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"Y., of Amesbury."—If you send your name we will publish your letter.

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"J. O. A., of Ill."—The pasteboard will not answer at all like the lithograph stone;—you can easily try the experiment. We cannot see how the other plan for climbing houses will work at all. Yet we would like you to try some experiments, for if it would work it would be invaluable.

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"N. W. W., of Phila."—You are at liberty to consult with us in regard to novelty of an invention.

"J. L., of N. Y."—You had better forward your model by Express, upon its receipt we will advise you in reference to the point in question, as far as possible. You will see that we cannot do so without it.

"H. N. H., of N. Y."—We shall attend to your business as soon as possible. \$6 received.

"M. M. F., of Pa., J. H., of Ala., C. A. D."—Shall write you soon. The models have arrived.

"M. S., of Ohio."—The price of Ewbank's Hydraulics and Mechanics you will see is advertised at \$2.50. Please to inform us how we shall send it, it being a bound volume we cannot forward it through the mail with cutting the cover off.

"E. H. & S. E. P., of Pa."—The price would probably be \$8. The Letters Patent could be sent to us by Express and returned by the same medium.

"H. P. B., of Ind."—Your model had not reached us when our paper went to press.—We are looking for it daily.

"B. O. C. of Geo."—No such proposition as you make, can have any influence in the matter. It is best to use prudence and wait for further developments.

"B. H. W., and J. L. D., of Ga."—To the former we shipped a Camera Lucida and to the latter a small box containing an engraved plate, both by Steamer "Southerner," June 21st.

"J. R., of O."—Your new model is received and will answer the requirements of the Patent Office much better than your former one.—The case will come up with us for execution in a few days.

"J. H. R., of N. Y."—Your specification with \$5 was received Monday morning, and the papers have all been forwarded to the Patent Office—cannot inform you how long it will be before your case will be up for examination.

"J. B. W., of N. J."—There is not better work upon the subject than the one you have. It has received but little attention corresponding with its importance. By dampening the wrappers they can be removed without injury to the papers.

"J. S., of Ind."—Your letter of the 17th reached us safe. We can only say in reply to it, that your papers, models, and fees are safely lodged in the Patent Office, and will come up for examination in their order, of the result we shall duly advise you. They must await their turn; you may reasonably expect to hear soon.

"R. C. I., of R. I."—Your order was filled so far as we were able to do so. The particulars we gave in a letter under date of the 24th. Books sent by Express. We thank you, for your continued confidence.

"H. A. F., of Mass."—Several patents have

been granted for self-feeding or fountain pens. We cannot decide whether yours is new or not until you send a model.

"A. R. C., of R. I."—Certainly; and we shall be happy to reciprocate to the fullest extent. You labored under a mistake in the first statement as you are probably aware by this time.

"H. S., of N. Y."—To make friction matches, the chlorate of potash is used as the percussion powder, the phosphorus to readily ignite, and the sulphur to burn for some time. The glue is just to mix and make the materials stick to the wood. The chlorate of potash, the sulphuret of antimony and a little glue will make good stuff for matches. Use 1 part of the chlorate of potash 1 of phosphorus 2 of sulphur and a very little glue, melt and dip, get good materials and use a little vermilion to color the stuff.

"A. R., of Go."—The Parker's patent is not extended yet and may not be. He can get it extended if Congress does so. The Hotchkiss wheel is allowed to be an infringement, and all others with spiral scrolls.

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Erratum.

A number of papers were worked off last week with an error in the first editorial column: the word "corruption," on the 27th line, should have read "bribery."

New Agents for the Scientific American.

Our South Carolina friends are hereby informed that we have completed an arrangement with the publishers of the "Southern Literary Gazette," to receive subscriptions for the Scientific American. Money paid to the Editor, Mr. Richards, at Charleston, for subscriptions will be duly acknowledged and the paper forwarded as he may direct.

Back Volumes Scientific American.

We are obliged to inform our patrons that complete sets of all the past Volumes are entirely exhausted. We have a few incomplete sets of Vols. 2 and 3, comprising about 50 Nos. of both Vols., which may be had by remitting one dollar, and we have sets of above 40 Nos. each of Vols. 3 and 4 which will be forwarded by mail on the receipt of one dollar for each set. Those desiring to secure Vol. 5 but have delayed subscribing at first, are advised to remit \$2 without delay or they may be disappointed in getting a volume at all, should they wait until the Nos. are all published?

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MECHANICS' FAIR AT BOSTON.—(To be held September, 1850.)—The New England Patent Agency, Haskins building, Boston, will receive patented machinery, or other articles, place the same at the above Fair, for a reasonable commission. They will also, if desired, exhibit them before or after the Fair, at their own spacious rooms. Storage free, and no expense charged except freight and cartage. Inventors should lose no time in forwarding their articles. DAREFS WELLS, Agent. 398 New England Patent Agency.

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