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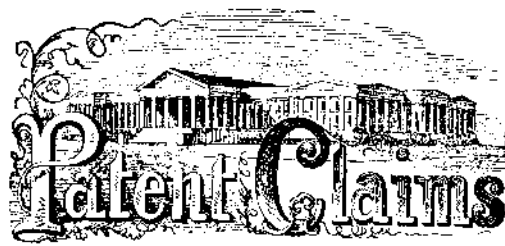
Pulley Block.—The ordinary tackle or purchase blocks have their pulleys so arranged that they will turn as freely as possible on their axis, both in raising and lowering articles which are suspended to them. This free turning of the pulleys is of course an advantage in raising the articles, but in lowering them it is a decided disadvantage, as the operators have not sufficient control over the descent of the articles, owing to an insufficiency of friction, and frequently a great deal of time and labor is expended in lowering articles to the desired spot, and also in keeping them in a proper line of ascent. To obviate this difficulty is the object of this invention, which consists in arranging with the pulleys, ratchets, pawls and side flanges, in such a manner that, in lowering suspended articles, the pulleys will be subjected to a requisite degree of friction to give the operator full control over the tackle blocks in lowering the articles. J. J. Doyle, of No. 371 Eighth street, New York, is the inventor of this improvement, half of which has been assigned to C. L. Perkins, of No. 54 Exchange Place, New York.

Valve Chest.—The main obstacle which has heretofore presented itself to the successful use of piston valves for the induction and eduction of steam engines has been the unequal expansion of the cylindrical bearings or seats in which such valves work, which has caused the valves either to bind during a portion of their stroke, or else to fit too loosely during another portion thereof; but for this difficulty, such valves, owing to the simple manner in which they can be "balanced," would have been more generally adopted. The object of this invention is to provide for the equal expansion of the cylindrical bearing or seat throughout its whole length, and to this end it consists in a certain arrangement of a steam jacket surrounding or partly surrounding the whole length of the bearing or seat, and communicating with both ends thereof, in such a manner that the steam will heat the said bearing or seat equally throughout the whole length. T. S. Davis, Jersey City, N. J., is the inventor of this improvement.

Door Lock.—The object of this invention is to combine a bar with a lock in such a manner that the bar, which is at the inner side of the door, may be opened by means of the lock from the outer side of the door, the bar being so arranged as to extend entirely across the door, and serve as a far more secure and efficient fastening than the ordinary lock bolts, and more so than the bars and bolts which are adjusted from the inner side of the door, as the bar in this improvement cannot be raised or operated upon by cutting through the door, but only through the medium of the lock. A. Clabaugh, of Atlanta, Pa., is the inventor of this improvement.

Solar-time Globe.—The object of this invention is to arrange a terrestrial globe in such relation to a dial plate and index, that the culminating time of the sun, and consequently the true solar time and also the clock or mean time, can be observed simultaneously at any moment. The invention consists in the arrangement of a terrestrial globe on a horizontal axis, in combination with a revolving annular dial incircling the globe, and adjustable by means of set screws and with a stationary index or pointer, in such a manner that, by the index, the culminating time of the sun on any part of the globe can be observed, and at the same time the clock or mean time can be read off for a certain location for which the dial has been adjusted. T. R. Timby, of Saratoga Springs, N. Y., is the inventor of this improvement.

Sul-iron and Heater.—This invention relates to an improvement in sad-irons or flat-irons as they are frequently termed, and consists in constructing the side with a shell or case in which a sliding or adjustable heater is placed, arranged in such a manner that the iron may be applied to a coal-oil lamp, made to serve as a draught chimney for the same, and be heated very expeditiously, a cold iron being applied to the lamp as a heated one is removed, an order that the lamp may always be provided with a chimney, and a heated iron be always at command during the process of ironing. O. W. Preston and C. Barry, of Corning, N. Y., are the inventors of this improvement.



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39,107.—Device for operating Churns.—Henry C. Addis, Springfield, Ill.:

I claim the combination of the spring, L, and treadle, I, with the rock-shaft, D, weighted pendulum, F, adjustable arm, C, adjustable pivoted dasher-rod, B, and churn, A, all in the manner and for the purpose herein shown and described.

[The object of this invention is to obtain a means whereby reciprocating churns, that is to say, those which are provided with rising and falling dashers, may be operated with greater facility than by the ordinary application of the hands to the dash-rod.]

