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Magnolia denudata would appear, by preference, to be an easterner. Aside from its original home, in eastern China, it seems to flourish best, and grow to greatest size and age, in the northeastern United States, from Maryland to Connecticut, with the Philadelphia area particularly favored. Our good friends John and Gertrude Wister thoughtfully sent this portrait of a forty-five foot specimen growing in a yard at the corner of Park and Yale, near their home in Swarthmore, Pennsylvania.