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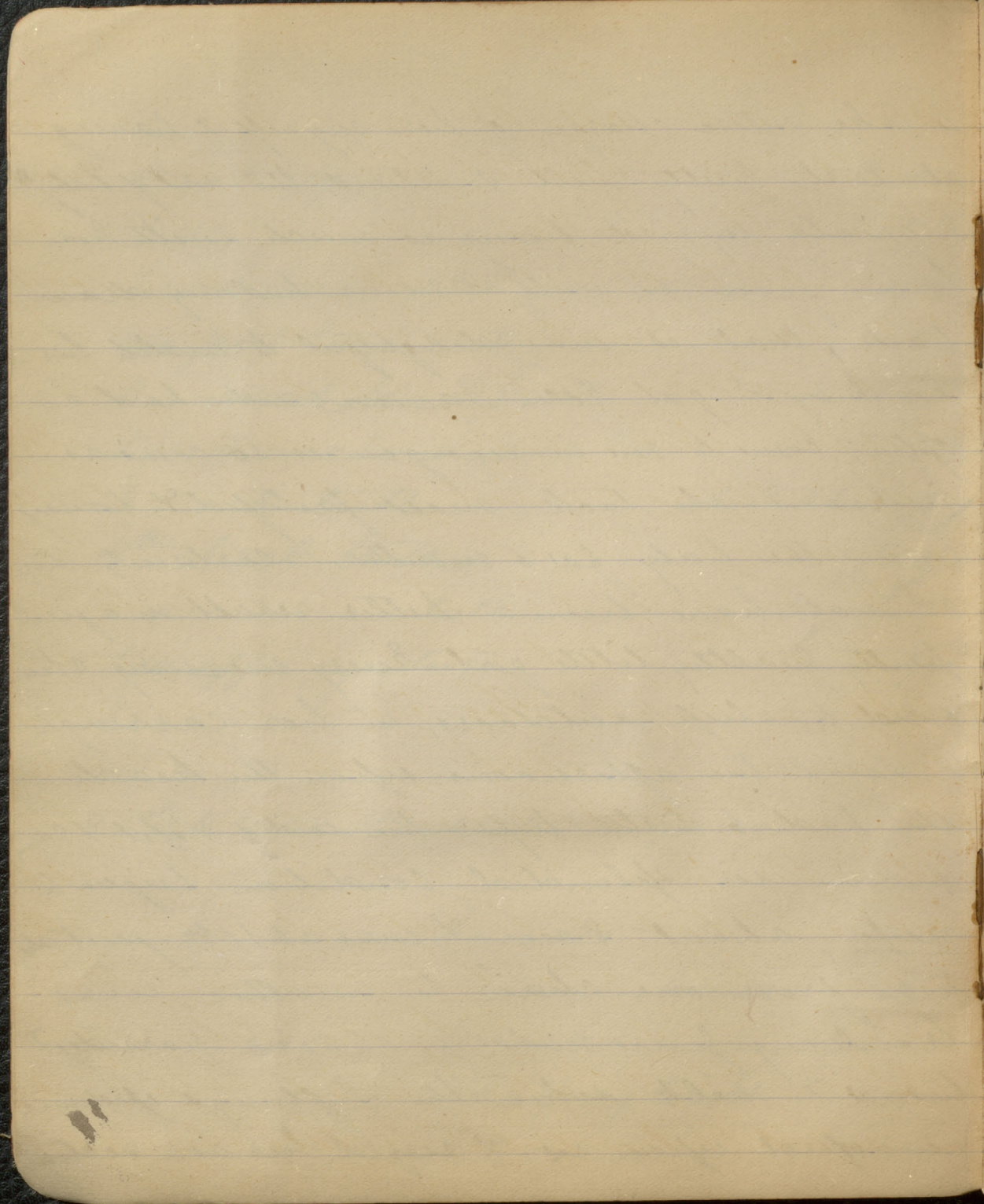
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| Front upper teeth | at birth |
| Second front upper } two front lower teeth } | Sept- |
| 2 nd second lower front. | Feb. 8 th |
| Left second lower front | Feb. 13 th |
| 3 back teeth | during 2 last weeks of June |
| 4 th back tooth | July |
| 2 Lower eye teeth | August |
| Left upper eye tooth | 1 st week Sept |
| R. " " " | |

1st & 2nd H. Upper 2nd back tooth - early in Aug. 1891

Diseases

Sermon measles /92
measles
Whooping Cough

to take entire charge of her myself, & having
at last pretty well mastered the art of "baby"
I greatly enjoyed being so much with her
& she grew so well, & never had any draw
back, that it was delightful to watch her.
In May I got Ellen Dawson, who had so
often come to me in emergencies, to come as
nurse, & she took most faithful & loving
care of the baby for 6 months, & certainly there
could not have been a better result in a few
pretty healthy little girl. Every morning she
used to sleep out doors, in her carriage
& spent the afternoons upon the beach.
she had 6 teeth before the end of Sept. & came
down in splendid condition before the
creep, about 8 m. & was at 11th just
to go from one chair to another, was
drinking pure milk & eating porridge &
bread & milk, when the Influenza epidemic
swooped upon us. & seized her as a victim



It did not attack her in the form of
a cold, but affected her stomach causing
her mouth swelled & red, her lips blue
& unable to digest - milk or any food
but barley water with a trace of
milk for some time, & then for
several weeks only the same, with
gradually increased proportions of milk
she seemed droary all the time & yet
when she fell asleep she only lay still
for a very short time & then roused
with a moan - too sleepy to keep awake
too uneasy, to sleep - poor little creature
she soon lost flesh & strength, but
when the fever passed off she quickly
rallied, but did not attempt walking
again till about 14 months, & then
being urged to it by the delight of her
then nurse, (Kate Cullock), she walked
too much, & bent her little legs, she

Edith Laura -

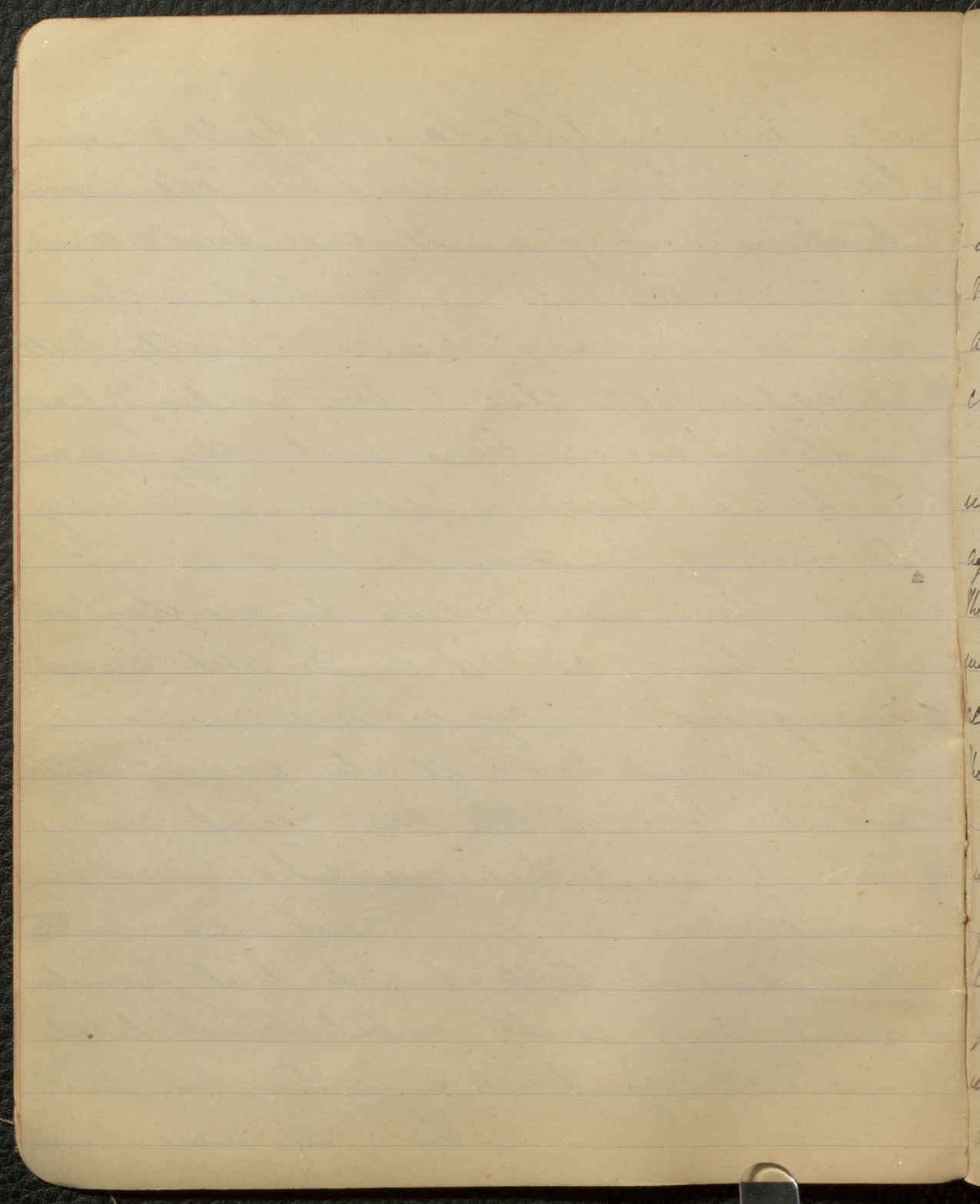
died May 7th 1890 - Aged 11 ^{yo} 7 6 in

wags so fat & heavy & I did not look
after her much, at that time, as
I was full of other thoughts, caused by
the terrible sorrow that fell upon us
in the sudden illness & death of our
blessed little Edith. After we got to Antis
June 13th baby cut 3 back teeth before
the month ended, the 4th in July. She
was not at all troubled by them, & only
declined to sleep soundly if mosquitoes
attacked her, even one bite, we'd cover
her to wake up, over & over again to rub
it & complain, she was very fat. Fat
partridge & milk - bread & milk, potatoes
& cream, & everything else in a baby's
line, she loved bananas, & strawberries
were a delightful revelation to her, it was
so funny to see her stoop down & look
carefully in the grass for "berries" -
At 14^m her hair was pale brown & very

Lois Lybel
May 1890-15th

curly, eyes grey blue, large & full of feeling,
little expressions, raising her eye brows
& looking out of wide eyes with a naive
coquettish expression, she had a clear
white skin, rosy cheeks & pretty teeth
very active; c'd climb the rocks, & pattered
over the shore on bare feet, digging with
her little spoon, or striving to carry a
collection of buckets or baskets, just as
I had often seen Edith do, one day she
was pattering about on the wet sand
& very gaudy & happy, when a sudden
motion struck her & off she went at her
fastest pace to the sea, right in up
to her knees, when over she went face
down & had her first-real sea bath.

She did not talk much but pointed
a great deal with outstretched little
finger, & c'd say heck-^e for bucket, party-
bickie for biscuit, me-a, for more, berries

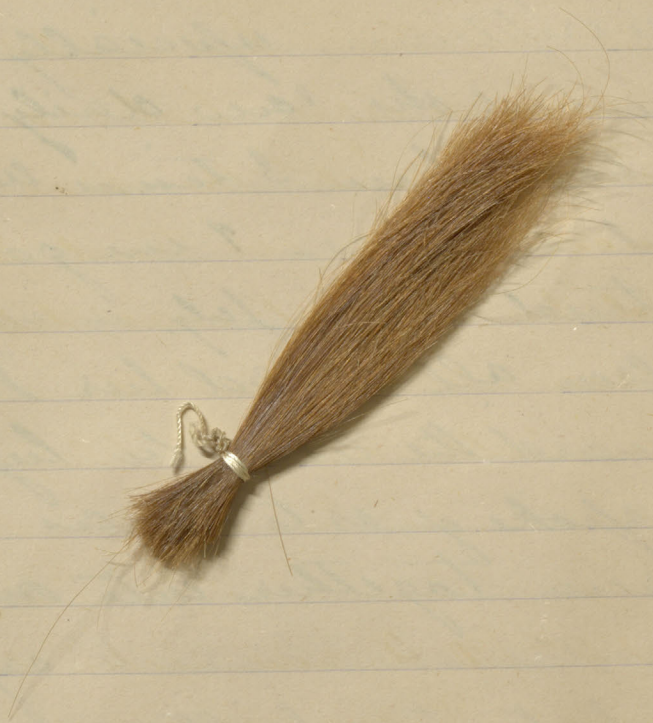


Eckie Con-act - Gush (Kull) & Stare for Clara,
also Tatie for Kate, ^{home home - latter (last)} & various other little
words. She delighted in a carriage drive
& was keenly interested in animals of
all descriptions, especially the pigeons
crows which she saw daily -

She had been 3 times vaccinated
without success - & we got a point
again tried it - in July, in vain.

