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Plain Ornamental Ancient and Mediaeval

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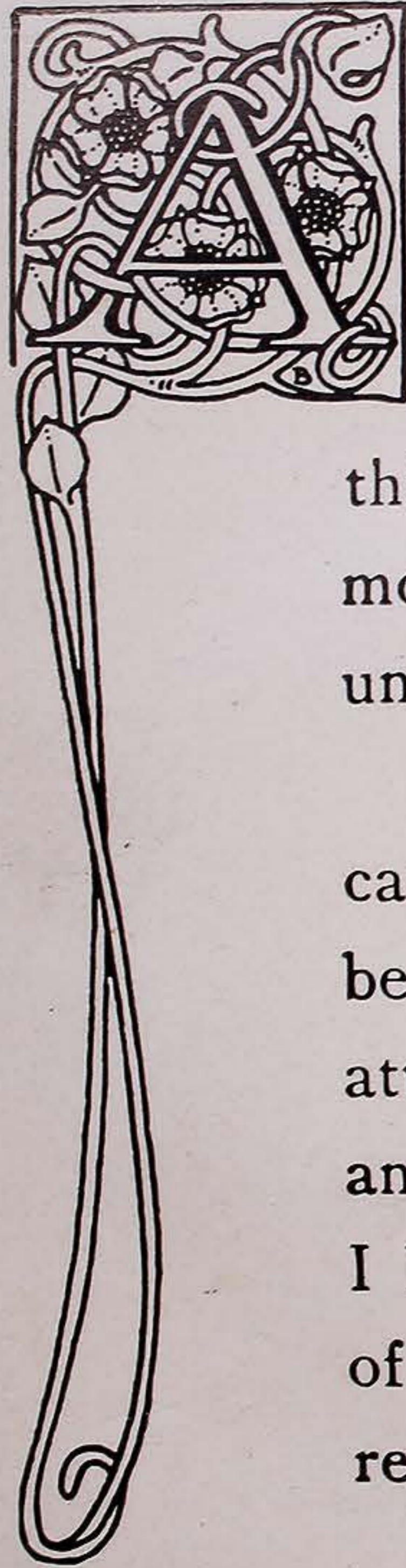




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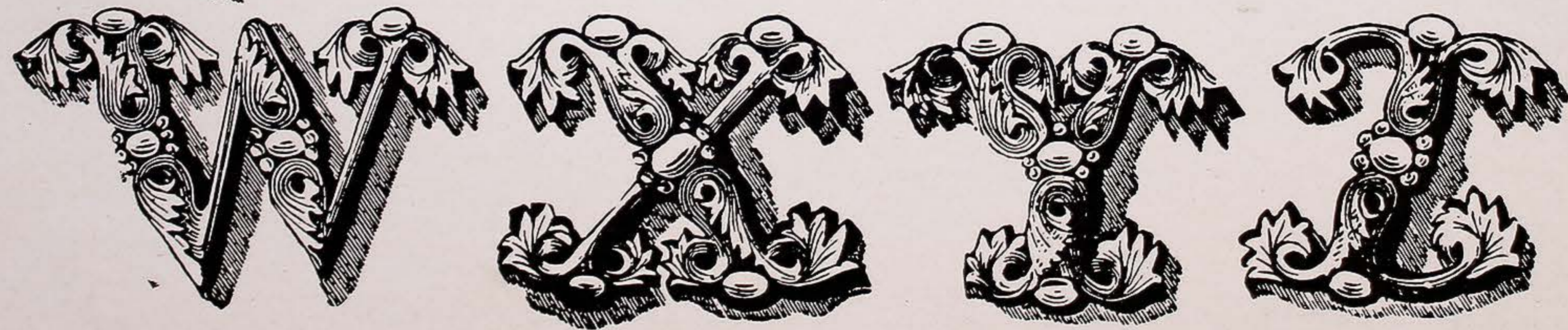
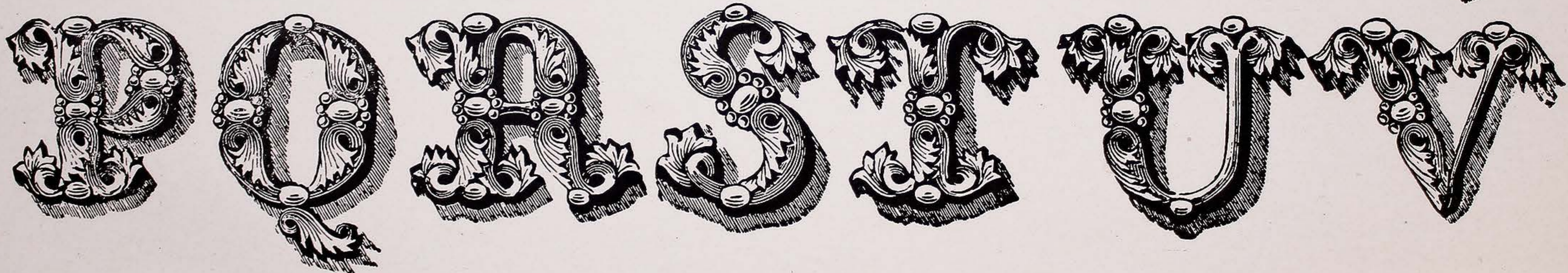
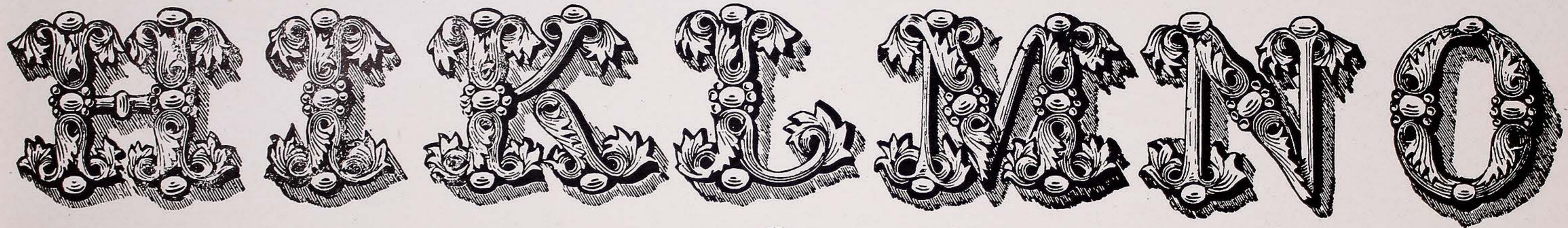
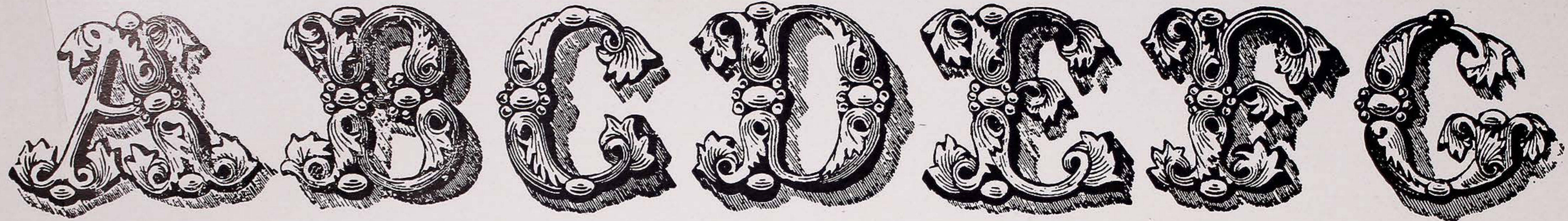


AS there are no works of Ancient and Modern Alphabets of any excellence published in a cheap form, I have been induced, after many years' study and research in my profession as a Draughtsman and Engraver, to offer this collection to the favorable notice of the public, trusting that its very moderate price and general usefulness will be a sufficient apology for the undertaking.

The demand for a Second Edition within so short a period of the publication of the first, has convinced me in the most agreeable manner that it has been a work required by the public. To render it still more worthy of their attention, I have here introduced some additions, likely to enhance the interest and increase the value of the pages, as an indication of the esteem in which I have held the encouragement, and the respect I have paid to the suggestions of the purchasers of this book, and the critics by whom it has been so liberally reviewed.

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Ornamental.



*Egyptian for Carving.*

**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**

Egyptian.

a b c d e f g h j k l

n o p r s t w x y z

Sprred Letter.

A B C D E F G H

I J K L M N P Q R

S T U V W X Y Z



Tuscan.

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

Ornamental Fleur de Lis.

A B C D E F G H I K

L M N O P Q R S T U V

X Y Z.

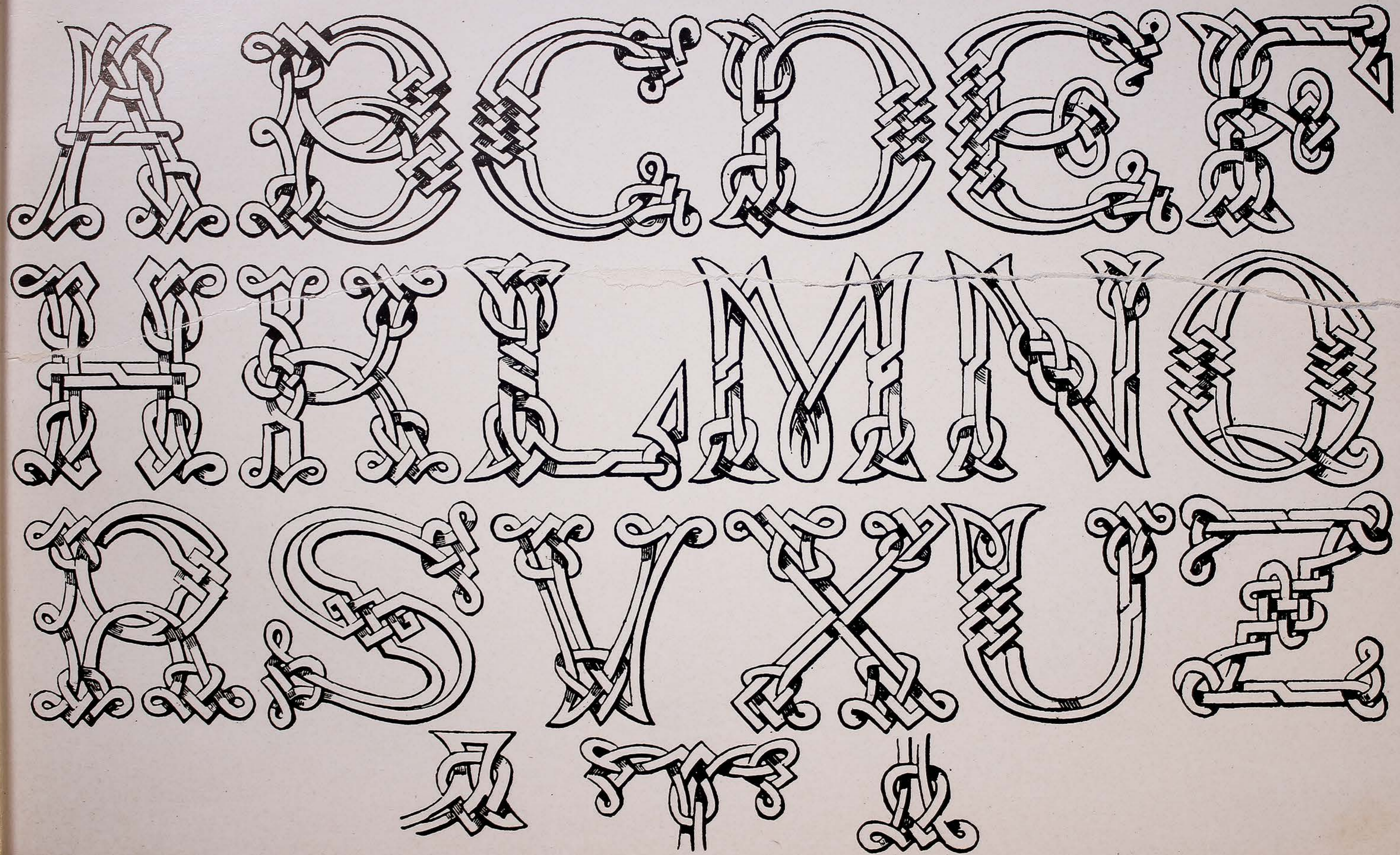
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A B C D E F G  
H I J K L M N O  
P Q R S T U V W

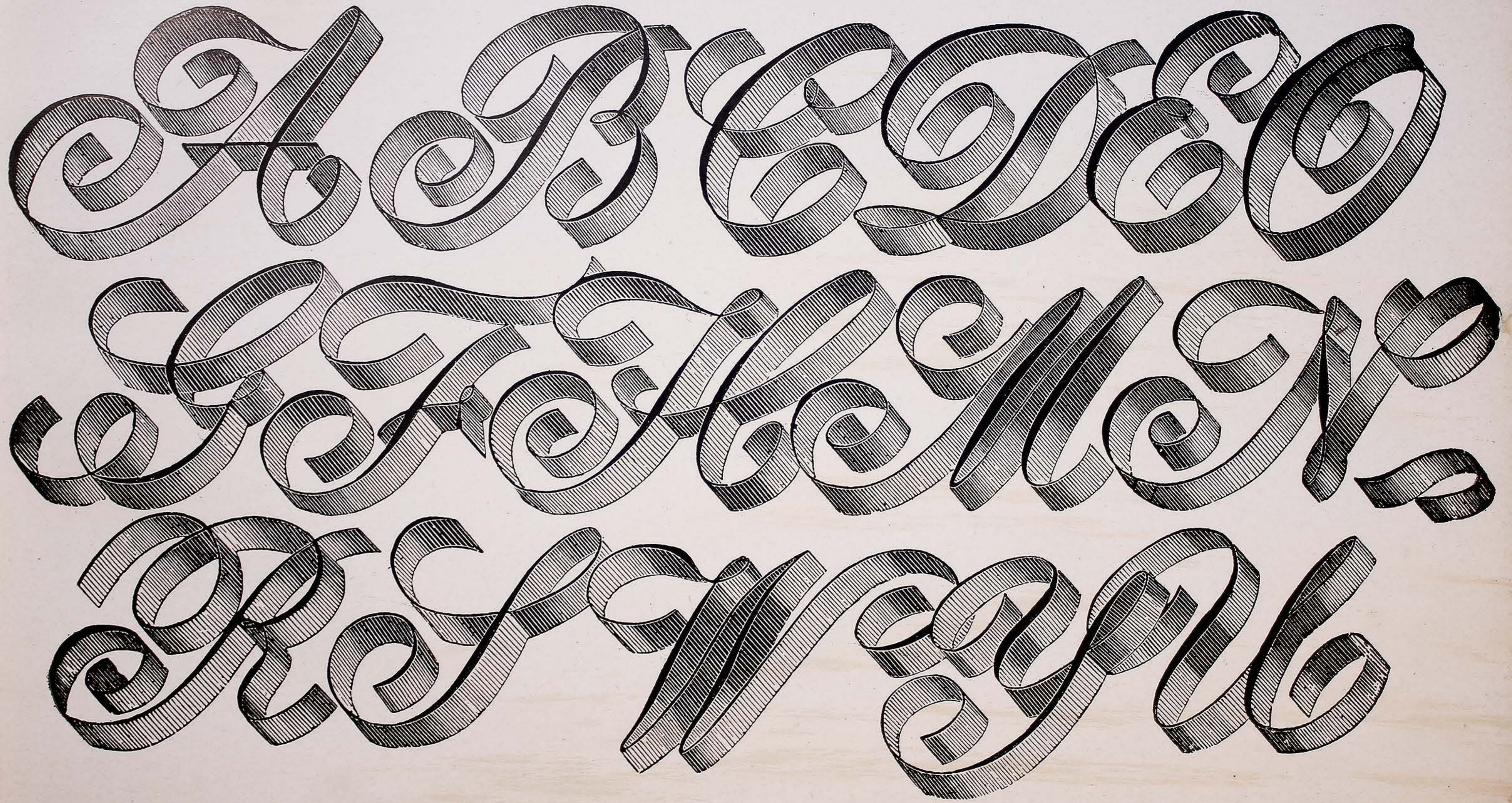
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a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o  
p q r s t u v w x y z

Imitation Saxon.



Riband Letter.



*Italian Shaded.*

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

Small Italian.

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



Roman Shaded, various.

