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G. S. B., or C. E.-We are not able to give the inform tion you ask about the reaper. G. R. W., of C. E.-We have referred your letter to Messrs. Appleton & Co., 346 Broadway for attention. They are very extensive dealers in imported scientific works.

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secured, although even that is doubtful. H. P. R, of _____. - We have examined your improvement in grinding mills, we regard it as doubtful whether a pat ent can be had; the novelty is slight and your chances for a

patent are the same. IIL. B. A., of Pa.-We discover nothing new or patentable

in your horse power machine. A. W., of Ct.-An alarm clock, like the one suggested by

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C. Y., of N. Y .- It would not be safe for us to publish your article with your language; we can give the substance of it, but would like to see the London Photographic Journal first.

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lead rings, have been proposed before ; we do not think yours can be patented.

A. T. E., of Ct.-There will not be more power derived from a turbine placed at **D** than at B, in your sketch, and a patent could not be obtained as far as we can judge.

C. H. S., of N. Y .- We do not know of any patent for making black paint from coal, as described by you. You are perhaps the best judge of its worth : it would not be easy to obtain a patent for it.

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A. Q., of N. Y.-You must be aware that it is very difficult to get a patent on a water wheel, yet we think yours is new, and would advise you to send us a model for further examination.

R. W., of Pa.-Hinges constructed on the principle of a inclined plane, so as to raise the door when in the act of opening, are at least fifty years old. H. S., of Pa.-An adjustable tongue for a pen is not new

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