39,108.—Potato Digger.—Theodore Baker, Stillwater, N. Y. Ante-dated July 2, 1862:

I claim the arrangement of the flaring bars, E, and the spiral arms, L, attached to the shaft, F, constructed and operated as and for the purpose specified.

39,109.—Metallic Cartridge.—William Bakewell, Pittsburgh, Pa.:

I claim the use of metallic cartridges so constructed that that portion of the case which enters the charge chamber or breech of the fire-arm (whether tapering or having its sides parallel to its axis), shall be of such shape that a cross section at right angles to its axis will be an ellipse, triangle, square, or other curved or polygonal figure, the perimeter of which will be less than the circumference of a circumscribed circle, so that the cartridge fitting closely in the charge chamber when the piece is loaded, shall, by the expansive force of the discharge, have its longest diameter reduced sufficiently to loosen it when the piece is fired, substantially as herein before described.

39,110.—Shingle Machine.—Joseph Beaudreau, Fond du Lac, Wis.:

I claim, first, The endless chain carriage constructed of segment formed links, h1, h2, cross-bars or ties, h3, the latter at each end projecting beyond the links, and forming guides, h4, which travel in ways m, and thereby support the bolts, as they are successively fed to the saw, in a proper position to have a shingle cut from the underside of each bolt; in combination with the tilting table, n, and horizontally revolving circular saw, c, when the whole is arranged to operate in the manner and for the purpose specified.

Second, The tilting table, n, and triangular shaft, n4, in combination with the spring, s, and arm, n6, or their equivalents; when arranged to operate in the manner and for the purpose specified.

Third, The pin, a, projecting from the under side of the endless chain carriage, in combination with the gear or toothed wheel, n5, and triangular shaft, n4, when arranged to operate in the manner and for the purpose specified.

Fourth, The worm or screw, d', and helical spring, d2, in combination with the beveled toothed cog-wheel, c, and shaft, f, when arranged to operate in the manner and for the purpose specified.

[This machine is of that class in which the shingles are cut from bolts by horizontally revolving circular saws, a number of bolts being fed successively to the saws by an endless chain belt. This invention consists in certain novel devices, whereby the machine is made to automatically adjust itself so as to cut the shingles, top and butt alternately from each side of the bolts. It also consists in a novel device whereby the saws are protected against injury when brought in contact with a hard or knotty place in the bolt.]

39,111.—Composition for sealing Preserve Jars.—Jesse Beckley, Cincinnati, Ohio:

I claim the composition for sealing preserve jars, composed and compounded as set forth.

39,112.—Projectile for Rifled Ordnance.—Alfred Berney, Jersey City:

I claim the combination with the polygonal extension, b, of the depression, a, a, notches, d, d, and the hollow conical packing ring, B, formed with a shoulder, e, all the parts being constructed, arranged, and combined to operate together in the manner herein shown and described.

[The object of this invention is to obtain a simple mode of combining a packing ring with an elongated projectile which shall both compel it both to transmit to the projectile the rotary motion which it acquires in passing along the rifle grooves of the gun, and to remain securely attached to the projectile during the flight of the latter. It has been proposed to combine the ring with the projectile by constructing the interior of the ring of polygonal form and constructing the projectile with a polygonal projection on its base to fit the so-constructed ring but while this may have provided for the rotary motion of the projectile it has afforded no adequate provision for preventing the ring from flying off after the discharge of the projectile from the gun. This invention consists in making the front portion or portions of one or more of the sides of such polygonal projection with inward inclination, giving the said projection the character of a dove-tail by which the ring is prevented from flying off; also in providing notches or recesses in the shoulder formed upon the projectile in front of the said projection, into which portions of the ring may be driven by the action of the gases emitted by the firing of the charge of the gun and thereby made to aid the ring in transmitting rotary motion to the projectile.]

39,113.—Machine for cutting Thin Timber.—Benjamin F. Betts, Tonawanda, N. Y.:

I claim the combination and arrangement of the sliding box with oblique motion, thereby giving by movement of the block a drawing cut to the knife, in combination with the diagonal position of the knife attached to the immovable bed-plate; and the arrangement of eccentrics for elevating or depressing the movable bed-plate.

39,114.—Instrument for indicating the Depth of Water in Cisterns.—H. L. Brevoort, Brooklyn, N. Y.:

I claim the arrangement of the flexible diaphragms, b b b', to form an expanding chamber within the box, A, and in combination with a spring, i, substantially as herein specified.

