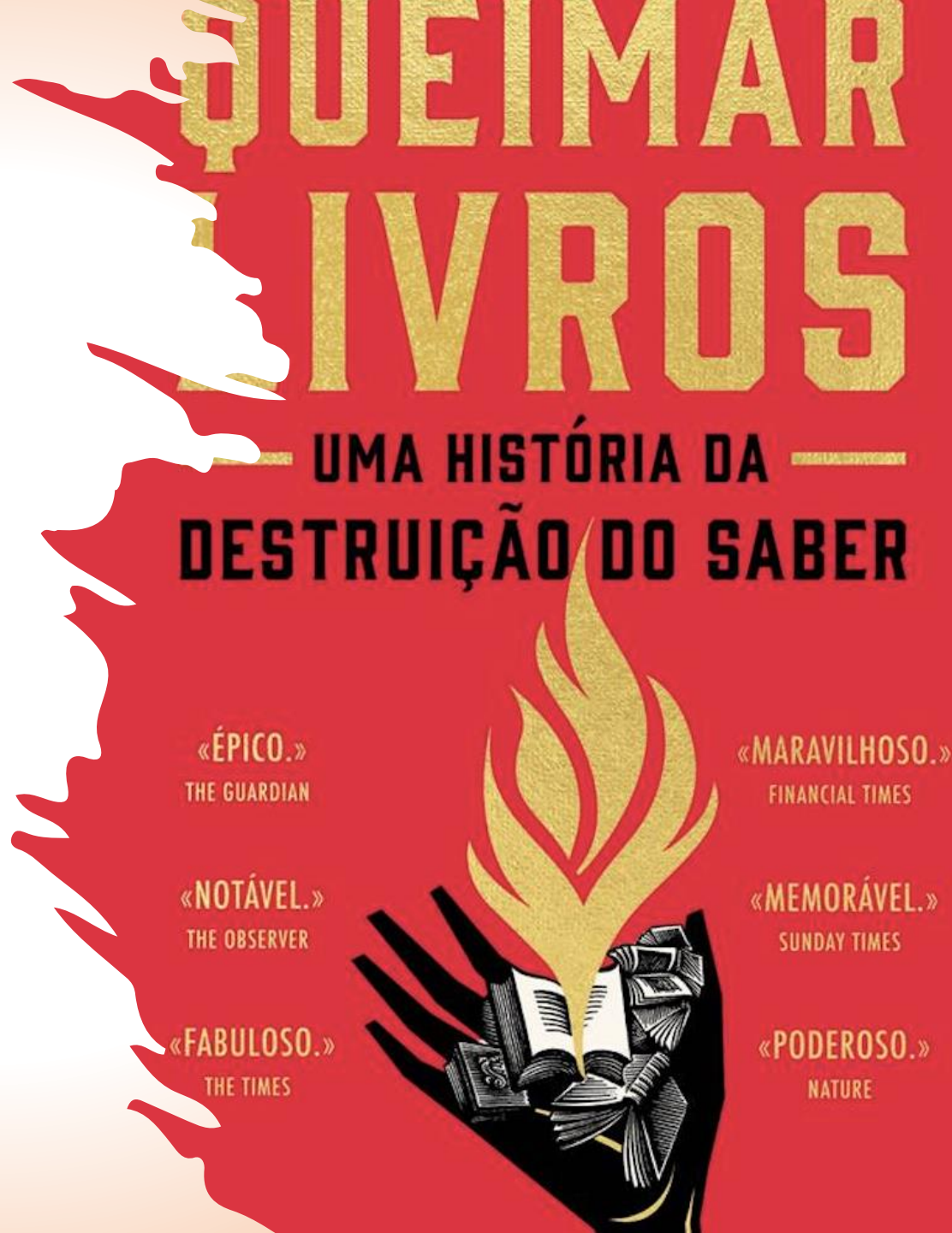


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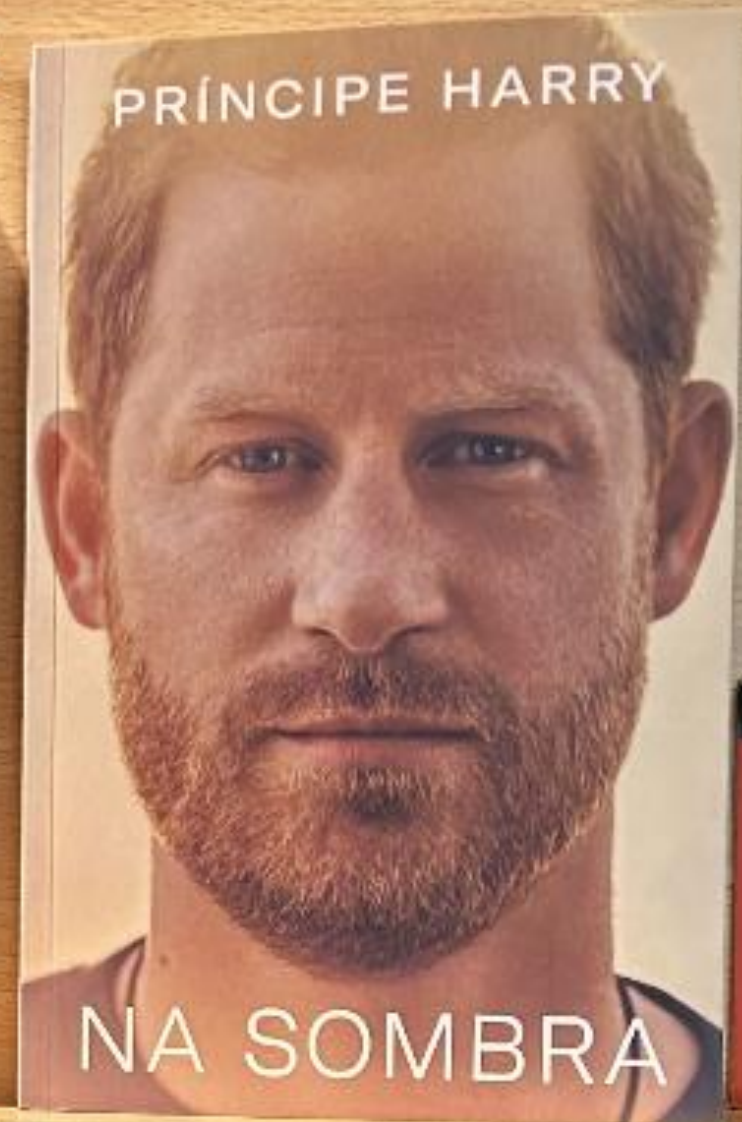