The children all called her "Precious" it
was Bernard the less, who began it, he
always spoke of us to her as "Precious-
Thing" run together into one word -

At 14 months she began to say many little
words & to try to whistle which was very
funny to see, she made quite a fair at-
tempt; & screwed up her little lips in the
proper shape - also said "yah" for yes
with the most odd little intonation -
Hair light - brown - & curly -



Before we left - Ineta she wd run like a
little deer, & entered heartily into any little
play the children were at. Clara was
especially good to her, & often took care
of her for a half hour for me. Lais
was a very merry, frolicsome, kittenish
little person, quite the most attractive
baby since Edith - we tried to think she
resembled her, but it was difficult to tell,
she wd run about with a yellow kitten
tugged in both arms, & play to jump round
the corners of the house, carefully going
backwards down the steps.

On Oct 4th /90 A new sister came.

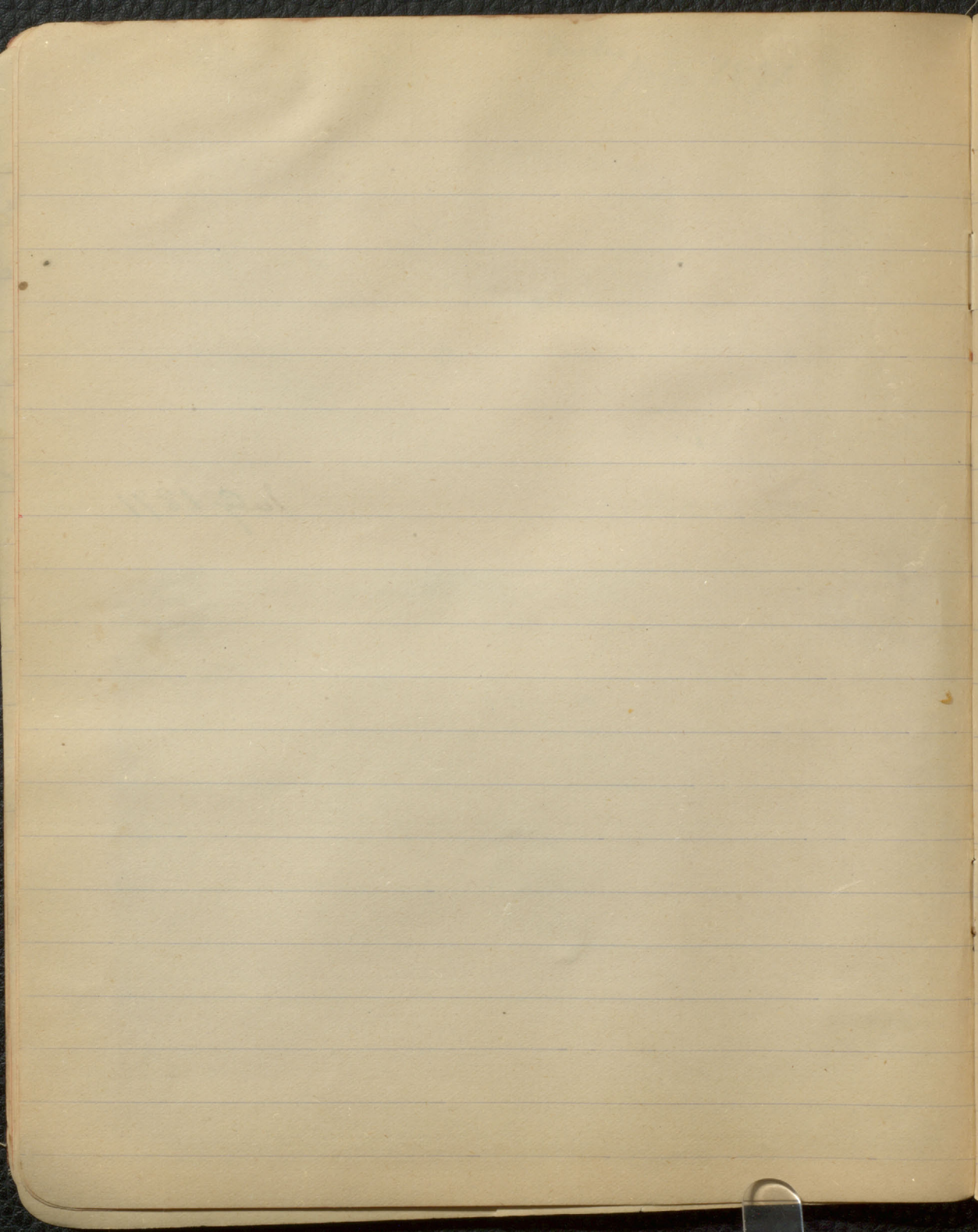
Constance Eva - & was a great wonder & de-
light to Lais, who called her "the small baby".

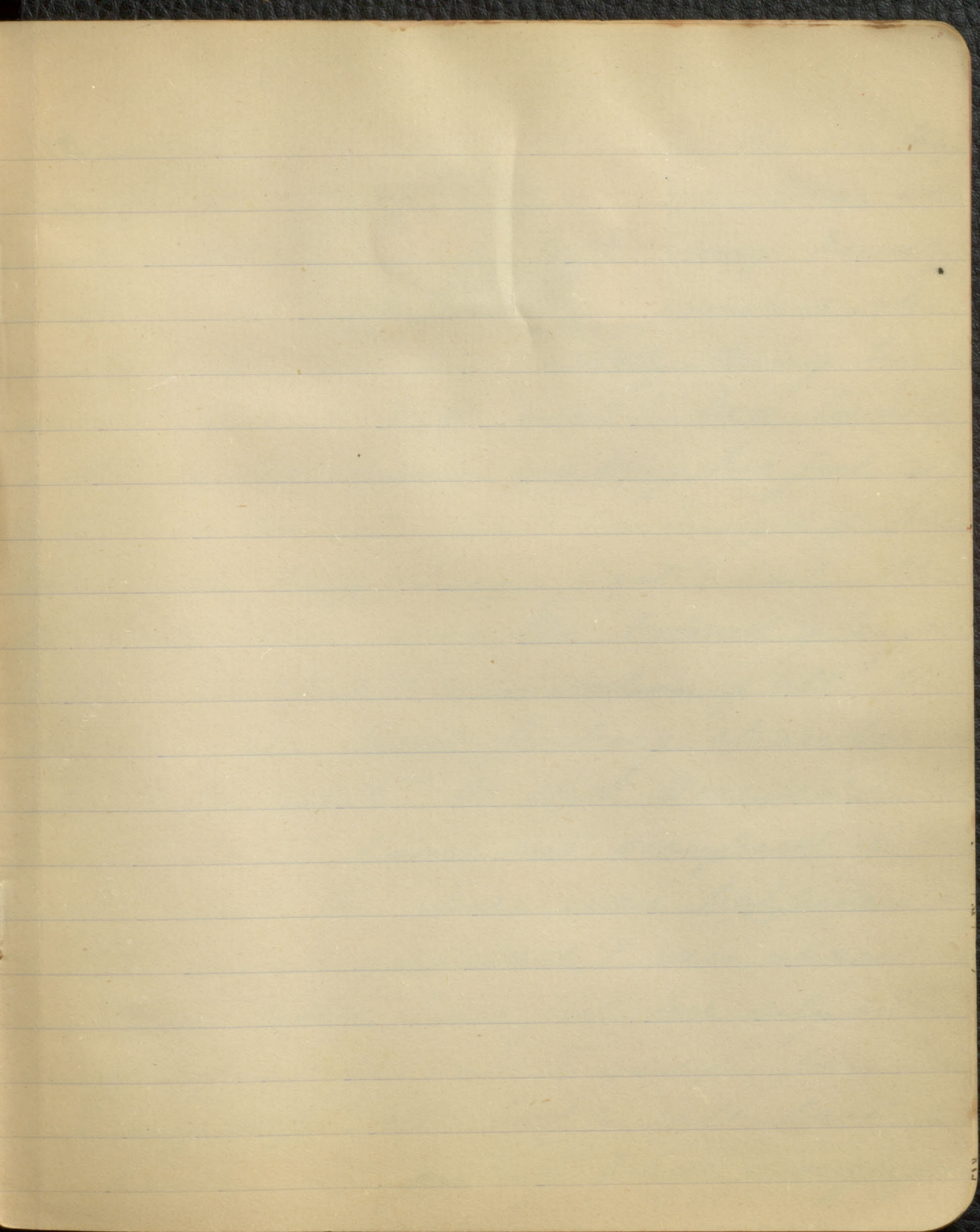
Balcony of HARRINGTON house
at Melis Anna Lois Harrington & Lady Dawson
center, George Mercer Dawson at Right.



