

AN ANECDOTE OF THE DAY OF THE FUELESS PERIOD

When We Were Trying To Keep Warm They Shoved the Winter Right in Upon Us

Glaziers this week placed a new plate glass front at the offices of the Winnetka Weekly Talk. Last week a terrific crash startled the neighborhood. Luckily it didn't happen on December 17 or wasn't an irate subscriber, and, consequently, bears no further significance than would any minor disturbance.

Just at a time when the editorial staff of the Lake Shore News was engaging in calisthenic pursuits in an endeavor to be comfortable during the fuel shortage restriction period, along came a playful boy and girl, danced before the plate glass window, scuffled in the snow and—crash, went the plate glass, and in came a blast of December weather. "He", alluding to the boy, "pushed me right through," sobbed his companion.

FIRST "DUST" EXPLOSION

Until the summer of 1878 such a thing as a "dust explosion" was unknown. No doubt many such explosions had occurred, but they were of small account and no investigation followed to disclose the true nature of the case.

In that summer the Washburn flouring mills at Minneapolis, then the largest in the world, exploded with terrific violence.

Several massive buildings, with granite walls two feet thick and of particularly strong mill construction were demolished as if by an immense charge of dynamite.

The flame of the first explosion was communicated to two other mills which were destroyed in the conflagration which followed.

Use Well Your Gift.

The weakest among us has a gift, however seemingly trivial, which is peculiar to him, and which, worthily used, will be a gift also to his race.—Ruskln.

200 AUTOS PER DAY ARE BEING BOUGHT BY PEOPLE OF ILLINOIS

Illinoisans are buying automobiles at the rate of 200 a day or one every seven minutes, according to an International News Service dispatch.

This unusual rate of new purchases is disclosed in the automobile department of Secretary of State Emerson's office, where, despite the nearness of the year's end, applicants for auto license were being received at the rate of 200 a day.

Mostly New Cars

Walter Miller of Quincy, head of the department, says practically all of the applications are for new cars. Under the new state automobile license article the year is divided into quarters and to keep within the statute it is necessary for purchasers of new cars to secure licenses for the entire last quarter, including the months of October, November and December.

One license has been issued for every minute of 1919 that has transpired. The present grand total of licenses issued is 476,694 and Chief Clerk Miller expects this figure will go beyond 480,000 before the end of this year. Last year the total was 389,761, showing an increase this year of almost 10,000 licenses.

Want No. 1

Number 1 is the most sought for numeral in the state. Approximately 700 applications are on file for this number. Next is 1920. Fully 500 applications have been received for it.

Under the new law a person desiring to retain last year's number must make application twenty days prior to January 1. Hundreds of autoists have taken advantage of this section of the act and have filed their applications accordingly.

This year's auto licenses will net the road fund of the state approximately 50 per cent next year and the total income consequently will be about \$5,500,000. Every cent of this money must go into the fund for the construction and upkeep of roads.

Not even the expenditures for number plates or salaries in the automobile departments are charged to the fund.

New License Plates

The 1920 license plates will be of orange background with black numerals. This combination is said to be more readable than any except black and white. The latter combination was used several years ago and under the state law the same combination cannot be used oftener than once every five years.

The 1920 numbers will not run as high as this year's, due to a change in the law, making it possible for the issuance of different types of numerals to different types of machines. Passenger cars, trucks, tractors, dealers' cars and motorcycles are in different classes and while the numerals may be the same, each type will have its own distinctive recognition mark. For instance, "dealer" before the numeral indicates a dealers' license. Trucks will have the word "truck" before the number.

The 1920 plates will be mailed to applicants beginning December 20 and Chief Clerk Miller plans to work his force nights to get them out before January 1.

Application blanks have been sent to all city and village clerks in the state and also to all dealers, it is announced. They may be ordered at any of those places.