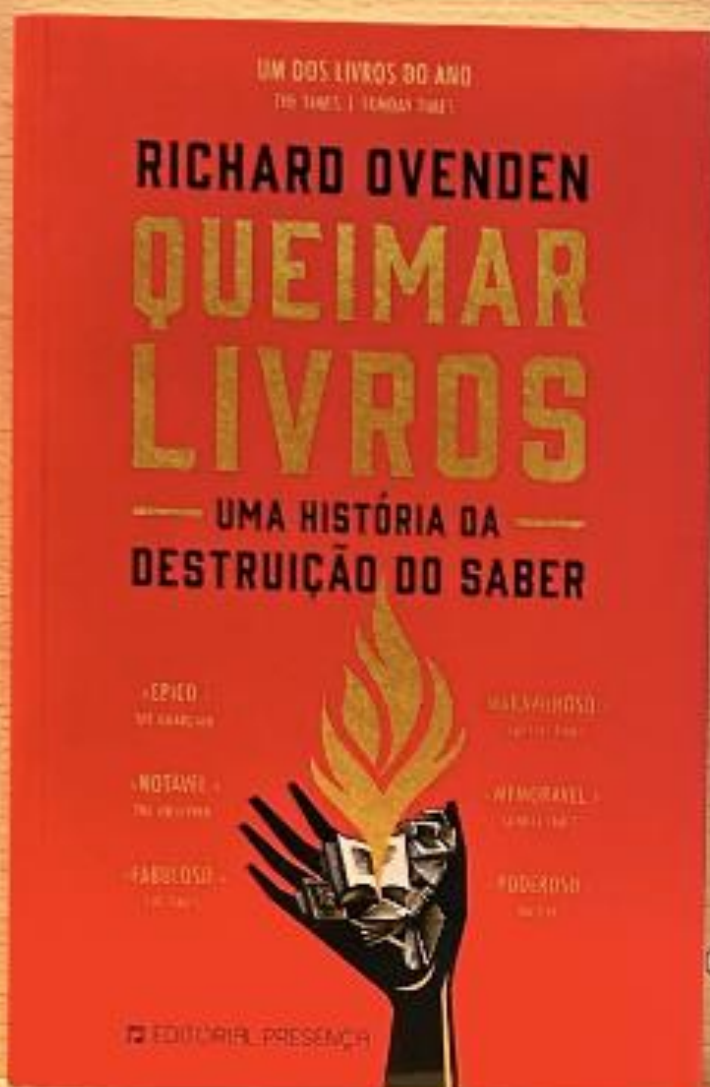
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Merchant Shipping Act, 1906, and Aliens Restriction Acts, 1914 and 1919.

