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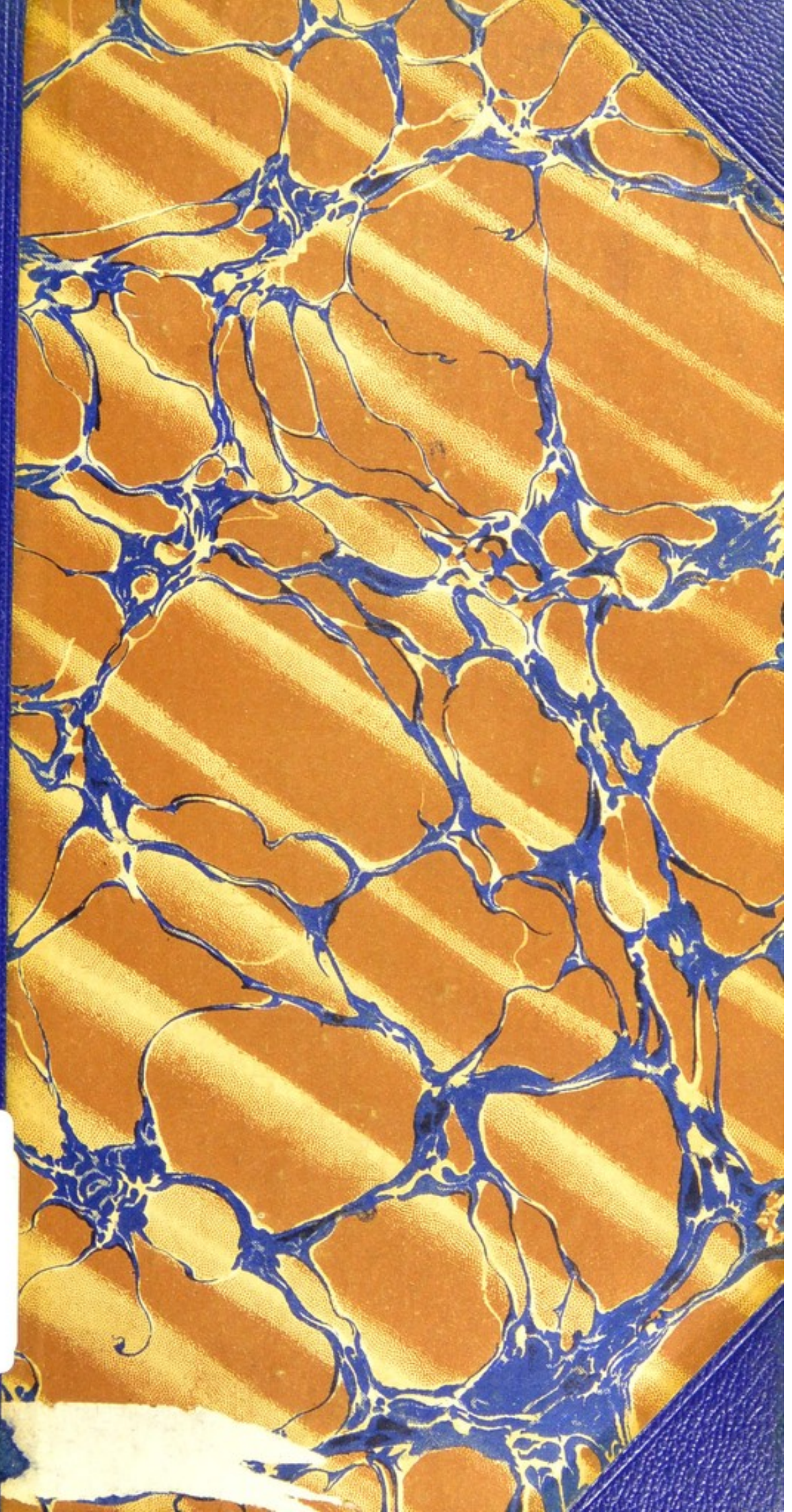
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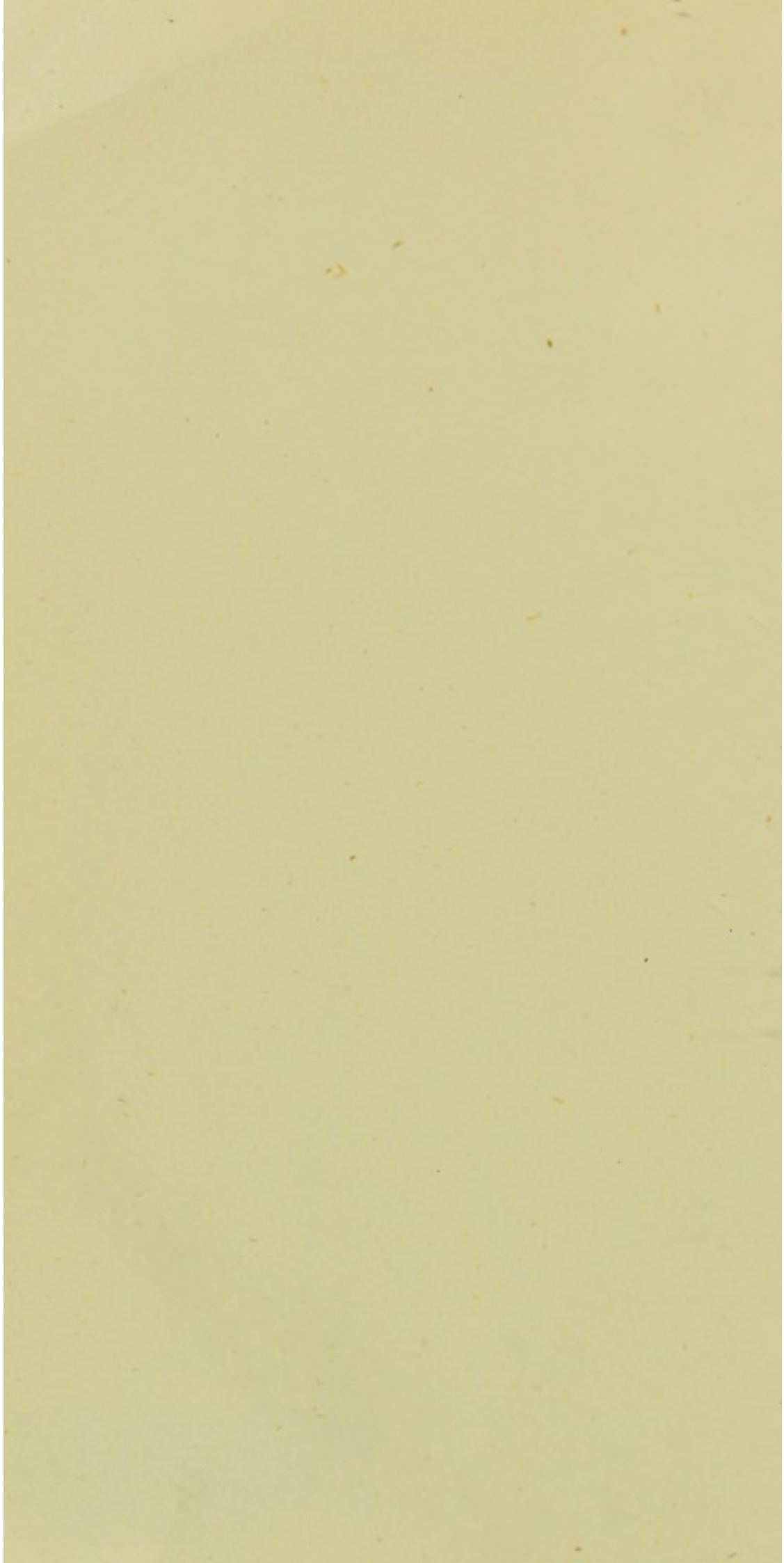


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SURGEONS AND PHYSICIANS
OF THE
MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL,
AT BOSTON,
AND
MEMBERS OF THE MASSACHUSETTS MEDICAL SOCIETY,
IN SUPPORT OF
THE CLAIM OF W. T. G. MORTON, M. D.,
FOR
THE DISCOVERY OF ETHERIZATION.

*To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives
of the United States in Congress assembled:*

The undersigned hereby testify to your honorable bodies that, in their opinion, Dr. William T. G. Morton first proved to the world that ether would produce insensibility to the pain of surgical operations, and that it could be used with safety. In their opinion his fellow-men owe a debt to him for this knowledge. Wherefore, they respectfully ask a recognition by Congress of his services to his country and mankind.

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The subscribers respectfully represent that they are members of the Board of Trustees of the Massachusetts General Hospital; that the power of the inhalation of sulphuric ether to produce insensibility to pain during surgical operations, was discovered by experiments instituted in this hospital by Dr. William T. G. Morton, and that in their opinion he is entitled to a liberal national reward for the service thus rendered to the country and to mankind.

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