July 1891



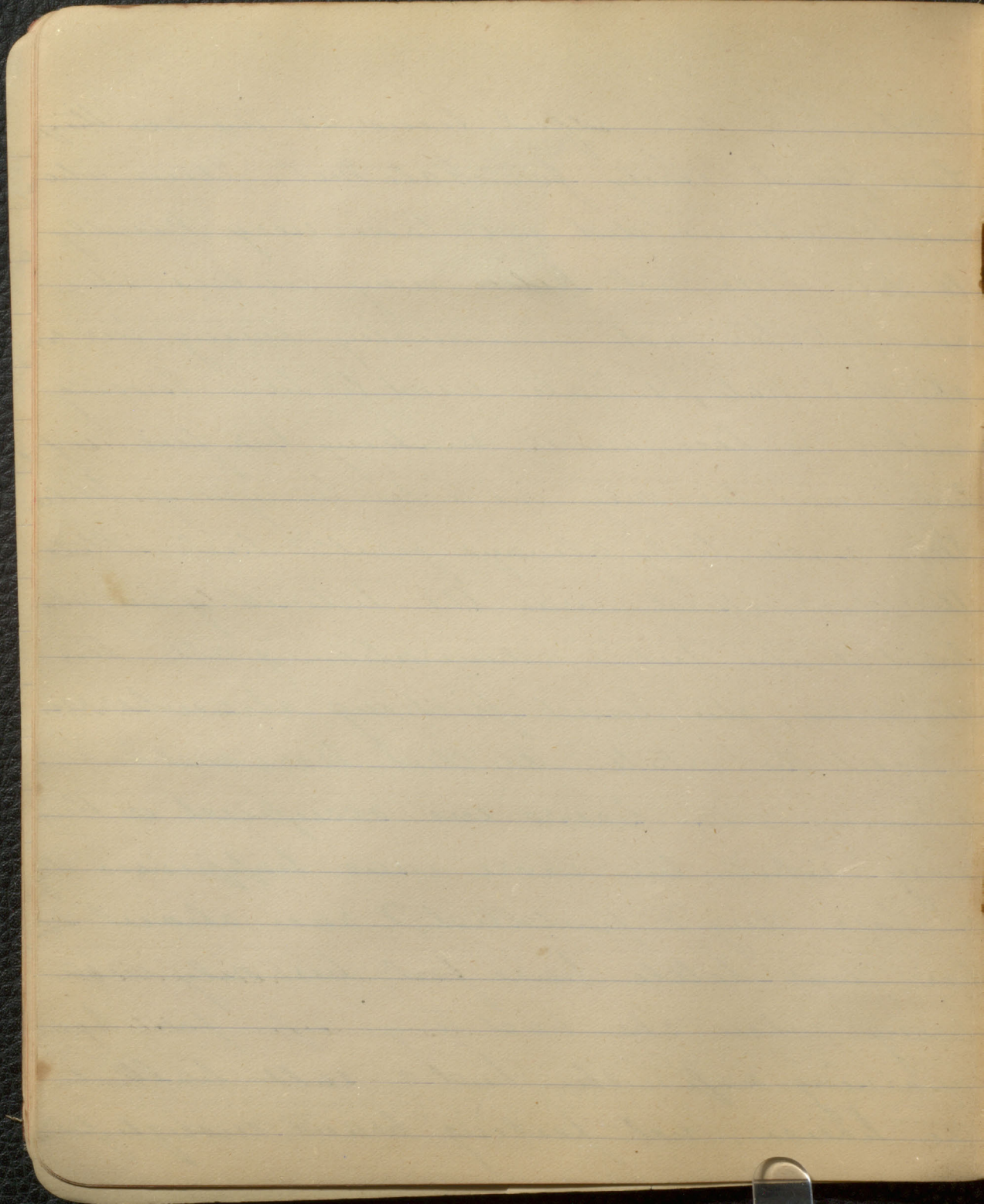




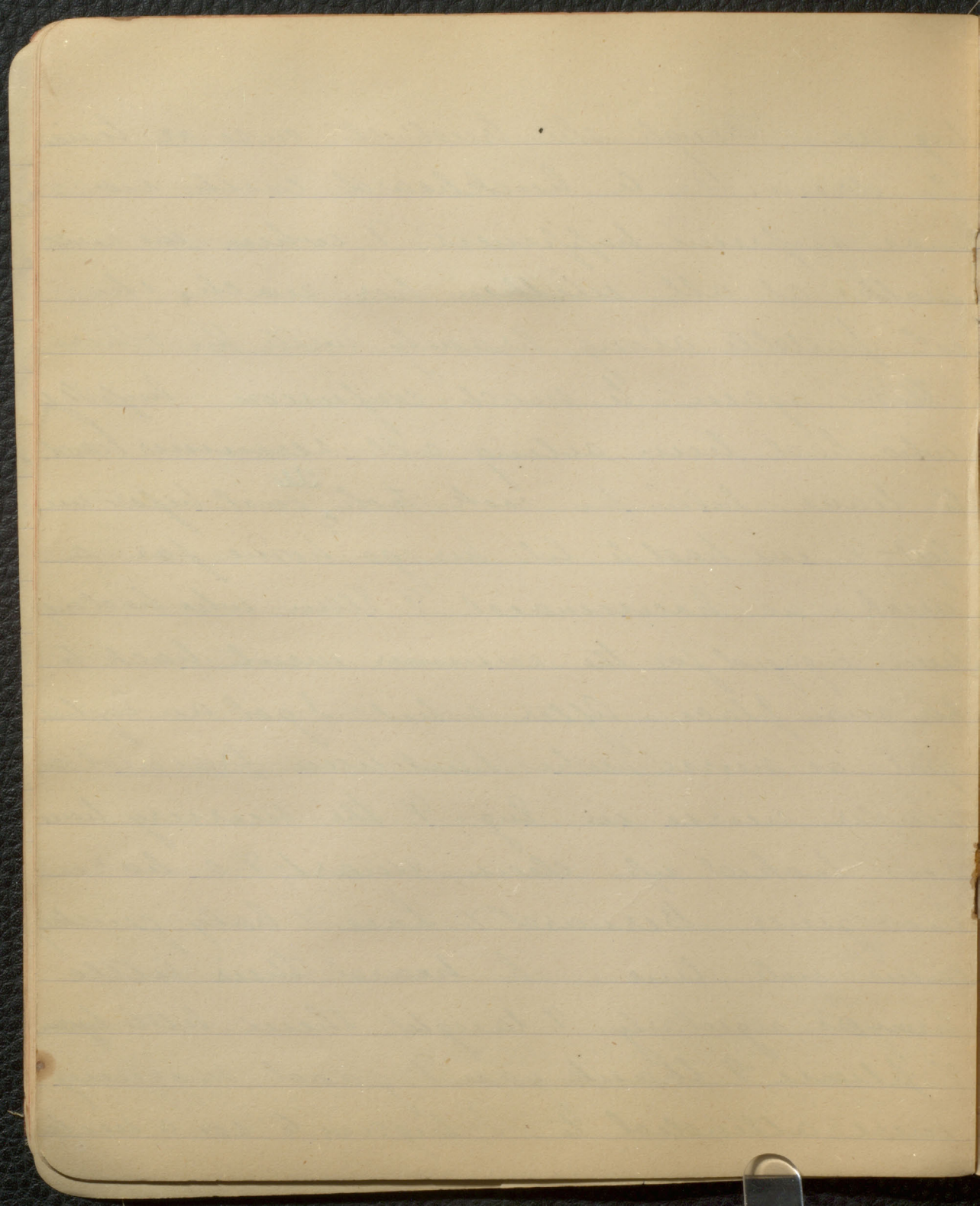
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Lois Hair
29th Jan

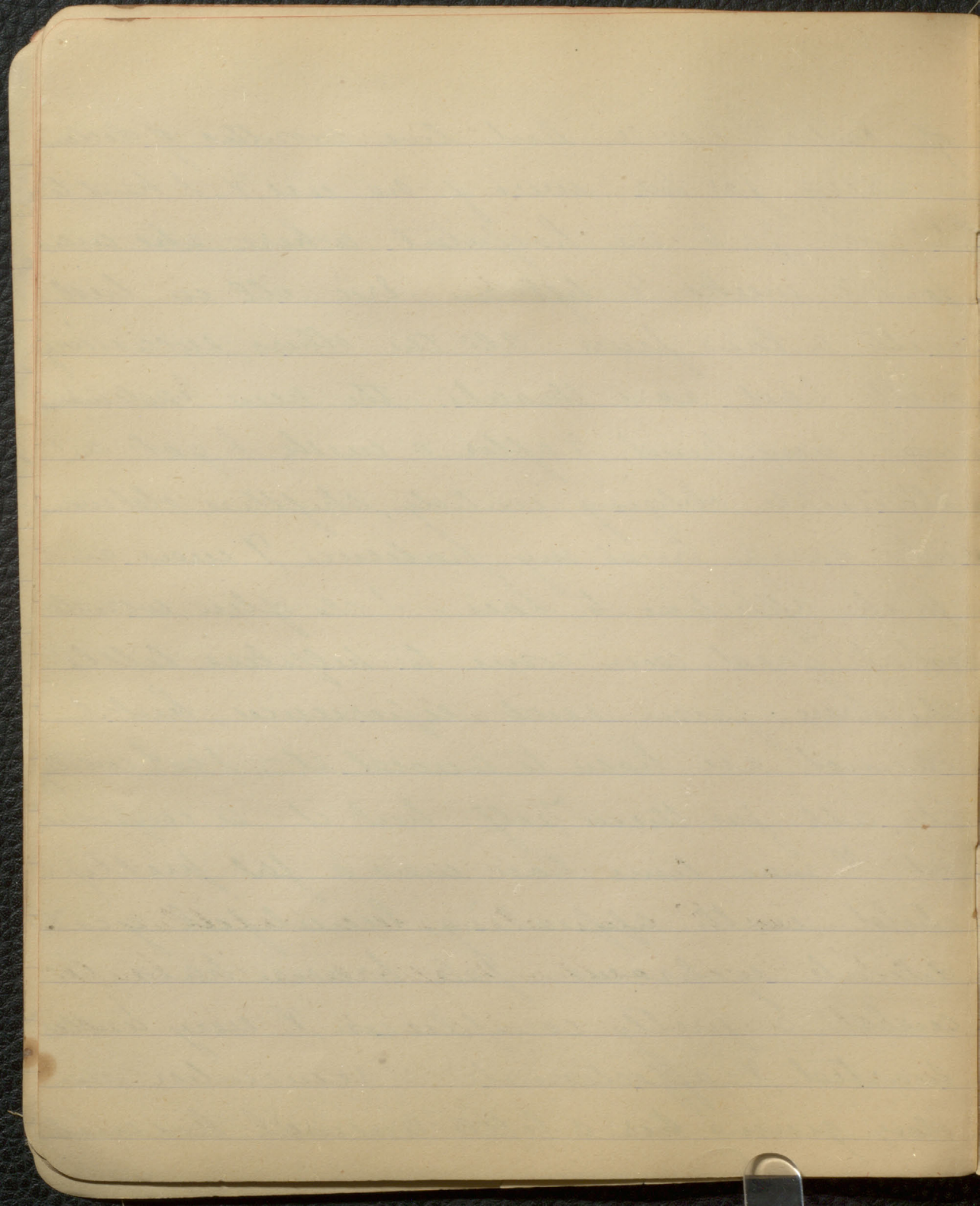
Such a delightful time at the sea though
Lais pinched sorely for Kate Incl. Ellen who
went with us did not take very kindly
to Lais I do not know why unless she
resented her not immediately loving her as
she did Kate, & Kate used to be a loving
mother to Lais, never making her feel as if
baby was the only one to be thought of. Ellen
made baby always first & best. Still
the dear child was the beloved of her father's
heart, & the pet & admiration of all the
children, she loved picking strawberries
about the "estate" As did Bernard the Lais
& many odd hours were occupied in this
way, while the shore was happiness itself
& Lais dug & paddled, & ran about on
her dear little bare feet, her only woe
being when she had to go up for her
morning nap - she had a salt bath in
the house, not feeling brave enough for



big sea - though she tried it once or twice.
To drive the a keyboard with us
was supreme happiness - & when we went
walks, at all within her reach, she
w^d paddle along bravely with the others.
Some again - to much confusion - Miss H. ^{James}
who had been ailing all summer had
to leave, & the cook took ^{ill} just before we
left - & we had to let her go home for a
week - no housemaid, & Ellen who had long
been engaged for the summer went back to
her own place - After a bit - I got an English
girl as nurse, who had been trained as
under nurse in Eng - & the nursery busi-
ness looked up - clean, smart, & a bare-
lawn giver - Bernard & Laes & holy quacks,
came into line - she heard their little
prayers regularly - & taught them little hymns
& please, I thank you, & good morning,
were attended to - I began to see a villa

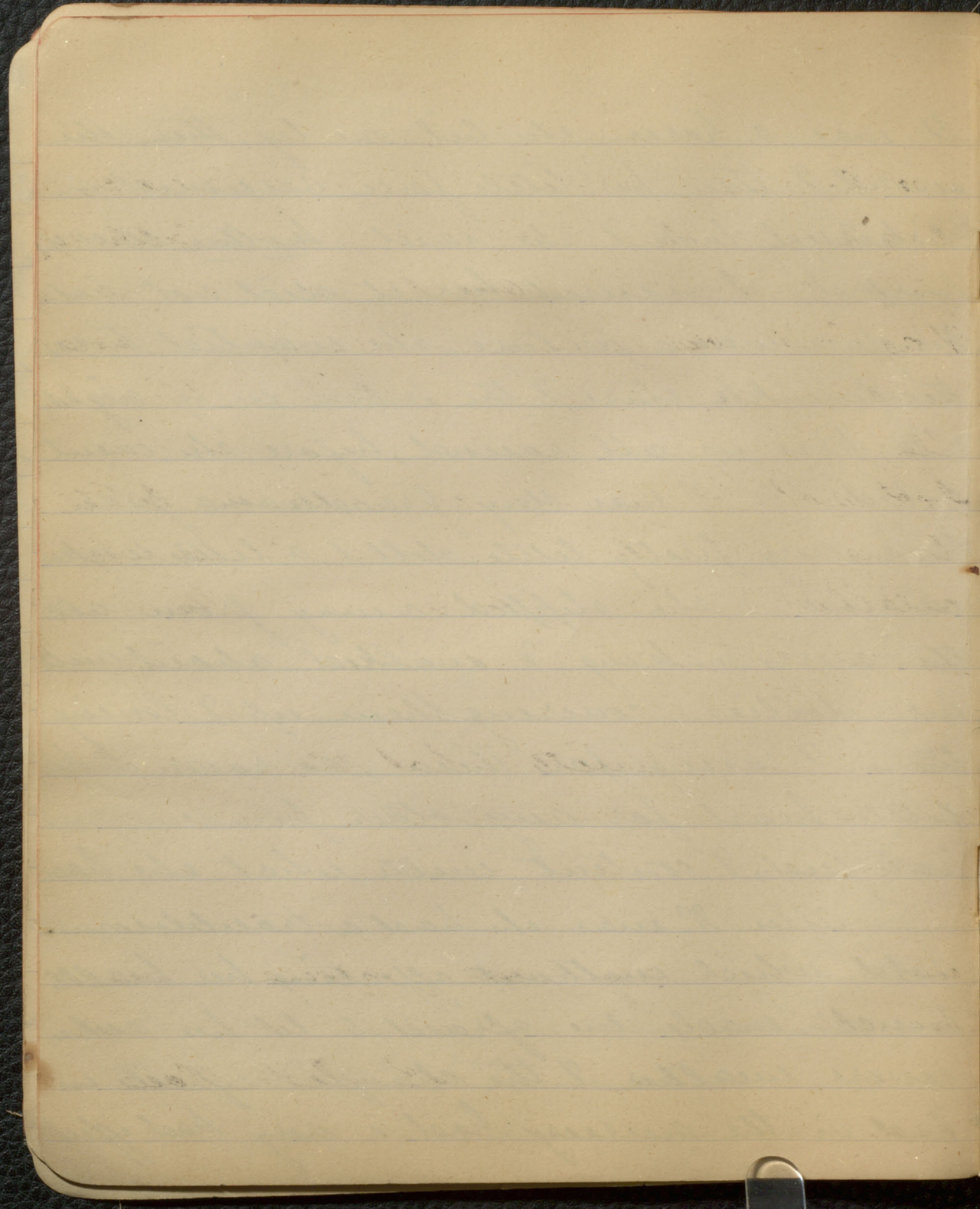


of order & peace, but two months of doctory
& caring for her were of no use, & I had to
let her go to the hospital where she was
for 8 weeks, & left me Eric ill in bed
with a low fever - all the others succumbing
with had sore throats, the new Mademoiselle
was very kind, & after a week I got a
plausible obliging, untidy, shiftless, old woman
who rarely tried my patience, I was a
fresh affliction to Lucie - I do often wonder
what good can come to helpless little
children from such experiences, but I
cannot see how to avoid it - I wd willingly
do all for them ^{my} self but it is impossible
at N. mas time Lucie was a fat pretty
child with appealing, beautiful eyes &
delicate eyebrows - pale brown hair in
curls - a pretty complexion, & very tender
hearted & affectionate, I remember one
day giving her a little animal biscuit

