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COMBINED HAND SEED-DRILL AND CULTIVATOR.—Samuel D. Lucas, Wintepock, Va.—This invention has for its object to furnish a simple and convenient hand machine, which shall be so constructed that it may be readily adjusted for planting various kinds of seeds, that require to be planted in drills or rows, and for cultivating the plants when required.

SHIFTING SHOVEL PLOW.—Adam Snyder, Packard, Ohio.—This invention has for its object to furnish an improved shovel plow, which shall be so constructed that the shovel may be set square with the line of draft, or inclined to one or the other side, as may be desired.

SCRUBBING BRUSH.—Ralph Rockwell and Z. B. Custer, Petroleum Center, Pa.—This invention relates to the manner of securing the bristle stock of a scrubbing brush to the base board bearing the rubber strip that operates as a dryer, and in the manner of pivoting the handle to said base board, whereby the stock is prevented from lateral movement or displacement, and the handle may be inclined in either direction, to enable the operator to work the brush with either the rubber or dryer in front.

BOILER FOR PREPARING PAPER PULP.—Lorenzo Dean, Fort Edward, N. Y.—This invention has for its object to improve the construction of the boilers ordinarily used for reducing paper stock, so as to make them more convenient and effective in operation, and enabling the stock, when reduced, to be washed and bleached without removing it from the boiler in which it has been reduced.

SAWING MACHINE.—Daniel Heller, Milton Center, Ohio.—This invention has for its object to furnish an improved machine for operating a "cross cut" or other wood saw, which shall be simple in construction and effective in operation, enabling one man to do more work than two with the ordinary saw, and with greater ease.

PREPARING STRAW, ETC., FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF PAPER.—Lorenzo Dean, Fort Edward, N. Y.—This invention has for its object to furnish an improvement in preparing straw and other fibrous material for the manufacture of paper, by means of which the labor and expense will be greatly diminished, and the material, when reduced, will produce a much better stock.

SETTING TIRES ON WHEELS.—A. O. Wheeler, St. Augustine, Ill.—This invention relates to a new and useful improvement in mode of setting or tightening and loosening the tires of carriage or other wheels, and consists in increasing the diameter of the wheel or expanding the felly by means of a tapering screw, operating in a divided nut.

LUBRICATOR.—Samuel S. Vollum and William H. Green, New York city.—This invention relates to a new and useful improvement in a device for conveying oil or other lubricating material to the arms of carriage axles, or to journals, boxes, or bearings.

BEVELING THE EDGES OF CIRCULAR PLATES OF METAL.—William H. Singer, Pittsburgh, Pa.—This invention is an improvement for which a patent was issued to the same party Nov. 30th, 1869, and consists in providing a mechanism for holding the circular blank on which a beveled edge is to be produced, without enlarging the central hole through which the stepped vertical holding pin passes, and whereby the whole of that part of the blank to be beveled is introduced between the rolls at once.

PACKING BOX FOR ROTARY STEAM CYLINDERS.—S. Deacon and J. Russell, Lawrence, Mass.—This invention relates to a new packing box for revolving steam cylinders, and consists in the arrangement of a nut that serves to clamp the packing between two cones, and which, instead of working on a screw thread is moved longitudinally by contact with a fixed cam.

HORSE POWER.—Lorenzo P. Teed, Mechanicsburgh, Pa.—This invention has for its object to furnish an improved horse power, which shall be so constructed and arranged that it may be firmly secured in place, and securely held while at work, being secured and adjusted conveniently and quickly, and without removing it from the wagon.

COFFEE STEAMER.—Louis Hildenbrand, Michigan City, Ind.—This invention relates to an apparatus for rapidly extracting the aromatic ingredients from coffee-beans by means of steam created by the heat of a stove or other heater, with an object of utilizing the full virtue of the beans, and consequently economizing coffee and producing a beverage superior to that made by the means heretofore in use.

PROCESS OF SACCHARIFYING MASH.—Charles H. Frings, Centreton, Mo.—The object of this invention is to produce a perfect saccharifying of mash without waste of malt. For this object a small quantity of muriatic acid and phosphoric acid is added to the water used for converting the grain into mash; corn, rye, barley, wheat, or other grain being used.

MACHINE FOR POLISHING COFFEE-BEANS.—Charles C. Warren and James B. Baldy, Toledo, Ohio.—The object of this invention is to construct a machine, whereby coffee can be rapidly cleaned and polished in bags; and the invention consists in the employment of two or more rollers, of which the outer surfaces are employed for revolving the filled bags.

STREET LETTER-BOX.—Albert Potts, Philadelphia, Pa.—The object of this invention is to so construct letter-boxes which are to be applied to lamp-posts, pillars, or other similar supports, that can be readily fitted on, firmly retained, safely closed, and conveniently used. See an illustrated description of this invention in another column.

DOOR SPRING.—William H. Stafford, New York city.—This invention relates to a new spring of very simple construction for holding doors shut, and is applicable to all kinds of doors, whether they are hinged to swing to one or both sides.

MACHINE FOR POINTING NAILS.—Harry A. Wills, Vergennes, Vt.—This invention relates to a new machine for pointing the ends of nails used for horse shoes and other purposes. The invention consists in a new spiral feeding apparatus for conveying the nail blanks to the pointing mechanism. The invention consists also in a new arrangement of gaging, clamping, and pointing mechanism.

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109,796.—VALVE COCK.—Robert Berryman, Boston, Mass.

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109,798.—BELT FASTENER.—S. S. Bolton, Big Rapids, Mich.

109,799.—BEDSTEAD JOINT.—L. G. Bradford (assignor to himself and N. H. Morton), Plymouth, Mass.

109,800.—CURTAIN FIXTURE.—J. G. Brothwell (assignor to Turner, Seymour & Judde), Wolcottville, Conn.

109,801.—SASH LOCK.—E. L. Brown, Norwich, N. Y.

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109,806.—CIRCULAR SAW JOINTER.—E. H. Corbin, Winchester, Ind.

109,807.—STEAM GENERATOR.—L. R. Cornell, Flatbush, N. Y.

109,808.—RAILWAY RECLINING CHAIR.—J. P. Curry, New York city.

109,809.—NUT LOCK.—M. A. Cushing and O. R. Glover, Ottawa, Ill. Antedated November 26, 1870.

109,810.—WASHING MACHINE.—Henry Dickinson, Marlborough, Conn.

109,811.—REFRIGERATOR.—H. F. Eberts, Detroit, Mich., assignor to himself, D. Y. Howell, Toledo, Ohio, and T. S. Sprague, Detroit, Mich.

109,812.—CULTIVATOR.—Abraham Eshleman, Martinsville, Pa.

109,813.—BARREL SAFETY VALVE OR VENT.—B. F. Evans, Newburyport, Mass.

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109,817.—WAGON TONGUE SUPPORT.—A. F. Que, Eastmanville, Mich.

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109,820.—DEVICE FOR FREEZING FISH, MEATS, ETC.—D. Y. Howell, Toledo, Ohio, assignor to himself, T. S. Sprague, and H. F. Eberts, Detroit, Mich.

109,821.—BOX FOR PACKING FRUIT, PROVISIONS, ETC.—G. M. Huston, Putnam, Ohio.

109,822.—FEED CUTTER.—William Hutchins (assignor to himself and G. G. Hutchins), Paw Paw, Mich.

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109,842.—CARRIAGE AXLE AND AXLE YOKE.—Samuel Rowell, Amesbury, Mass.

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