[This invention relates to instruments for indicating the depth of the bilge water in a ship or other vessel, or of the water in a tank or

other reservoir by the agency of the pressure of the column of such water acting through the medium of air. In carrying out the invention there is used a series of flexible, sectional, or annular diaphragms such as are used in the bilge and leakage indicator which constitutes the subject matter of seters.]

39,115.—Tea Pot.—Alexander M. Bristol, Detroit, Mich.:

I claim as an improved article of manufacture a tea-pot and water-urn, arranged and combined in the manner substantially as set forth.

[This invention consists in having a vessel composed of two separate compartments, one for tea and the other for hot water, and having each compartment provided with a spout, whereby both tea and hot water may be obtained from the same vessel and the tea kept at a proper warm temperature by the hot water, which receives its heat from a lamp underneath the vessel.]

39,116.—Mosquito Bar.—Asa L. Carrier, Washington, D. C.:

I claim, first, A portable insect shield so constructed as to be operated from the outside, substantially as described by means of levers, A and B.

Second, Levers, A', constructed and operating as described, in combination with levers, B.

Third, Levers, B, constructed and operating as described, for the purposes set forth.

Fourth, The clasp, C, constructed and operating as described for the purposes set forth.

Fifth, The braces, D, constructed and operating as described, in combination with tension cords 1 and 2.

39,117.—Lock.—Andrew Clabaugh, Altoona, Pa.:

I claim the disk, C, provided with the spring, g, the slide, D, tumbler, F, and side, B, all arranged and combined to operate in connection with the bolt, H, as and for the purposes specified.

I further claim the circular slide or guard, K, when combined and arranged with the disk, C, slide, D, tumbler, F, and side, B, for the purpose specified.

39,118.—Mole Plow.—Stillman A. Clemens, Rockford, Ill.:

I claim, first, The mole, a, attached near its forward end by a pivot pin near to the front edge of the lower end of a cutter bar, b, substantially as described and for the purposes specified.

Second, A cutter bar, b, attached to a mole plow beam, h, by the herein described or an equivalent mode which allows free pendulous and hinge movements to the cutter-bar, substantially as described and for the specified purposes.

39,119.—Machine for preparing Tow from Tangled Flax Straw.—George F. Clemons, Springfield, Mass.:

I claim, first, The breaking rollers, K, cylinder, H, constructed with concave ends, i, and having holes, k, made in it as shown and provided with teeth, h, and wings, j, and the open endless apron, J, when all are combined and arranged to operate as and for the purpose herein set forth.

Second, The side-pieces or strips, g, g, placed over the endless apron, J, for the purpose of reducing the width of the same, when said side strips or pieces are used in connection or combination with the cylinders, D, H, concaves, E, I, breaking rollers, C, C', K, and endless apron, J, for the purpose herein set forth.

[This invention consists in a combination and arrangement of breaking rollers, toothed cylinders and concaves, and discharging and feed aprons, one of the toothed cylinders being so constructed as to serve as a fan or blower, whereby the desired work, to-wit the preparing of tow from tangled flax, may be accomplished in a rapid and thorough manner.]

39,120.—Breech-loading Fire-arm.—John Webster Cochran, New York City:

I claim, first, The safety guard or guide, i, in connection with the recoil block, b, as set forth.

Second, I claim the arm, j, attached to the hammer, f, for throwing it back to half-cock by coming in contact with another lever or spring, i', when opening the breech by throwing the recoil block down as described.

39,121.—Hooks and Eyes for Connecting Cords.—Abiel Codding, Jr., North Attleboro', Mass.:

I claim the improved socketed hook and eye, having the socket tubes, a, thereof provided with serrations, teeth, or prongs, arranged in the manner and for the purpose as specified.

39,122.—Seed Planter.—Edward Cox, Point Pleasant, Ohio:

I claim the arrangement of the slide, H, and spring, J, with the pulleys, E, G, belt, I, seed cups, h, concave, F, box, D, spout, K, gate, M, and seed hopper, L, all in the manner herein shown and described.

[This invention consists in a novel seed-distributing device composed of an elevator formed of cups attached to an endless band or chain having a tension spring connected with it in such a manner that the belt or chain will always be kept in a proper state and made to operate perfectly.]

39,123.—Locomotive Boiler.—Benjamin Crawford, Pittsburgh, Pa.:

I claim, first, The arrangement of the super-heating tubes, c, c, in line with the flues, a, a, when the chamber which contains the tubes, c, c, is constructed with a vertical diaphragm, g, and the whole enclosed by the case, E, of the boiler, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

Second, The combination of heads, d, d', flues, c, c, steam pipes, D, G, and diaphragm, g, arranged and operating substantially as herein described and for the purpose set forth.