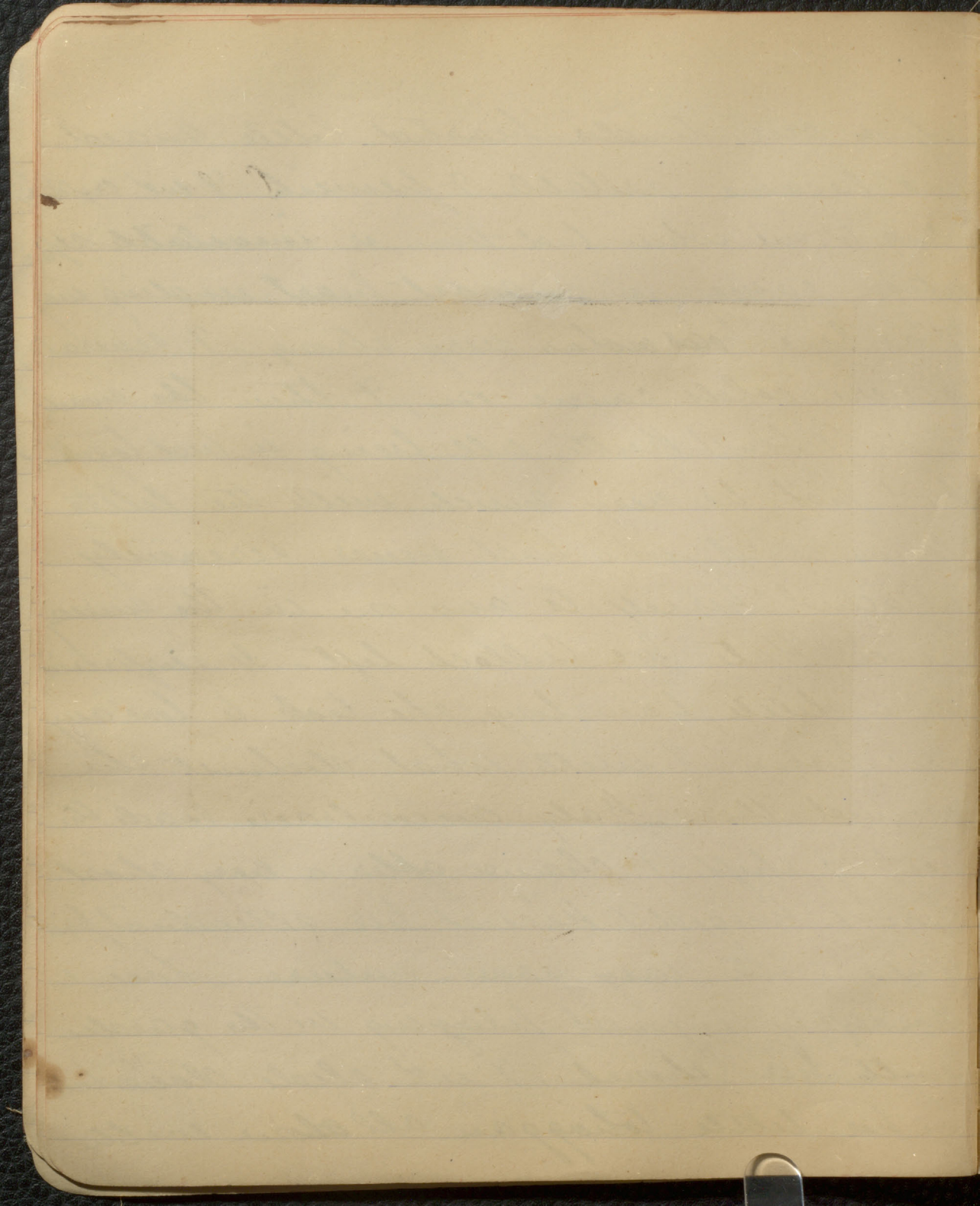


It was a horse she bit one leg, then the second, & then her little face assumed a distressed look & she said - Mother, does it hurt it - "I assured her it did not, but her face was a picture, she wanted to see the twinkling stars, & the moon every night & to kiss us all round, before she went to bed. On N. was day Grandmama gave her a very pretty little doll, & a little wicker carriage, & she slipped away from all the merry-making, & dwelt about with her dollies - covering them up, & loving them, & caring for them, no room in her little heart for any other pleasure quite satisfied, & content with what she had.

After N. was she had a tracheitis - cold, which without affecting her health much - made me afraid to let her out in severe weather, & the changes & upsets we had in the nursery, had a very bad effect



upon our tender-hearted little maid
who became irritable & peevish - I wd cry &
cling to me when bad time or inevitable separ-
ation came, in a most heart-rending way
& as Eric's ~~head~~ ^{voice} was very strong - & several
severe colds came on, & then the sweet
Clara & Cor, & Kettle all being in bed together
I cd not be very much with the little
loving child, who had never sincerely
attached herself to any one in the nursery
since Kate Mc Culloch left - It surprised
me a little, how long she took to love any
new person - & with what distrust she
received them, Baly one contrair made the
best of shift, & change after a very short
time, I hugged & kissed her attendant pro-
tramps with easy good nature - Lois so
thoroughly enjoyed playing in the garden
with her shovel, & wd slide down
on her little toboggan all alone with

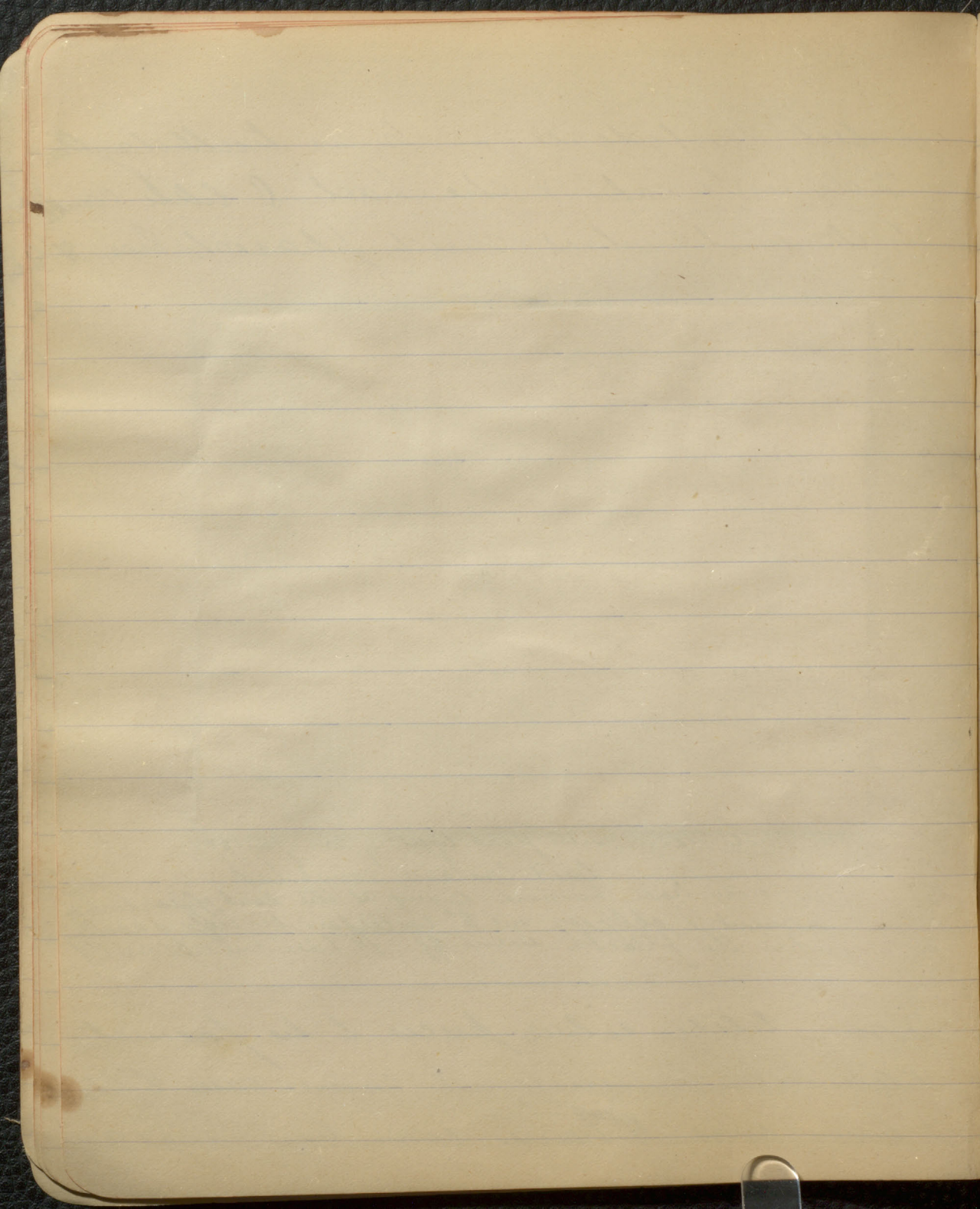


perfect confidence - On her birthday
made her a cake & she had 3 little candles
stuck in it - which much pleased her &



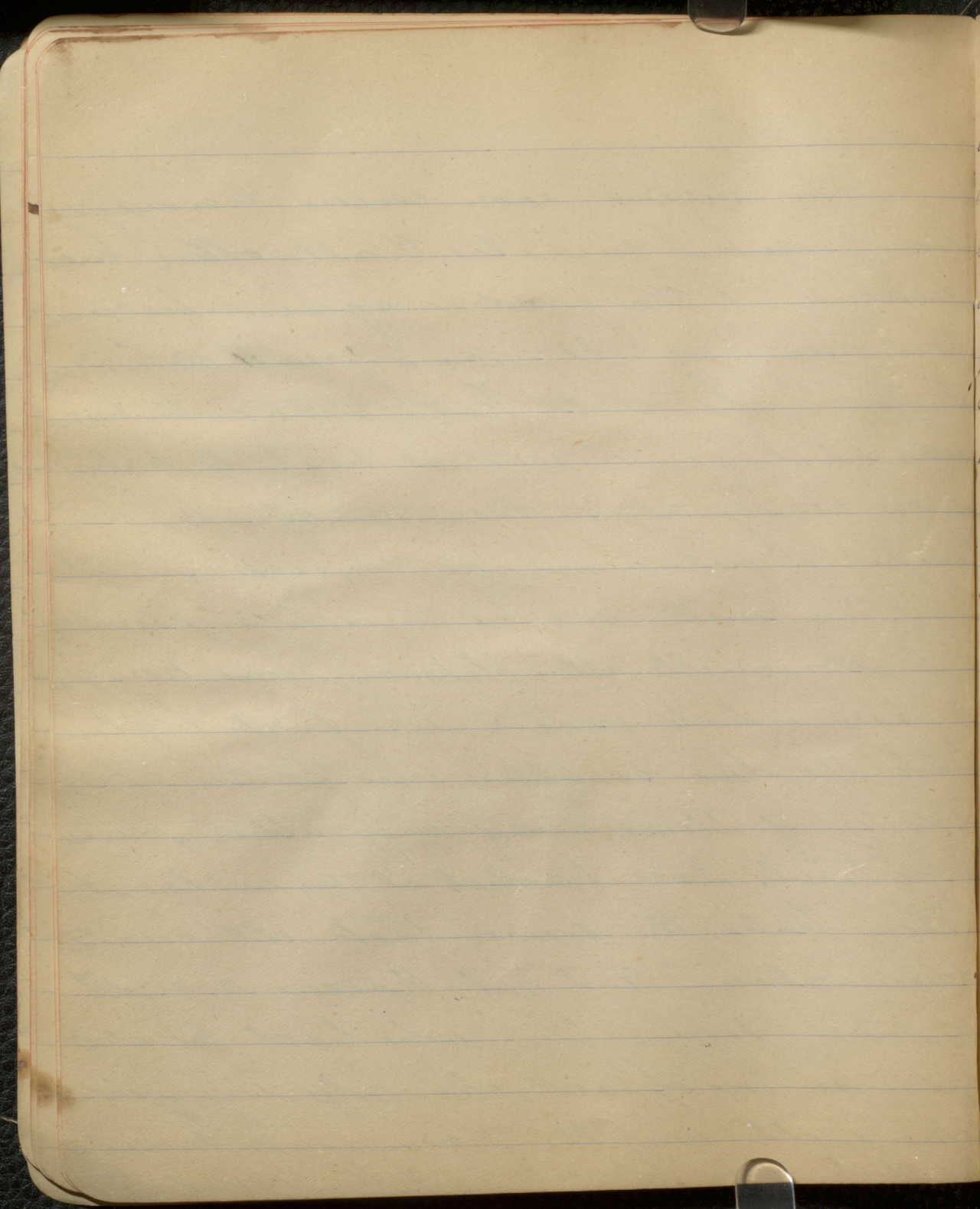
Photo. taken with flash light - by Eric - Jan 1892
Lois & Constance going to bed - the former
in very bad humours - crying at the last opportunity
moment & obliging me to interfere, in hope of soothing
when the flash went off - & here we all are!

