RE-ISSUE.

S. S. Gray and S. A. Woods (assignees of S. S. Gray) of Boston, Mass., for an Improved Machine for Planing Lumber "out of Wind." Patented Aug. 1854 :

22, 1854:

We claim, first, The peculiar construction of cutter head derbed, the cutterhead itself being made use of to turn and break eshaving in the manner of a double iron plane, and being, furermore, made concave, for the purpose of facilitating this opera-

tion.
Second, The clamp, as described, for the purpose of dogging the lumber to the bed of the machine; the body of the clamp being pivoted at d, and forced up by the screw, F, or its equivalent; the dog h, being adjustable therein in the manner and for the purpose set

forth. Third, The described method of securing the dog, M, to the bed of the machine, by means of the teeth or cogs, l, and the mortises in the side places, m, forthe nurpose set forth.

Fourth, I claim the bar, D, or its equivalent, in combination with a rotary cutter lead, and thaveling bed, I, provided with suitable dogs, for planing straight and "out of wind," substantially as set

EXTENSION.

S. F. B. Morse, of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., for an Improvement in Electro-magnetic Telegraphs. Patented April 11, 1846:

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I claim the employment, in a main telegraph circuit, of a device or contrivance called the "receiving magnet," in combination with a short local independent circuit or circuits, each having a register and a register-magnet, or other magnetic contrivances for registering, and sustaining such a relation to the register-magnet or other magnetic contrivances for registering, and to the length of circuit of telegraph line, as will enable, me to obtain with the aid of a main gal vanic battery and circuit, such motion or power for registering as could not be obtained otherwise without the use of a much larger galvanic battery, if at all. Second, I also cak im, as my invention, the combination of the apparatus called the "self-stopping apparatus," connected with the clock-work of the register, for setting said register in action, and stopping it with the pen lever, F, as described.

Third, I also claim, as my invention, the combination of the point or points of the pen and pen lever, or its equivalent, with the grooved roller, or other equivalent device, over which the paper or other machinal substitution of the point of the paper or other marking upon, may be made to pass, for the purpose of receiving the impression of the characters, by which means I am enabled to mark or print signs or signals, upon paper er other fabric, by indentation, thus dispensing with the use of coloring mater for marking, as specified in my Letters Patent of Jan. 15, 1846.

William Wheeler, of New Britain Conn. (formerly of

William Wheeler, of New Britain, Conn. (formerly of West Poultney, Vt.), for an Improvement in Currycombs. Patented April 25, 1846:
I claim the so combining of the trough-like bars which constitute the comb teeth, with the other parts, in the manner set forth, as to constitute a curry-comb with an open back. I do not claim the trough-like combs or the hollow back, individually, but only in their combination, as herein fully made known.

NOTE.-THERY of the patents reported in the above were secured through this office. Last week FORTY-SIX of the number issued were obtained through the same source; and on the second week previous, FORTY-ONE, making a total of ONE HUNDRED AND SEV ENTERN Letters Patents issued to the clients of Munn & Co. in three weeks.



- T. J. K., of Va.-You say that if a stone is dropped from a point as high as one can reach in a railroad car, it will fall on that place in the floor over which it is held, notwithstanding that the car may have moved some distance while the stone was falling; and you ask for an explanation. A universal property or law of matter is inertia, by which all bodies at rest are disposed to remain at rest, and all bodies in motion are disposed to continue in motio in the same straight line, unless some force acts upon them change the state of rest or to change the direction or velocity of the motion. The stone moving along with the car continues this motion simply because there is nothing to prevent it from doing so. In regard to the table, we think it was raised by the involuntary and unconscious contraction of your own muscles and those of your associate, while you supposed that you were holding it down.
- B. B. H., of Mass.—The letter of A. J. H. has gone to makers, and we do not remember his full name
- C. C., of Mass.—Take a solution of nitro-muriate of gold (gold dissolved in a mixture of acquafortis and muriatic acid) and add to a gill of it a pint of ether or alcohol, then immerse your copper chain in it for about 15 minutes, when it will be coated with film of gold. The copper must be perfectly clean and free from will not take on the gold.
- J. G., of Ind .- Our Philadelphia correspondent's idea of saving steam by compression was this:-When all the steam is exhausted from the cylinder of a steam engine, as the steam flow valve and the piston head with steam which does no work, thus wasting it. Now, if this is filled by steam compressed from the previous stroke to a density corresponding with that in the boiler, when the steam first begins to enter the cylinder, it will begin to exert its full power on the piston, and the compressed steam exert a force in expanding equal to that required to compress
- F. G. D., of N. Y .- Your assignment, to hold good against a subsequent purchaser, should be recorded in the Patent Office within three months from the date of execution. An assign ment holds good against the seller for any length of time, whether recorded or not; but if he should sell the same interest to another person, and the second purchaser should get his assignment on cord at the Patent Office, the first purcha rwould be deprived of his legal rights under his assignment, and his only remedy w be to recover damages against the person from whom he purchased for fraud, in selling the same property to another which he had red to him
- E T. Q., of N. H.—In regard to planets falling together. the several principles which you cite are undoubtedly correct, they would settle the point as you suppose, were the earth held some power stationary. But, as in each case supposed, the earth being power stationary. In, as in each case upproced, no earns falls as well as the pubble or the sun, as the power drawing the two bodies together exerts the same force on each, and as the inertia to be overcome is proportioned to the mass, is it not plain that the greater motion-in other words, the greater velocity-must be imparted to the smaller body.

