28,942.—T. C Simonton (assignor to De Grasse B. Fowler), of Paterson, N. J., for an Improvement in

I claim the placing of the tube, D, and the plates, BB, containing the filtering mediums, C, secured as described in the case, A, as shown, in sonnection with the pipes, E F G J, provided with the cocks, H I K, communicating with the case, and arranged relatively with the plates or the compartments formed thereby, to operate as ad for the purpose set forth

28,943.—J. L. Smith (assignor to himself and J Q. Sloan), of Neoga, Ill., for an Improvement in Corn

Planters: laim the arrangement of the seed boxes, 8-9, slide, 10, crank, 11, ;, 13-13, operating as described for the purposes specified.

28,944.—A. W. Sweeny (assignor to himself and C. N. Tyler), of Washington, D. C., for an Improvement

in Hinges.

I claim the described hinge as a new article of manufacture, the manufacture of manufacture, the manuer and for the purposes set forth.

28,945.—Josiah Turner and T. P. Smith, of Sunapee, N. H., assignors to themselves and Edward Burke, of Newport, N. H., for an Improvement in Cultiva tor Teeth:

We claim, first. The coulter, A, with the indentation or recess, E, constructed substantially as described.

Second, The coulter, A, in combination with the concave wing, C, with the curved point, G, constructed and operated substantially as described.

28,946.—Joshua Turner, of Cambridgeport, Mass., assignor to himself and Francis Guild, of Dedham,

Mass., for an Improvement in Planc-iron Sharpen-crs:

I claim the combination and arrangement of the separate cutter-carrier and its carriage with the whetstone supporter, with parallel ways or equivalent means of suiding the carriage, the whole being to operate together substantially as and for the purpose specified.

I also claim the arrangement of ball bearings on opposite sides of the cutter-carrier, and to operate with a socket of the carriage, as specified.

I also claim making the socket or step adjustable vertically for the purpose explained.

I also claim the combination and arrangement of an an adjustable stop, with the table, the cutter-carrier and its carriage applied to the table and with reference to the whetstone or its supporter, as specified. Mass, for an Improvement in Plane-iron Sharpen-

28,947.—M. D. Whipple, of Charleston, Mass., assignor to the Whipple File Company, for an Improvement in the Manufacture of Files:

I claim, as new article article of manufacture, a file having its teeth sheared off smooth and of an uniform hight, substantially as speci-fied.

28,948.—J. A. Smith, of Fond da Lac, and Isaac Orvis, of Oakfield, Wis., administrator of the estate of L. M. Orvis, deceased, for an Improved Printing Press:

Press:
I claim, first, The airangement of the form beds, I J, and stationary platen, K, substantially as shown, so that the impression may be given simultaneously and by the same application of power, and the under side of the upper form be made to serve as a platen for the lower one.

Second, The arrangement of the form beds, I J, and platen, K, with the roll of paper, O, substantially as shown, and operated respectly and intermittingly, so that the paper may be printed from a continuous sheet and at both sides during a single passage through the press.

spectly and intermining by the continuous sheet and at both sides during a single passage through the press.

Third, The endless wet blanket, N, arranged to pass underneath the platen, K, and to be moved simultaneously with the paper, O, for the purpse of moistening the same during the pressure which causes the puper to receive the impression from the forms.

Fourth, The ink rollers, k k k' k', operated through the medium of the burs, h i, arms, g, rockshaft, Q, the slotted curved bar, F, and wristpin, e, on wheel, d, when said rollers are used in connection with the form beds, I J, and platen, K, as set forth.

Fifth, The combination of the form beds, I J, platen, K, endlesblanket, N, ink rollers, k k k' k, paper roll, Q, rotary knife, R, and stationary bar, S, all arranged for joint operation as and for the purs pose set for th.

RE-ISSUES.

Seligman Kakeles, of New York City, for an Improvement in Fluid Lenses. Patented April 24, 1860:
I claim, first, The application and use of a magnet, or its equivalent, in the bottom a glass globe filled with a colored fluid, for the purpose as set forth.