IN-COMING PASSENGERS

Returns of Passengers brought to the United Kingdom in ships arriving from Places out of Europe, and not within the Mediterranean Sea.

Notes (a)—All Passengers brought by such ships are to be included, whether arriving from Europe or from non-European ports. 1st Class, 2nd Class, Tourist Class, and 3rd Class Passengers are to be entered in separate groups.
(b)—In the case of those ships which are engaged in pleasure cruises starting and ending in the United Kingdom the full particulars required by this form should only be furnished in respect of those passengers who embark at a port abroad and disembark in the United Kingdom.

Ship's Name	Official Number	Ownership Line	Registered Tonnage	Master's Name	Voyage
N.Y. "EMPIRE WINDRUSH"	181561.	THE NEW ZEALAND SHIPPING CO. LTD., 136, LEADHILL STREET, LONDON, E.C. 3.	14614.24.	JOHN G. ALMOND.	TRINIDAD, KINGSTON, TAMPICO, BAYAMA, KENOSHA. <i>John G. Almond</i>

Date of Arrival 21. 6. 1945.

NAMES AND DESCRIPTIONS OF BRITISH PASSENGERS

(1) Port of Embarkation	(2) Port at which Passengers have been	(3) NAMES OF PASSENGERS	(4) CLASS	(5) AGES OF PASSENGERS				(6) Proposed Address in the United Kingdom	(7) Profession Occupation or Calling	(8) Country of last Permanent Residence*	(9) Country of Intended Future Permanent Residence*
				Adults of 17 years and upwards	Children under 17 years	Infants under 2 years	Others				

A Windrush passenger list. The destruction of such documents indicates at best a failure of management, and at worst a callous disregard for certain Britons © The National Archives/Crown Copyright