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

Egyptian.

A B C D E F G H

I K L M N O P Q

R S T U V X Y Z

Ornamented German, Large.



Ornamented German, Small.

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

Ornamental.

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

Italic.

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

Gothic, Large.

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

Gothic, Small.

a b c d e f g h i j

q r s t u k l m o p

v w x y z.



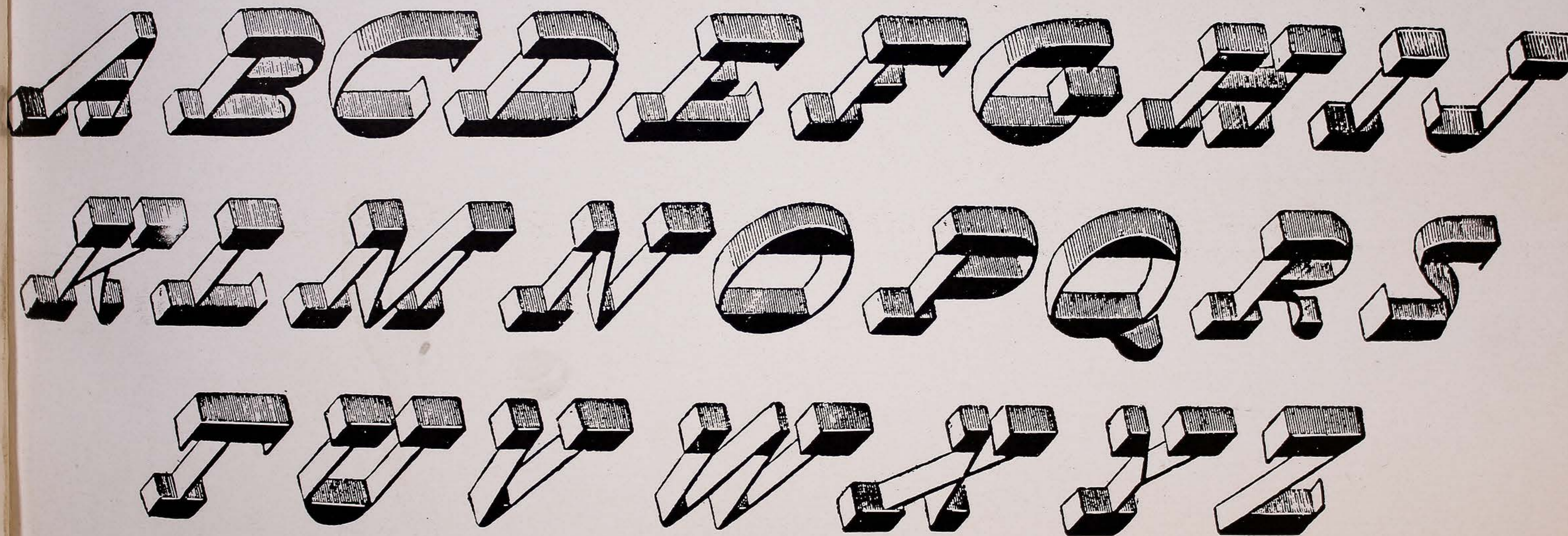
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**A B C D E F G H I J K**

**L M N O P Q R S T U**

**V W X Y Z &**

Perspective Italian.



Rustic.



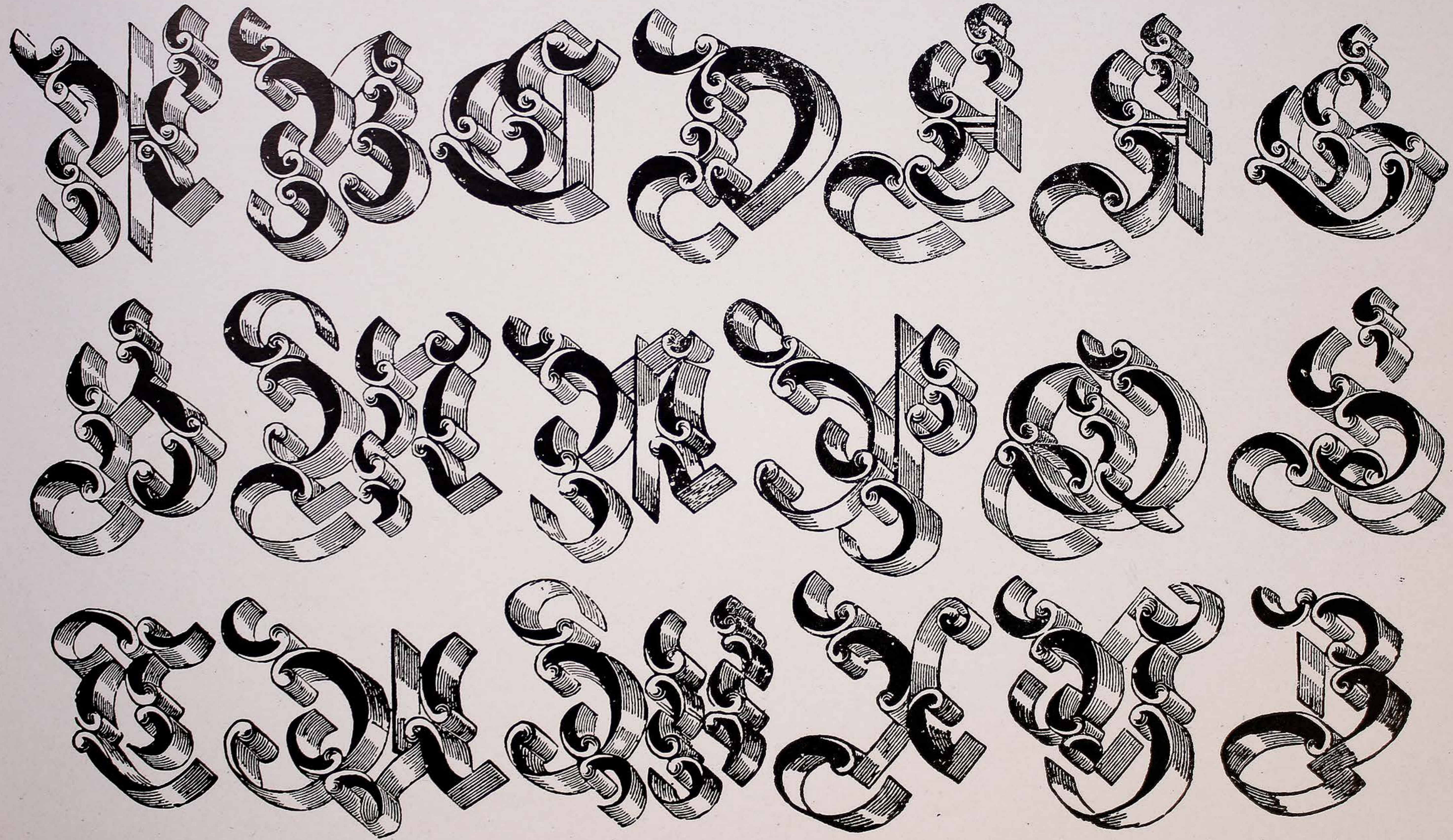
Rustic.

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

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0

German Riband, Large.



German Riband, Small.



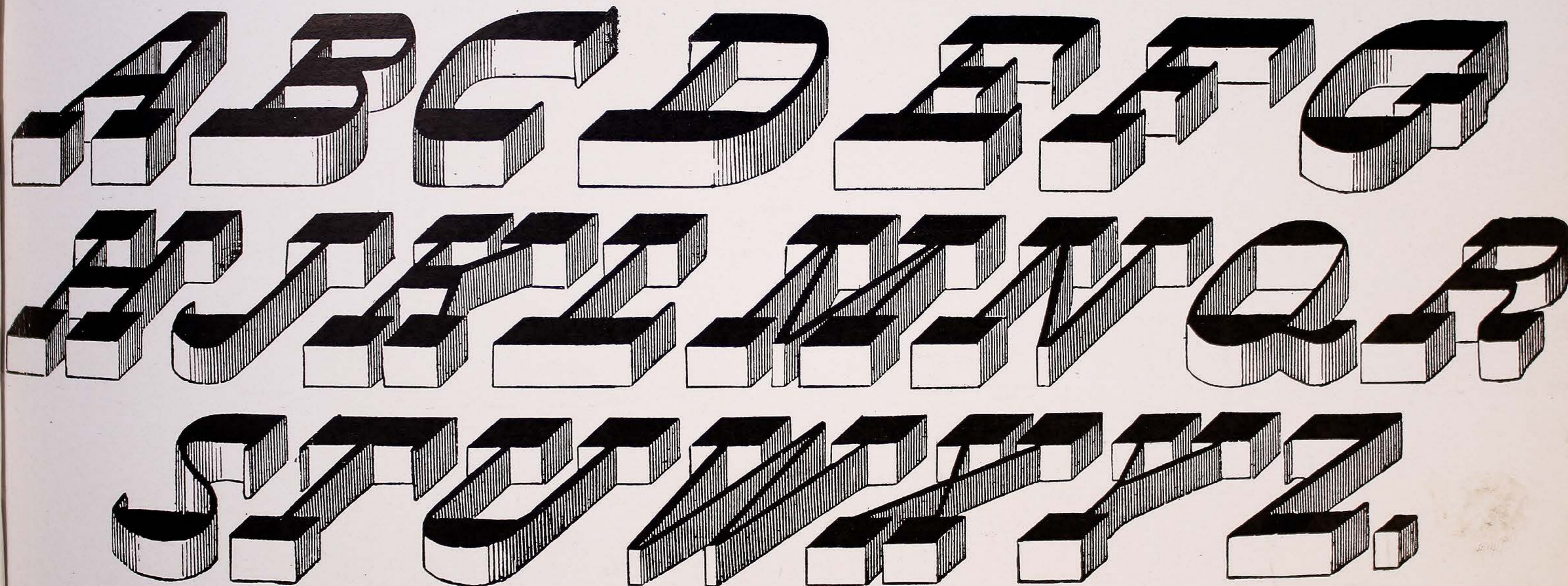
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A B C D E F G H

J K L M N P Q R

S T U V W X Y Z &

Perspective Italic.





Pearl Letter.

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

*Large Relief.*

A B C D E F G H I

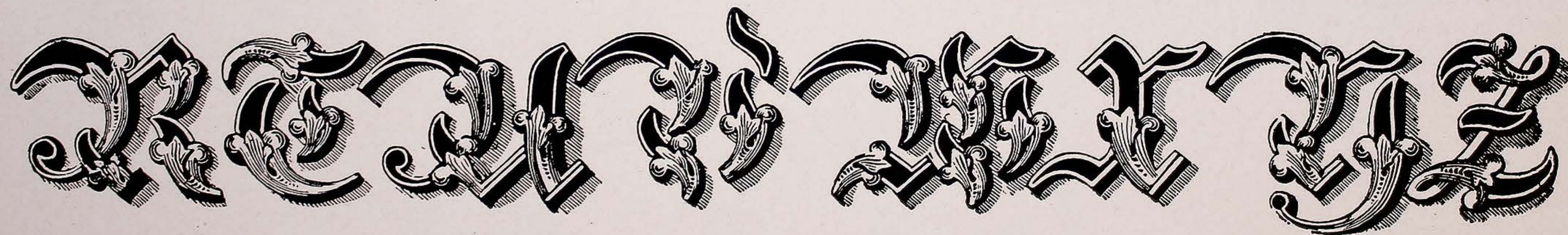
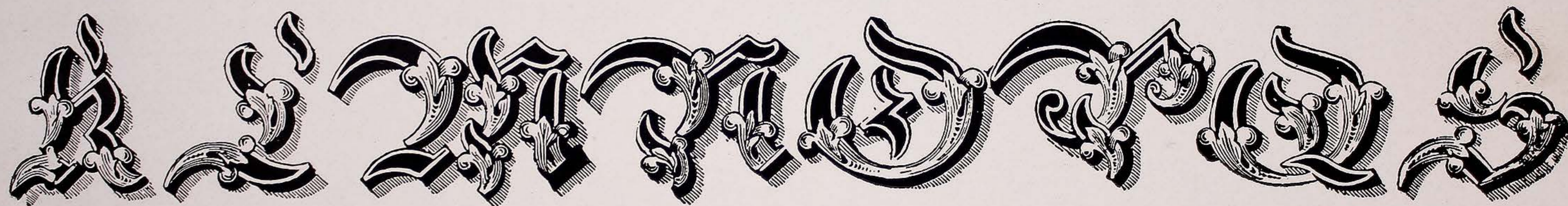
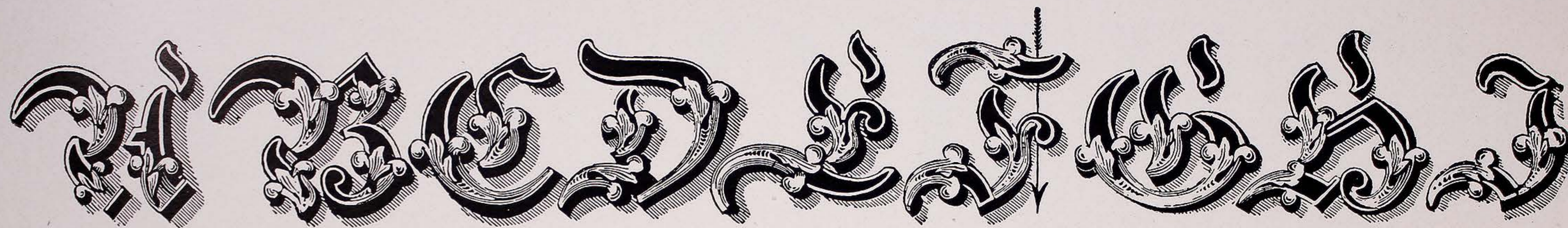
J K L M N P Q R

S T U V X Y Z

Small Relief.

a b c d e f g h i j k l  
n o p r s t u w x  
y z

German Arabesque.



Roman Analytical, Large.

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 &

Roman Analytical, Small.

