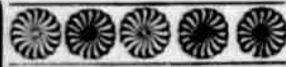


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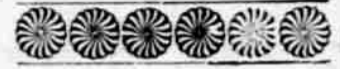


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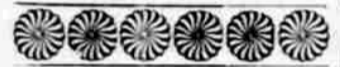


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"You see, we lost the finest tree on our lawn by lightning," she explained enthusiastically, "and my husband was heartbroken about it. It would take a quarter of a century to grow another such a fine tree as that elm, and we hadn't the heart to begin it. Then I heard about the transplanting of large trees, and the idea of giving him a tree possessed me. On the outskirts of the town I found a tree that was the counterpart of the lost elm, and the tree-moving company bought it for me, and the day it was to be transplanted I lured my husband away for a little trip, and it was late at night when we returned. If he had found the house moved off the place he wouldn't have been so surprised as he was to see that tree. He couldn't even criticize. He was speechless. Every day he brings some one to see the tree, and I have received more praise about it as a present than about the combined gifts of my entire married life."—The Bazar.



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