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if you clung to the truth even against the
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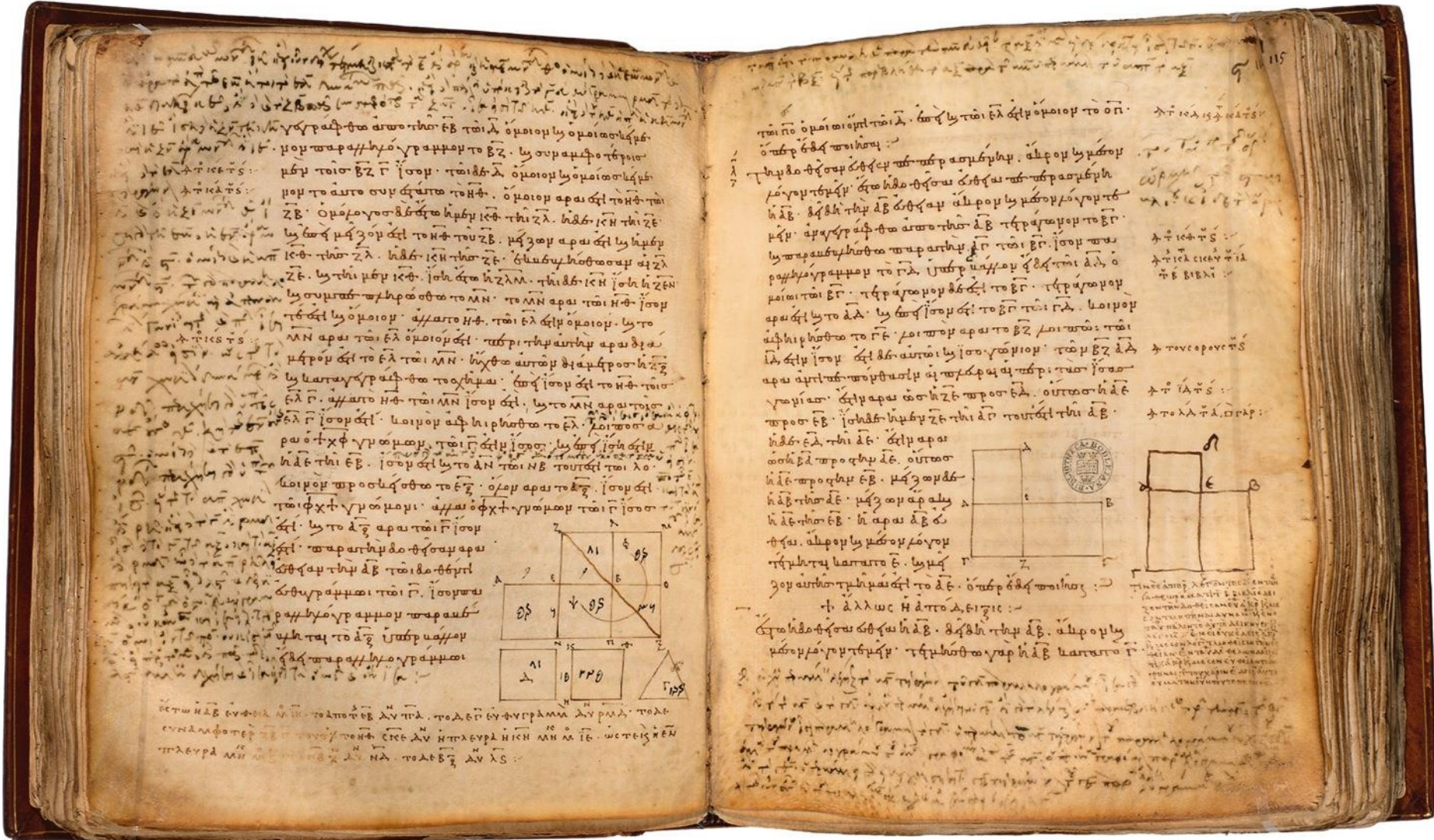


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CE 888
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Glastenbyri.

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tulo nonella h̄istorie id ē tēporū Matildis imperatricis
ab ipso Malmesb. scriptos.

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exerpta ex patribus doctoribusq̄

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De unitate monachorū

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Epistole Lanfranci

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The original University Library at Oxford, begun 1320, University Church of St Mary the Virgin, Oxford.







