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W. N. H., of Texas.-A fly wheel does not enable ma chinery to be driven with less power; it merel our last Volume, on kyanizing timber. The cheapest wa to kyanize your boards, is to steep them in a solution of
sulphate of copper, for three days. Use one pound one hundred gallons of water. You can steep them in tank made of boards; place stones upon the boards to sink
them under the water: dry them after they are steeped E. A. C., of Conn.-There is no time fixed by law when
an applicant must withdraw his case in order to twenty dollars refunded
Mills we cannot give. Address J. D. Bidwell, Uhrich ville, Ohio, J. R. Gates, Eickmansville, Ohio. George Heberling. Quency, Ill., or G. H. Starbuck \& Co., Troy.
N. Y. Either of the above parties can give you the desired information.
J. E.., of Pa.-We have examined your diagram, and
dsscription of two combined wheels, with syphon con ductors, tut our former opinion is unaltered. Two wheel on one shaft, the water passin through one of them into
and out of the other, have been tried, and are not new but we are not aware of syphons having been employed with along your model, and we will examine it.
work describing the latest facturins whiskey
whatever, in New-York or its vicinity, this season. If the insect theory is correct it has not been corroborated by
the clouds of flies which were seen coming north. The disease at Staten IJland was introduced by vessels from
the West India islands, and every case that occurred hat been distinctly traced to contarion
J. G. of N. J.-We cannot furnish you with one of the
Sewing Machines referred to. Address the Patente Gold in a nacidsolution, can be precipsitated wath com-
on salt, and then reduced to a solid by or smelting. By driving off the acid by heat, the grold can the evaporation of aglasssolution is to seal it up tight, or C. Y. H., of understand your ideas perfectly respecting employing the irregular power of wind by a
mill, to compress air in a strong vessel, and take the power from it to drive an engine regularly. This plan culty in carrying it out is to keep up a regular pressure in the air reservoir, which is absolutely necessary.
S. W. B., of Mass.-If the water in your cistern w is placed above the boiler exerts a pressure on its base $t$ en the two should balance each other exactly, but if the pressure is unequal, the steam, if greatest. will rush
up into the cistern, and become condensed; its pressure be lowered, and the water will descend to the boiler.
C. $A$. B., of $\mathbf{N}$. $\mathbf{H}$. If you keep polished steel perfect dry, it will not rust, but if you cannot do this you must
coat it with a varnish. Use copal varnish for this purpose W. C. T, of Inl.- Babetting metal, means to enclose a
soft metal bearing in an iron shell, such as an alloy o copper, tin, and lead, or brass.
E. E. B., of Ga.-If you boil your cloth for awnings in a weak solution of sulphate of copper, for one hour, then sulphate of copper is sufficient for 100 square yards.
Write to Wells \& W Wbb, Printers' furnishers, this city, about your type.
W. F. V., of . linen cloth for window shades. They are prepared by
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varni h.
John Mahoney, of Detroit, Mich., wants the best and
cheapest machine known for cutting tresses. Who can furnish him sewing machine address the patty nation respecting the J.M. C. Reed, of Girard, Ala., wishes to procure
machine for sawing wood or shingle blocks, the machin ried or applied to the machine. H. J. F.. of Ohio.-Glazing is effected by a mixture o
oxyd of lead and ground flint ground to an extremely fine powder, and mixed with water to form a thin liquid. The ware is dipped into this
fluid, and withdrawn. The moisture is soon absorbed by the clay. leaving the glazing particles on the surface. These are afterwards melted by the heat of the kiln, and
thus constitute a uniform and durable vitreous coating. S. J., offV. Y.-The process of making starch is ver simple. Potatoes, for example, from which most of the
starch of commerce is manufactured, after being pared are grated to a pulp. This pulp is put upon a seive and stirred about, while at the sametime asmall stream of
water is made to flow upon it. A milky liquid flows through the seive, but the fibrous portion of the potatoe the vegetable tissue, remains beh ind. This liquid, afte
a short interval, deposits a white powder, which is starch Starch can be obtained from a great variety of plants. W. H., of Mass. - Yourdiagram and card do not prov
that the moon has a rotation on its own axis, but that revolves round and with the earth-the earth being the D. R., of Mich.-We do not think a patent could be procured on the modification you propose in windo
blind slats. It would not be considered sufficiently nove to justify an application for a patent.
J. M. T., of Ind. The coffin level is not of sufficient in-
terest to engrave. The curved lever for the horse power S. S., or Mass. The old English la wregulating the time become obsolete. It is possible that such a law may stil? be on the statute books, but we think it is never regard-
ed. The introducer of an invention in England may obtain a vilid par W. \& B., of Texas-You can procure hydraulic rams $\infty$

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