

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

E. G. M., of Pa.—We know of no pump acting by weights only.

O S A., of N. Y.—We believe you do not infringe on Payne. We do not enter into such engagements; it would not answer to do so.

C. C., Jr., of R. I.—We have not seen the apparatus of Mr. Little for telegraphing; he promised to call and exhibit it, but has not done so.

A. J., of N. Y.—It will require ten horse-power to drive the upright and the circular saw, five for each; the engine will not be strained.

J. A. Driscoll, of Warren, R. I., unfortunately, deprived of both hands, desires information respecting improved artificial ones made of india rubber or gutta percha.

G. P., of Md.—We do not think you could obtain a patent for the car blind, simply changing the position of the slats could not be claimed as an invention of a patentable character.

B & L., of Wis.—It is out of our power to furnish you with such descriptions as you demand. The claims we publish weekly, and such specifications as you may require must be ordered from the Patent Office.

James Maxwell, 259 Bowery, N. Y., can furnish such information as some of our readers have sought for in regard to oil mills.

E. B. C., of Vt.—The improvement you propose in tape measures is not new, they have been sold in this market for many years.

E. L., of Troy—We shall require of you a sketch and description of your improved apparatus for ventilating cars before we can decide in reference to it.

R. W. A., of Ct.—We do not see anything new or patentable in your arrangement of car seats, and advise you not to make an application.

D. W. J., of Ind.—We have no engines on hand at present.

D. A. W., of —Rosin oil is employed, and that in a number of places; there is a work published by the Harpers, on Cotton Dyeing, price \$5, we believe, which is very good.

E. S., of N. Y.—We do not see how the shock would be mitigated by your plan, it is new to us, but we do not believe it can accomplish the object intended.

J. B. P., of N. V.—We have never seen the cloth wound off between two rollers, but it is easy to arrange the cloth roller so as to wind off the whole without stopping the loom.

E. S., of S. C.—The dial for registering carriages has been long known and used; we have never seen an insulator like yours, and it appears to be good, but we scarcely know how to base a claim for a patent.

"Ludo," Ill.—The report of the locomotive trial, at Lowell, was never published, that we know of, in any other channel but the newspaper.

O. R. W., of Ohio—We expect that you will be on hand with your long list of subscribers for the next volume; it will be a splendid one, this our readers expect, this they shall have.

R. C., of Miss.—If fuel is cheap in your place we advise you to get a steam engine often horse-power, with good large boiler, so that you will be able to run both an upright and circular saw, and employ some extra steam for drying the lumber;

O. T. S., of Pa.—The Woodworth patent extension is defeated for the present; attempts may be made upon the next Congress to get it further extended;

A. L., of Ga.—The way for you to payenize your planks economically, is to immerse them in a solution of the sulphate of copper.

W. R., of N. Y.—A French gentleman, in a recent communication to the Academy of Sciences, states that he prevents incrustations in steam boilers using hard water, by employing 2 lbs. of the protochloride of tin for every 35 1-4 cubic feet;

D. McL., of Tenn.—Parker's patent has expired; his wheel is a good one; we have always thought that he was not to be blamed for what others had done;

R. O. H., of California—We are glad to hear of your welfare; if you could only get coal cheap in California, your plan would be to get an engine of 50 horse power at once;

S. C. H., of Ohio—In the case of the Henry Clay, we are convinced that the proprietors were to blame more than the officers.

C. J. D., of N. J.—We do not know of any one at present who would take an interest in your invention. It appears to be a good device for the purpose.

H. H., of Ct.—Holtzapfel's Mechanical Manipulation can be obtained of Messrs. Appleton, 200 Broadway. The Cyclopaedia we do not find in this market.

M. K., of Mass.—It is entirely new to us to operate the cow-catcher attached to locomotives; if any advantages are derivable from it, no doubt a patent could be obtained.

J. McC., of —Your plan for propelling appears to be the same as that of Rumsey's. We cannot see any difference.

S. H., of Ind.—We do not see what advantage you would gain by your extra shaft connected with the governor.

J. McC., of Pa.—Experiments have proven that wood does not stand the weather in pavements of streets submitted to the action of horses' feet.

Money received on account of Patent Office business for the week ending Saturday Aug. 14:

G. W., of R. I., \$55; F. H. S., of Md., \$40; R. R., of N. Y., \$70; G. & Co., Paris, \$350; S. G., of N. Y., \$20; R. L. O., of Ct., \$25; A. K. N., of N. Y., \$40; S. J., of N. Y., \$40; T. B. S., of N. J., \$15; G. W. M., of Wis., \$5.