some little silver pieces to be focused,
little Helen Drummond came over to play
& Owen was to have come but was not



not well -

The spring soon came having
the German measles & all other was
behind - & the garden again became
the daily joy - It was a great deliverance
to Lai's who with Katie Webb in the nursery
~~was~~ still quite second best to baby &
was really at a disadvantage in her
temper & behaviour in consequence - I
had her with me as much as possible
& Mademoiselle (Elise Flakman) was very good
to her which was a comfort, & I often
took the two smaller ones for an after
noon if there was any other pressing
& certainly Lai's hailed it as a treat
Then Katie the nurse took ill with
rheumatism, & I got Roseine a well
trained Swiss girl who had lived 10
years in one place, she only engaged to
stay with me the 3 summer months
& did stay about 4 - & the comfort of



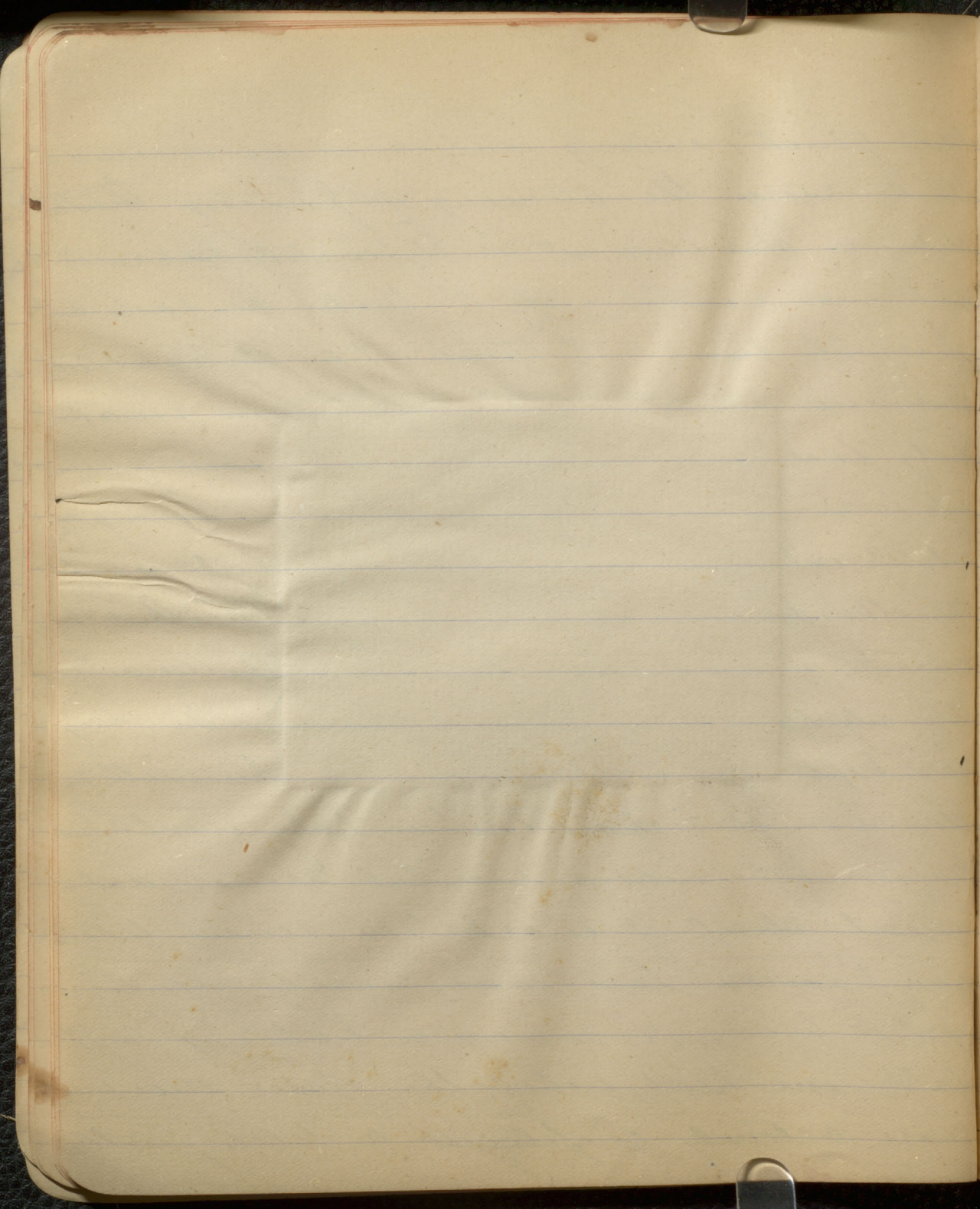
the quiet, orderly duty-abiding presence
the nursery - the blessing of feeling that a
definite direction, was ^{to} definitely carried
out was untold - off to bed as soon as
possible from I think a delightful
summer.

baby. Lois
up her
a little early
the others she
awake in
I rarely slept
so I kept

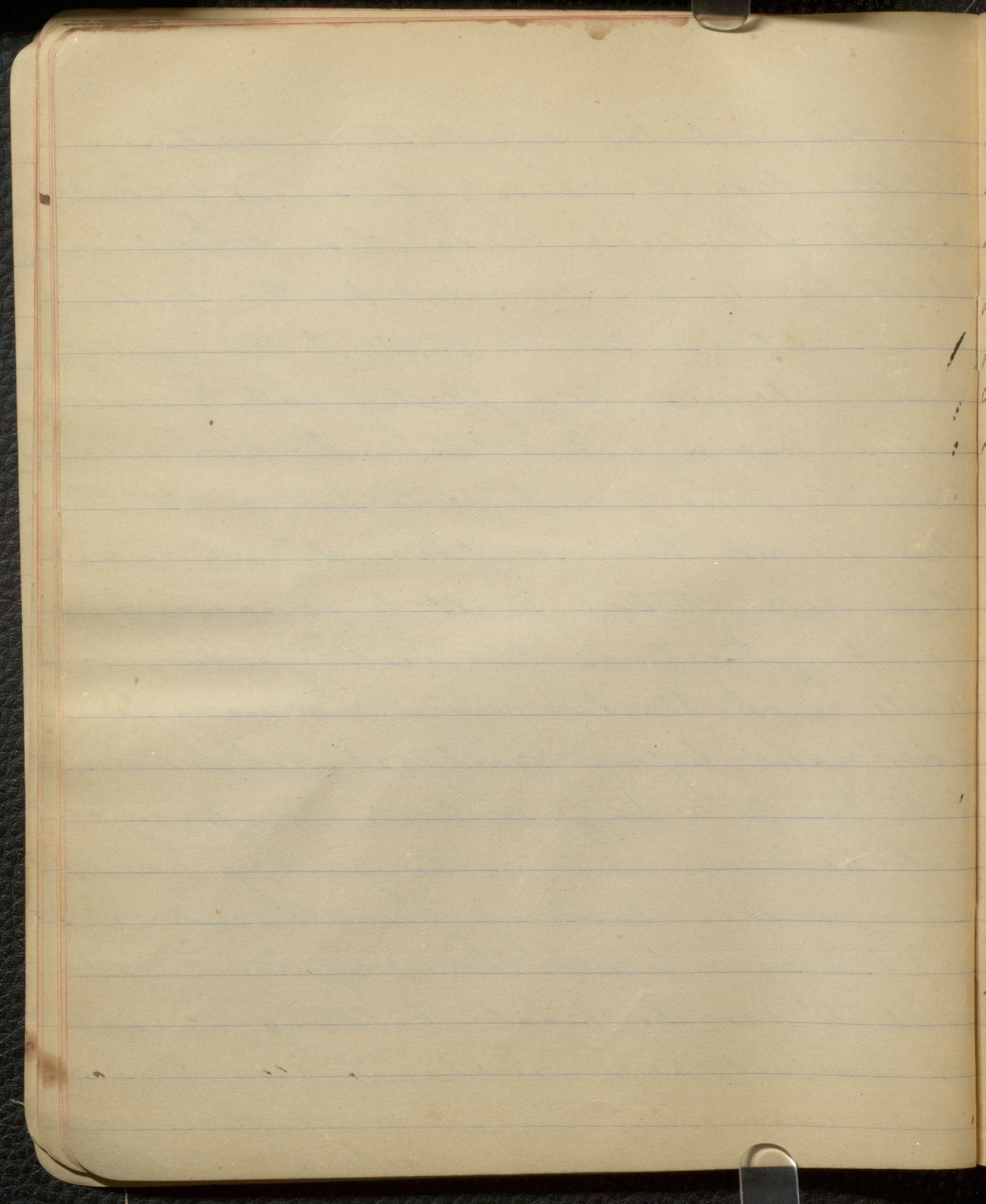


no small
now you
morning
but as with
began to lie
~~the others who~~
the evening
in the day
her with me

down on the chair & when baby went to bed
Kasine who was a capital sewer, did a
great deal of work & a sweet little
companion Lois was, nearly always
just beside me, & many a happy play
talk we had, while the older ones were
more actively employed a little further



off. She had the sympathetic nature of
Edith, though scarcely of so fine a quality
& that spiritual perception which en-
abled her to grasp great truths by her
own appreciation, & shall I say right of
them. She was very fond of baby & well
Kosini's more just administration, she was
gave up being unkind to her, of which
other nurses had complained, & wh. was
their own stupid fault by favouring baby
& making the poor elder sister jealous.
Ruth took the two every morning for a
half hour before ^{and} breakfast. While Kosini
had hers, & a happier little company co-
not be seen out on the gallery racers
the garden looking for strawberries
or taking a little turn up the quiet
road to see the brook babbling across
or inspect our neighbour's cow. The only
pass was when Conrad ambitious of dis-
tinction, & if he found Ruth 5th late, w^d

