Robert Marcher, of New York City, for an Improvement in Machines for Enameling Moldings. Patented July 26, 1859:

Iclaim the combination of the mechanism, orthe equivalent thereof, for propelling the molding with the plate, the edge of which is formed the reverse of the molding, to strike off the surplus enameling and to rub it down, and with the bed or gage which sustains the molding in its proper relations to the said plate, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

I also claim, in combination with the combination above claimed, the employment of the side plates at the sides of the molding, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

And I also claim, in combination with the parts enumerated as claimed in combination in the second of the above claims, the employment of the other of the plates specified as having its lower edge of the reverse form of the molding, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

pose specified.

Awd finally, I claimmaking each of the said end plates and each of the said eide plates, or all of them, self-adapting by yielding pressure, substantially as described, when combined with the mechanism, or its equivalent, for feeding the molding, and with the bed or gage, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

George K. Snow, of Watertown, Mass., for an Improve ent in Machines for Folding Paper. Patented

ment in Machines for Folding Paper. Patented Oct. 15, 1850: claim, first, A slotted plate, B, table or contrivance, for receiving supporting the sheet; second, two parallel planes or plates, L M ending: tright angles from such support, and so arranged that re shall be one of the said plates on each side of the slot, p, of the element or support of the sheet; third, a striking and folding ne or plate, D, so arranged and operated as to press the paper inst the middle or other proper part of it, force it downward the slott and between the two parallel plates; the said parallel plates operating to complete the fold and held the sheet of paper ing the return or retrograde movement of the striking frame or see.

allel plates operating to complete the fold and held the sheet of paper during the return or retrograde movement of the striking frame or plate.

And, in combination with the above, I also claim a second striking and folding plate, N, arranged at right angles to the said two parallel plates, and made so as to pass or operate the nough them or their slots, and directly after the said retrograde movement of the first one, as to press against the sheet of paper and force it through one of the said slots, and thereby once more, or a second time, fold it.

And I claim, in combination with such second combination of mechanism, a third striking and folding plate, R, and slotted parallel folding plate, S, and friction rollers, p q, or equivalent contrivances; the same being for supporting the twice-folded sheet of paper, folding its third time, and subsequently discharging it; such discharge taking place in consequence of the return or retrograde movement of the striking or doubling plate, as described.

I also claim the combination of one or more registerpoints or registering apparatus with the sheet-receiving table or platform, and an apparatus for producting one or more folds in the sheet.

I also claim a combination composed not only of machinery for packing the sheets in a regular pile or pack.

I also claim the combination of mechanism which it applied to the striking plate and its rollers or folding contrivances, and used for packing, the sheets; the said mechanism consisting of the stations, receiving the sheets in propertion as the pack of sheets increases in size; the whole being arranged and mode to operate substantially a the recession of the plate in propertion as the pack of sheets increases in size; the whole being arranged and mode to operate substantially in the manner as specified.

Wm. Wharton, Jr., of Philadelphia, Pa., for an Imperiod of the substantially as described.

Wm. Wharton, Jr., of Philadelphia, Pa., for an Improvement in Dispensing with Switches on Railroads. Patented Dec. 13, 1859:

roads. Fatenied Dec. 13, 1809:
I claim the employment, in connection with the sidings or turnouts on railways, of supplementary inclined and elevated rails, in
combination with cer wheels, so constructed as regards the said inclined rails, which are so arranged as regards the rails of the siding
or turnout, that he wheels may be elevated above, and free from, the
control of the rails of one track and be placed under the control of
those of another track, as set forth.

ADDITIONAL IMPROVEMENTS.

Robert Cartwright, of Ithaca, N. Y., for an Improve-ment in Canal Boat Propellers. Patented July 19, 1859:

I claim the arrangement of the shaft, F, to the bed plate, R, being made attechable by means of the strap, J, so that the apparatus, as de cribed in the patent to which this is an additional improvement, with the exception of the bed plate, may be taken out or put in its place without docking the boat.

James Emerson, of Boston, Mass., for an Improvement in Ship's Windlasses. Patented Aug. 28, 1855:
I claim, first, The ratchets, N and O, when made substantially as described and shown by the drawings for the purpose of controlling the gears, L and M, of my windlass.

Becond, I claim combining the lever and screwfor working the friction bands on my windlass, for the purpose and in the manner desoribed.

H. P. Gatchell (assignor to E. J. Bates), of Ravenna, Ohio, for an Improvement in Coffee Pots. Patented Nov. 22, 1859:

claim the special arrangement of the inclined planes or sections crews, H and K, the bail, E, and the filtering cup for the purpose

EXTENSIONS.

Alva B. Taylor, of New York City, for an Improvement in Checking the Momentum of Printing Presses.

Patent April 4, 1846:

I claim the method described of arresting the momentum of the carriage which carries the form of types in printing presses, by means of plungers that compress air in cylinders only towards the end of the motions of the carriage, as described.

Joshua H. Butterworth of Printing Presses.

motions of the carriage, as described.

Joshua H. Butterworth, of Dover, N. J., for an Improvement in Door Locks. Patented April 11, 1846:

I claim the arrangement of the circular plate for elevating the tumblers into notches in the main bolt and raising and lowering the levers, ZZ, which act upon the movable talon, in combination with the movable talon and the preventive stop or flying tumbler, also set forth.