Specifications and drawings belonging to parties with the following initials have been forwarded to the Patent Office during the week ending Saturday, Aug 14:

C. B. H., of N. Y.; L. R. F., of Geo., D. R. R., of N. Y.; W. & F., of Ct.; R. R., of N. Y.; R. M. W., of Va.; R. L. O., of Ct.; V. P. & B. K., of N. Y.

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AMERICAN RAILWAY TIMES.—This is a large weekly journal, issued on Thursdays, well fitted with matter concerning every element of the Railway System, viz., financial management, construction, depreciation, improvements in running and machinery, and every other subject connected with the general economy of the system.

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TO PATENTEEES—WANTED, A GOOD Patent.—The subscriber would like to obtain an interest in a good patent of general use, those having such might find a purchaser, with whom an advantageous arrangement could be made.

SHERRY & BYRAM'S AMERICAN CLOCKS, FOR CHURCHES, PUBLIC BUILDINGS, RAILROAD STATIONS, &c. REGULATORS FOR JEWELLERS, and other styles, designed for Banks, Offices, etc., also Astronomical Clocks.

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IRON FOUNDERS MATERIALS—viz.: good American Pig Iron—grey, mottled and white; No. 1 Scotch Pig Iron, of favorite brands.

DIG IRON MANUFACTURED WITHOUT A BLAST.—Persons taking an interest in this matter, or desiring to participate in bringing this new process to perfection, will please to address the subscriber, post-paid.

JOHN W. GRIFFITHS—Ship Builder and Marine Architect, 658 Fourth St., N. Y., furnishes models and draughts of all description of vessels, with the computation of stability, capacity, displacement, and necessary amount of propulsion.

PATENT DRAWING BOARDS.—23 by 29 inches; with scales of degrees in inches, minutely divided. Also paper fastener attached, and Tube. Complete for \$10, Sent by Express.

ARON KILBORN, 4 Howard street, New Haven, Ct., manufactures Steam Engines, Shafting, Presses, Fan Blowers, Lathes, Planers, Artesian Wells, Chain and Force Pumps, Pipe, Heating Apparatus for Houses, etc.

PATENT ALARM WHISTLE.—Indicators for speaking pipes, for the use of hotels, steamships, factories, store-houses, private dwellings, etc. etc. This instrument is intended to supersede the use of the bell, being more simple in its arrangement.

WOOLCOCKS & OSTRANDER, 57 Ann street, New York. State and County Rights for sale.

CHILD & TAITER, Worcester, Mass., Builders of Daniel's Planers, with Read's feed motion, which gives the advantage of planing both ways, and of running slow or fast, either way.

BEARDSLEE'S PATENT PLANING MACHINE, for Planing, Tonguing and Grooving Boards and Plank.—This recently patented machine is now in successful operation at the Machine shop and Foundry of Messrs. F. & T. Townsend, Albany N. Y.; where it can be seen.

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WOOD'S IMPROVED SHINGLE MACHINE.—Patented January 8th 1850, is without doubt the most valuable improvement ever made in this branch of labor-saving machinery. It has been thoroughly tested upon all kinds of timber and so great was the favor with which this machine was held at the late Fair of the American Institute that an unbought premium was awarded to it in preference to any other on exhibition.

TO INVENTORS.—The subscribers will enter into arrangements, on the most reasonable terms, for furnishing Drawings, Patterns, and Models, believing that they have one of the most thorough and scientific men, in that line of business, to be found in New York.

PAINTS, &c. &c.—American Atomic Drier Graining Colors, Anti-friction Paste, Gold Size, Zinc Drier, and Store Polish.

CHARLES F. MANN, FULTON IRON WORKS, Below the Troy and Greenbush Railroad Depot, Troy, N. Y.—The subscriber builds Steam Engines and Boilers of various patterns and sizes, from three horse power upward; also his Portable Steam Engine and Boiler combined, occupying little space, economical in fuel, safe, and easily managed.

LATHES FOR BROOM HANDLES, &c.—We continue to sell Alcott's Concentric Lathe, which is adapted to turning Windsor Chair Legs, Pillars, Rods and Rounds; Hoe Handles, Fork Handles and Broom Handles.

1852 TO 1856.—WOODWORTH'S PATENT Planing, Tonguing, Grooving, Rabbeting, and Moulding Machines.—About nine hundredths of all the planed lumber used in our large cities and towns continues to be dressed with Woodworth's Patent Machines.

LEONARD'S MACHINERY DEPOT, 109 Pearl-st. and 60 Beaver, N. Y.—Leather Banding Manufactory, N. Y.—Machinists' Tools, a large assortment from the 'Lowell Machine Shop,' and other celebrated makers.

PATENT CAR AXLE LATHE—I am now manufacturing, and have for sale, the above lathes; weight, 5,500 lbs., price \$600.

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