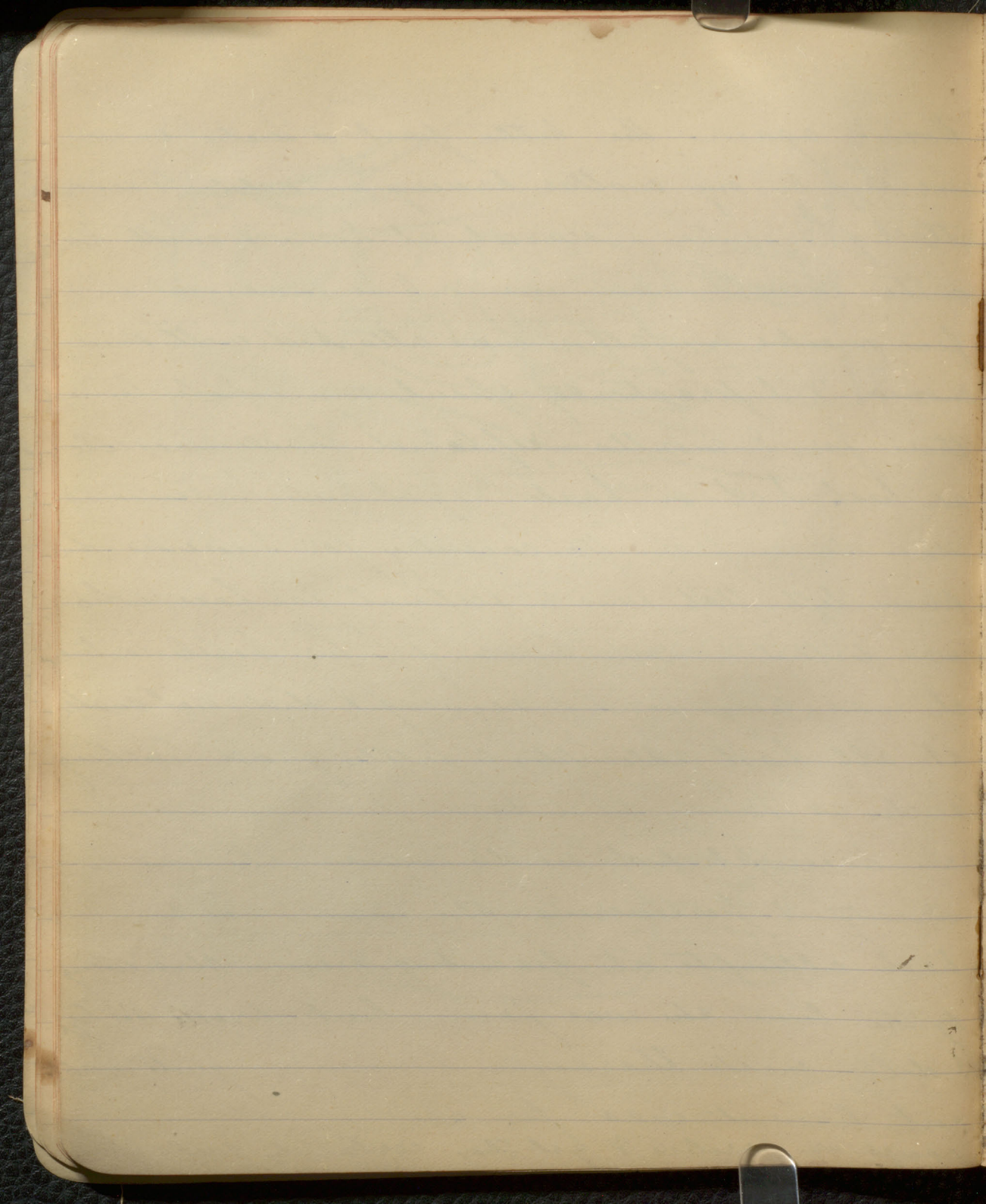


march off with the babies & Ruth to her
shrieking distraction w^d find them gone.
when she rushed down to the nursery
for them. It really was a comical & the
funniest. & as it only happened a few
times, did not do much harm, & kept
Ruth up to time - After tea I nearly
always found a few minutes to tell her
a little story, & hear her say the 23^d ^{words}
& she never omitted her own little prayer
or asking a blessing before her little ones
sweet & lovely, & lovable her father's darling
& her gr^t-recurring looks & ways that seem
to have been left her by Edith, made us
all have a very tender feeling towards
her - She greatly enjoyed driving or
going out in the boat, but was timid
about bathing, & I never suggested her
going in, unless fine weather & smooth
water made it inviting -

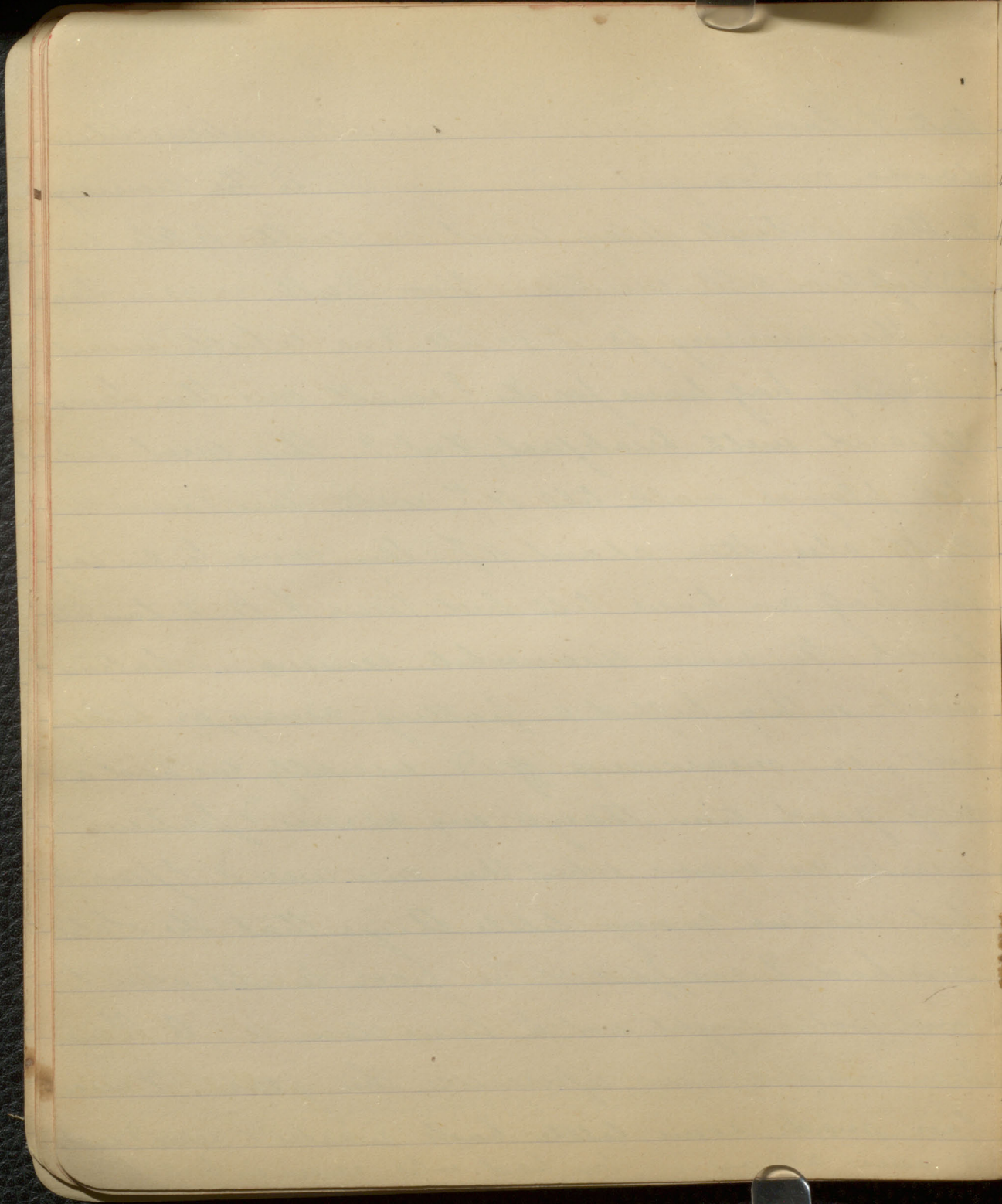


Laci
4 years

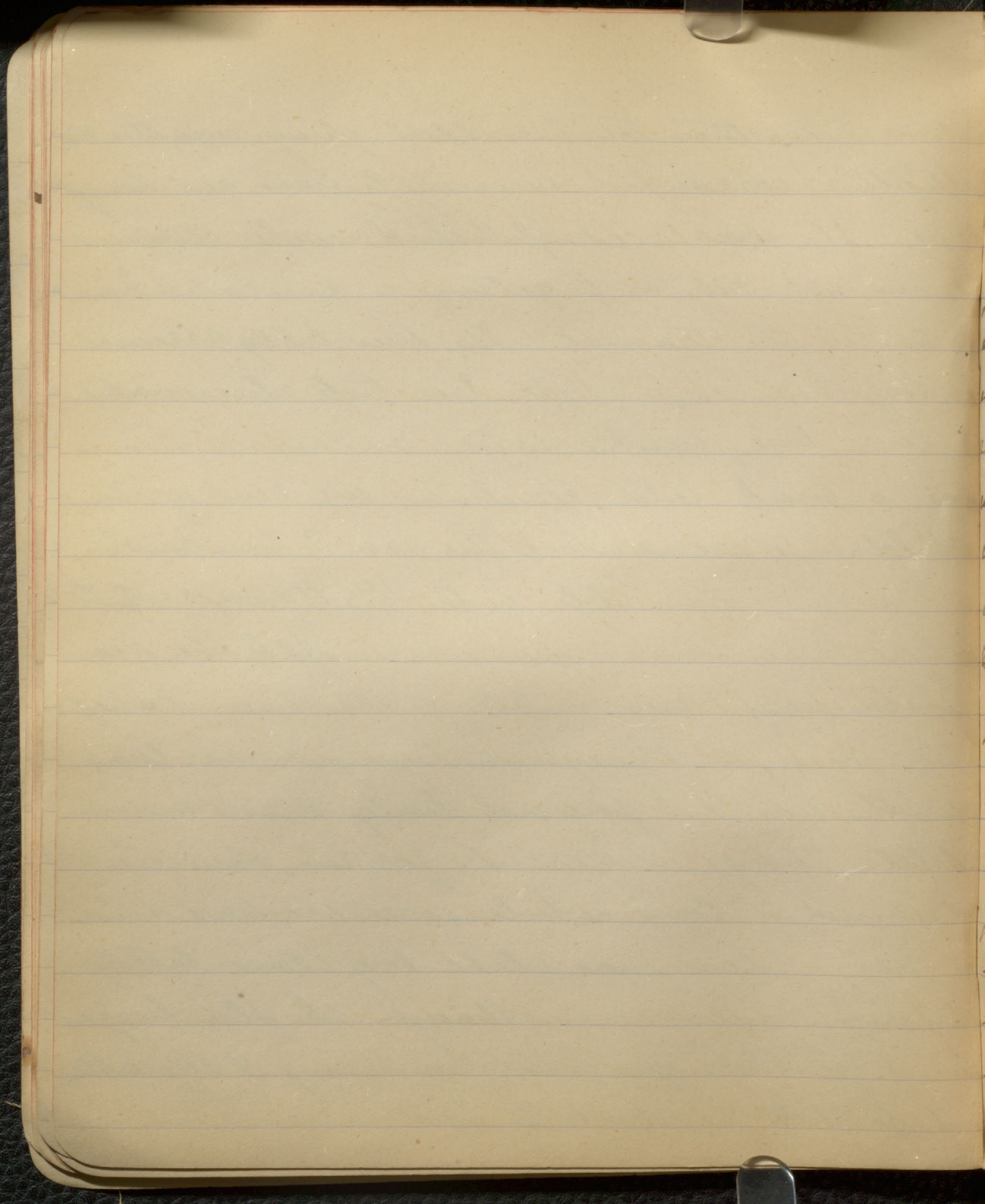
Home again, the latter part of my mother's illness
anxious by my mother having a sudden & severe
attack of Dysentery - scarcely at home & with her
on the wing, & Mademoiselle to be married in a
few weeks my father was attacked with Pneumonia - & I practically spent my whole time
there for 2 months replaced Mademoiselle
as best I could in haste - & got Kate Mc Culloch to
come down from the country for 3 weeks when
Karin left that was a festival for Karin who
was petted & made much of to her hearts content
she was very fond of sewing & did not make
at all bad attempts, a little good teaching
such as Fanny had begun, we have made her
an accomplished needle-woman she was so
dainty & persevering - she made, not at all
bad attempts at painting, & even drawing
by the time she was four - but broke her toy
& dolls made thoroughly I never could quite make
out how it was for she did not seem
rough or careless, & yet they certainly met a speedy



John, & Lois not baby was usually responsible
Laura, an Eng. girl now resigned in the nursery
& the outside play went on with little in-
terruption all winter. Clara Ruth was in charge
in the nursery fr. 7.30 till 8.00 which meant
a happy half hour for the 3 small ones, then Laura
appeared with breakfast, & at 9. they went out
for play or walk till 10^{1/2} with Clara, & usually
Ruth also, then about 11^{1/2} they came to me baby
for half an hour till bed time & B. & Lois till
Lunch, the nurse meanwhile sewing - whatever
went on they helped, a putting away, or taking
out, or measuring off - & usually we had a
very good time, though my nerves & patience
were by no means what they once were, & I fear I
left undone many little things that the older
ones had, & snapped at the poor lambs when I
need not, & ought not to have done so. A N. ma.
tree made a new experience this year. & we
Lois made some little book marks & dolls & such
to give away - but had cold come in back to the