Thomas J. Wells, of New York City, for an Improvement in Sawmills. Patented April 11, 1846:

Iolaim the combination of the sliders with eccentric clamps, slightly pressed together, and so formed upon their faces that, however the thickness of the stuff may vary, the line, drawn as a radius from the face of the clamp at the point of contact with the stuff, shall always make nearly the same angle with the face of the material and the direction of the feed.

DESIGNS.

Samuel Armitage, of St. Louis, Mo., for a Design for a Trade-mark for Neuralgic Pills.

Samuel Boyd, of New York City, for a Design for

Andirons. (2 cases.) James C. Karr, of Williamson county, Tenn., for a Design for Coffins.

George W. Smith, of Hartford, Conn., for a Design for Ice Pitchers.

Theodore W. Lillagore (assignor to Savery & Co.), of Philadelphia, Pa., for a Design for Fire-dogs. (6 cases.)

David McNair, of Roxbury, Mass.. assignor to the Roxbury Carpet Company, of Boston, Mass., for a Design for Carpets.

Charles Muller (assignor to John Mathews), of New York City, for a Design for Water-coolers.

Francis J. Pierce, of Lowell, Mass., assignor to the Rox-bury Carpet Company, of Boston, Mass., for a Design for Carpets.

Joseph Rosenthal (assignor to Joseph Reckendorfer), New York City, for a Design for Trade-marks for Lead Pencils.

ph Rosenthal (assignor to Joseph Reckendorfer), of New York City, for a Design for Stamping on Lead Pencils.



P. M., of N. Y.-A high pressure steam engine is one which works with steam without condensing. The pressure car ried in such engines varies from 20 to 100 lbs; the most com pressure is about 40 lbs.

A. N, of N. H.—Ivory and ebony, for the keys of pianofortes, are polished with fine emery paper, and then rubbed up with whiting in the same manner that any hard unvarnished wood is polished.

T. S. B., of La.—The back volumes of the SCIENTIFIC American are the source to which we can direct attention for illustrations and descriptions of sawing and shingle machines, and all other kinds of machines for working in wood,

A. E. D., of La.—The best work on electro-magnetism applied to telegraphing, &c., published in our language, is Shaffner's. The publishers in this city are Pudney & Russell, No. 79

L. R., of Pa.—Partridge & Bros., Cliff-street, this city, lesale dealers in cl

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D. D., of N. Y .-- A "unit of heat" means the mechanical energy required to raise the temperature of water one degree from 399 Fals. It means 772 pounds lifted one foot, and is called Joule's Equivalent, who found it by experiments on friction

C. S., of Ga. -- You will certainly raise more steam with boiler 4 feet in diameter, 12 feet long and having 47 return 8 inch ues, than with your old 22 inch flue boiler. You may use yourold engine and pump. We would advise you the print to steam slightly in carrying it from the boiler to the cylinder. It will save both fuel and feed water.

T., of N. Y.—The upper portion of a wagon wheel does move faster horizontally than the bottom.

L. W. A., of Texas.—In lithographing in colors, each

color is printed from a separate stone; each stone being made of the full size of the print, and thecolor placed on it in the proper

H. C. P., of N. Y .- As your article on dialing would require an engraving to illustrate, we shall be obliged to pass all events, for the present, as our artists are very much h

I. S. B., of Pa.—A very thin coat of copal varnish applied to a clean iron pattern, and dried thoroughly in an oven, will endure for a long time, and prevent the pattern from rusting when

S. H. W., of N. Y.-Your alleged improvement in fire

escapes is not new. The same thing was ratented in 1849.

J. A. A., of N. J.—If you boil cotton or linen cloth for half an hour in a weak solution of sumac and alum, or su and the sulphate of copper, then dry it thoroughly, it will endure four times longer when exposed to the weatherthan if it was unpre-

E. B., of Md.—We are not aware of any experiments having been made to manufacture cast steel type. The nature of the metal, owing to its shrinking in the mold, would prevent it from having a fine-shaped edge.

J. W. M., of Mass.-The experiments with water wheels at Philadelphia are not quite complete; we shall present the report of them as soon as possible. Your water wheel is original, and if you can prove that it has advantages, a patent can be secured; but we do not think it is quite so good as some others which are more simple. Some of the wheels at Philadelphia gave considerably more than 80 per cent of power.

B. F. B., of Pa.—It would be practicable to fill the space between the plastering and siding of houses with sawdust or tan bark. In order to get the full benefit from it, great care should be taken to keep it dry, even from moisture soaking up from the

A. G., of Mass.—The motion of the planet Jupiter is westward in relation to the sun, but not in relation to the fixed stars; it is, however, as well as Saturn, nearly stationary, and this, of course, brings it at a given hour about one degree further we t every night. The motions of the exterior planets are the same, no a year, but in periods of time which are longer than a year.

C. M., of Mass. - Would it not be better to fill a vault with some di infecting substance, such as charcoal dust, rather than attempt the difficult, if not impossible, task of making it airtight? The charcoal, when fully impregnated, would be very valuable for manure.

-Your article on the "Helicoidal Surface and its Development" is too purely mathematical for our columns. You had better send it to the "Mathematical Monthly," published by Ivison & Phinney, of this city.

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J. C., of Ohio. - The triple or three-faced iron rail is an old invention. It was patented in England in 1846, and has frequently been shown to us since.

W. B. O., of Cal.—We do not believe a good egg-

hing machine can be obtained. We do not know of a single

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