<sup>1 2 3 4 5</sup> 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

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0

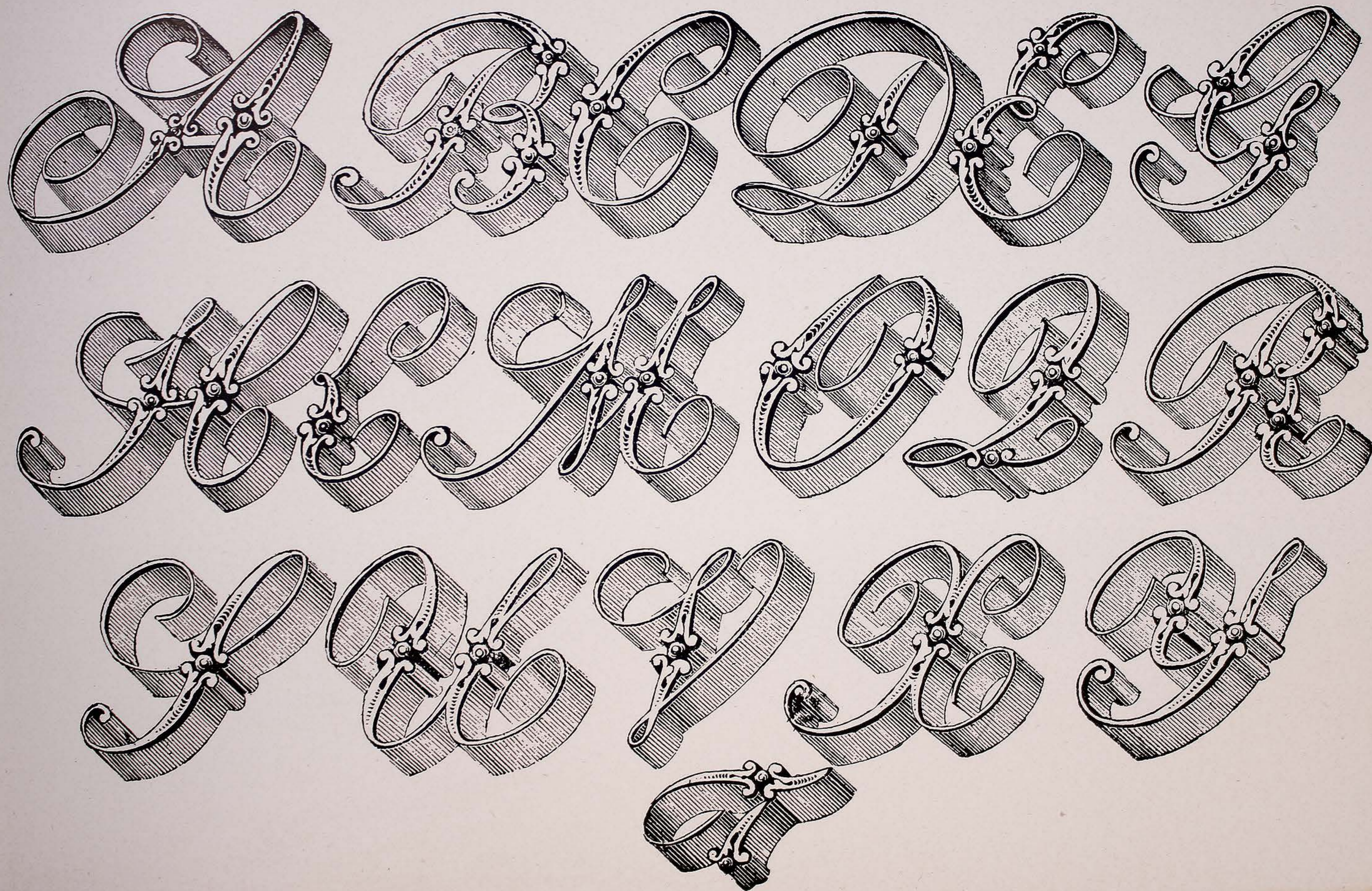
*Italic.*

**A B C D E F G H I J K**

**L M N O P Q R S T U**

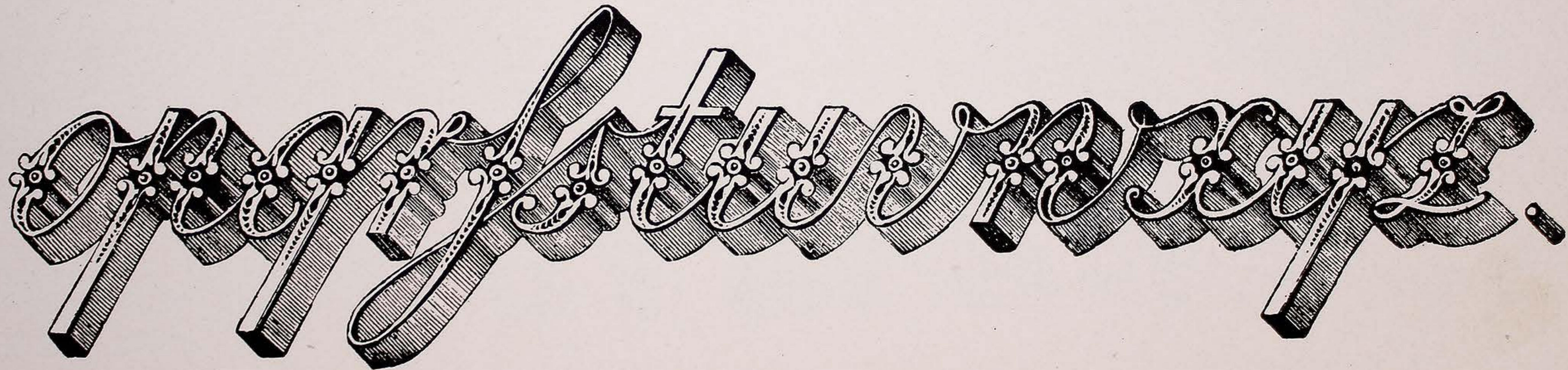
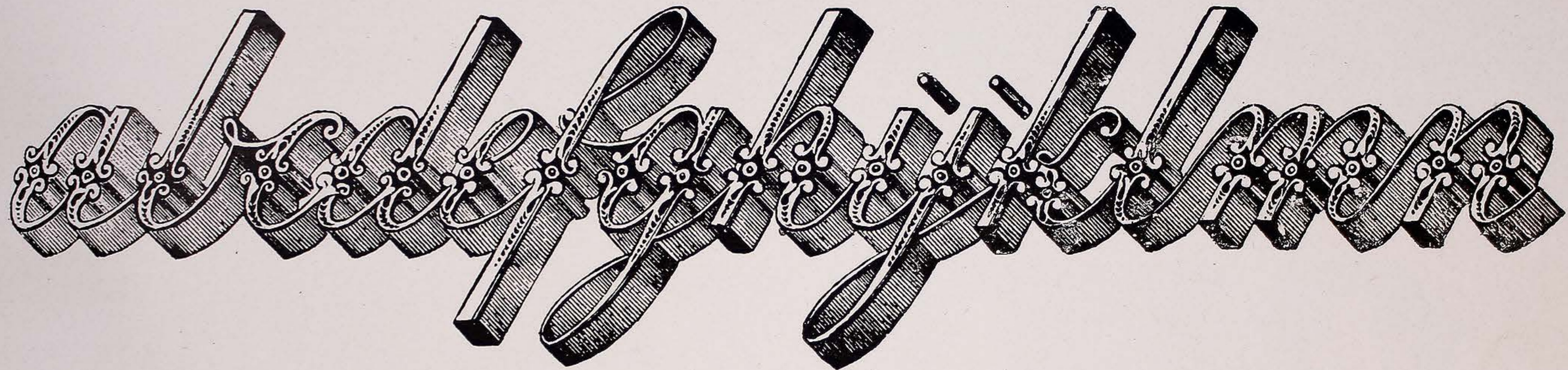
**W X Y Z**

Ornamental Riband.





Ornamental Riband, Small.



Examples of Letters.

A C E H M O P R S T

R I D M N O S

A R G U F L Y C H E R O

Old English Analytical, Large.

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

Old English Analytical, Small.

[ 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 ]

[ 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 . ]

*Italic Shaded.*

**A B C D E F G H**

**I K L M N O P R**

**S T U V W X Y Z**

Italian, Large and Small.

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

abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz

abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz

Velvet Letter.

A B C D E F G H

I K L M N P Q R

S T U V W X Y Z

Hebrew and Greek.

א ב ג ד ה ו ז ח ט י כ ל מ נ

ס פ צ ק ר ש ת ז ט י ך ם ן ף ץ

EXTENDED LETTERS

א ב ג ד ה ו ז ח ט י ך ם ן ף ץ

Α·Β·Γ·Δ·Ε·Ζ·Η·Θ·Ι·Κ·Λ·Μ·Ν·Ξ·Ο

Π·Ρ·Σ·Τ·Υ·Φ·Χ·Ψ·Ω·Ϟ·Ϡ

ω π ρ ς Ϸ σ τ ι υ φ χ ψ ω Ϟ Ϡ



Examples of Letters.

A C  
D

A Q R S Q

A

H S

A L M T

C

C

S

N O R S

*Numerals.*

**1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0.**

**1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0.**

**1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0**

Engrossing and Court Hand.

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

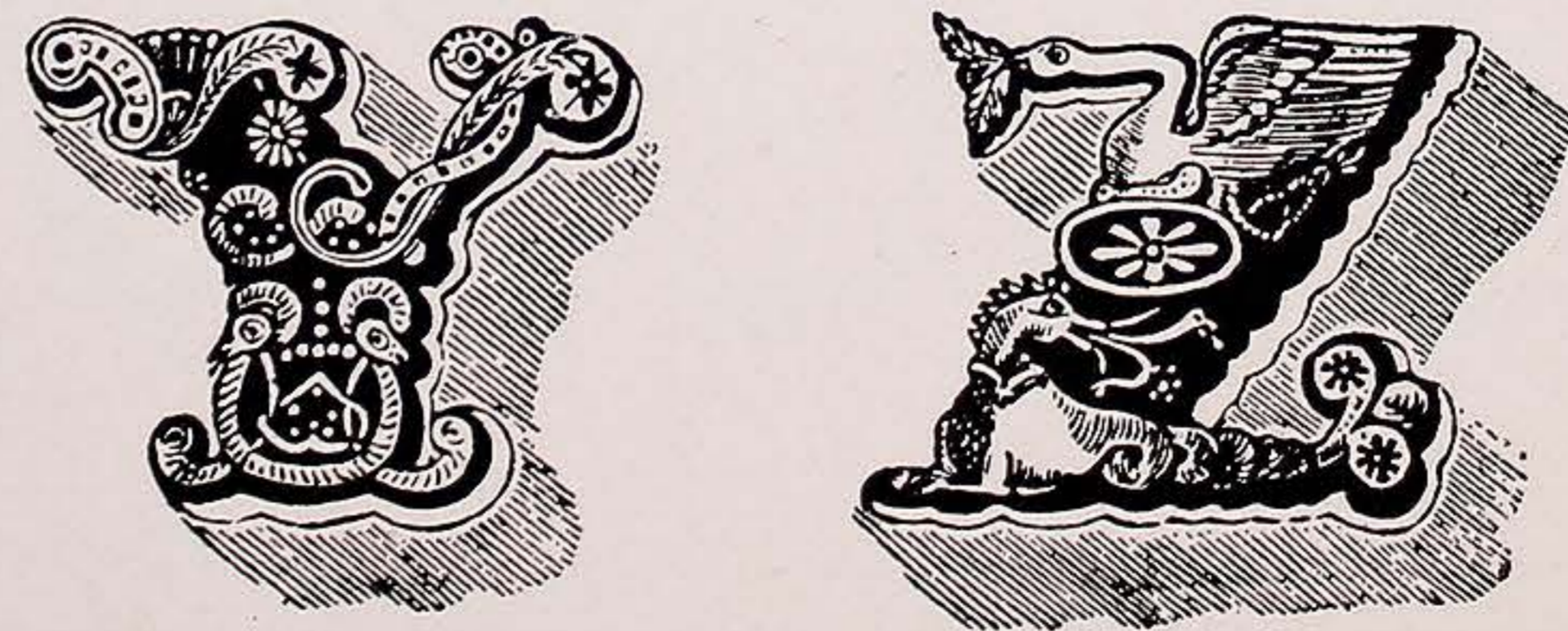
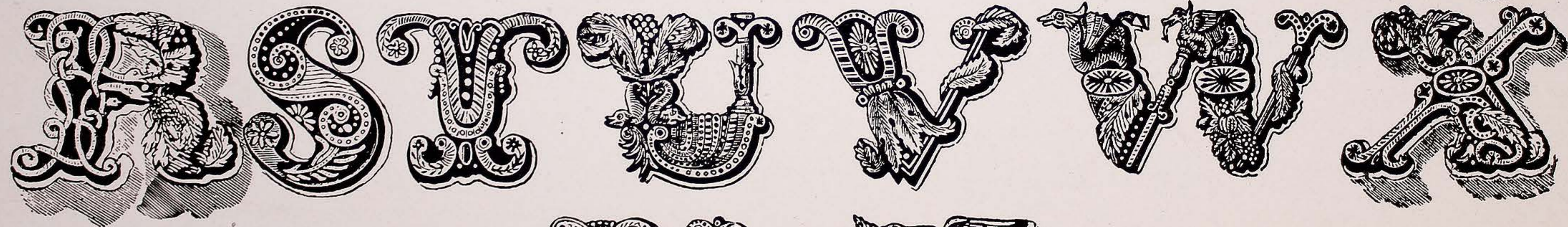
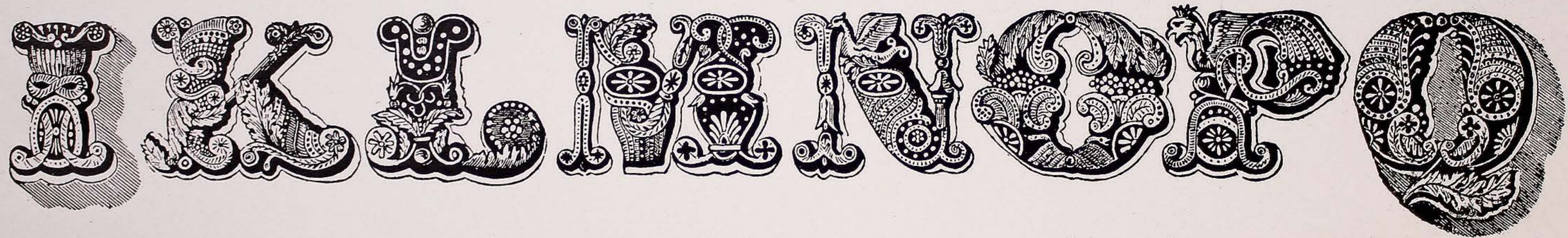
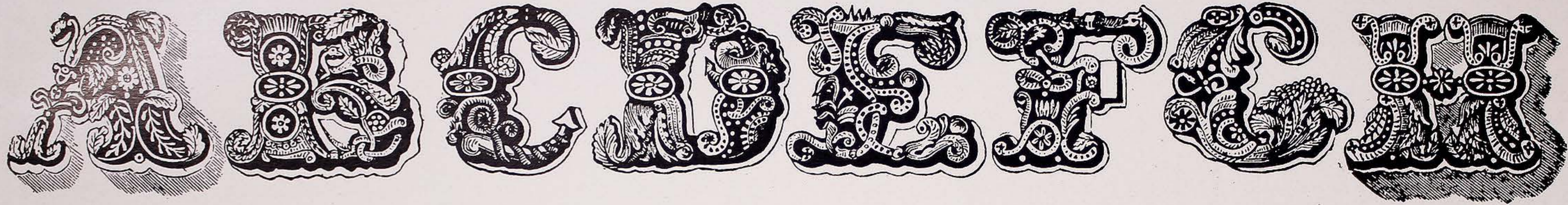
a b c d e f g h i k l m n o p q r s t u v w x y z

aa b b c c d d e e f f g g h h i i j j

k k l l m m n n o o p p q q r r s s

t t u u v v w w x x y y z z.

Example Alphabet.



8th Century. Vatican.

A B C D E F G H I K

L M N O P Q R S T

V W X Y Z

8th Century. British Museum.

A B C D E F G H I H L

K N O P Q R S T

D U X m

8th and 9th Centuries Anglo-Saxon

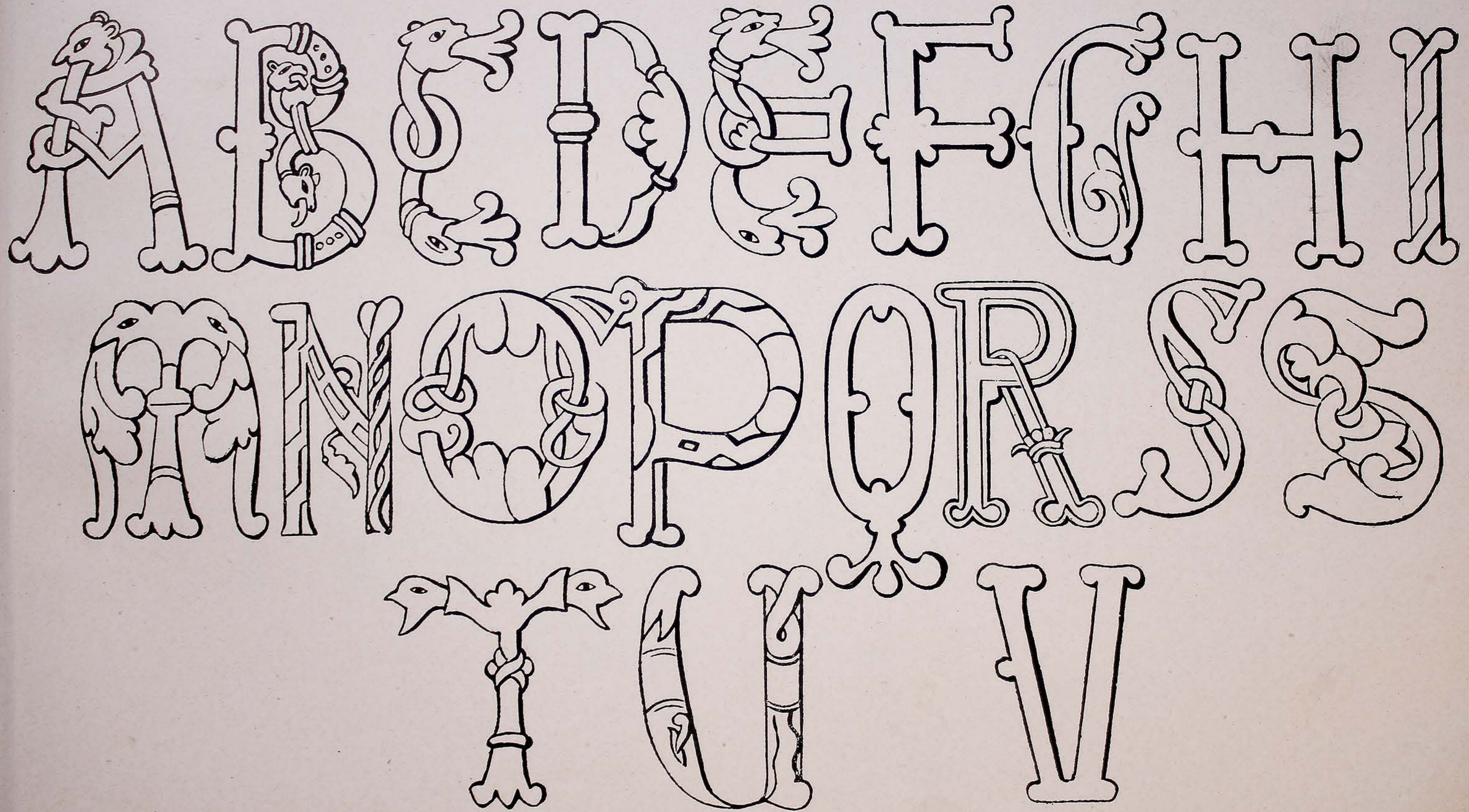
A B C D E F G H I J  
K L M N O P Q R S  
T U V X Z

9th Century. From an Anglo-Saxon MS. Battel Abbey.

