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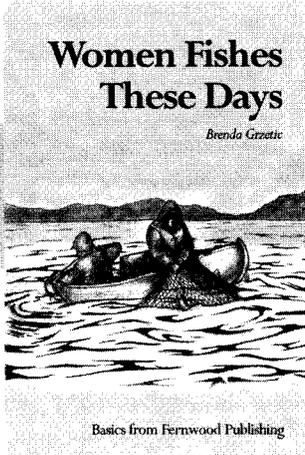
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 tissue of a may petal
 cool nubbles of an antique glass jar
 the perforated edge of a stamp on a foreign letter
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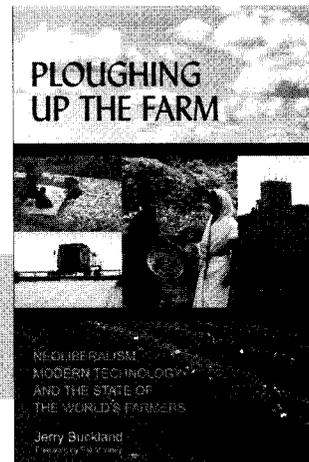
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