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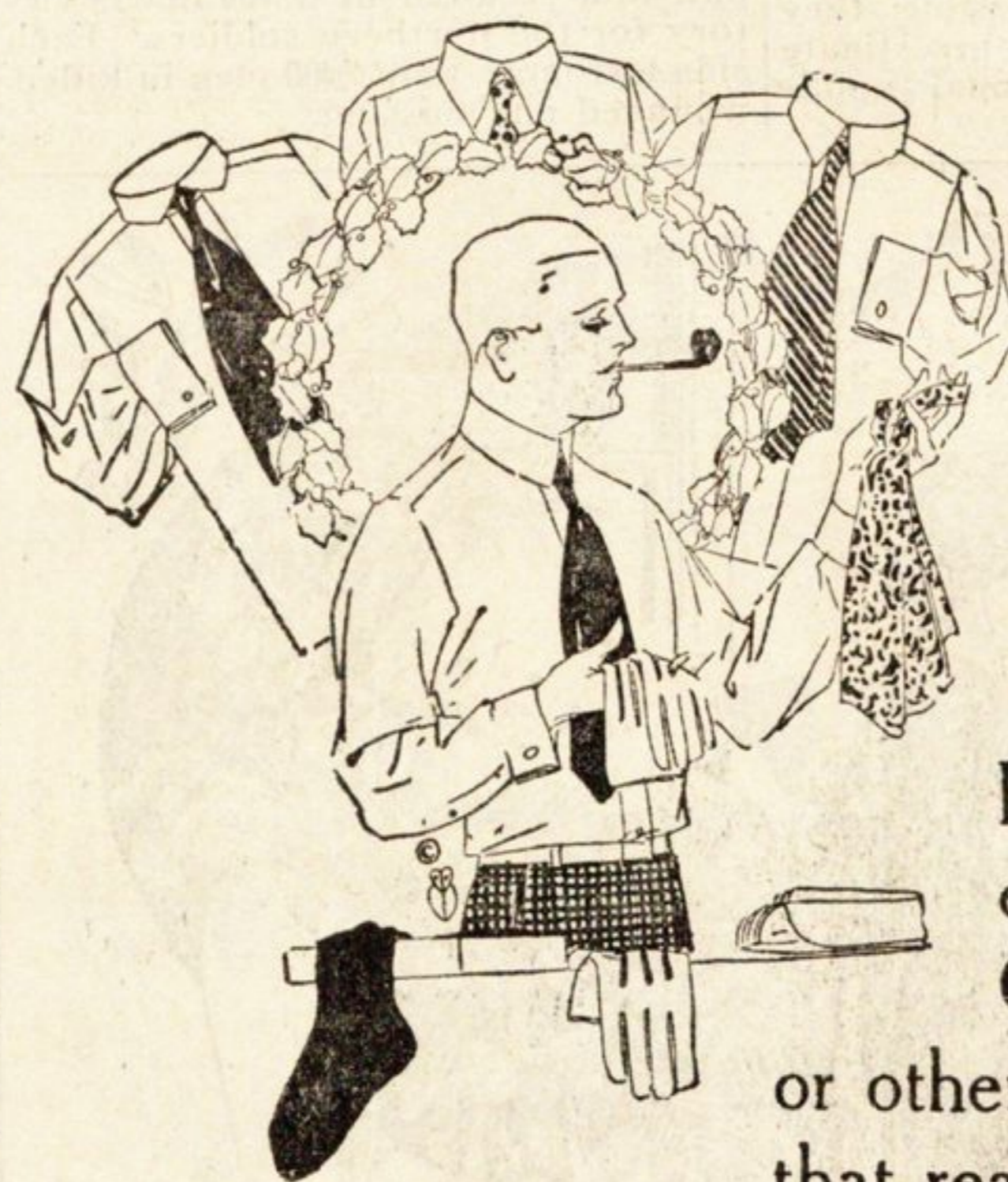
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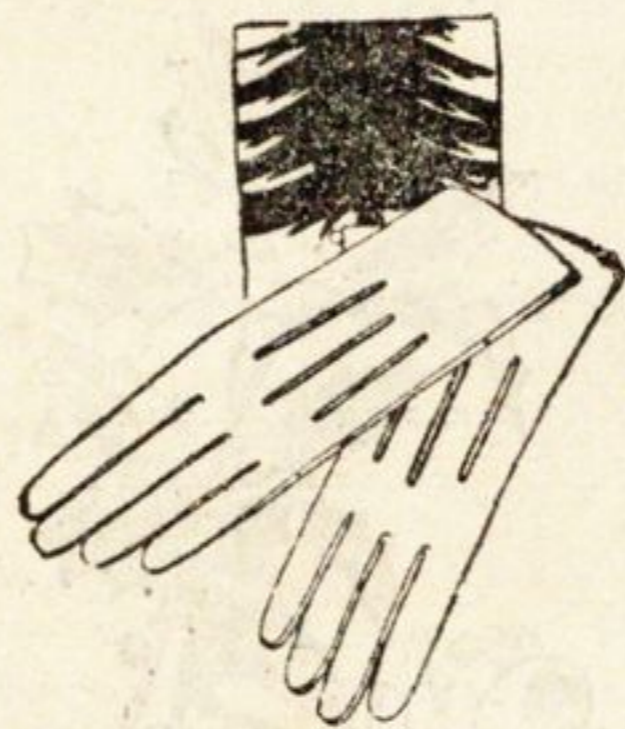
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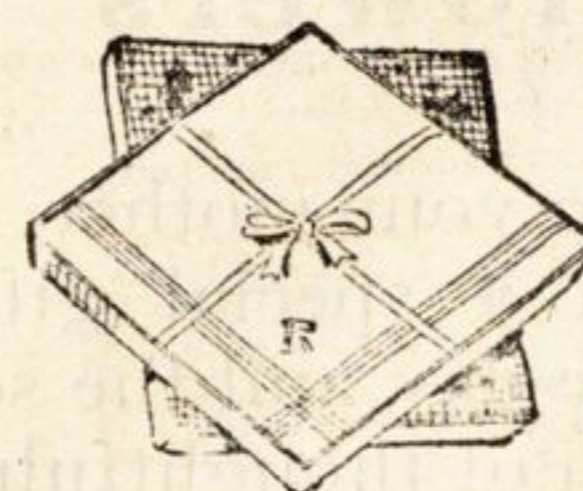