A A B C C D E F G h h  
J L O P Q R S S S  
S S S T Q U Y Z Z



From MS. Library of Minerva, Rome.



10th Century. British Museum.

A B C D E F G H I J

K L M N O P Q R S T

U V X Y Z . Æ M

ſc

11th Century, and Numerals.

A B C D E F G H I

K L M N O P Q R S

T U V X Y Z

II III IIII IV V VI VII VIII IX X

12th Century. From the Mazarin Bible.



12th Century. British Museum

a b c d e f g h i k l m n o p q

r s t u w x y z

a a b c d e f g h i k l m n o p q

r t o w x y z

12th Century. British Museum.

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

12th Century. Bodleian Library.

A B C D E F G H I

K L M N O P Q R S

T U V W X Y Z

13th Century. Henry the Third. Westminster Abbey.

A A B C D E F G  
h i k l m n o p o  
R S T U V W X Y Z  
T O Z



13th Century. From Latin MS.

A B C D E F G H I

L M N O P Q R S T U

V W X Y Z

13th Century. MS.

A B C D E F G H I

K L M N O P Q R S

T U V W X Y Z

14th Century. Date about 1340.

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

14th Century. British Museum.

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

II

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

14th Century. Richard the Second. 1400. Westminster Abbey.

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

14th Century. Richard the Second. 1400. Small. Westminster Abbey.

abcdefghijklmnopqr  
stvwxyz.

14th Century. British Museum.

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



14th Century. From MS Munich.

A B C D E F G H I

K L M N O P Q R S

T U V X Y Z

14th and 15th Centuries. Two Small. British Museum.

a b c d e f g h i k l m n o p

q r s t u v w x y z.

a b c d e f g h i k l m n o p q

r s t u v w x y z.

1475. British Museum.

A B C D E F G H

I K L M N O P Q R

S T U V X Y Z

1480. British Museum.

A B C D E F G H

I K L M N O P Q

R S O A Y H Z

1490. British Museum.

A B C D E F G H

I J K L M N O P Q

R S T U V X Y Z

Henry the Seventh Westminster Abbey.

A B C D E F G H I

K L M N O P Q R

S T U V X Y Z

15th and 16th Centuries. German.

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

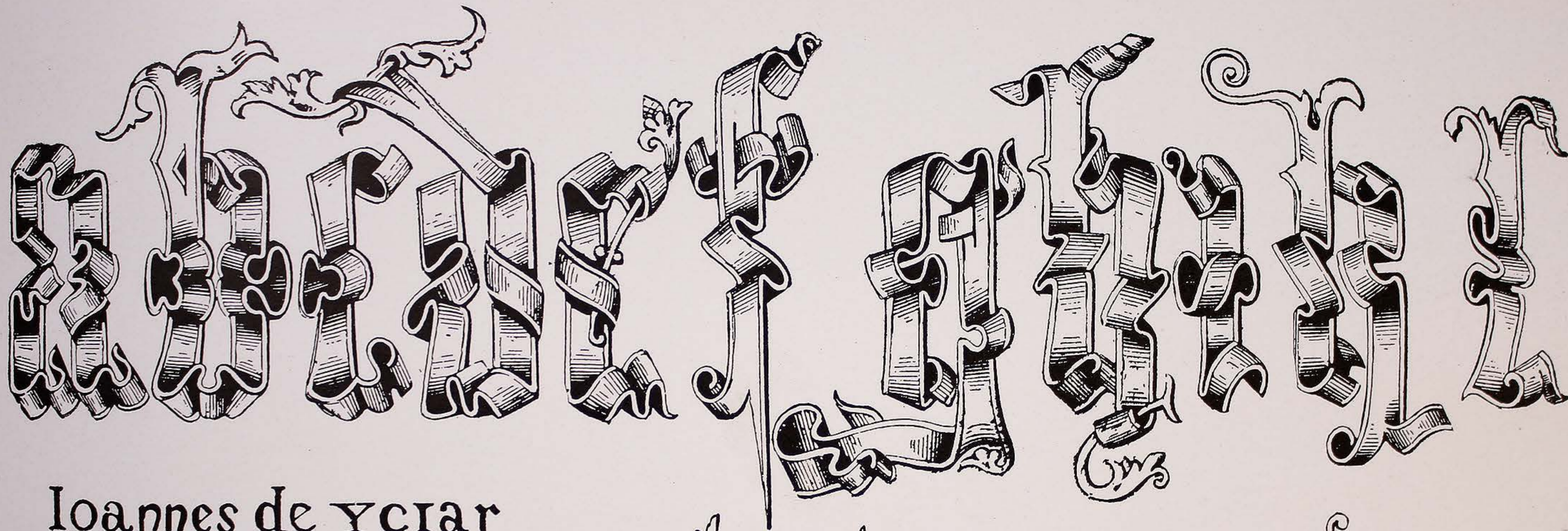
15th and 16th Centuries. German. Small.

a 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

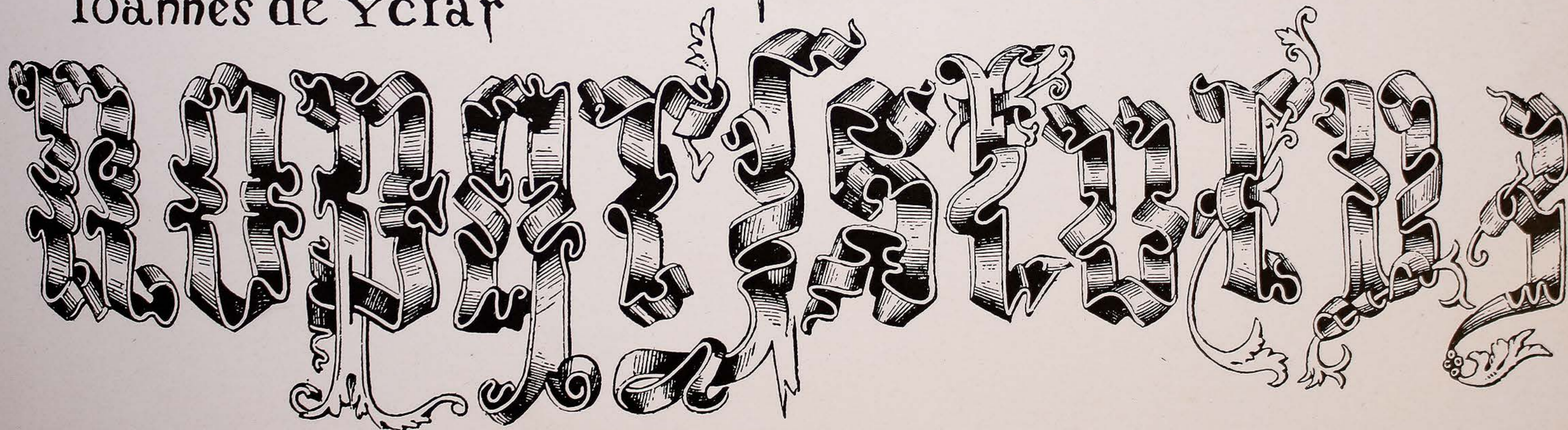


15th and 16th Centuries.

Ornamental Riband.



Ioannes de Yciar



16th Century. Henry the Eighth. MS.

A B C D E F G H I

K L M N O P Q R S

T G V U Z

16th Century. From Italian MS.

A B C D E F G H I

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T U V X Y Z

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

Monogram



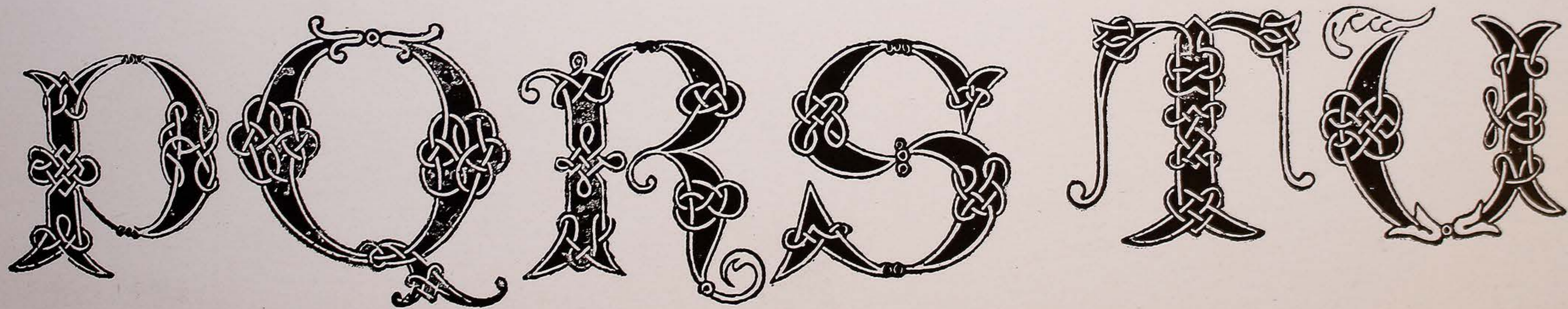
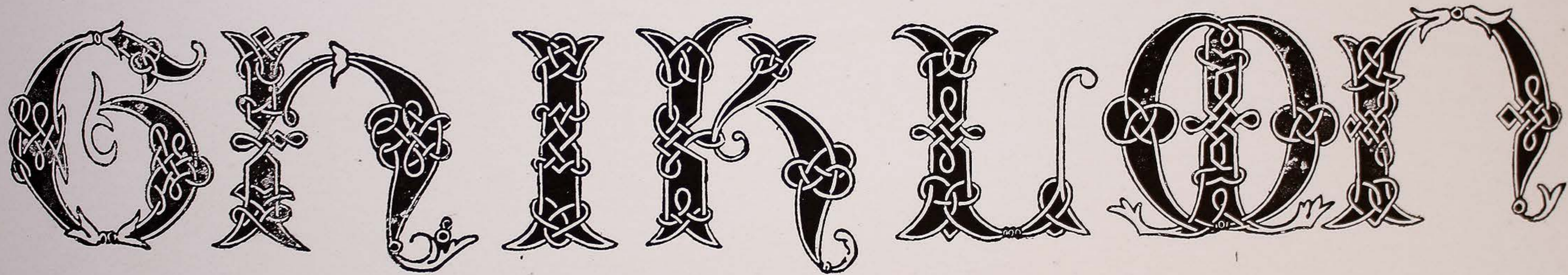
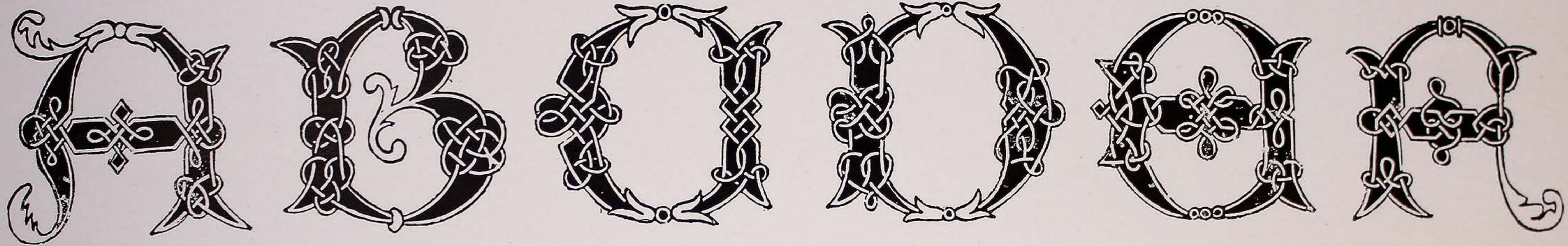
1533

16th Century. Albert Durer's Prayer Book.

a b c d e f g h i k l m n o p q

r s t u v w x y z z z z

16th Century. Vatican.



16th Century. Gothic. MS.

A B C D E F G H I

K L M N O P Q R S

T U V W X Y Z

16th Century. Gothic.

A B C D E F G H I K L

M N O P Q R S T U V X Y Z



16th Century. Gothic. MS.

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

aa bb cc

16th Century.

Large. Small. and Numerals.

French.

M.S.

A B C D E F G H I K  
L M N O P Q R S T U V  
1 2 3 4 5 W X Y Z . 6 7 8 9 0  
a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v x y z z

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

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17th Century. Church Text. M S.

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K L M N O P Q R  
S T U V W X Y .

German Arabesque.

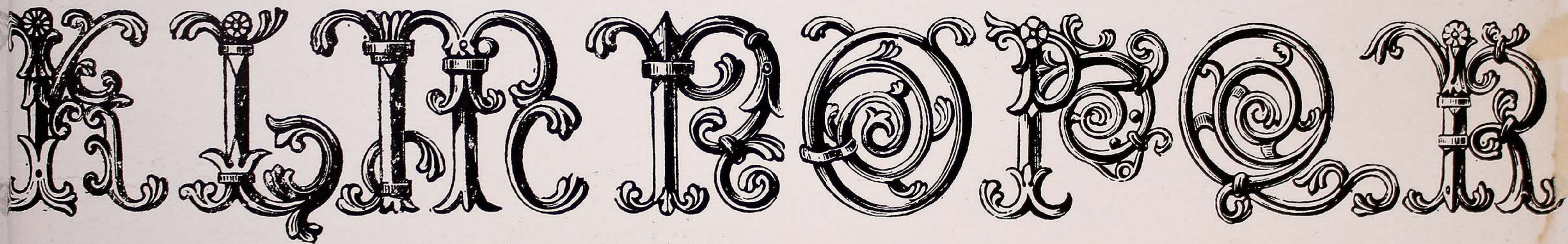
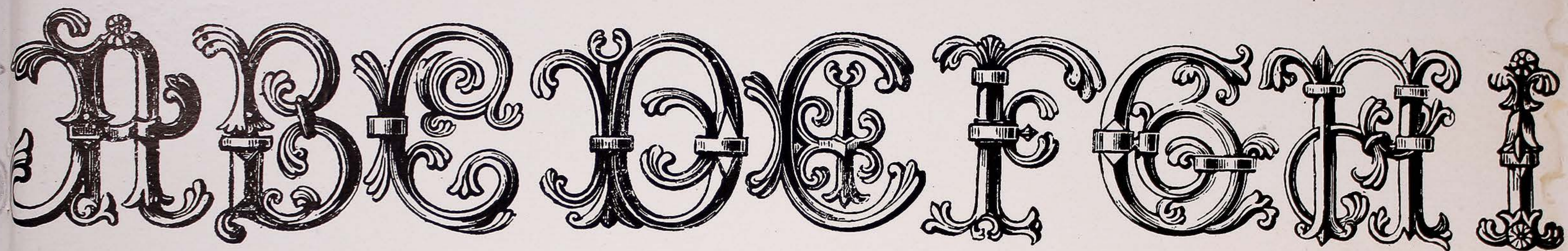


