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(7484) W. P. asks: Please let me know the name of the acid and how it is prepared that is used in detecting positive or negative poles in any source of electricity from battery up to 50 volts, also what number platinum wire should be used as leads.

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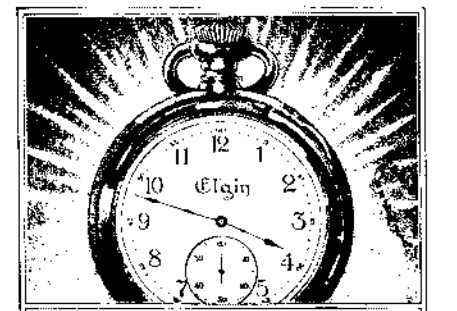
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