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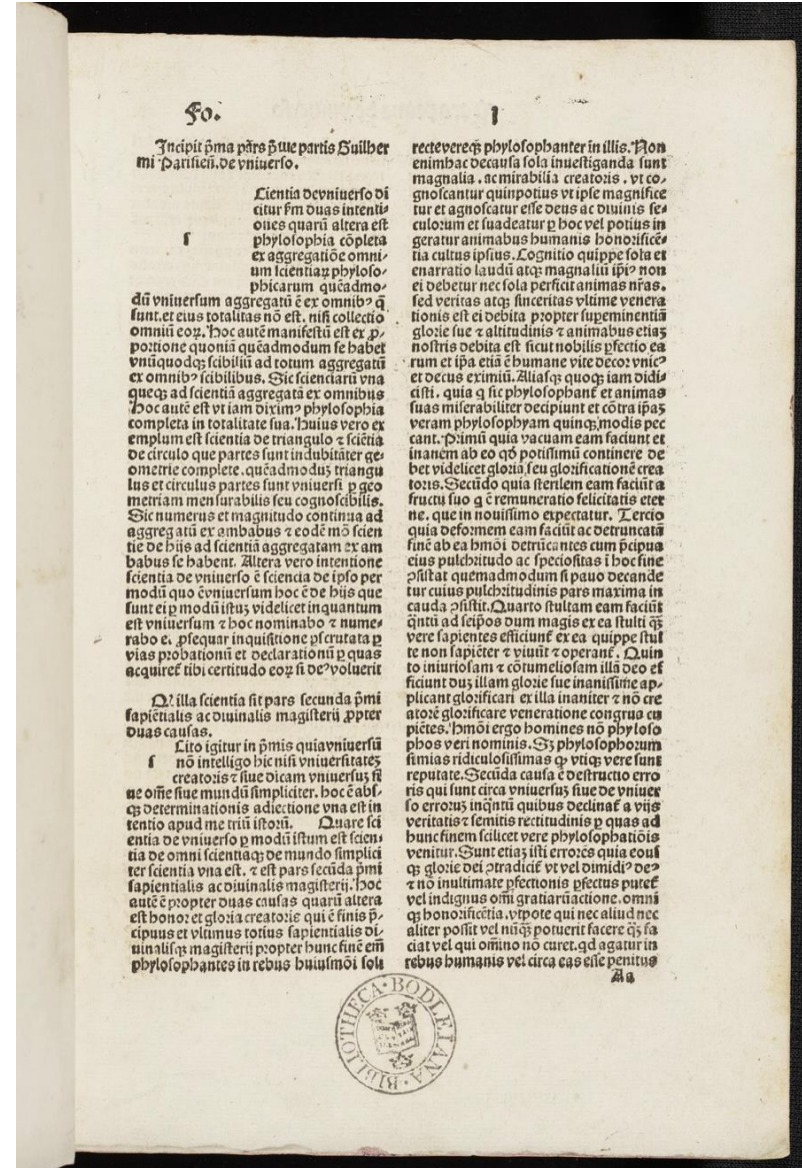
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William Marshall, *John Milton*, 1645 Bodleian: Arch.g.f.17 / *John Rouse* c. 1652 Bodleian: LP 116 / *Thomas Hyde* c. 1701 Bodleian: LP 183



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John James Halls, *Rear Admiral
Sir George Cockburn at the
burning of Washington*
engraved by C. Turner.
Mezzotint Library of Congress





George Robert Gleig, *A narrative of the campaigns of the British Army at Washington* (London: John Murray, 1821)

... they proceeded, without a moment's delay to burn and destroy every thing in the most distant degree connected with the government. ...

All this was as it should be, and had the arm of vengeance been extended no farther, there would not have been room given for so much as a whisper of disapprobation. But unfortunately it did not stop here; a noble library, several printing offices, and all the national archives were likewise committed to the flames, which no doubt the property of government, might better have been spared.



after Daniel Maclise, *George Robert Gleig*
pen and ink, (published early 1830s)
London, National Portrait Gallery D34535