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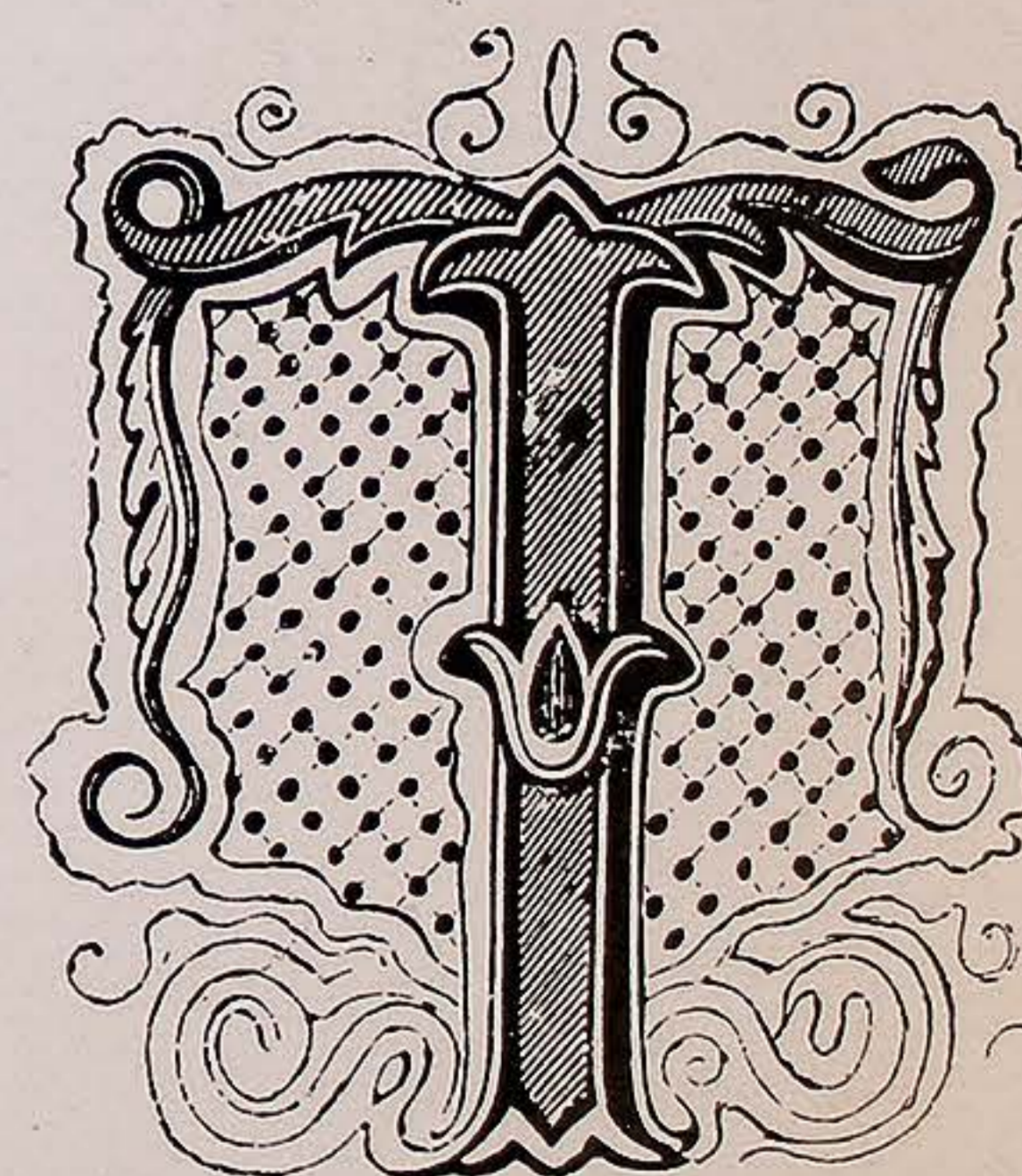
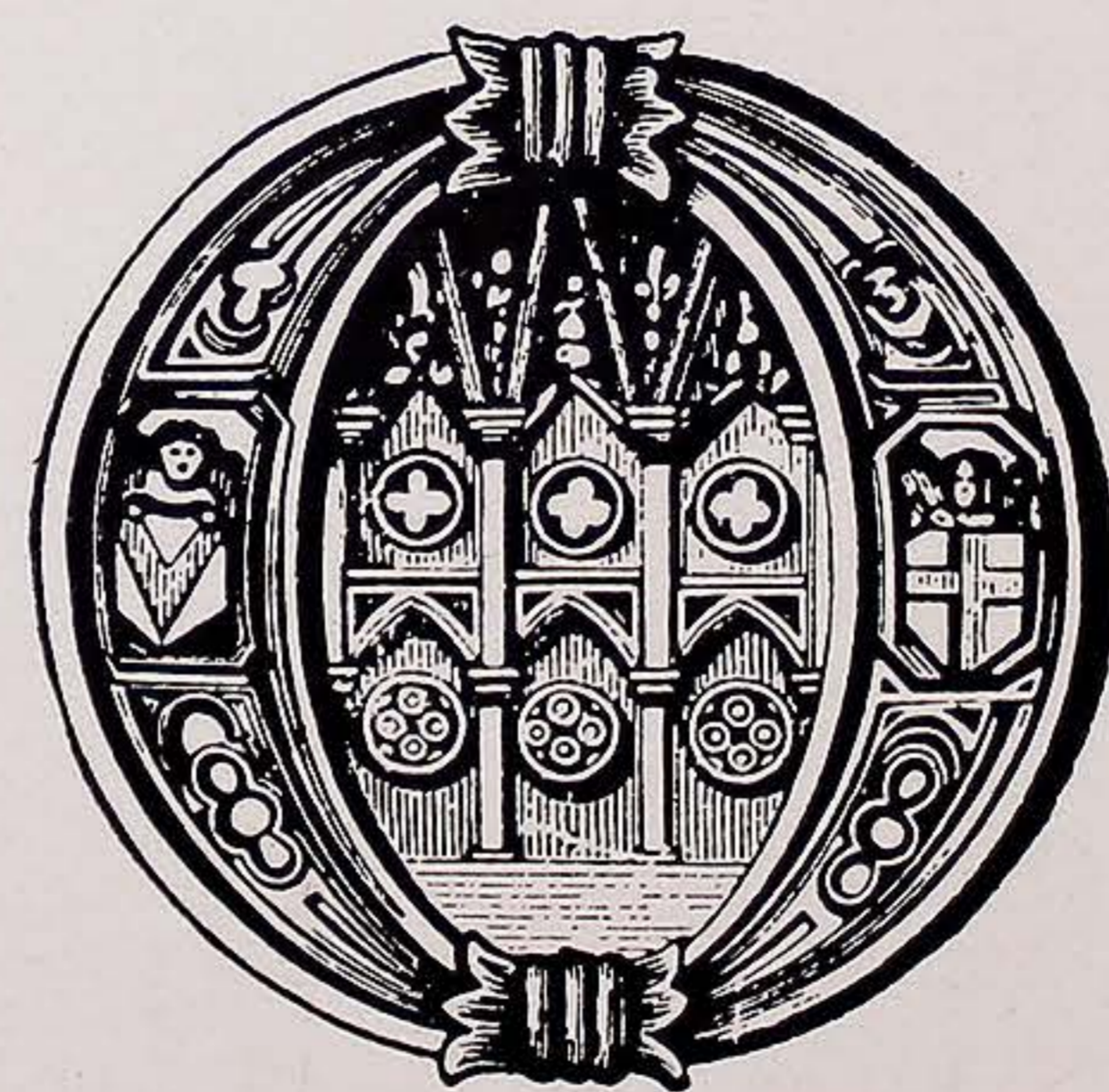
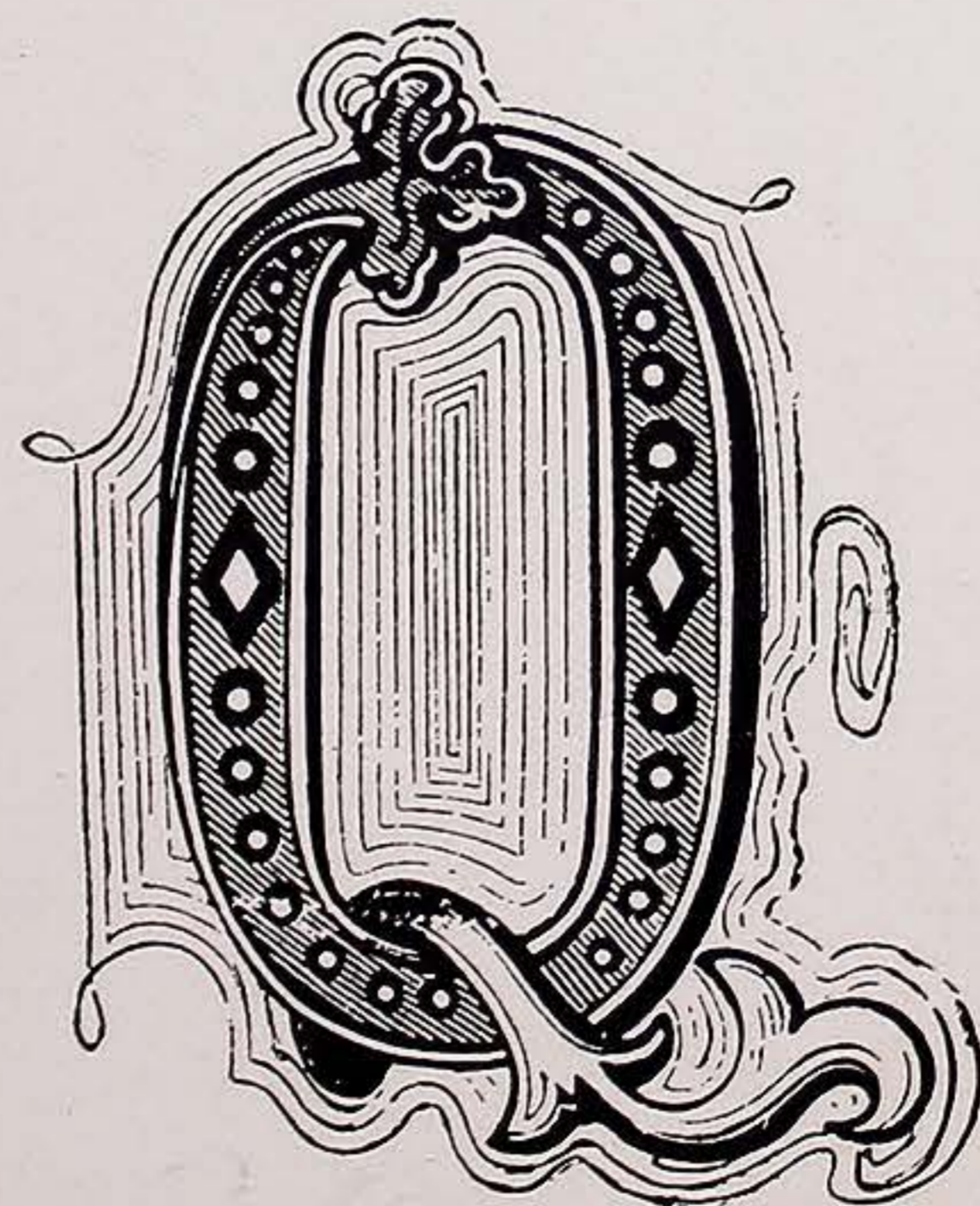
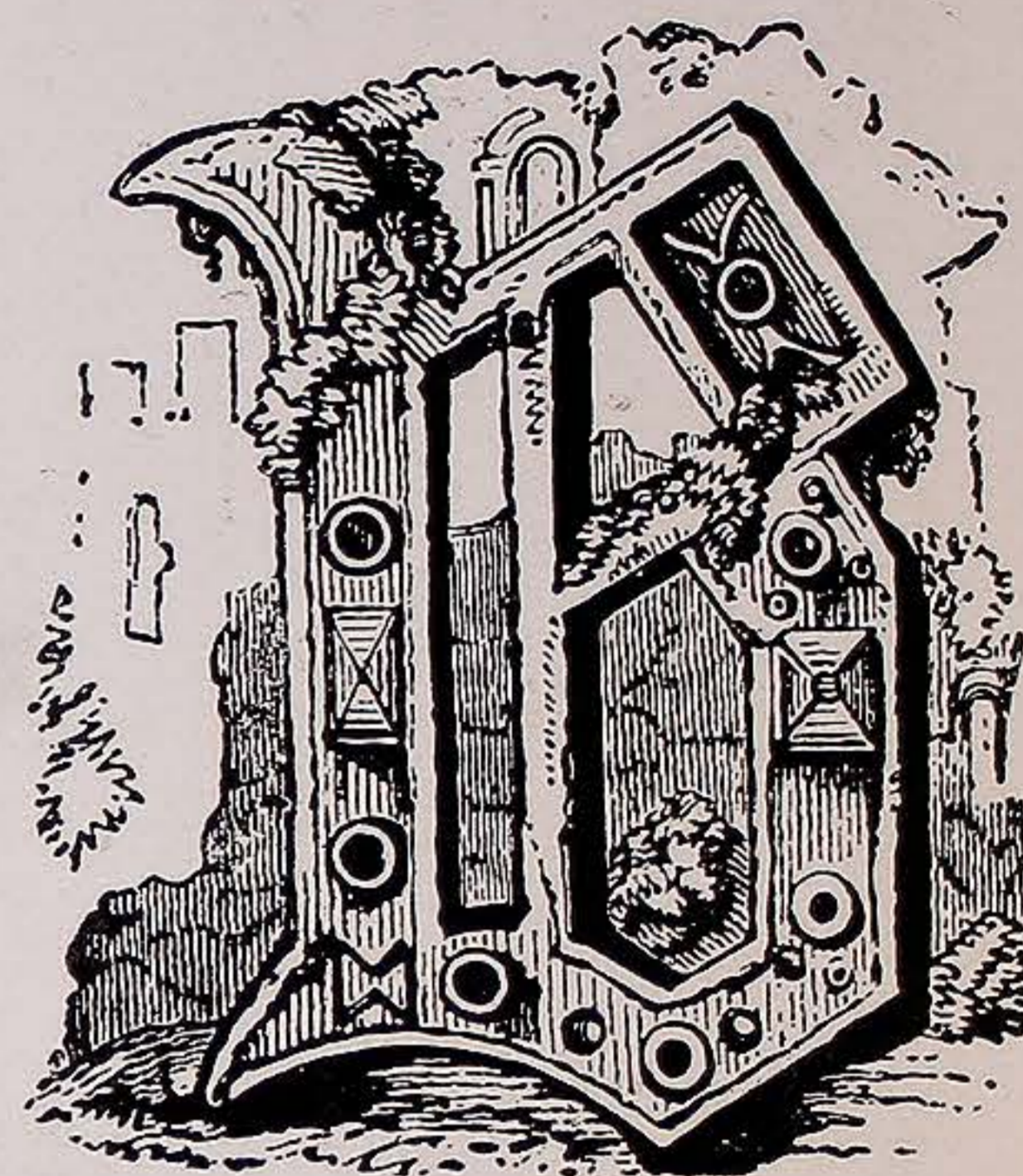
