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A. H., of Geo.—Upon receipt of the model we shall proceed with your business with as little delay as possible.

J. W. R., of N. Y.—Hollow grate bars, for feeding the water through them to the boiler, are not new; if you look on page 204, Vol. 3, Sci. Am., you will find them illustrated and described.

J. R. M., of Fla.—Your subscription will not expire until the 15th of Sept next.

W. A. G., of Va.—We do not think the "Model Calculator" would prove of any especial value to your profession. \$2 received on account of another year's subscription.

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J. C. S., of N. Y.—An application was made for an extension and re issue of Langdon's patents, one for planing boards, the other for shingles. They were both rejected on the 20th of February, but the parties interested were dissatisfied and submitted an argument for a re-examination, on the 4th of May they were again rejected—we think very justly. He claimed that which was not found in his original models or papers. The application was a singular one, and shows how far designing men will go sometimes.

J. H. E., of Tenn.—Your favor of the 11th inst. came duly to hand, and will command early attention.

H. C. T., of S. C.—Glad to learn of your success with the protector, and shall hope to hear from you again.

J. M., of Ohio.—Messrs. M. & J. H. Buck., of Lebanon, N. H., can furnish you with such a mortising machine as you enquired for.

J. E., of R. I.—It is probable that your improvement in looms for weaving counterpanes is new, we cannot, however, decide fully without a sketch.

F. B. H., of Ind.—The model we have returned to you at Indianapolis.

J. H. D., of N. Y.—The employment of a balloon to aid in sustaining a boat is an old exploded idea. No good can come out of it.

J. M., of Ohio.—A machine to peg boots and shoes would be valuable, providing it could be made effectual and cheap. We understand that machines for that purpose are in use in the Eastern States, but do not hear much of their practical character. We have no volumes back of the sixth. Price of Vol. 6 bound, \$2.75.

W. B. W., of Wis.—There is an instrument named the anemoscope for measuring the velocity and consequently the pressure of the wind. We have never known of it being used on shipboard, but it could be used. The velocimeter is an old instrument. You will find an engraving of the wind measurer on page 46, Vol. 6, Sci. Am.

V. E. R., of Ill.—We think your mill is new and patentable, and advise you to send a model.

L. D., of N. Y.—There is nothing at all new in the suggestion of pressing at both ends of a bale of hay or cotton. It has often been suggested.

W. B. S., of N. H.—It has been proposed to employ an india rubber bag in the air chamber. We have seen one used. It is best to have the chamber air-tight, and there is no necessity for any diaphragm.

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N. B., of R. I.—We are not familiar with the arrangement for drying mentioned in the Cultivator, and can give no advice upon the subject.

O. L. R., of Geo.—We cannot advise you to file a caveat. When the model is finished send it on, of course we shall do the best for you we can.

S. S., of Ohio.—We do not apprehend any difficulty in getting a patent on the combination as set forth in section third of your drawing. It is totally different from Mr. Brown's invention.

G. M., Jr., of Ill.—You would see something about the extra bow in our last number, it is, however, very different in principle from yours. The principle of applying the air as a medium under the boat, was tried by R. L. Stevens, of this city, a few years ago; it was a failure, yours is a better plan, however, we think more favorably of it.

C. A. M., of Mass.—M. Roucher finds that calcined magnesia, if administered in time, is an efficacious remedy for poisoning by sulphate of copper. Eight parts at least of magnesia are required to one of the sulphate.

W. S., of Conn.—The common garden rhubarb contains a considerable amount of oxalic acid, and may not be regarded as a healthy diet. Its use, however, is limited.

D. S., of Ohio.—Dr. Wright, of Cincinnati, published a communication in Vol. 6, Sci. Am., in which he recommends coal tar as a good substitute to be employed in removing incrustations. It deprives the water of its saline matter.

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