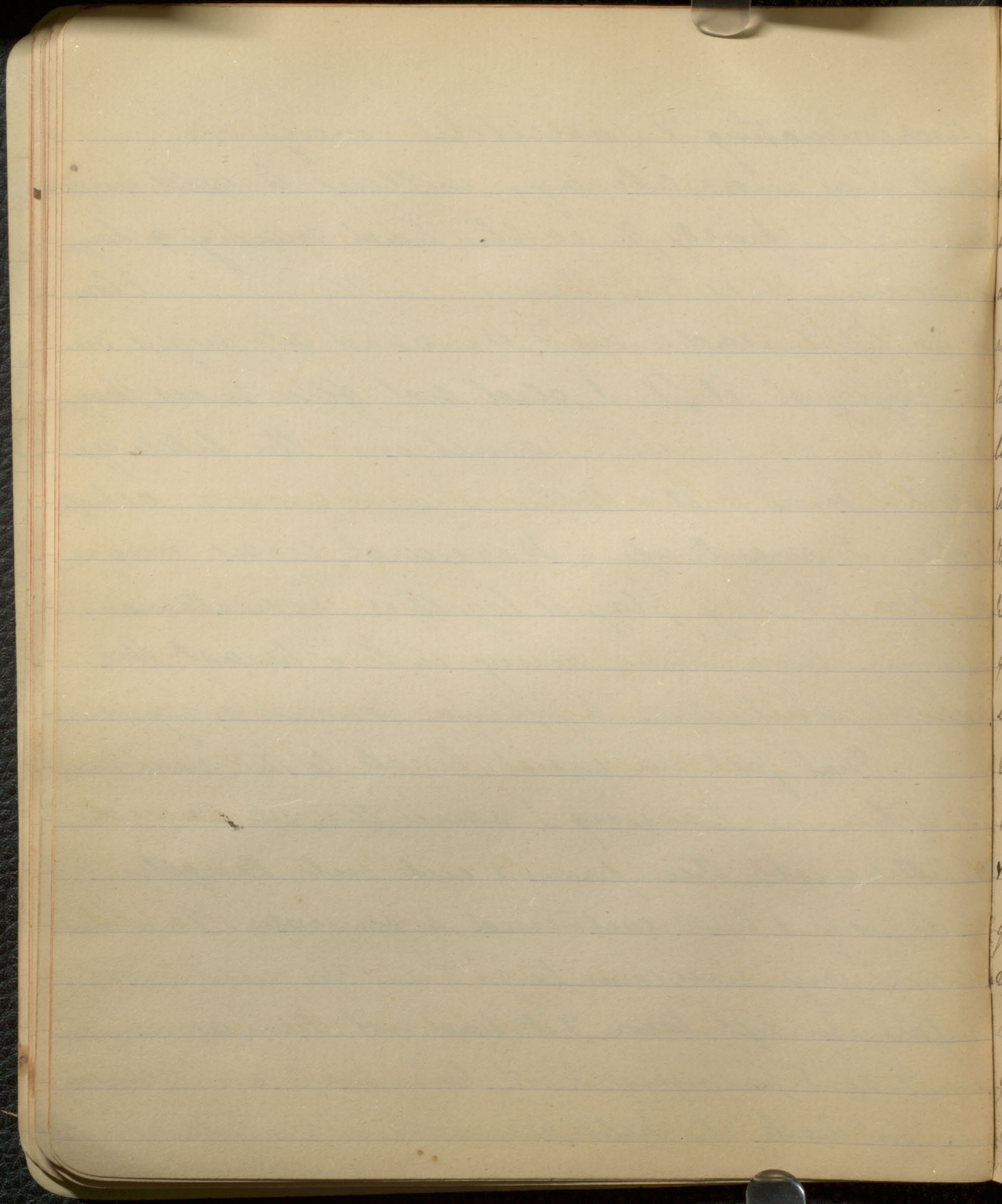


little ones - then the beautiful spring weather & the
altogether sorrowful necessity to leave our home of
17 yrs. It was accomplished with difficulty,
among not only as to getting a suitable horse
but - in the transit - The new baby arrived
unexpectedly on May 19th. Eric took rheumatic
fever two weeks later, my nurse had to
go, a week later, somehow, we sent off the
children & servants to the sea, & tumbled
as soon as possible into 295 University St
slight there two nights, then off to the sea
with baby & Eric - all well there, & a happy
summer, though a trying summer was
with us. & I found baby made many
little things different for the children, it
seemed a long while since we had had
a baby - Lois was still my close little
friend on the shore, though she often begged
us to go over for Constance Boney, & she attached
herself warmly to this child, in her own

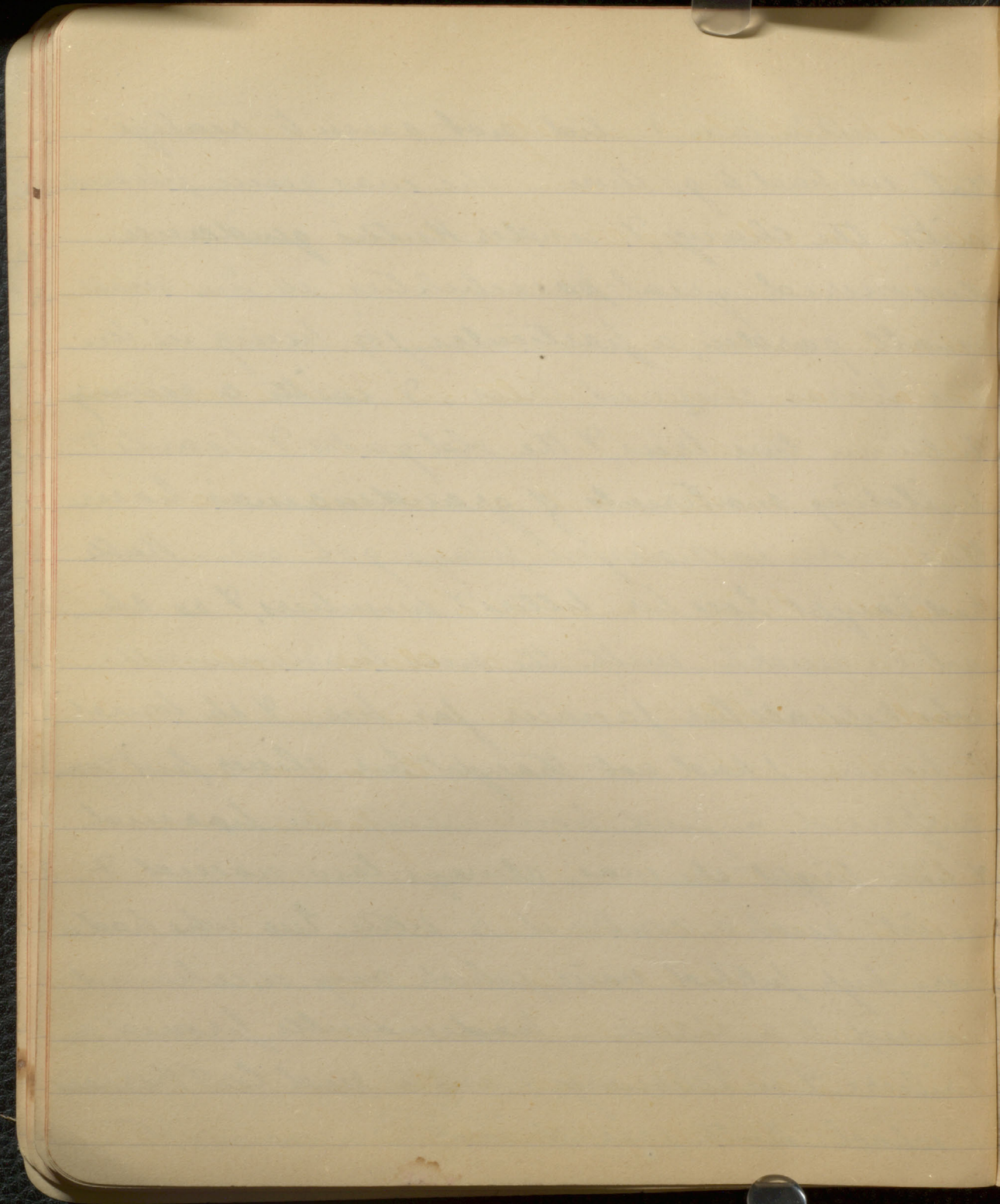


discriminating, & persistent way -
Miss Loy was always willing to add her
the elder party, & so she had many a long
journey, & extra treat with them. I loved
to go up & read to her & Bernard at night, she
so enjoyed it, & I did not often miss, though
narrow of vision sometimes the little eyes
w^d be shut, & the little snail would creep
when I went up. Bernard was very good
to her, & they played together sometimes
though there was rising in B's breast the
great ambition to follow Courat anywhere.

That fall we went back to the new house
& when in passing I saw the dear old
butter nut tree, felled & cut into lengths, I
felt as if I had witnessed a murder. Lois had
been very anxious to go & see the new house
before she left town, & it had not been accomplish-
ed, & so I promised I w^d take her to see it directly
we got back, she kept reminding me of this, in her



small little way, & did not seem to realize
that we had to go there. She was quite pleased
with the change, & under Ruth's guidance
discovered great possibilities in the new
small garden, a particular joy being in the
two horse-chestnut trees, & with a sewing
between two trees, & the old gates & boards &
building materials of grandmama's house
there were wonderful plays got up. Ruth
had taught Lois her letters & numbers, & so she
got on quickly with the new Mademoiselle
who kept all her papers for her, & she loved
to learn. I had not thought her clever, but was
surprised to find how easily she learned
& how bright she was, always low-voiced &
quiet, such a contrast to little Eva who had a
very high-pitched voice, which any excitement
raised to a shriek. Mademoiselle proved a
failure, & in February, I had to send Con & Bernard
to school, Ruth joined, Miss Drummond, &