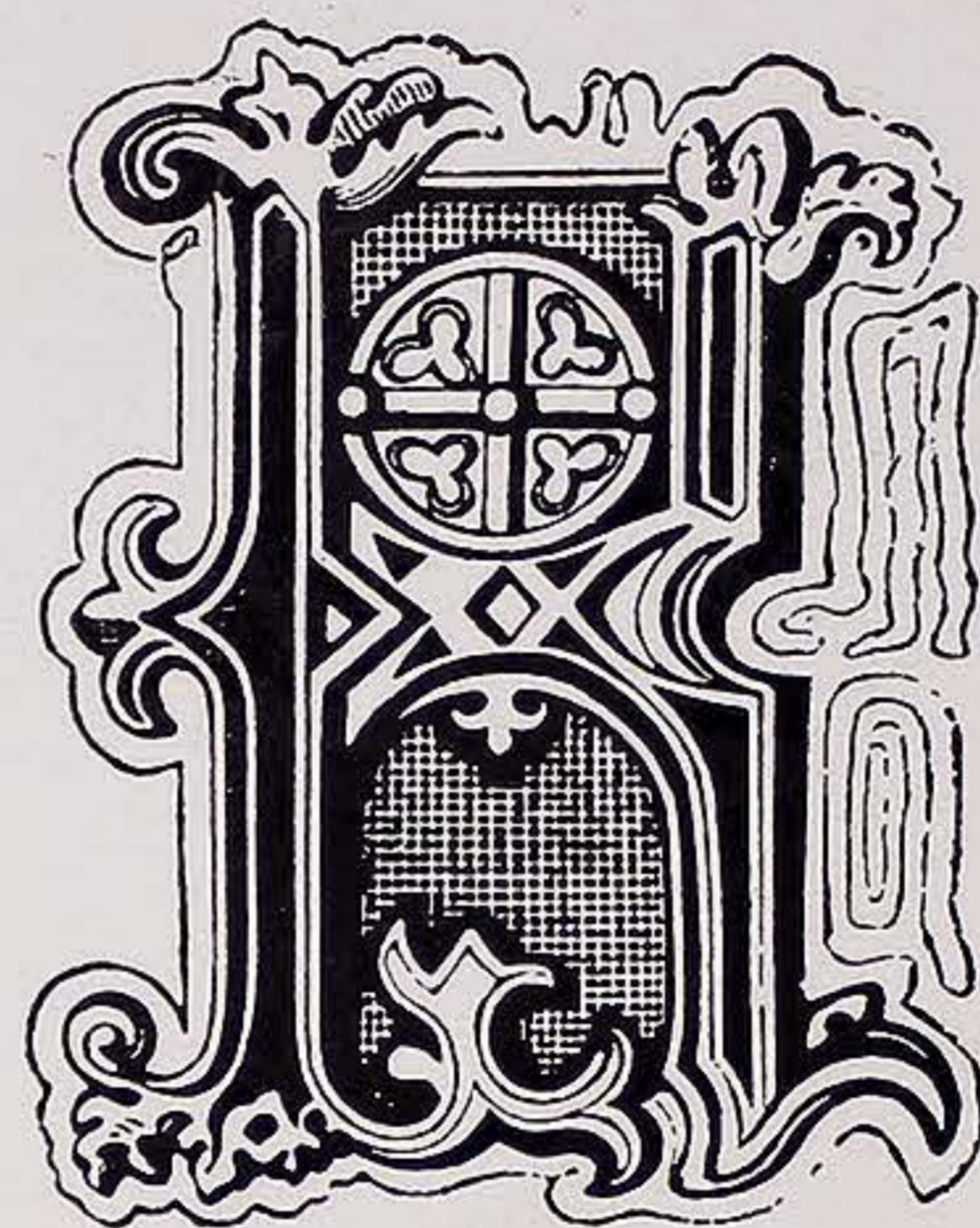
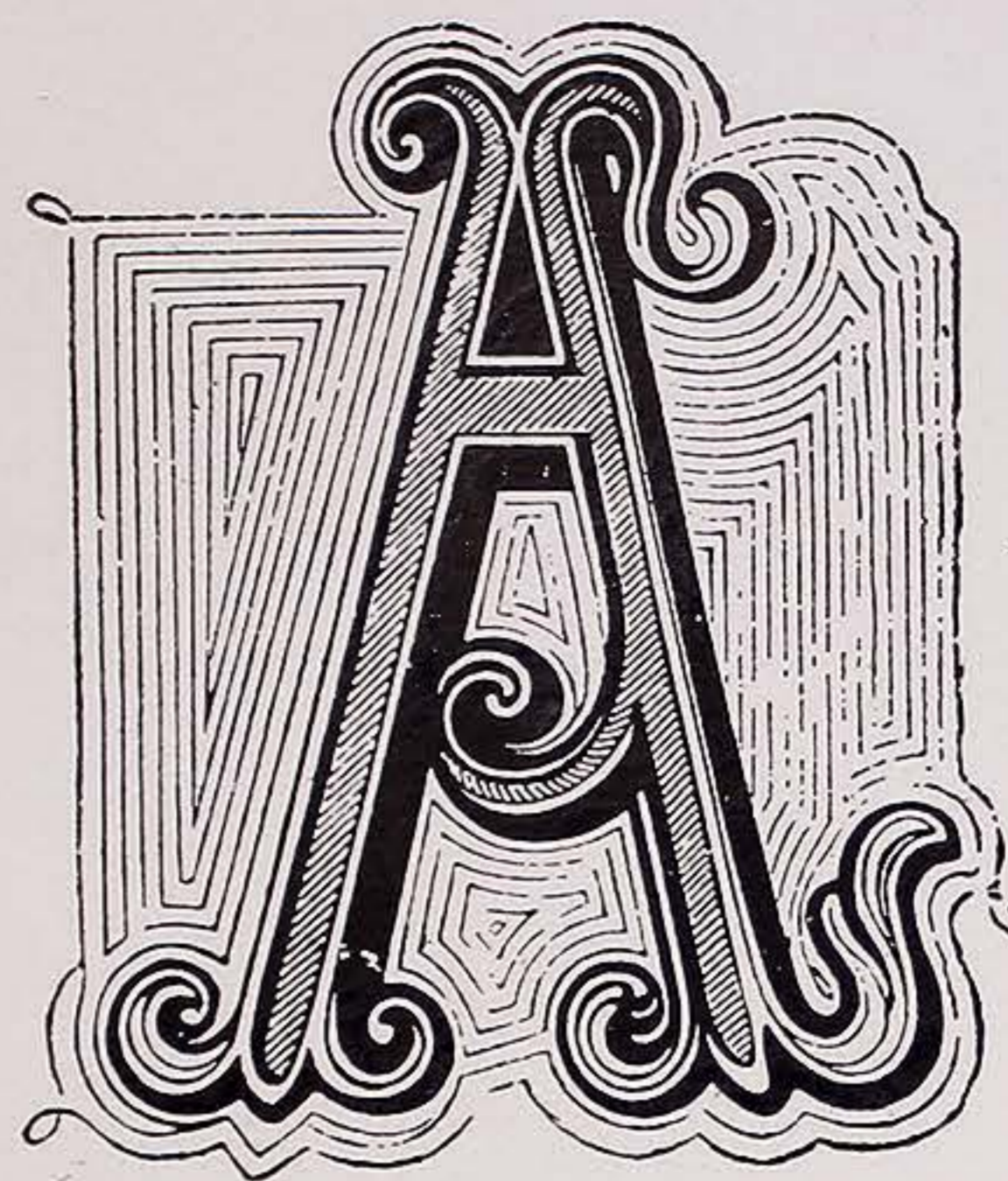
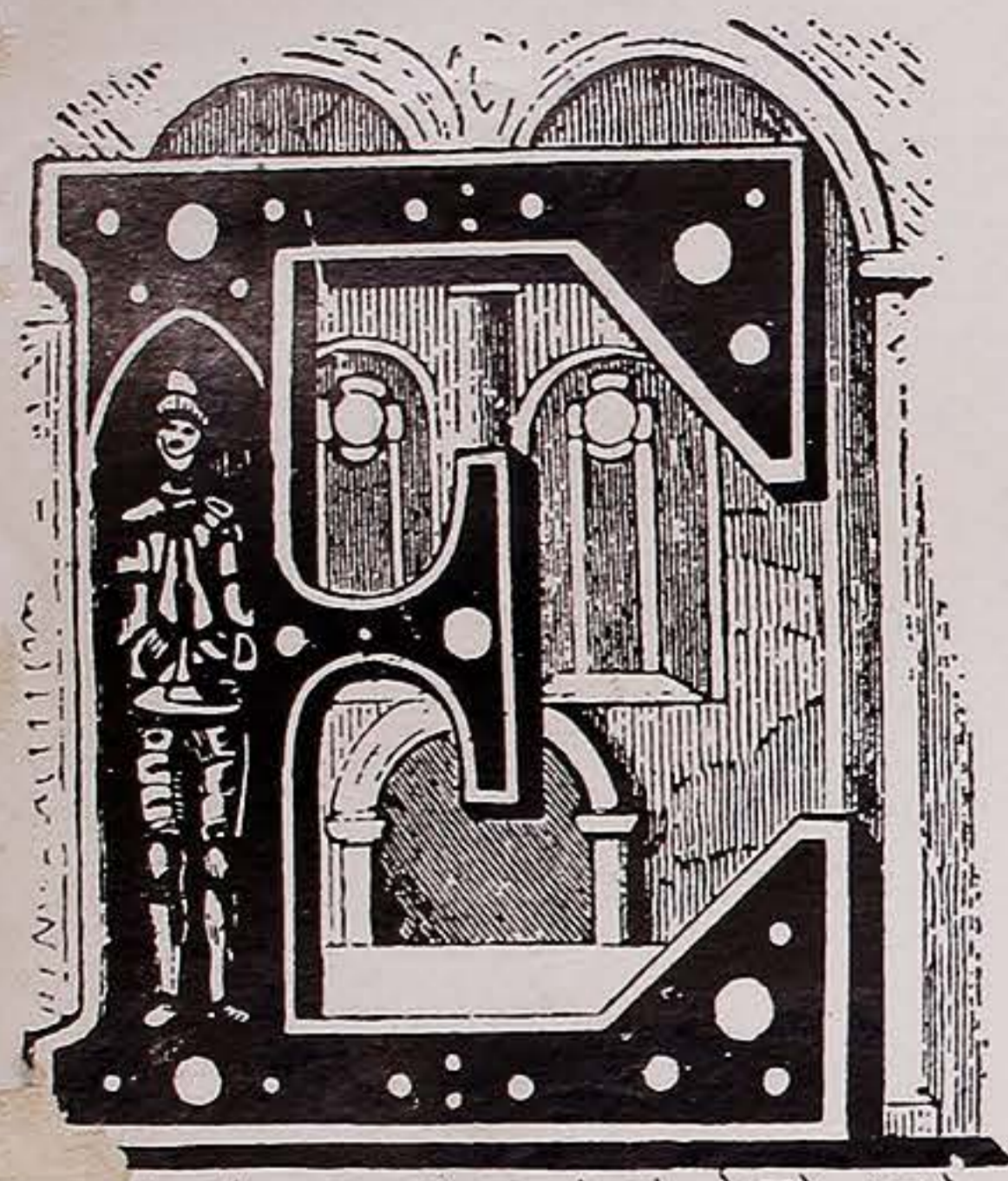
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P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

