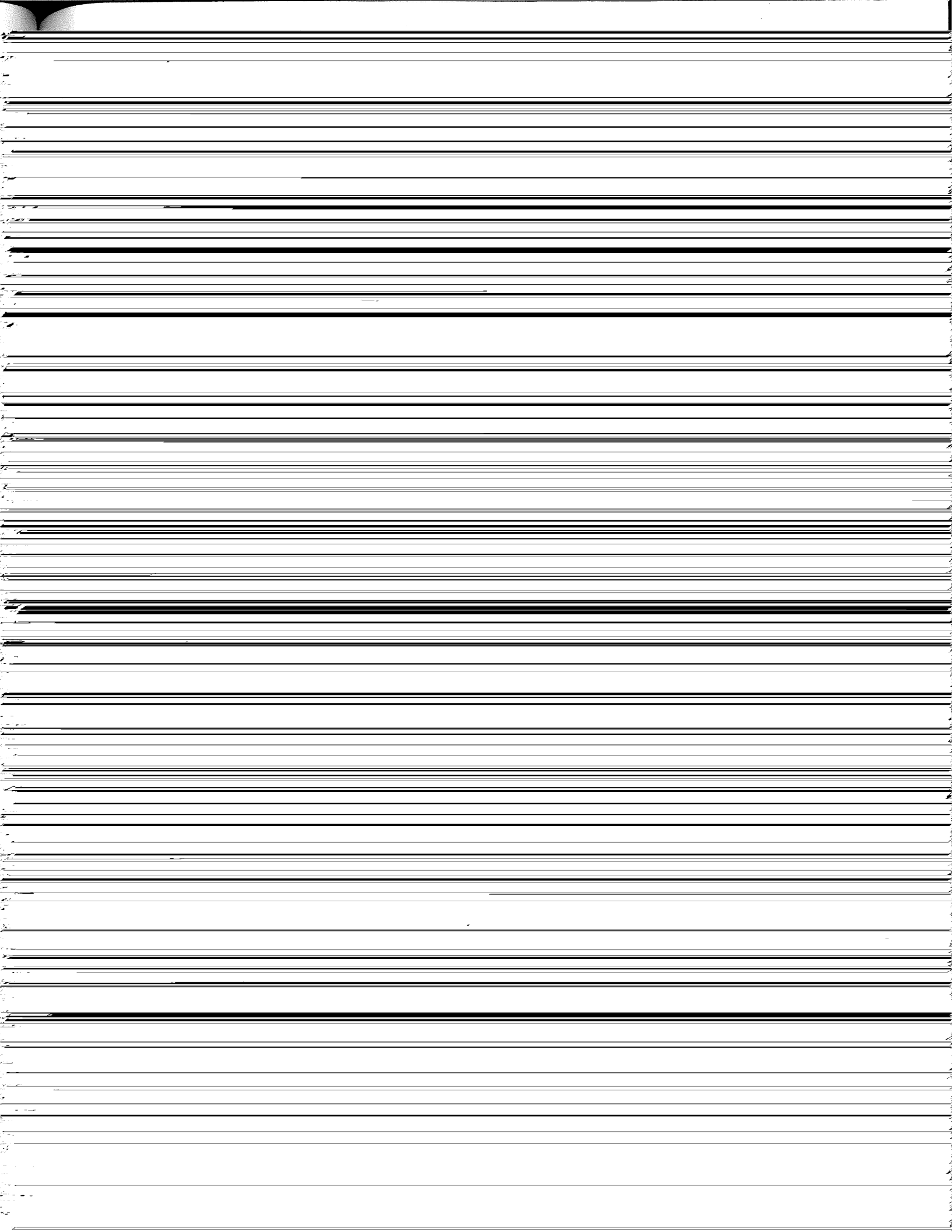


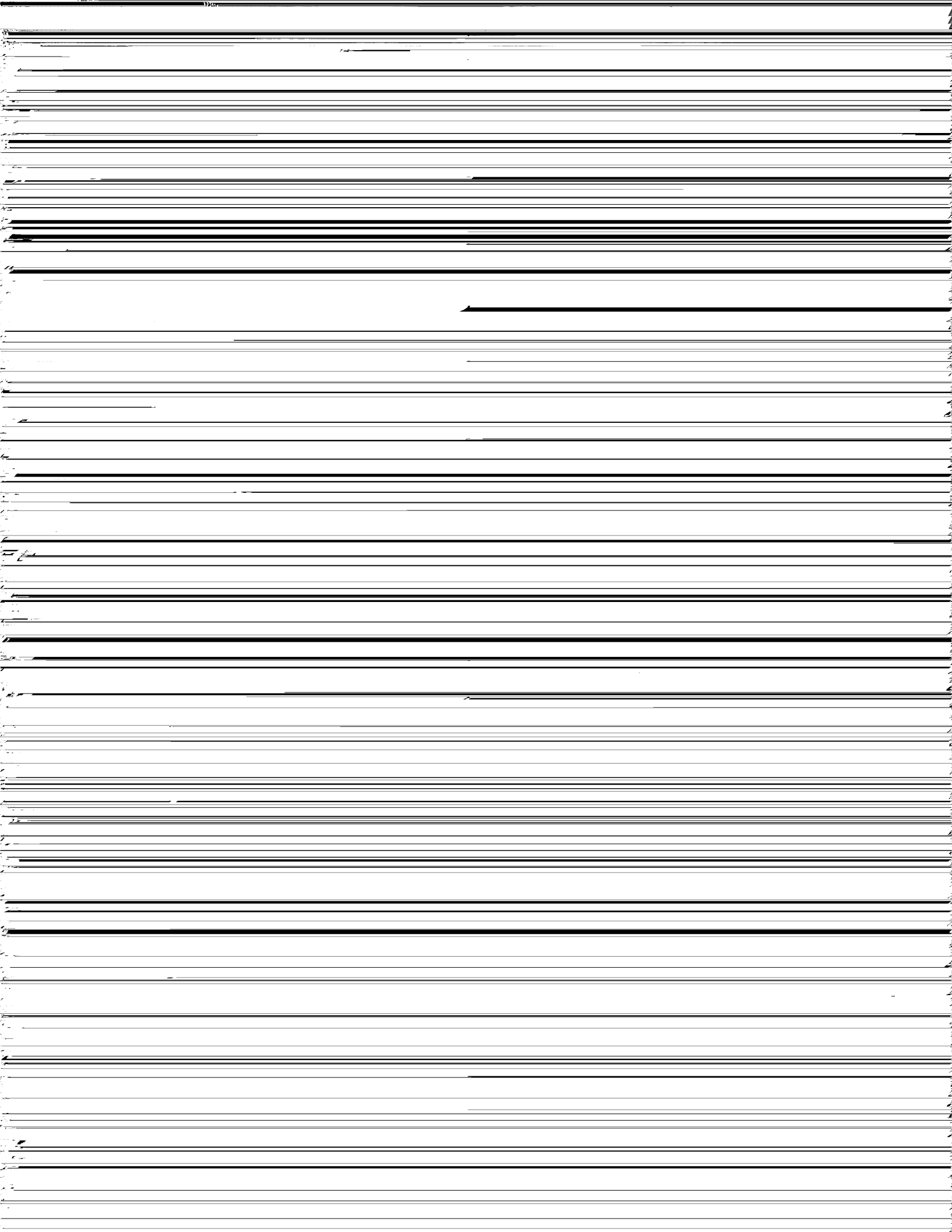


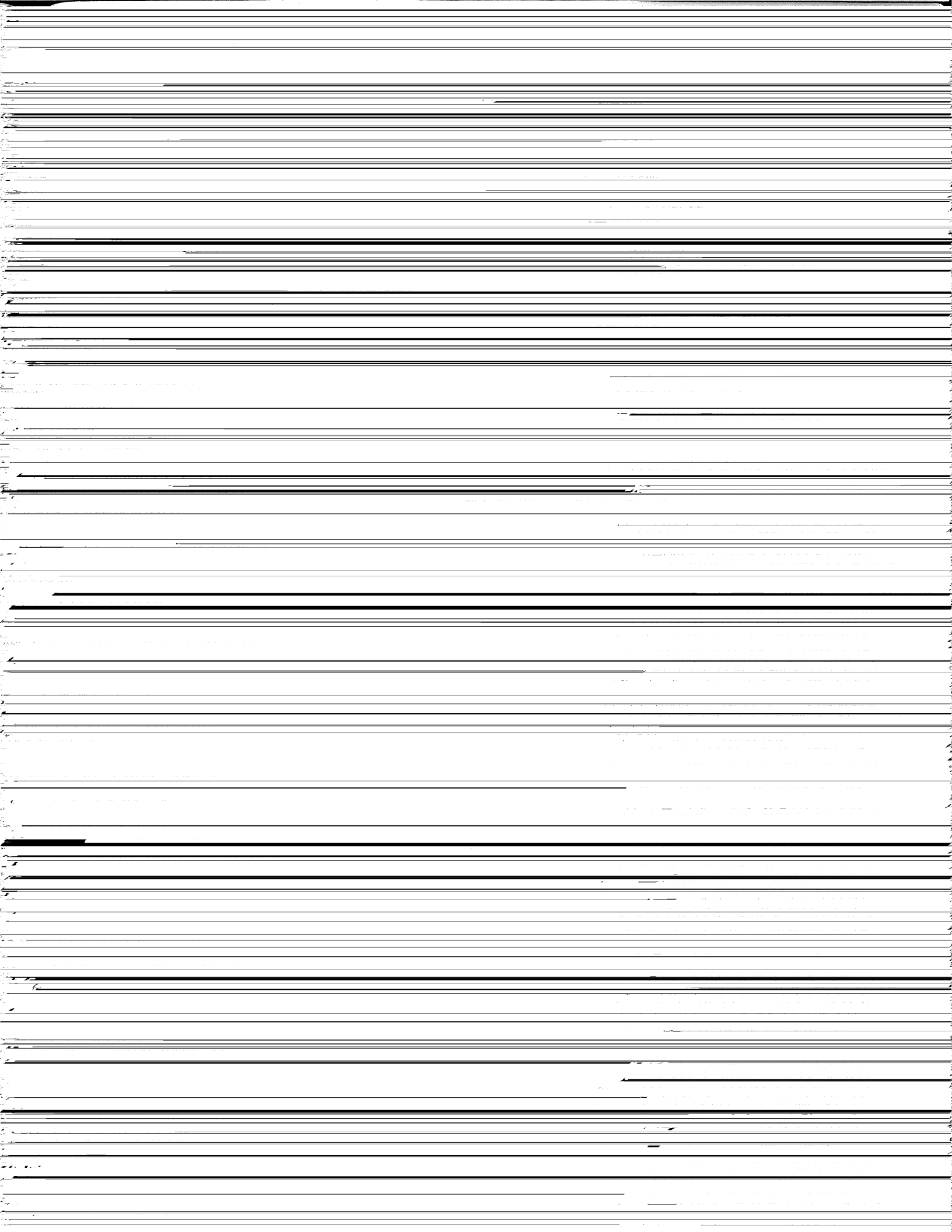


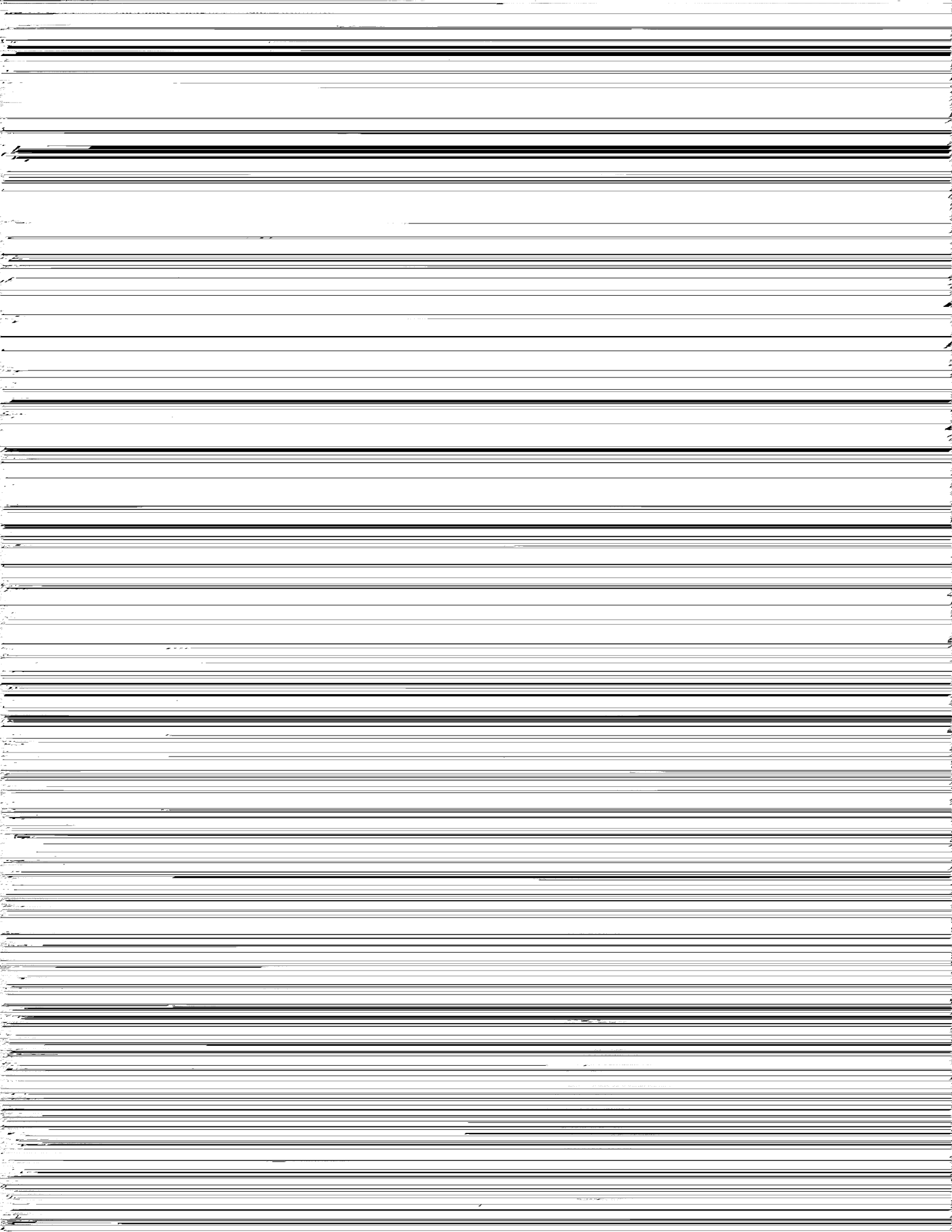


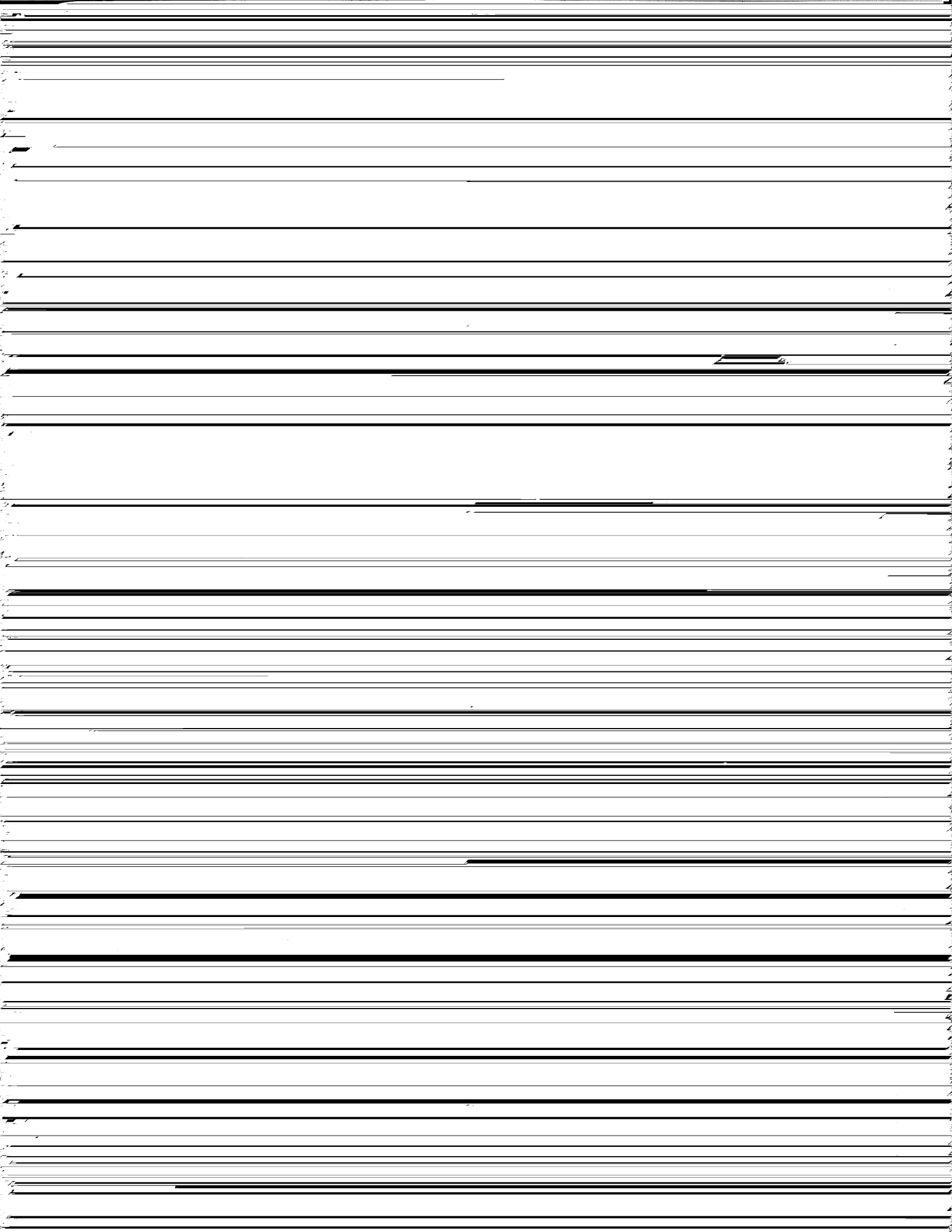


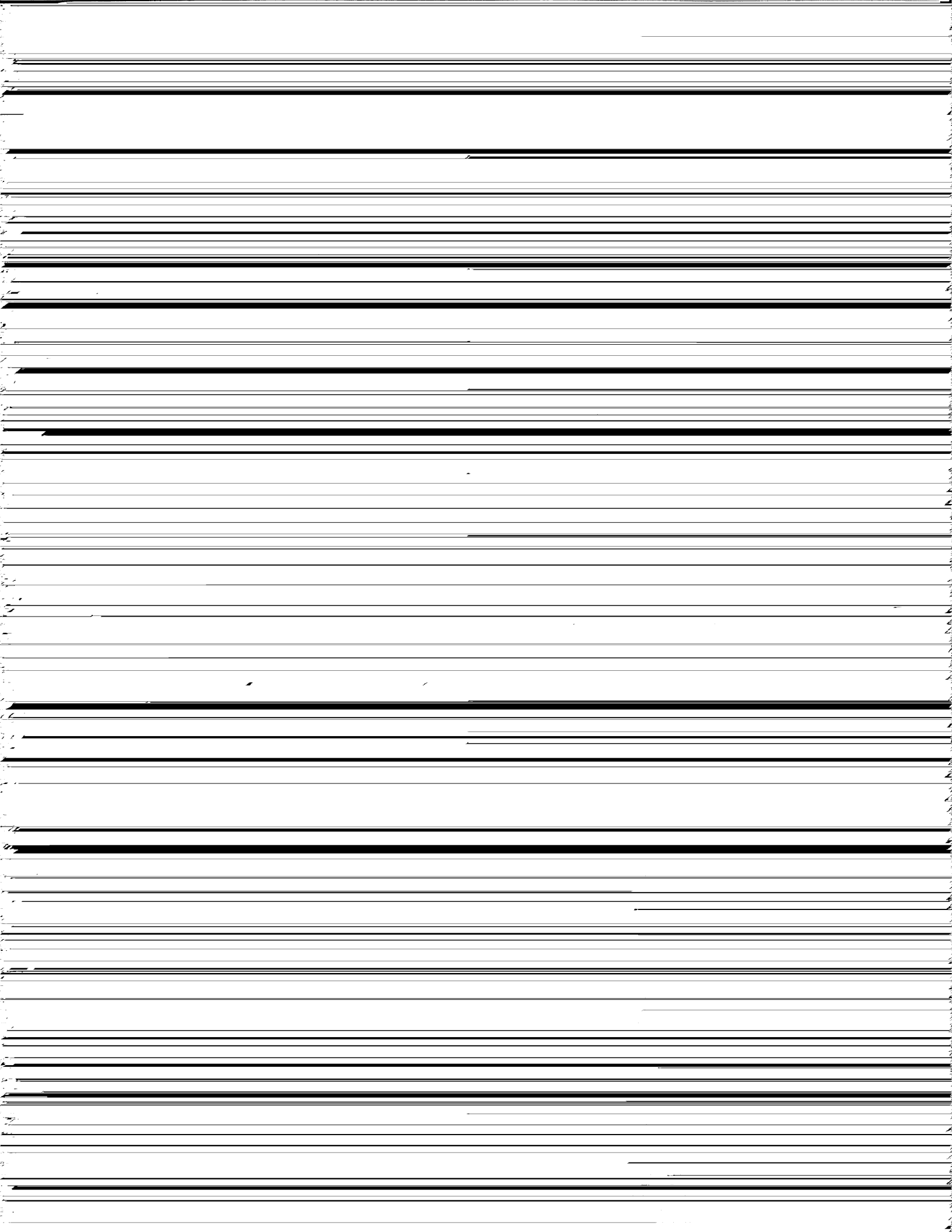












General other manuscripts are in various stages of completion and review. We expect to continue offering at least one volume a production run are rather small, the best way to guarantee receipt of the volumes is through membership, and in turn, memberships will help to provide content.

We continue to solicit manuscripts that offer fresh perspectives and data on any aspect of historical human activities and human environmental relations in Rupert's Land (which we define in generous terms, both temporally and spatially). The most frequent suggestions we have received are that the Hudson's Bay Company related materials properly annotated and placed in context; among fur trade documents, these have long been too neglected. Perhaps DeGroot's English River Book will be the first of a series. In any case, proposals and submissions along these and other lines will all be welcomed and carefully considered.

Note

If you are planning to come to Winnipeg and want good economical accommodation we suggest the newly completed Relay Inn located at the corner of Portage Avenue and Memorial Boulevard, directly across from the main Hudson's Bay Company archives. We have made a special arrangement that allows our members to stay in any room for a remarkable \$36.00 per night. The price is good until June of 1987 and can be obtained by advising the desk when phoning or checking in of your affiliation.