Second, I claim the arrangement and combination in a lantern of a light and glass globe filled with a colored liquid, when said globe is surrounded by two reflectors facing opposite directions, and when said light is placed either before or behind the glass globe, so as to produce and reflect, by the use of only one light, a colored light in one direction and a white or colorless light in the opposite direction, in the manner substantially as described.

Thomas Mitchell, of Lansingburgh, N. Y., for an In-proved Machine for Finishing Hair Brush Handles. Patented June 28, 1859:

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I claim, first. The employment, in combination with the brush clamp, G, or pattern, H, or their equivalents, of a wheel, D, which is provided with V. or gouge-shaped cutters, b, or their equivalents, and which act upon the wood, substantially as and for the purposes shown and described.

Second, The combination with the pattern, H (of the brush clamp), of a supperting ledge or projection, a, or its equivalent, as and for the purpose shown and described.

Third, The combination of the guide, F, with the pattern, H, and cutter, D, as and for the purpose shown and described,

Fourth, Centering the unfinished brushes in the clamp, G, by means of the bristles, i, in connection with the strip or plate, J, and the inner curved edge, H, on its extension, H', substantially as described.

Cæsar Newmann, of New York City, for an Improve-ment in Skeleton Hoop Skirts. Patented Nov. 1,

I claim a skeleton skirt constructed as described.

ADDITIONAL IMPROVEMENTS.

B. B. Briggs, of Sharon, Ohio, for an Improvement in Apparatuses for Laying Drain Tile. Patented Oct.

I claim the described ball, B, the double-acting clutches fingers, F F, with its moteled slide, g, and lock attachment, H, mole attachments as in Fig. 2, when used in combination with rope, R, or its equivalent.

Daniel Jones, of Boston, Mass., for an Improved Steering Apparatus. Patented Feb. 21, 1860:
I claim the arrangement and combination of parts described, the same consisting in placing the athwartship screw, II, directly above the rudder post, and operating it by means of a bovel wheat fixed at its middle and cearing into a similar wheel on the after end of the shaft of the steering wheel, all substantially as set forth and shown.

J. H. Shrote, of Baltimore, Md., for an Improvement in Cutting and Panning Cakes. Patented Oct. 11,

I claim the scrap clearer, B, the annular jumble cutters, C, and the bottoms, A and A', substantially as and for the purposes specified.

E. M. Smith, of Indianapolis, Ind., assignor to himself and E. G. Mayhew, of Shelbyville, Ind., for an Im-provement in Molding Machines. Patented Feb.

I claim the circular guide or rest, O, and the spring, ${f Z}$, when ucted as and used for the purposes substantially as set forth.

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A. W. C., of Mass.—The best method of removing the stains on jewelry, caused by seldering, is by polishing with "crocus," in the usual manner.

W. S. T., of Pa.-To make black japan, take ground burnt umber, & a pound, and asphaltum, 4 ounces; dissolve them in boiling linseed oil, so that it will be about the thickness of mo hen finished. It is now cooled and thinned with turpe tine, so that it may be put on with a brush. If 2 ounces of the sulphate of zinc are added cautiously, it will dry more rapidly.

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P. K., of Mich.-A globe filled with compressed air, at a pressure of 30 pounds on the square inch, is heavier than one filled with air at atmospheric pressure, and will be less buoyant in water, unless the heat of the water exceed that of the atmosphere.

E. B., of N. Y .- Any good work on hydraulics will furnish you with rules to calculate the amount of water under different heads, for different horse-powers. Under a 9-foot head the actual velocity will be 15.3 feet per second, or 918 feet per minute A horse-power is equal to 550 pounds lifted one foot in a second. On a fall of 9 feet, 36 pounds of water falling per second is equal

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C. J. F., of N. J.—No definite speed, as a fixed standard, can be given to a circular saw. The speed at which one of any size should be driven depends on the hardness of the wood to be cut, the mode in which the saw is hung and the form and sharpness of the teeth. It is only by practice that the most suitable speed for any saw can be determined.

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