A  
B  
C

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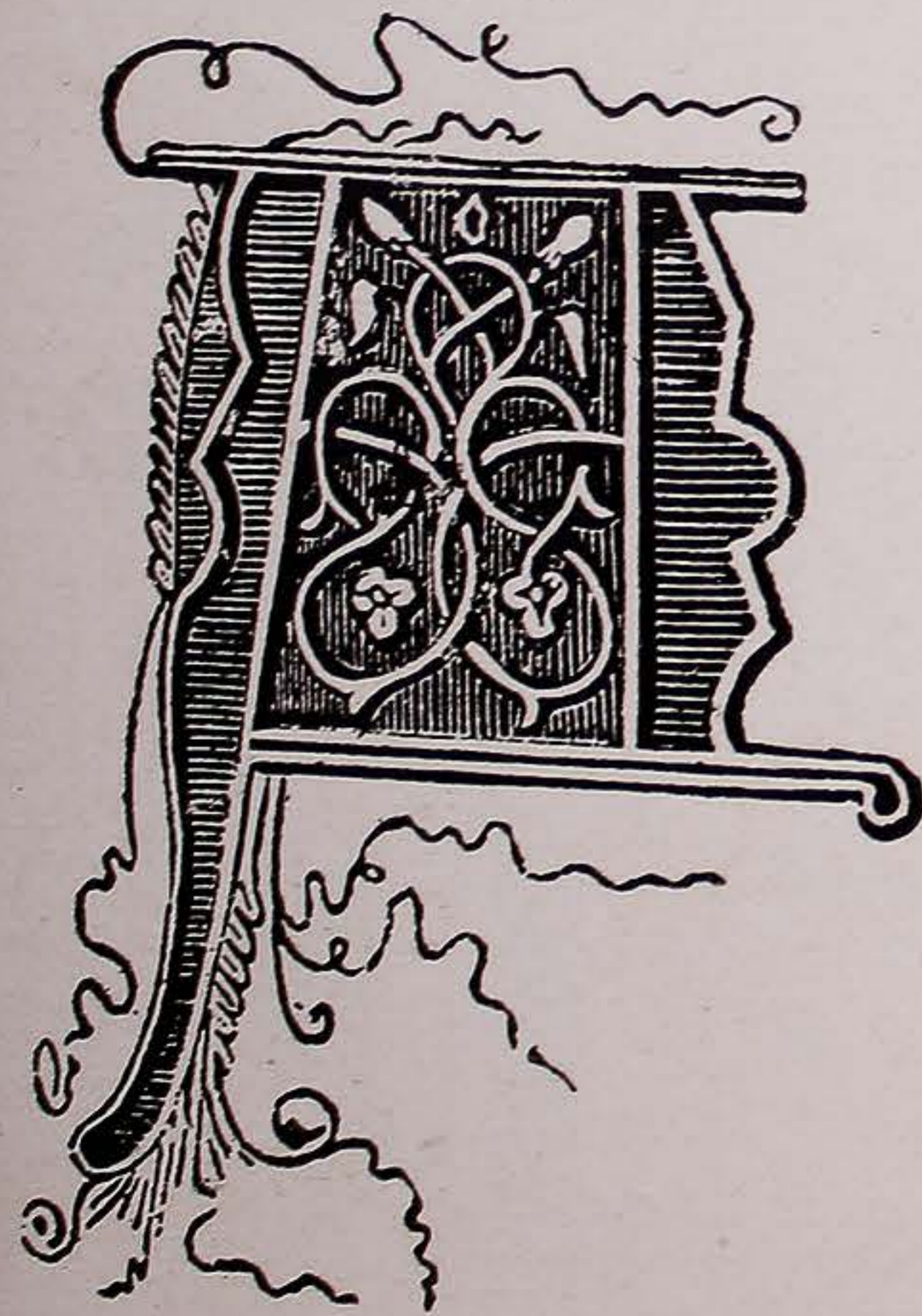
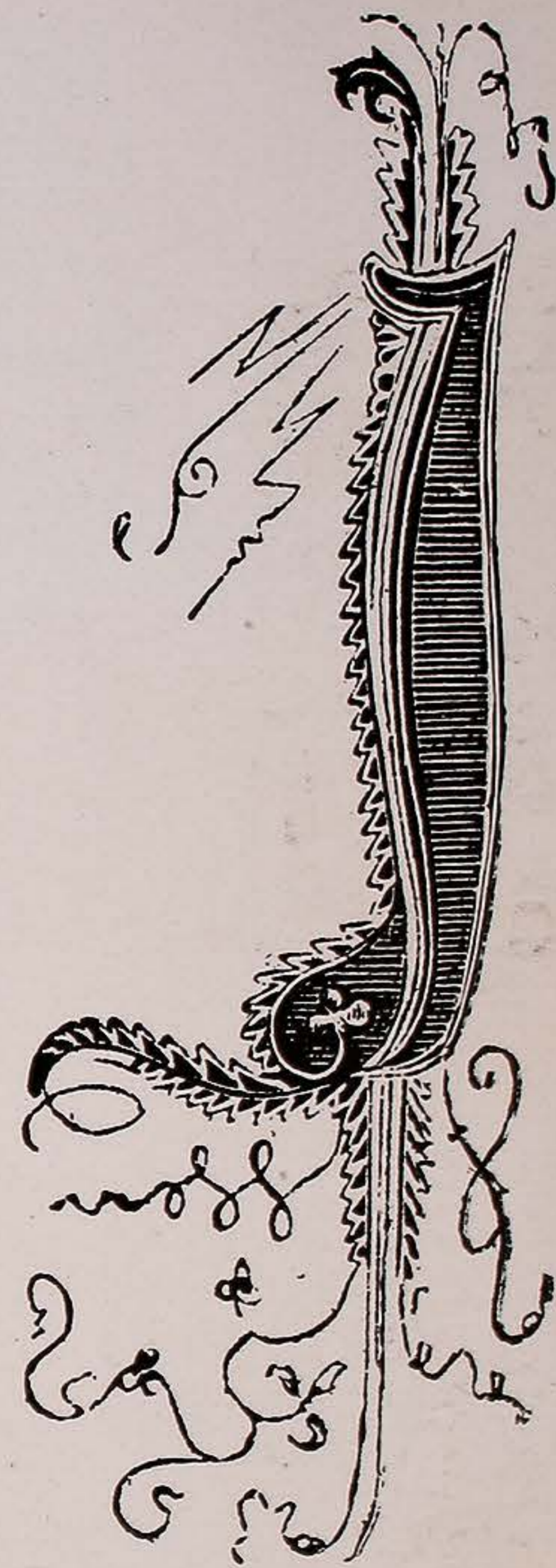
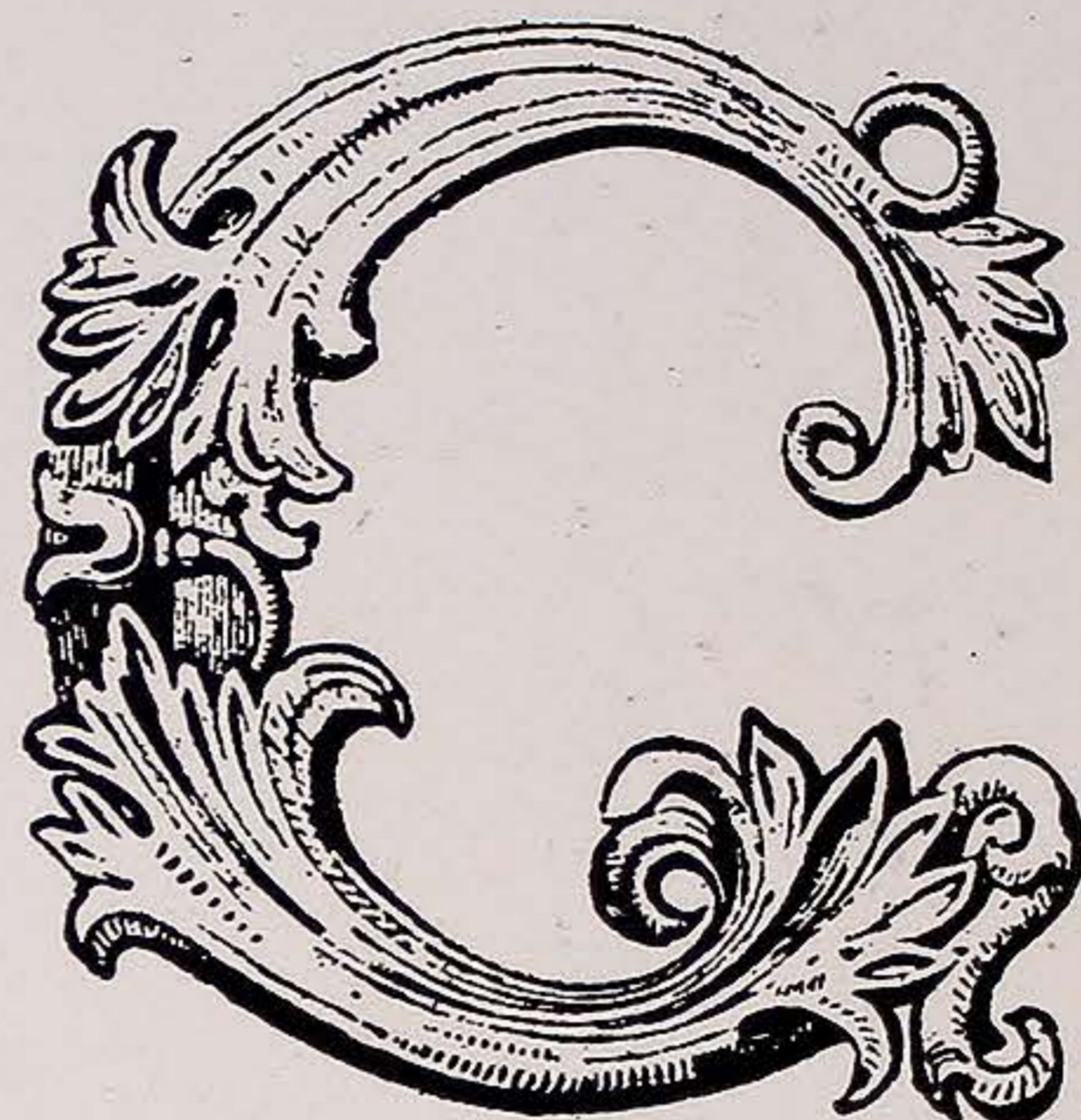
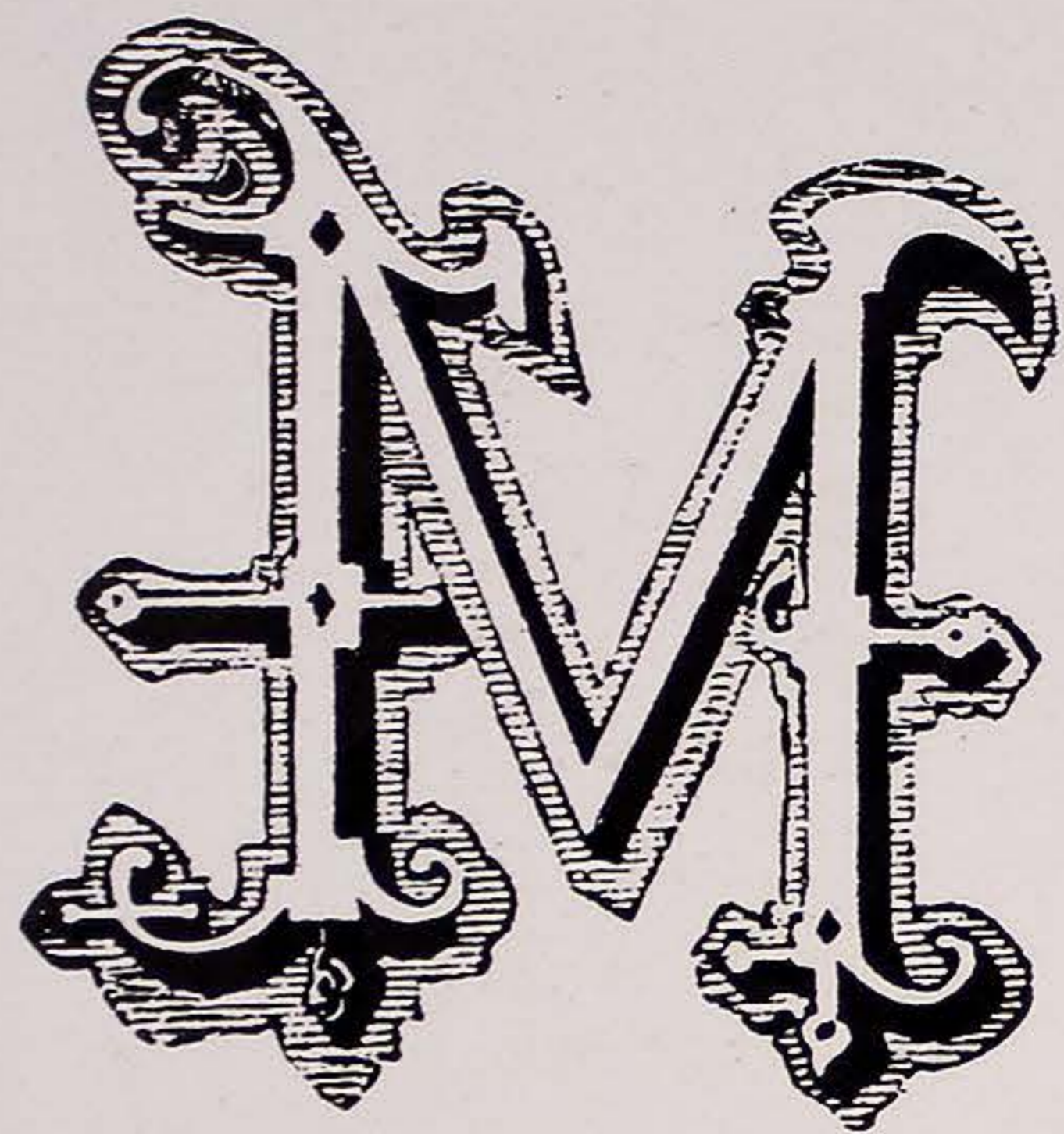


Initials.