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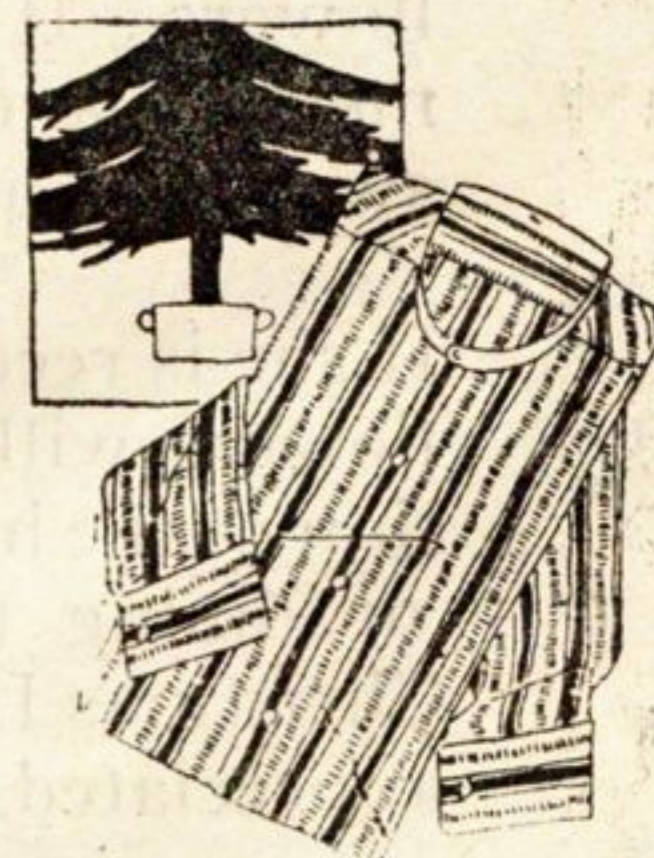
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