George Munger (1781–1825).
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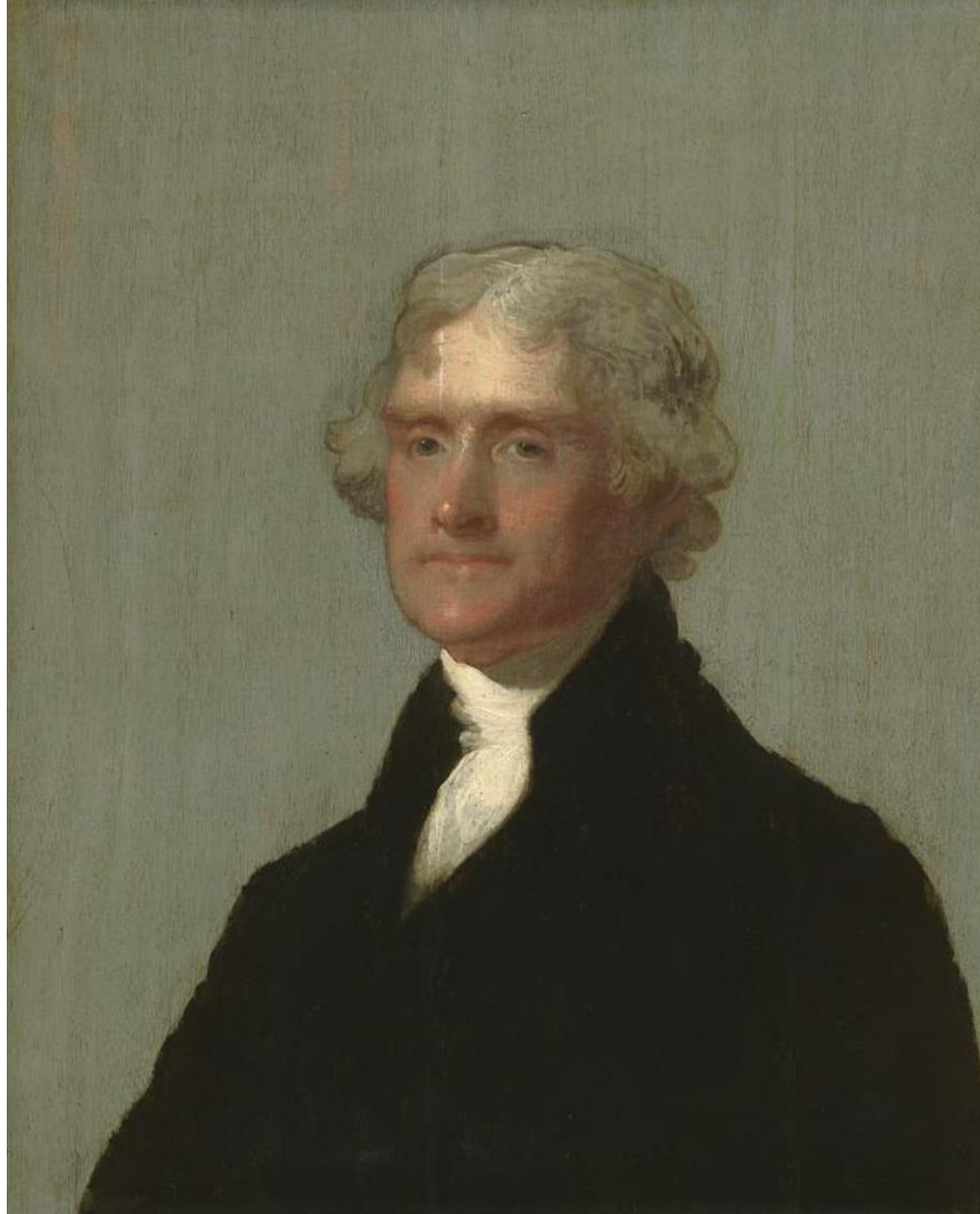


Gilbert Stuart (1755-1828)

Thomas Jefferson (1743-1826) 'The
Edgehill Portrait'

Oil on mahogany panel 1805/1821

Smithsonian Institution, National
Portrait Gallery NPG.82.97





THE BURNING OF LOUVAIN.

The Senate of the National University of Ireland yesterday passed the following resolution:—

“The Senate of the National University of Ireland desires to offer to the illustrious University of Louvain its deep sympathy on the calamity which has befallen it—a calamity without parallel in history since the destruction of the Library of Alexandria. If this example prevail in warfare, then we may expect to find the records and achievements of civilization extinguished by ignorance in arms. Therefore we appeal to the universities of all nations to unite in a protest against an act so disastrous to the progress of mankind.”

A Reuter telegram from The Hague states that a dozen prominent Dutch artists and men of letters yesterday forwarded a telegram to the German Emperor protesting against the destruction of the town of Louvain. The