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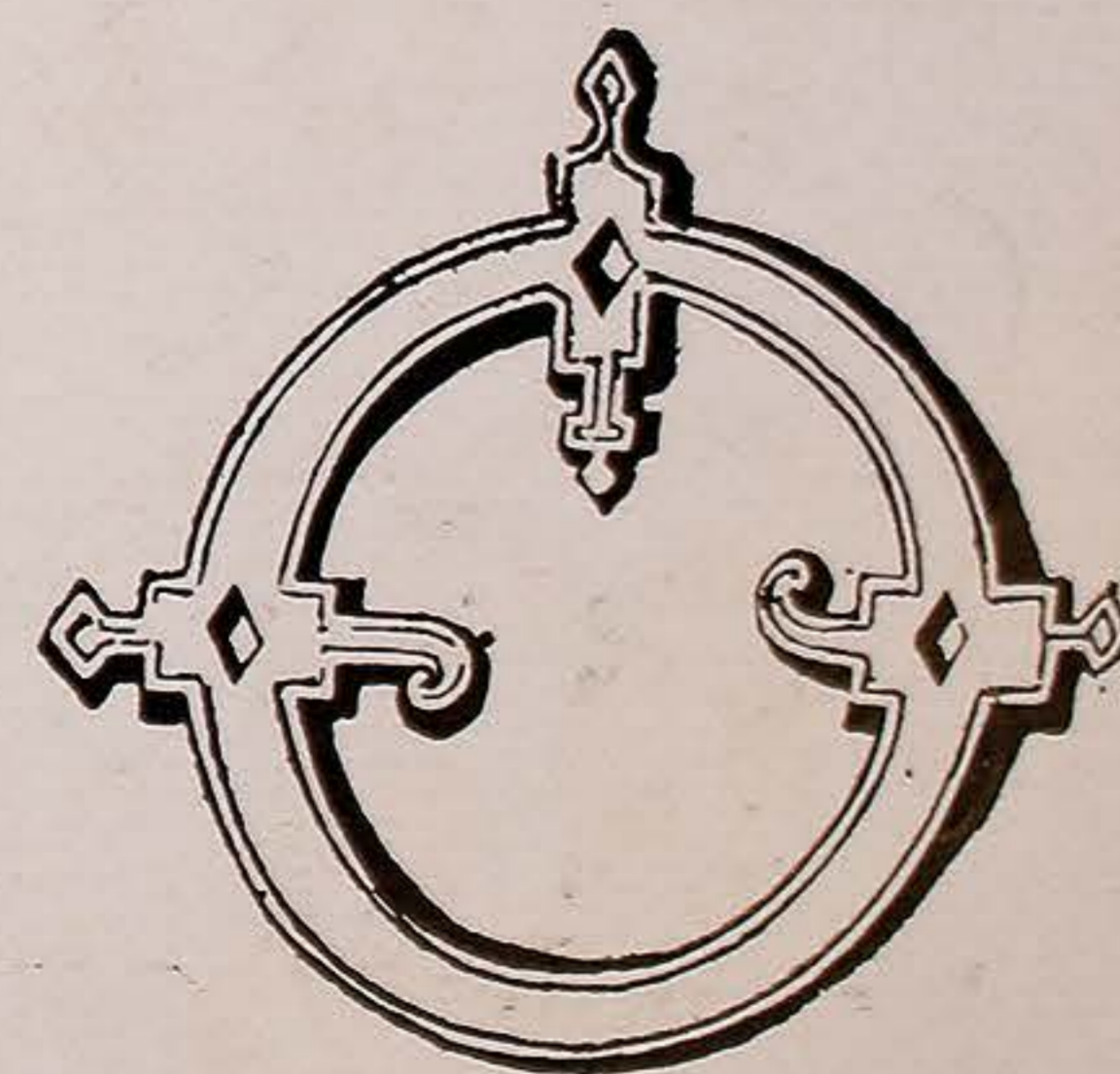
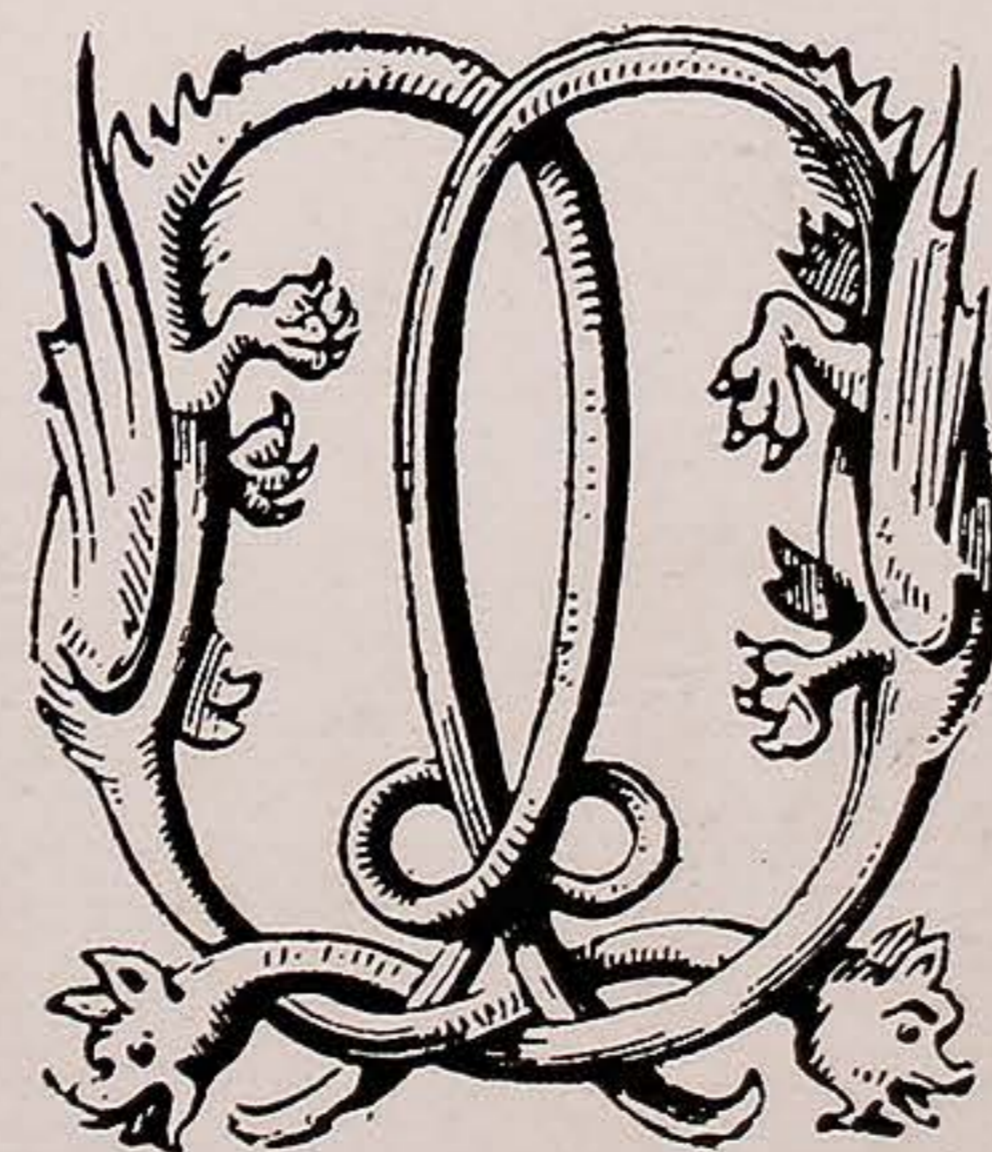
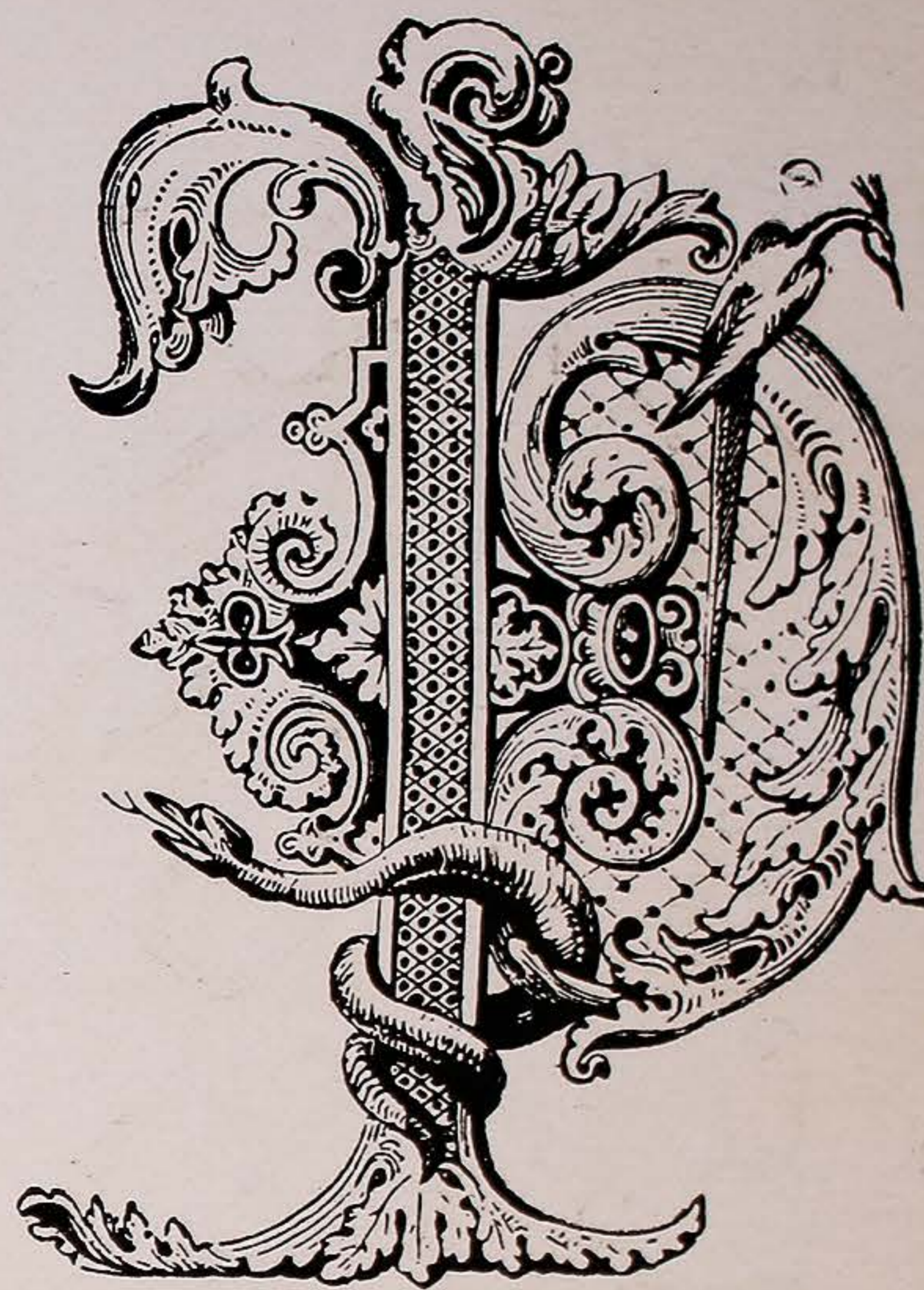
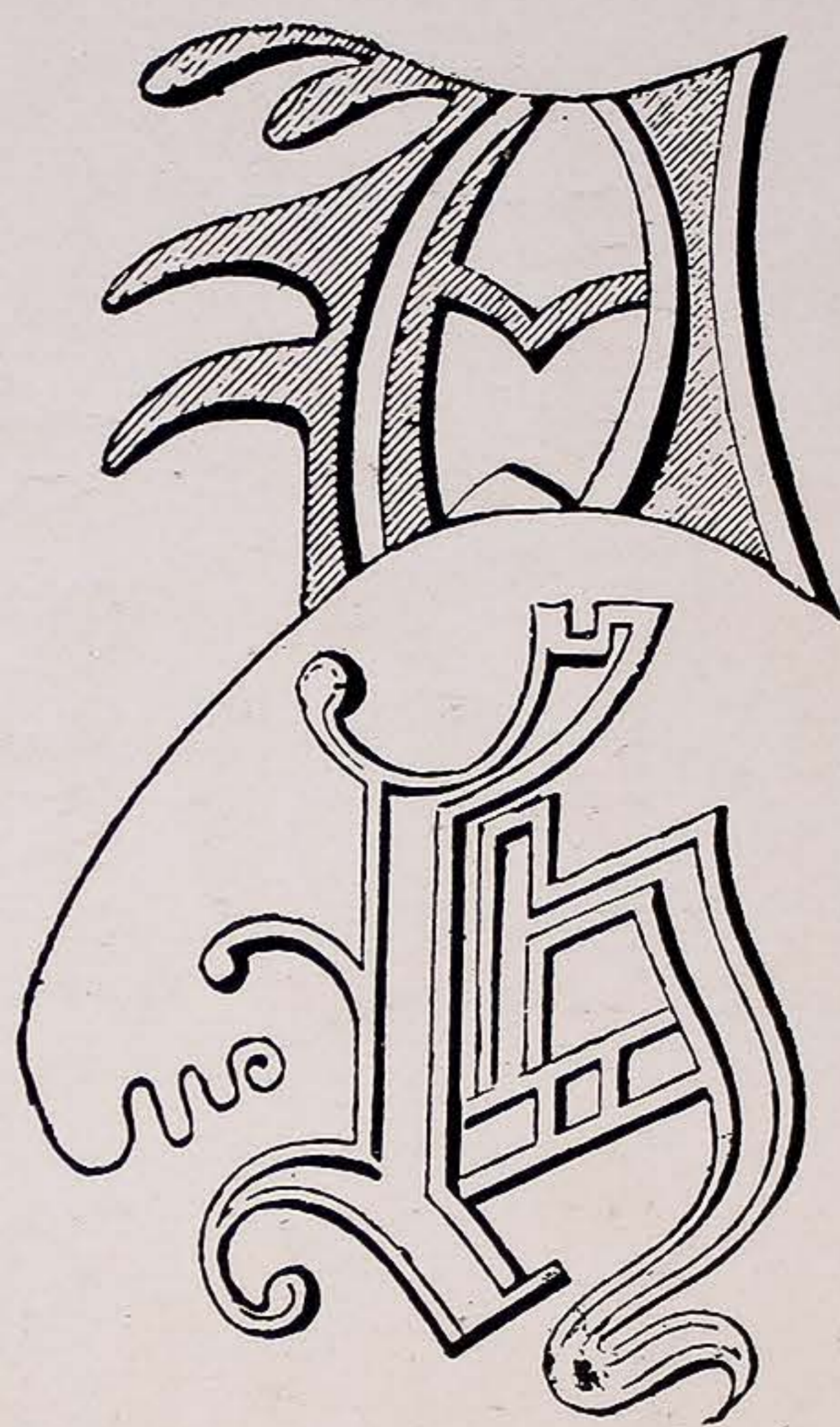
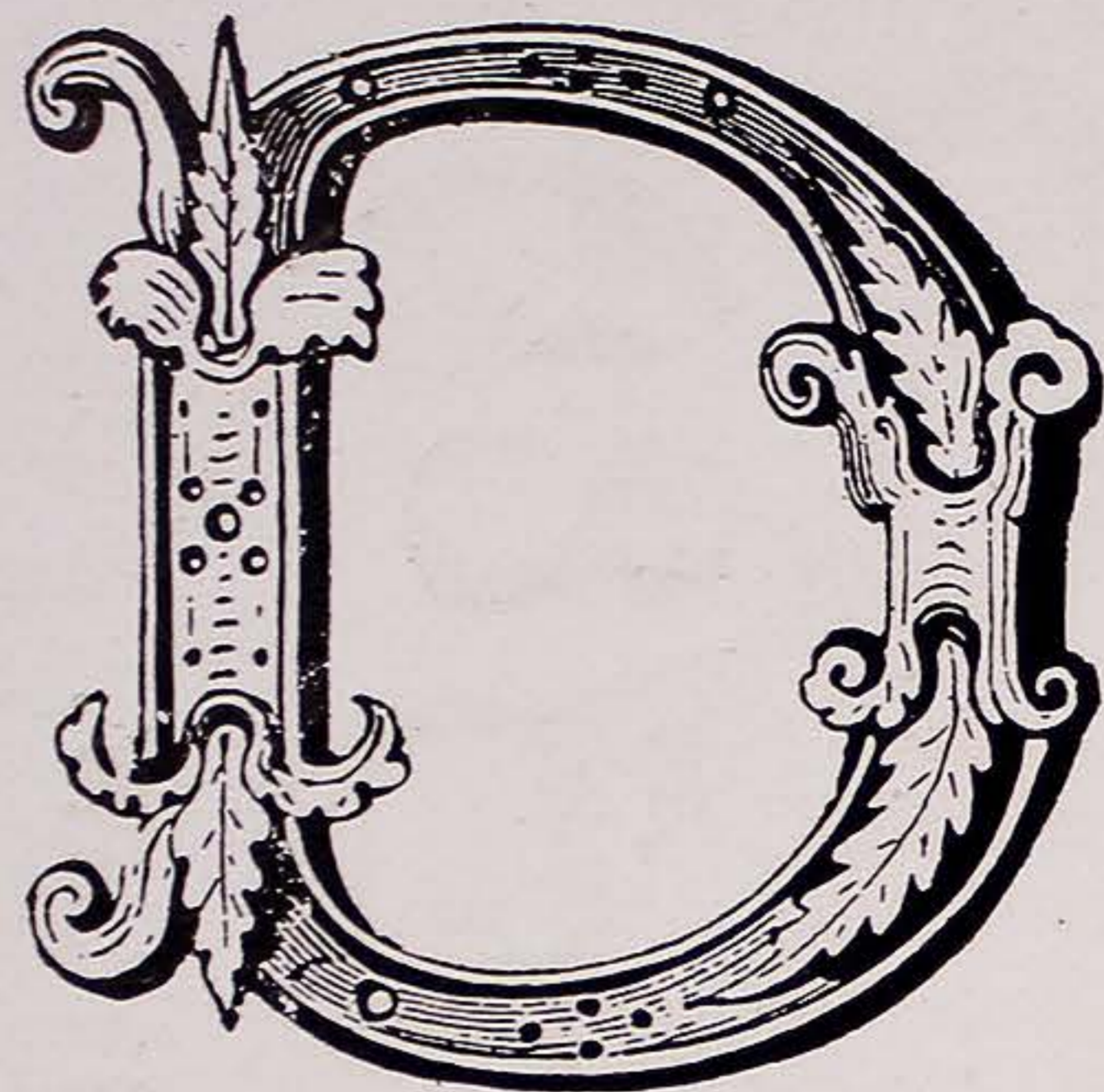


15th Century.

† A B C D E F G H I K  
L M N O P Q R S T U  
a b c d e f g h i k l m n o p q r  
T s t u v w x y z D



Initials.



Numerals.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0

9TH CENTURY.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0

A 1000 I 1114

12TH CENTURY.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0

13TH CENTURY.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0

14TH CENTURY.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0

Numerals.

Numerals.

12TH CENTURY.

7 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0

12TH CENTURY.

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GOTHIC.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0

14TH CENTURY.

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1470.

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15TH CENTURY.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

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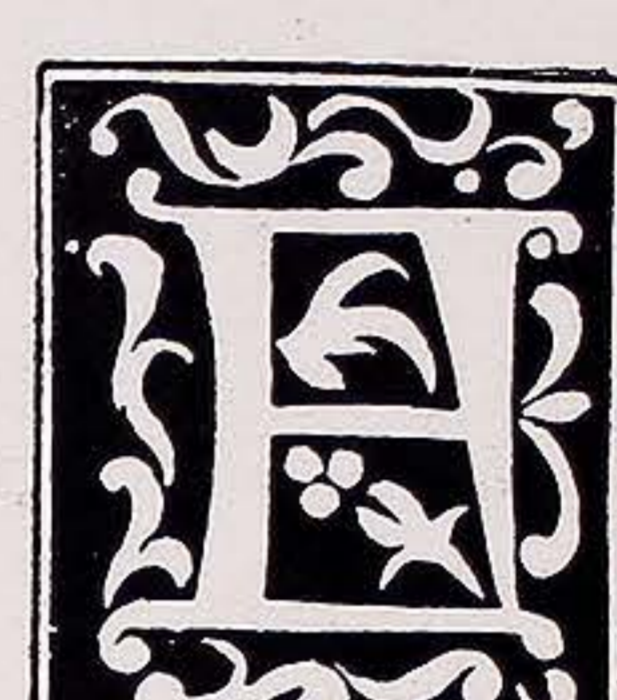
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1 6 7 8 9 0

16th Century.





16th Century.

Mr

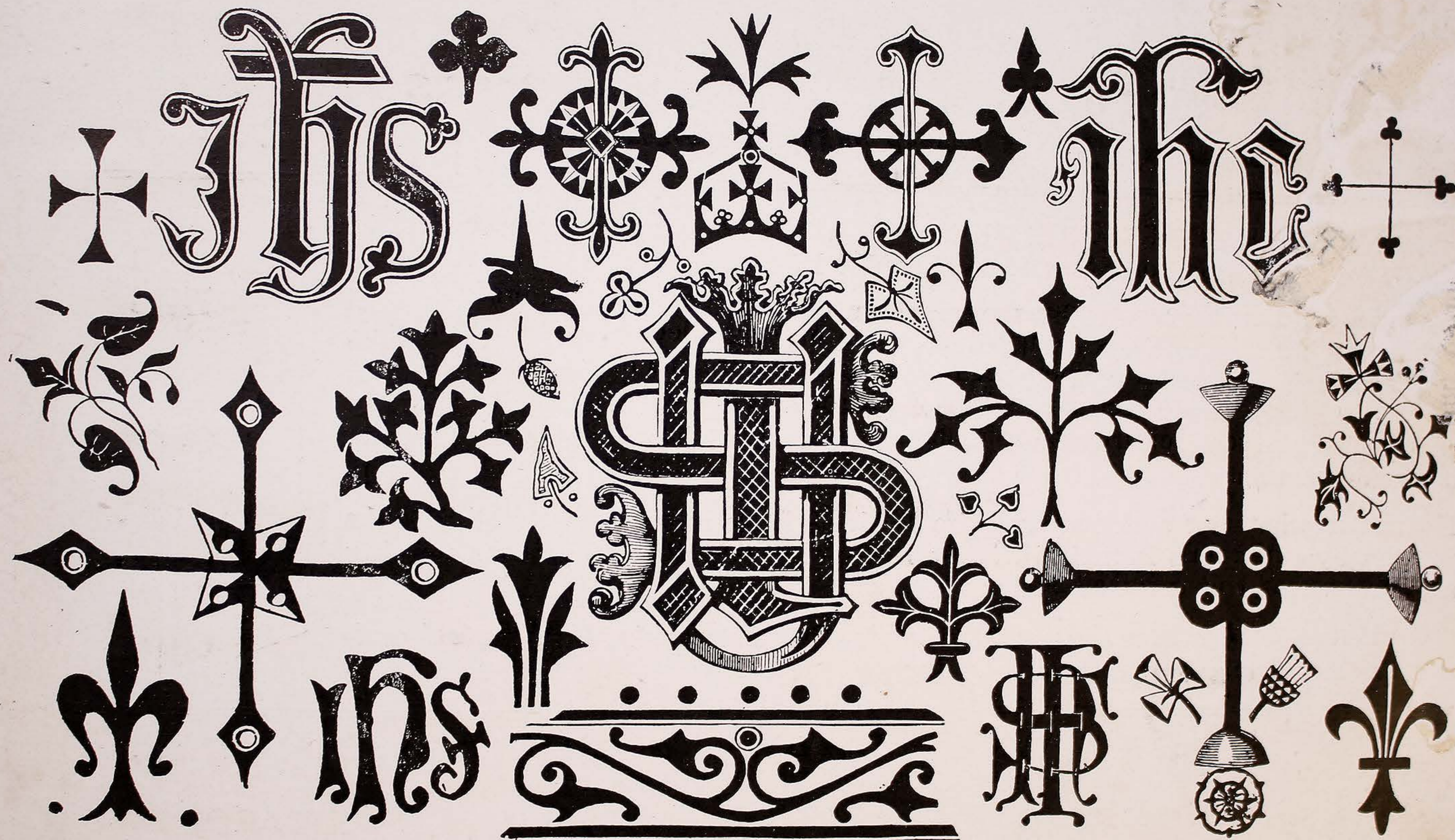
and Engravings.

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