- M. S.. of S. C.—We advise you to employ sand for the bedding of your horsesinstead of straw. We believe sand to be a better article for the preservation of the hoofs of horses.
- E. G. W., of Mass.-You will find a description of the method of making liquid quartz and dental paste for teeth in another
- J. M., of Cal.-We have never seen Liebig's "goldometer," and there is no instrument known to us for testing the purity of gold. The only sure way of doing this is by assaying it.
- C. B., of Ohio.-You can use a cast iron mold for casting iron in, if you smoke the inside, but wrought iron forms the best
- C. & I., of N. Y .- If you had detailed experiments with the soluble glass, they would have been valuable as new information; but the same information which you communicate was published on page 70, Vol. XIV. (old series), of the SCIENTIFIC AMERI-
- W. D. F., of Texas.-If you wish to obtain some seeds from the Patent Office, write to Hon, Thomas G. Clemson, Washington, D. C.
- M. A., of Maine.—A model of the size you specify would be received at the Putent Office. You can send it to us with the patent fee by express, and we will proceed with the case at once.
- C. D. P., of Conn .- In Vol. I. (old series) of the SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN-fourteen years ago-the illustration of a traction engine was published. The invention, you perceive, is not
- so recent as you imagine.
 G. C., of Oxford.—We do not know of any machine capable of dressing the fingers commonly used in grain cradles. It is all done by hand, and is a tedious and laborious work.
- D. B. W., of L. I .- A strip of copper and a strip of zinc, united together by a copper wire, form a simple galvanic battery when properly placed in a decomposing solution.
- W. R. S., of Pa .- Your battery, which has an outer zinc cell, containing sulphuric acid, and an inner porous cup containing nitric acid, in which is placed the negative strlp of platina, is called Groves', after its inventor, Professor Grove, of London. Silven plated articles, by the galvanic process, are rendered bright by rubbing their surfaces with a common burnishing tool.
- J. H. A., of Mich.-A durable mucilage is made of roasted starch. Oil of cloves has a preservative power in any of the ordinary kinds of mucilage
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- F. G., of N. Y.-Patents are granted on trade-marks as well as nother ernamental designs. The government fee for a design patent is \$15. The specifications for such patents are prepared at the office of this paper.
- W. R., of Pa.—Articles that are silver-plated by the electrotype process have a dull, frosted surface, which is rendered bright afterwards by rubbing the surface with a common burnishing tool, slightly moisted with water.
- R. F. W., of C. W.-Practically, we have no doubt that a piston rod is at rest for a briefspace of time on the dead point, though, if the machinery were absolutely perfect, it would not be. Some mechanicians say it would be at the form an "infinitely short space of time," but that is a phrase which has no meaning. Time may be infinitely long, as in fact it is, but it cannot be infinitely
- hort.
 J. T., of Miss.—Some plaster-of-paris mixed with lac varnish will make a quick-drying and water-proof cement for leather, but it will not adhere long. No very adhesive cement, with which we are acquainted, will dry immediately after it is put India-rubber disselved in naphtha, and made into a proper sistency with Paris white, may suit your purpose. Let us hear from you regarding the pegging machine-how it operates, and how
- W. B., of Ohio, asks as follows:--" Suppose A owns the patent for a certain drain plow, and B getsa machine that in-fringes A's patent, and C employs B to cut some drains for him, and pays B a certain price perrod. Can A hold C liable for damamust he look to B alone for damages?" Answer.—A must
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M. L. C., of Conn.-To make vinegar from alcohol, you must use spongy platinum, not the clear metal. Place the platinum in a glass jar, and introduce the alcohol in drops, so as to fall on a saucer containing the platinum, when slow combustion will soon take place, and the vapor which condenses on the glass will be pure acetic acid. The alcohol should be heated to 90° Fah. Great quantities of acetic acid used to be manufactured in this anner in Germany

- J. T., of Ill.-You can make copal varnish quick drying if you use litharge, sugar of lead or sulphate of zinc in the boiled oil which you employ with the gum copal. Unless your varnish is laid on in several coats, and each thoroughly dried, it will e a good polish. You can polish any kind of varny varnish at all, by rubbing the surface with ot take a good polish. wood highly, piece of cork and some oil. Gum shell-lac, dissolved in alcohol, makes a very hard varnish, but it cracks when it becomes old.
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- W. H. R., of N. Y .- We think that a water tank made in the usual way with bricks, and lined with cement, will answer for containing hot water quite well, if it is well made. The water should be heated in a separate vessel; and when the cement is new, it will make the hot water rather hard for washing purposes.
- J. E. S., of N. Y .- It is the oxyd of zinc which is employed for painting. If you give two coats of white lead, then the third and last of white zinc on the outside, you will have a very durable and beautifully painted cottage. We are of opin the zinc is not so durable for the prime coating as white le
- W. A., of N. J.—Plaster-of-paris made into a paste, with a weak solution of alum and some marble dust added, is a good cement for marble blocks, &c. A solution of glue, marble dust and plaster-of-paris, made into a cement, is employed for making co position marble ornaments.

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