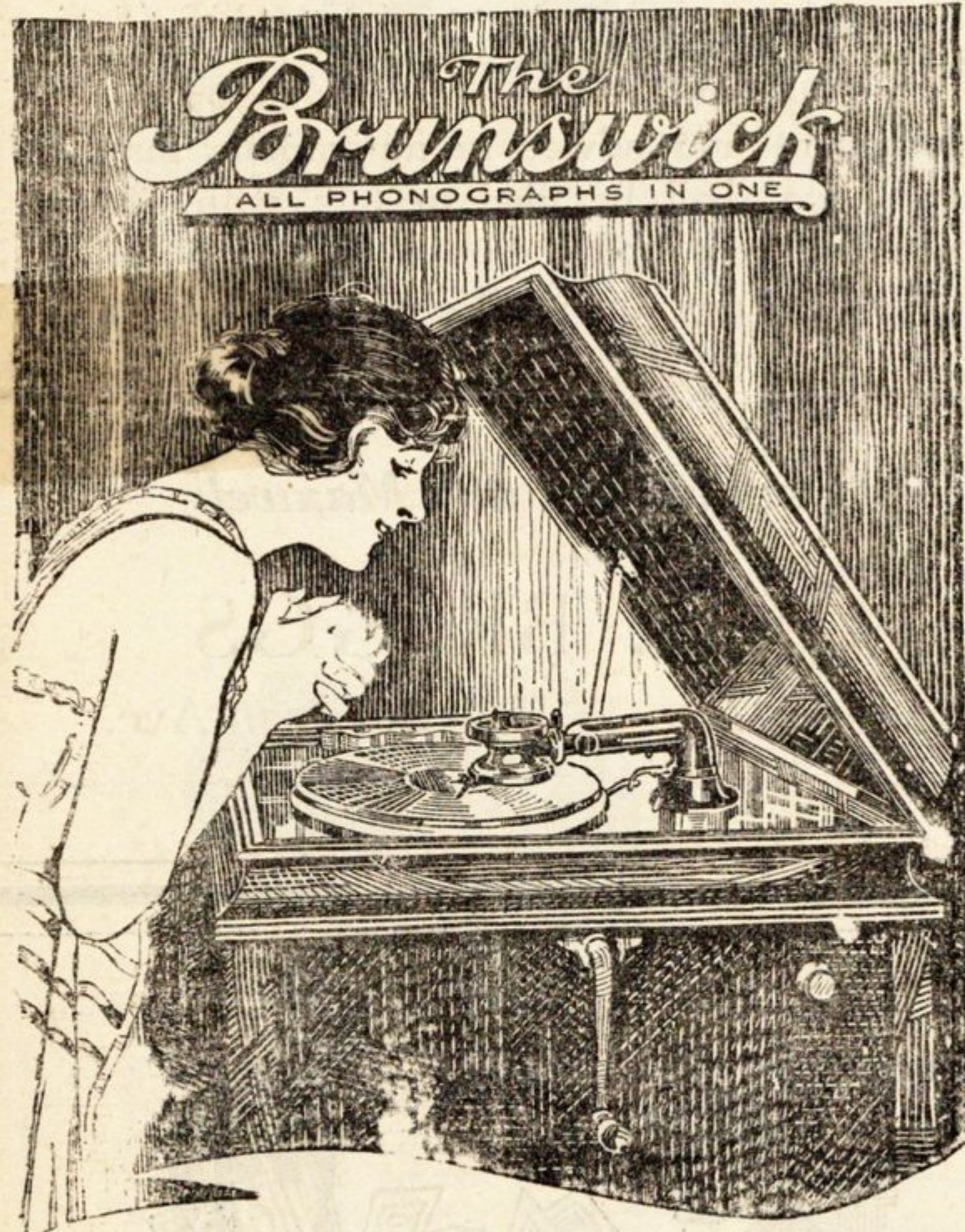
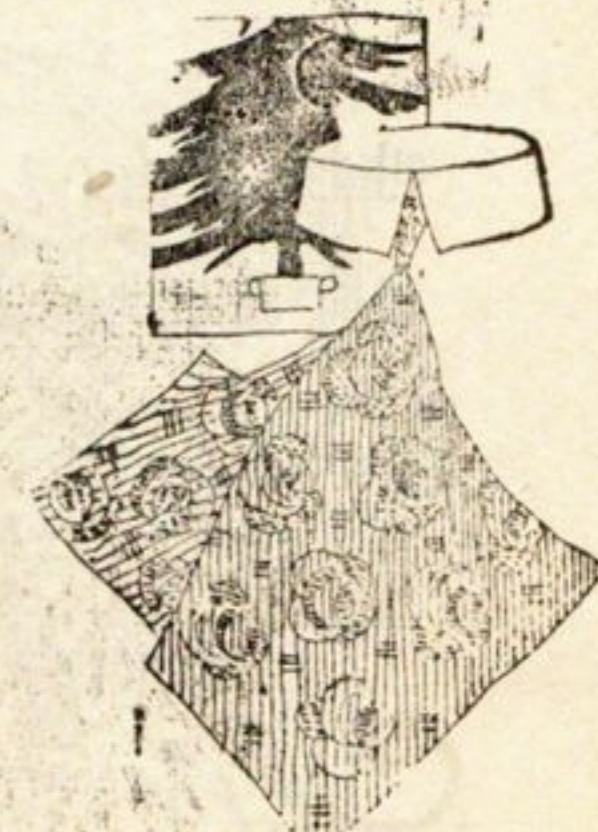
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