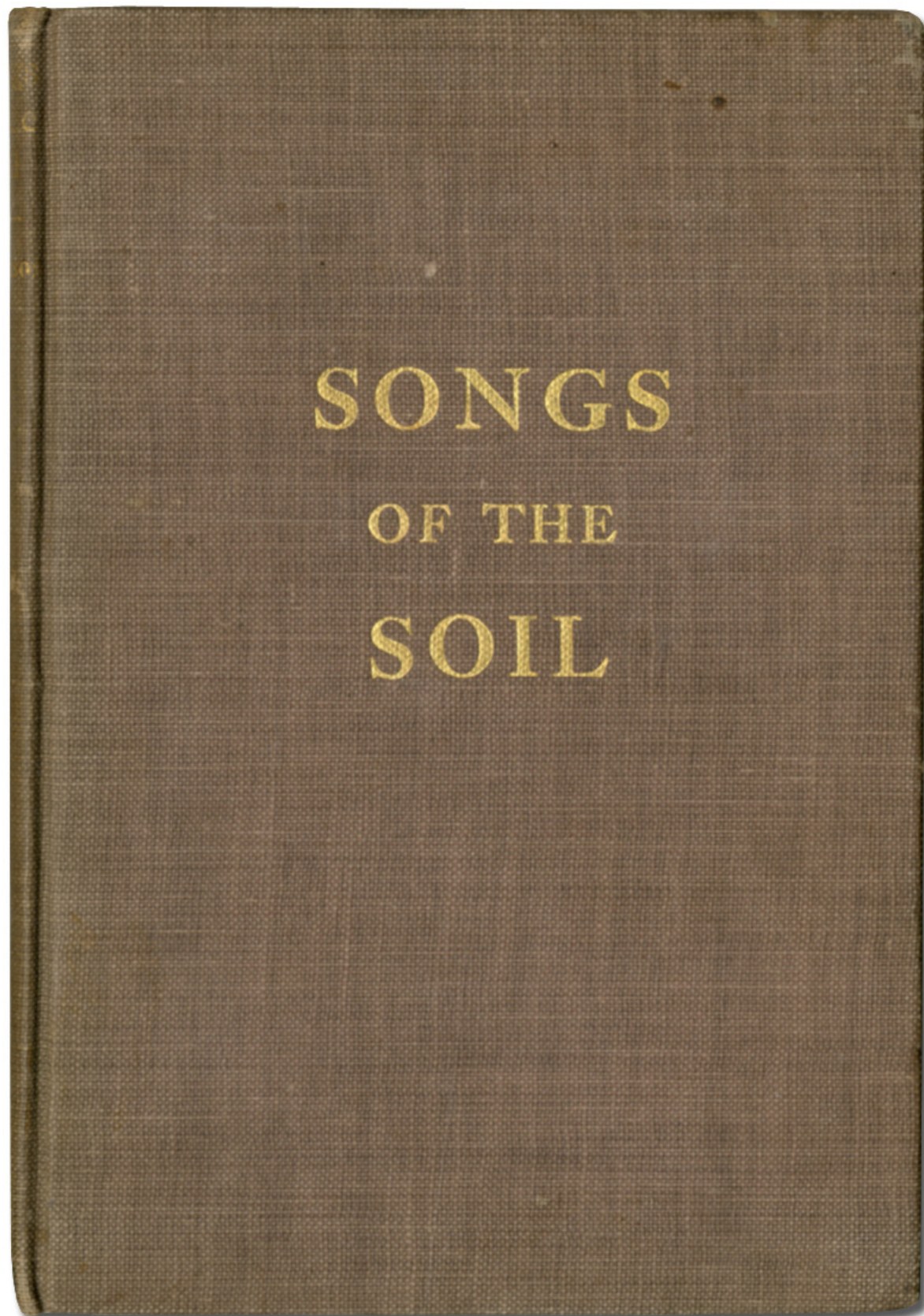


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Fenton Johnson
Songs of the Soil

New York: F.J. (Fenton Johnson) 1916

First edition. 12mo. 39pp. Brown cloth gilt. Very small stain on first couple of leaves, else near fine. The author's third volume of poetry. Fenton Johnson was described by James Weldon Johnson as "one of the first Negro revolutionary poets. Somewhat unjustly neglected today, probably because most of his poetry was written just before the Harlem Renaissance and didn't receive the recognition it would have had it been showcased in that later era. He was one of the founders of "The Champion", a periodical celebrating Black achievements, wrote for "The Crisis", and worked for the Federal Writers Project. [\[BTC#392719\]](#)

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