39,124.—Plumb Level and Square.—D. G. Davison, E. Pullen, Prospect Plains, N. J., and J. S. Davison, Cranberry, N. J.:

We claim the mode of combining a plumb, level and square together, by means of forming that part of the square wherein the plumb is hung hollow or like a case, with an opening on either side at the lower part so that the plumb can be easily seen and brought to an exact perpendicular by means of marks or other indications as above set forth and as shown in the various figures, or when the aforesaid combination is attained by other means, substantially the same as those herein arranged and described.

39,125.—Valve Chest for Steam Engines.—Thomas S. Davis, Jersey City, N. J.:

I claim the arrangement of the open-ended valve cylinder, B, within the casing, A, in such manner that a steam jacket or space, a, is formed between them, which surrounds or nearly surrounds the whole length of the said cylinder and which communicates with the said cylinder at the ends thereof, for the induction of the steam therein, substantially as and for the purposes herein specified.

39,126.—Corset.—Horace H. Dayton, Worcester, Mass.:

I claim a corset combining the adjustable shoulder-straps, D, body, A, and extensor, J, or the equivalent thereof, substantially as shown and described.

39,127.—Cooking Stove.—William S. Deisher, Hamburg, Pa.:

I claim, first, The flues, H, H, provided with openings, H' and i, in combination with the air-heating space, J, and flue, L, when arranged in the manner and for the purposes specified.

Second, The combination of the flues, H, and L, with the openings, b and s', valves, M, S, and oven, C, when arranged in the manner and for the purpose specified.

[This invention consists in a novel arrangement of passages or flues in a cooking stove, whereby, without detracting in the least from the efficiency of the stove for cooking purposes, a large amount of heating surface is obtained which may be used for heating air and this air used for warming the apartments of the building in which the stove is placed.]

39,128.—Hay Elevator.—James M. Dick, Buffalo, N. Y.:

I claim, first, The employment of the screw, B, in the manner and for the purpose herein described and set forth.

Second, I claim the bolt, D, in combination with the flange, E, and screw, B, when used for the purpose herein specified.

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J. H. P., of N. Y.—You state your case so that it is difficult to decide. You say, "the steam pipe enters the boiler just below the crown sheet, so there is plenty of steam space." Do you not mean the shell of the boiler? The crown sheet is the top of the fire-box. The trouble you refer to is caused by the water following the steam passing through the main pipe. The water in the boiler is raised by the steam and carried over with it, and of course, shows itself at the upper gage. When the steam is shut off, the water which is left subsides, and is, consequently, far below the water-line. You blow the steam off too fast; let it go more slowly and you will, probably, have no trouble. The feed pump is not large enough to supply the demand; steam condenses in the main pipe because it is cold, and water passes over with the steam, causing a double consumption of water and fuel.

S. Q., of Canada West.—Boilers are liable to foam when they are new, when their steam space is too confined, and when their water is foul. An injector is a most efficient substitute for a feed-pump. Messrs. Sellers, of Philadelphia, manufacture Giffard's injectors.

C. M. H., of Wis.—We have never seen experiments made with the turbine wheel to which you refer, and cannot tell how much water it discharges when running free; but in all likelihood it discharges like some other wheels, more than when driving a full train of machinery and running at a lower velocity.

L. K. W., of Iowa.—Governors for marine engines have been successfully introduced. If you have anything valuable in that line you had better send us a sketch and description of it for examination. We shall send you, by mail, a copy of our pamphlet of advice about patent matters.

E. B., of Mo.—If the parties to whom you refer manufactured your invention within the limits of the United States, you can recover damages from them, as it is an infringement to make a patented invention without the patentee's consent.

H. L. S., of Ill.—It would have been very easy for you to try the experiment, whether two magnets placed twelve inches apart "will move together." They will not. A magnet will not draw the iron ball to it from a distance of twelve inches.

J. C. J., of N. Y.—Feathers may be dyed a scarlet color by boiling them in a clean tin vessel with some water, ground cochineal, a little cream-of-tartar, and a few drops of the muriate of tin. Put these ingredients into the vessel, and, when boiling, place the feathers therein, and boil for fifteen minutes; then take them out and wash them in cold water. This color is permanent, and one ounce of cochineal will dye one pound of feathers, which should be washed in soap before being dyed. Feathers may also be dyed yellow by boiling them in a strong decoction of quercitron and a few drops of the muriate of tin. These colors are suitable for the feathers of hooks intended for fishing.