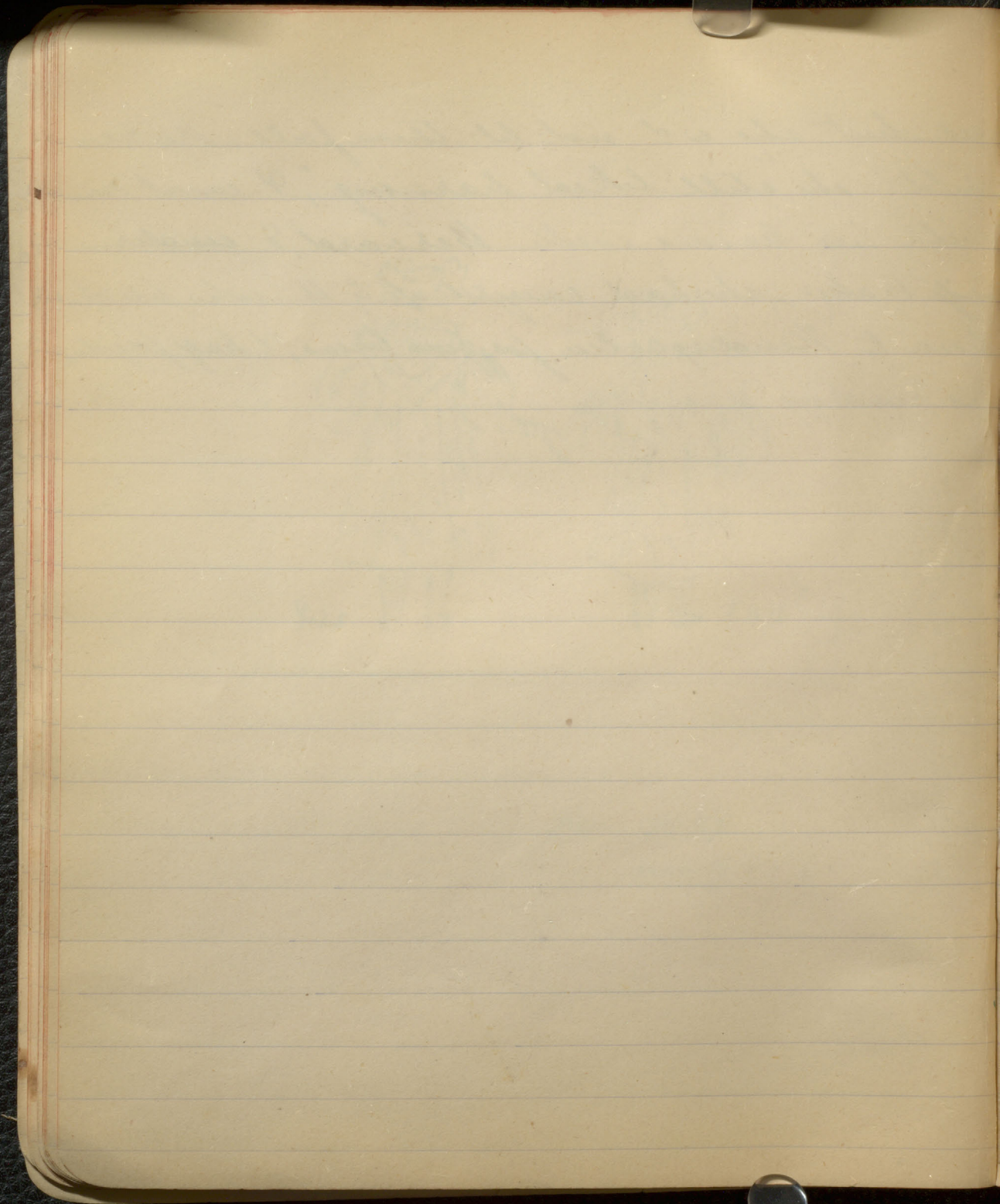


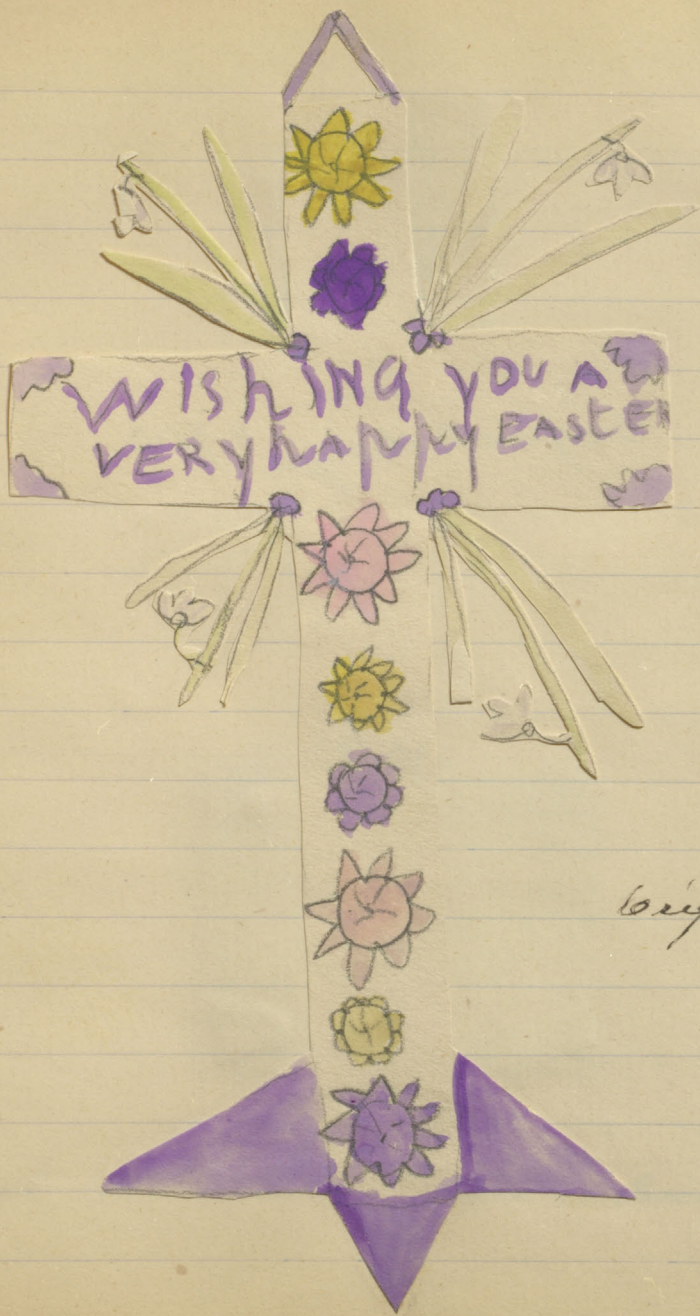
undertook Lais myself. Every morning she
w^d softly open the nursery door, & say "Mother
don't forget to call me to lessons!" for the
hour was uncertain, & evidently she dread-
ed to be forgotten, but generally I managed
to have an hour with her, & it was a true
pleasure to teach her, so earnest, & so quick
was she. On the whole the easiest to teach since
Edith. It was a pretty confused winter
towards spring, grandpapa & grandmama got
into their new house, & a door between
made us able to be very neighborly - & I
thought we w^d settle down to so much of each other
& that I w^d be more helpful to my father & mother
when Iris' poor health assumed such a form that
I had to go away with him to the Adirondacks,
& leave the children for the whole long summer,
at the end of Sept. I went home for 4 days, & dear
Lais hung about me like a shadow, & each day
counted how long I had to stay, with tears in her



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eyes, but she wd not let them fall. Precious
child! she "still liked learning", & went on
with her lessons with Bernard, & under
Miss Baker, she had caught up to B. who had
been to Kindergarten for two terms, & had forgotten
his reading & sums.





original design
8 yrs.





Sybil Wilson & "Lois which is Sybil"



pretending to play the
piano ..

Lois

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Karn Hall,

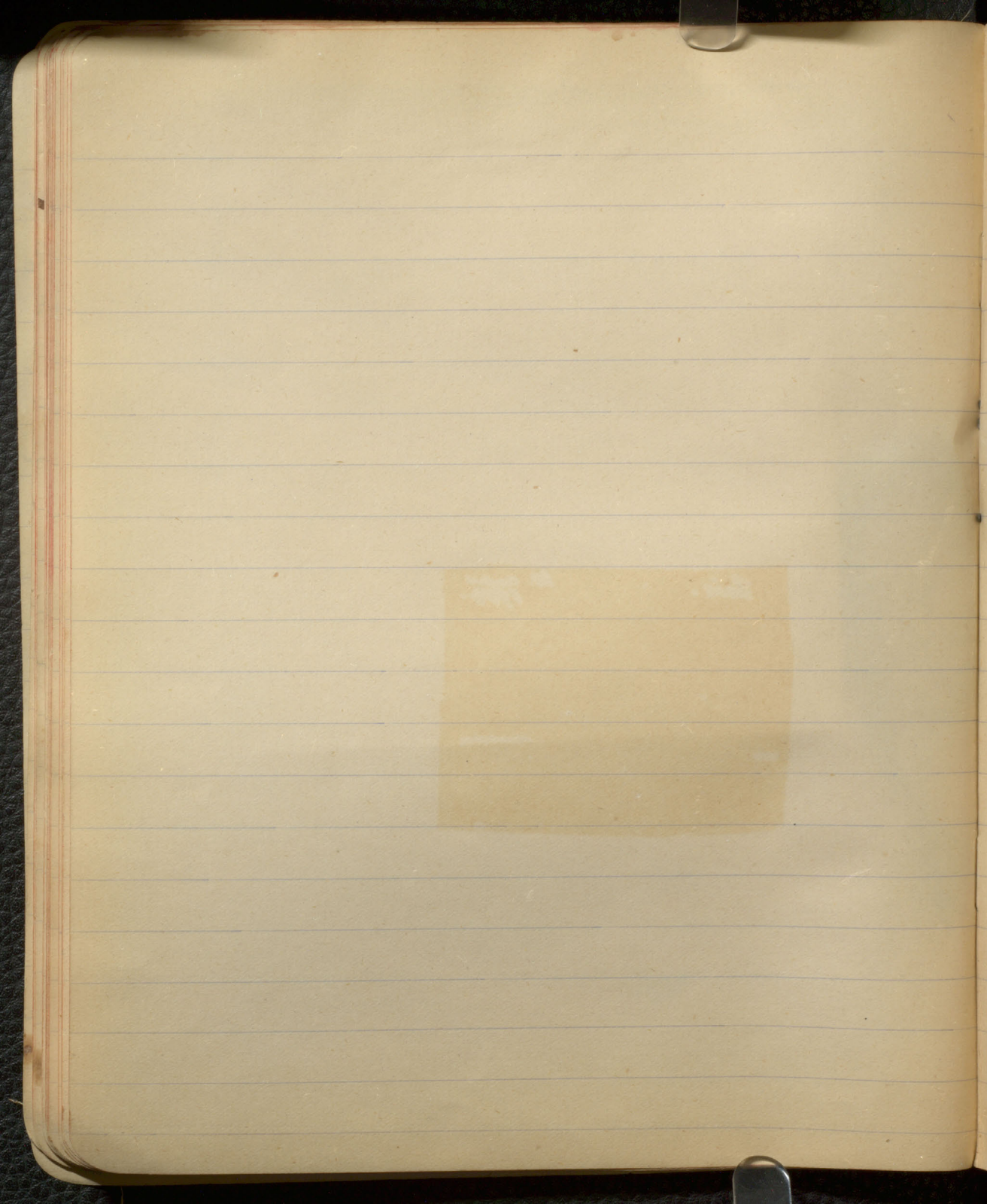
SATURDAY, APRIL 28TH, AT 4 P.M.



PROGRAMME.

- I. Elementary Reading, with Position of the Notes on the Piano.
- II. Pianoforte Selections
(*Duet*)—EVA AND LOIS HARRINGTON.
HAROLD ALEXANDER.
ELEANOR FLEET.
- III. (*a*) Time Division.
(*b*) Technical Exercise.
- IV. Pianoforte Selections
KATHLEEN BLACK.
ISOBEL STARKE.
MURIEL MILLEN.
(*Trio*)—{ LOIS HARRINGTON, CONSTANCE AND
ERICA BOVEY.
- V. Game with Signs.
- VI. Pianoforte Selections
PEARL LESLIE.
DORA BAYLIS.
(*Duet*)—KATIE AND MARY EWING.
BERTHA LEISHMAN.
- VII. Ear Training—using keyboard.
- VIII. Pianoforte Selections
BOBBIE SMYTHE.
LEEDA RAMSAY.
ROBERTSON FLEET.
(*Duet*)—EMILY AND MAXWELL CAMPBELL.
- IX. Scale Drill.
Expression and Rhythm.

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GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.



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THIRD YEAR. *20. and 1700-*

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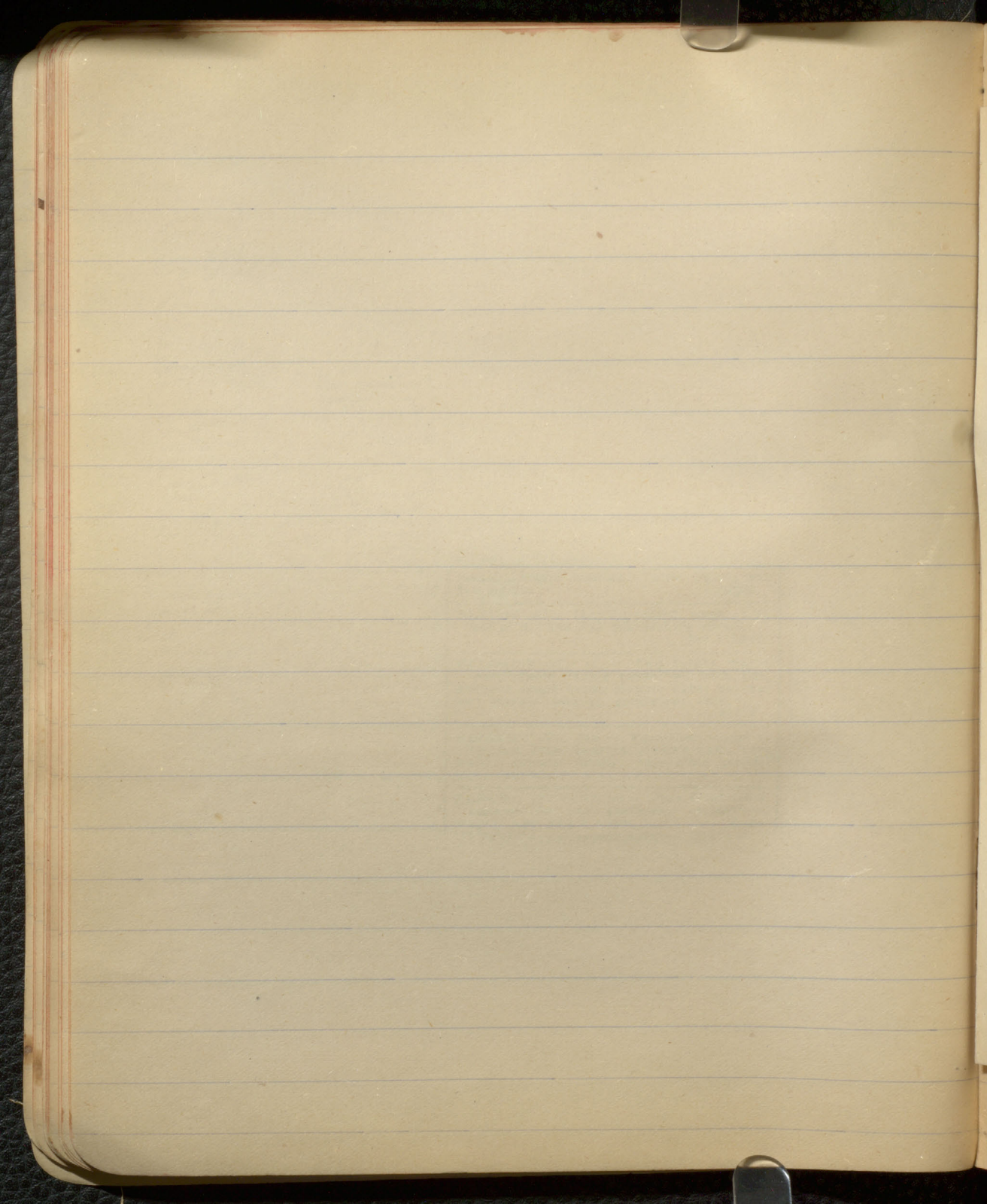
Honors, Class I. — De Sola, Elder, Mariotti, Papineau, Couture.

GEOLOGY.

Class I. — Mabon, Badgeley, Rosenberg, Lamb, McWhinney, Murchison and McCuaig, equal; Tippet, Taylor, Carr, Hutchinson, Powles.

Class II. — Wilson, McEwen, Harrington, Plaisted, Sutherland, Brownlee, Lawlor, Baylis, and Cushing, equal; Prentice, Miller, McMahon.

Class III. — Rennells, Bennetts, and Robinson, equal; McGarron, and Moule, equal.



Mrs. B. J. Harrington
announces the marriage of her daughter
Lois Sybil
to
Mr. Edward Spragge Winslow
on Saturday, October, the twelfth
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Montreal.

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