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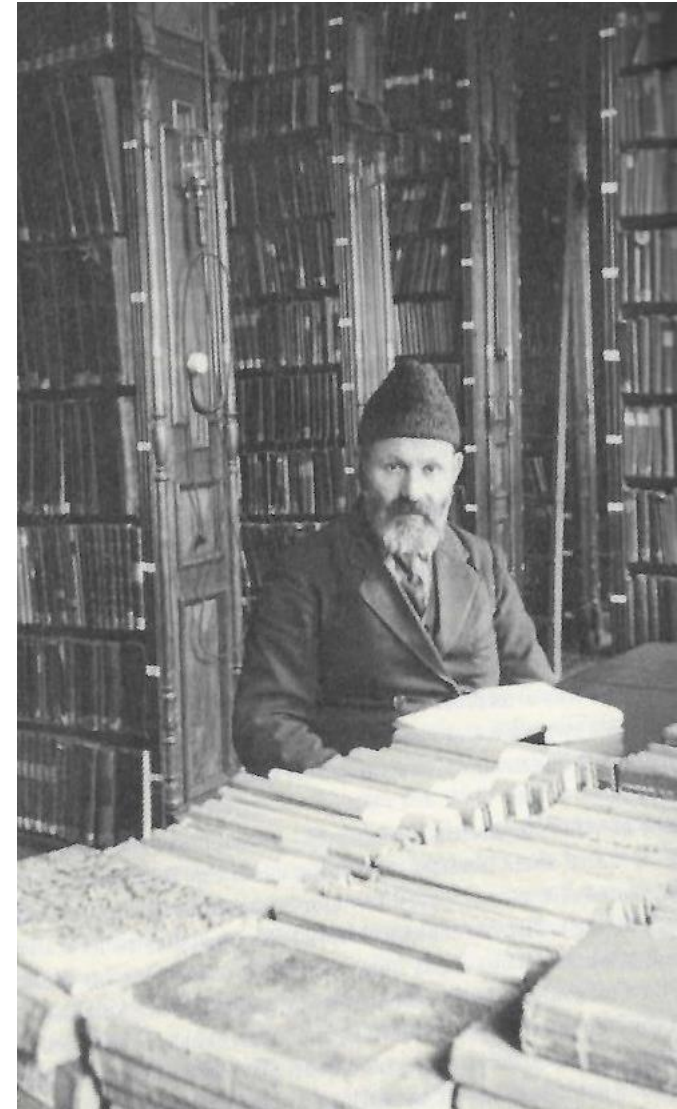


Strashun Library, Vilnius

YIVO Institute, New York



Interior of the Strashun Library and Chaikl Lunski (1881-1943) Librarian of the Strashun



Max Weinrich with
attendees at a YIVO
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The Popular Yiddish-Russian
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M. VODYANOV, C. VESTOFF and Co. in

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YIVO from an album that documents the
confiscation of cultural property by the
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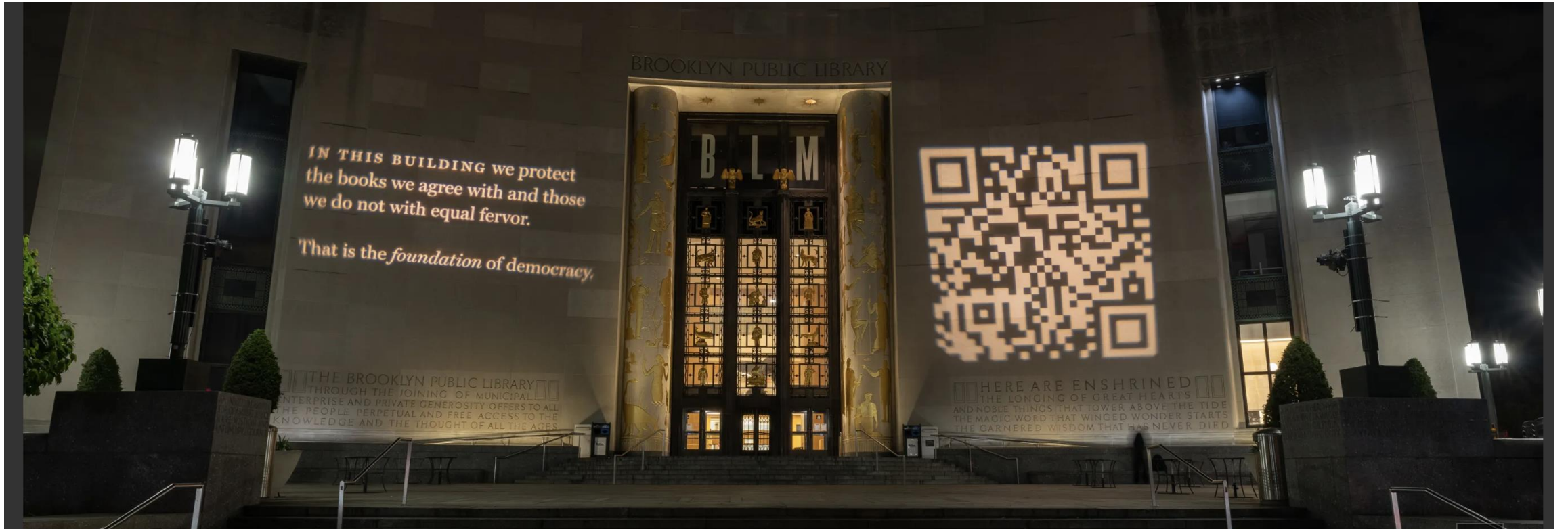
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An evening in Ukraine: enjoying dinner with colleagues in Dnipro when the air-raid siren goes off. Everyone in the restaurant ignores, because it's always going off nowadays. And then after a few minutes, a big boom. And then Telegram alerts of explosions elsewhere and everywhere

