

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

E. W. C., of N. J.—We think the patent for making glass has not issued yet, as we cannot find its publication in the English journals.

O. J. H., of N. Y.—The model of your planer came duly to hand, and has been examined; there is no chance for a patent on it. Such a machine was exhibited at the Fair of the American Institute, by Emmons, and we have since learned that it has passed out of use.

G. B. C., of Ohio—You could not obtain a patent for placing a wheel at the bow of the boat, to lessen resistance, which always increases according to the square of the velocity, by an unalterable law. Your plan would do no good.

W. A. G., of Me.—There is nothing new or patentable in your method of converting parallel into rotary motion. We have been familiar with it for a long time.

J. M., of Ohio—The mortising machine advertised in the Scientific American is suited to joiners' work, but not sufficiently heavy for hubs.

S. A. C., of Md.—We find an engraving of Fellow's grate bars in the Eureka, a publication formerly conducted by J. P. Pirsson, of this city; the improvement consists in making the bars with two parallel grooves in the top surface of the bar. The grooves are made for the purpose of holding a quantity of ashes or other non-conducting substance, which preserves the bar from the action of the heat. They have been much used, and we believe answer a good purpose.

P. S. R., of Ala.—We have examined the claim mentioned in yours of the 5th inst, and do not find that it covers any such point as is represented to you. Agents of patentees sometimes exaggerate claims, the object being to silence any attempts at improvements which might operate against their interests.

R. R. of Mass.—Enquires if any power could be obtained by winding up a spring similar to those employed in clocks and watches. Yes, as much as it took to wind it up and no more. Is it possible for a machine to give out more power than is applied to it—if so, explain how it is done.

W. T., of Pa.—Oscillating engines are employed in the Albatross, and work well, they were made in Philadelphia by Sutton & Co.

T. E., of Ohio.—The incrustation may be removed by sal-ammoniac, it is a deposit of carbonate of lime, which combining with sal-ammoniac becomes soluble and may then be washed off.

O. P. E., of Ala.—The number of pint cells of Smee's battery requisite to produce an electric light is six. The intensity bears no comparison to other lights, while a less number of cells would not produce combustion of the charcoal points. Where intensity is desired, Grove's arrangement is used.

A. G., of Phila.—Ryder's patent forge is an English invention, and is designed to do away with the great labor attending the forging of mule, throstle, and roving spindles, studs, shafts, etc., for cotton and other machinery.

A. R., of N. Y.—The memorial you refer to was presented by one Thos. G. Clinton, asking Congress to require the reasons why Examiner Renwick granted his brother a patent for a railroad chair, in view of a rejected application made by Wm. Wheeler some two years previous. The committee decided the inventions to be dissimilar, and dismissed the case. This Clinton is the same man who had a slight brush with Commissioner Burke some years since, without success; probably the officials are too much for him in point of influence.

J. I., of S. C.—Your statement is founded in error, owing, no doubt, to the want of experience in this particular branch. We recommend to your study Mahan's Civil Engineering, it will aid you materially, price \$3.

T. N. & T., of Ohio.—We shall be able to fill your order soon.

J. G. M., of Mass.—Will please to give us his full address, that we may be able to correspond with him about the volumes.

B. A. J., of Tenn.—It would be quite wrong to make use of such influences. The tendency is to destroy the character and utility of the office. The Patent Office is a very important department, and should be as free from political influence as possible. Your agent, as well as Senator Jones, can insist upon a fair and candid decision in the case, and we advise you to press it through, provided you are not pleased with the references.

A. M. S., of Pa.—Your subscription will not expire till No. 14, next volume. Hunt's Merchants' Magazine is published at 142 Fulton street, a few doors from our office.

H. D. P., of Me.—There is no remedy for you now. It would have been better for you to have employed some respectable patent agent at the onset.

R. C. A., of Ill.—We expected to have heard from you in regard to the mill before this time. The opposite party are anxious to determine what you intend to do, and make application for a patent unless some terms can be effected.

D. Y., of Mich.—A patent was issued to Wylly's Avery in 1849, for a vegetable cutter, which covers all the points claimed by you.

H. A., of R. J.—Mr. Pope claims giving the harness hames a concave form for the purpose of enabling them to be fitted with much greater accuracy to the roll upon the collar, and thereby securing them against displacement.

We shall attend to an examination upon as the proper documents reach us we refer you to Vol. 6, Sci. Am.

H. & L. D. B., of Pa.—We should regard the contrivance as the same, and not affecting the claims as they stand issued. A mere change in form is not patentable.

J. McC., of N. Y.—You had better send us a model or sketch of your improvement, that we may judge more correctly of its novelty. We do not wish to advise you incorrectly, and would take occasion to state that so many patents have already been granted for threshing machines, that it is not easy to decide positively.

C. P. L., of Ga.—We shall push your business forward as fast as possible.

S. J. M., of Mass.—A fee is now required by the Patent Office for recording assignments. They must be recorded within three months.

B. F., of Ct.—The glazing of pottery is effected by using a glass which is fusible at a lower temperature than the pottery itself. The pattern is imprinted on unsized paper, and closely pressed on the unglazed surface; the paper is carbonized, leaving the coloring matter on the earthenware.

R. E. C., of Ind.—You had better send us a model of your invention for our examination. We think you will find this course best.

W. H. F., of E. Tenn.—The "American House Carpenter" you can buy here for about \$3; we think the work will please you. Respecting the machine, we advise you to address J. H. Lester, 92 Fulton street, this city, as we have not the information you require.

H. H., of Ct.—We think your invention in the spinning frame new and patentable; it is different from either invention patented by W. Rouse or G. H. Dodge. You must experiment with it to determine its practical value.

S. M., of Ky.—We do not think it possible for you to gain anything by the arrangement. The friction is very great, and the machine too complex to operate well. By more study, and with the aid of experiment you can overcome obstacles and improve your machine.

R. H., of Mass.—The best way for you to do is to cut through the hill; it won't cost much. Lead pipe will answer best for your purpose, as the stream will always be running through it.

Money received on account of Patent Office business of the week ending June 12:

J. T., of N. Y., \$20; H. L. F., of Ill., \$30; T. H. D., of N. H., \$15; C. A. M., of Mich., \$30; H. P. O., of Ct., \$20; P. M., of N. Y., \$40; C. W. B., of Mass., \$30; J. M. T., of N. Y., \$10; R. H. T., of S. C., \$20; A. H., of Ga., \$50; J. W. H., of N. Y., \$40; B. & R., of Mass., \$26; P. & C., of N. Y., \$32; H. O. E., of N. Y., \$30.

Specifications and drawings belonging to parties with the following initials have been forwarded to the Patent Office during the week ending June 12:

S. & K., of Mass.; W. P., of Mo.; D. & O., of Pa.; J. T., of N. Y.; E. C. H., of O.; H. P. O., of Ct.; L. L., of Mass.

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