R. A. R., of L. I.—The turret plates of the *Londons* were not "bent near the deck" in the *Enterprise* at Charleston (as we have been informed), so as to prevent the turrets from revolving.

W. M., of N. Y.—A diamond does not neutralize the magnetism of a magnet. Whoever told you to the contrary is mistaken. If you place a piece of steel in the inside of a glass tube, and apply a magnet on the outside, the steel will be attracted.

S. B. C., of Pa.—When two cisterns are placed at different levels below a spring or fountain head, and the water is conveyed to them by a branch pipe, the overflow will be by the waste pipe of the lower cistern. Water always seeks the lowest level.

F. W. E., of N. Y.—There is no reliable way of ascertaining the quantity of air that passes through your register into the chimney, without first finding out its velocity. This could be done with an anemometer, for measuring the force of air currents. By multiplying the velocity of the air, in feet, per second, into the area of the register in square feet, the quantity which passes through in a second will be given in cubic feet.

S. W., of N. J.—The mode which you propose for protecting the steam pipe of your engine, by enclosing it in a wooden box filled with saw-dust, to prevent the condensation of steam, will answer very well. Plaster-of-Paris, however, is superior to the saw-dust as a safe non-conductor; so is common plaster mortar that is mixed with hair.

H. M., of Canada West.—The powder ignited in a gun exerts the same amount of pressure upon the breech that it does upon the bullet. You should make an experiment to test the question of securing the harness traces of the horse in drawing a load so as to exercise his power most advantageously.

J. C. A., of N. Y.—Sixteen years ago we saw a small boat propelled by the reaction of water on the East river, in this city. The water was forced through a tube passing out at the stern of the boat. The principle is old, having been first suggested and tried by James Rumsey about 1786. It is an inferior system to the paddle and screw, and we advise you to spend no money in making experiments with it.

J. McD., of Maine.—Your ideas respecting the construction of screw steamers with iron frames, an inside skin of iron plate, and an outside planking of wood are good. Such vessels could be sheathed with copper and thus be free from the fouling so common to iron-plated vessels.

J. R., of Vt.—Charcoal and clean sand are about the best substances you can use for filter beds. The charcoal should be fine, but not reduced to powder, and the beds about one foot in depth.

H. K., of N. Y.—Lead pipes tinned inside for conveying water are of old date, and have been used to some extent in this city. If the tin becomes detached, in small spots, from the lead, a galvanic action ensues, and the lead is decomposed more rapidly than if it had not been coated with the tin. Such pipes, therefore, have not been approved.

W. McT., of Pa.—The magnetic oxide of iron has been used for purifying water. When broken into small pieces and arranged in a layer of a few inches in depth, muddy water was rendered clear by being passed through it. You can easily make an experiment with it and satisfy yourself.

M. A. W., of L. I.—A blower would greatly increase the draft of your chimney. As you find it difficult to apply it to the several furnaces of your boilers, it may answer every purpose to apply it direct to the chimney, if not, branch pipes must be connected with the furnaces. The exhaust steam from the cylinder of your engine would also increase the draft of your boilers.

J. B., of Ill.—By case-hardening the slots in the shanks of your reaper blades they will wear three times longer.

H. W. L., of Wis.—In manufacturing shot for fowling pieces a small quantity of arsenic is mixed with the lead, otherwise it will not drop with facility through the sieves.

T. B., of Ohio.—The velocity of a falling body is ascertained by multiplying the square root of the height by 8, which is the co-efficient for the action of gravity in falling one foot. Thus a body having fallen 16 feet has a velocity of 32 feet—the square root of 16 being 4, which, multiplied by 8, gives 32. This rule will enable you to calculate the velocity of water at the foot of falls of any height.

W. W. V., of N. J.—The sulphate of lead is formed with solutions of alum and the acetate of lead. Dissolve one pound of alum in two gallons of hot water, and one pound of the acetate of lead in an equal quantity of water, and mix them together, when double decomposition will be effected, and the acetate of alum and sulphate of lead will be formed. This solution is used for rendering cloth water-proof. Immerse the cloth in the clear liquor after the sediment has settled; take it out and dry it in a warm room, and it will shed water like the back of a duck.

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