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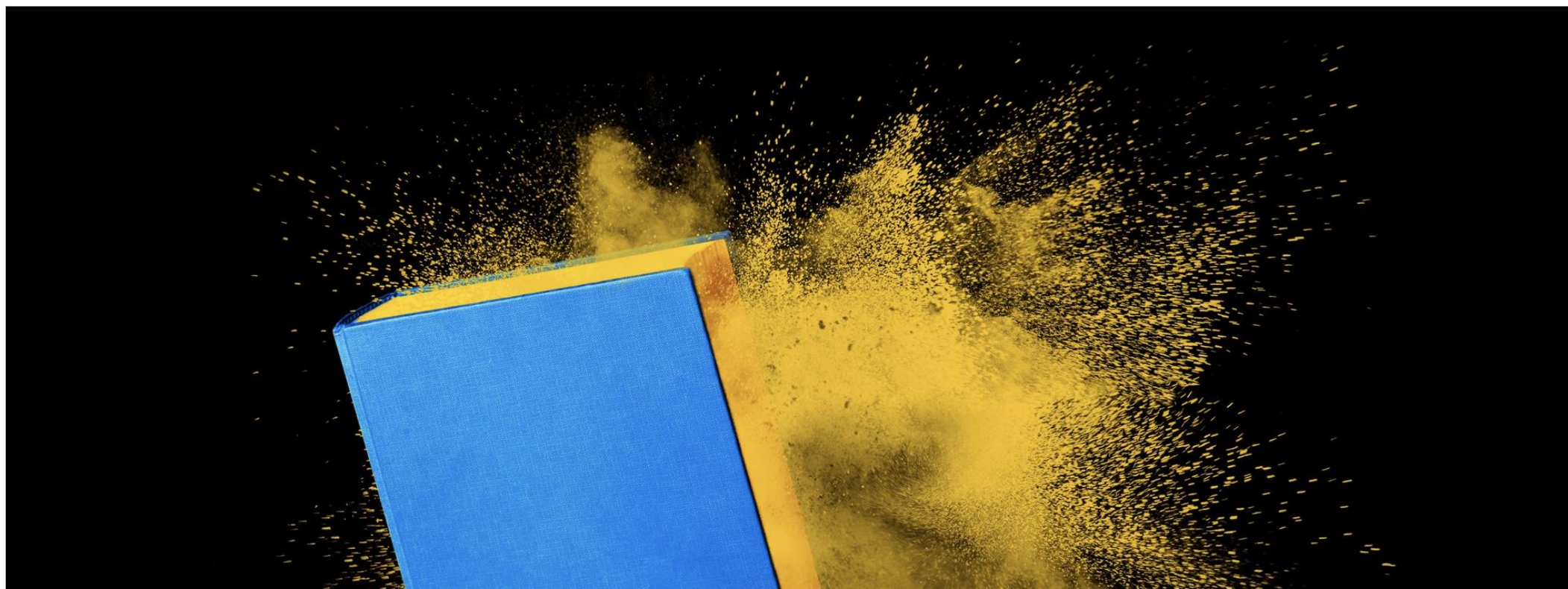
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Putin's War on Ukrainian Memory

As repositories of national culture and consciousness, the libraries and archives of Ukraine have become a target of Russian aggression.

By Richard Ovenden



'The past was erased, the erasure was forgotten, the lie became truth'

George Orwell, *Nineteen eighty-four* (1949)

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