

We are indebted to the Hon. Martin F. Hatch, U. S. Consul at Merida, Yucatan, for a copy of a local newspaper—*La Razon del Pueblo*—containing an account of “An Astonishing Motor,” the invention of a young Mexican named Gonzalez. The Mexican editor is of opinion that the invention is of such extraordinary value that its mere fame will make Mexico great among the nations. The new motor, he says, enables mankind to navigate the air in the teeth of hurricanes blowing at the rate of three hundred miles an hour. It permits of locomotion over the earth or under the surface of the sea, in all directions, with inconceivable velocity. We regret to say, however, that, after giving us a column and a half upon the various wonderful capabilities of the new invention, the editor fails to present any clue to the principles or construction of the device. The only light given upon this point is that the use of the invention involves no expense, not even the employment of hand power, nor steam, nor air power, nor electricity. The inventor has put into operation an example of the device in the form of a small boat, hermetically sealed, which gives and moves in any desired direction under water, at any desired speed, as if guided by an invisible hand. The editor does not hesitate to say that it is the most astonishing work that, up to the present day, has ever been produced in the world. The many

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Improved Draft Equalizer.
Elias H. Blake, Coatsburg, Ill.—This invention is an improved equalizer which is readily attached to a tongue or plow beam, so adjusted as to allow the horse to walk upon either side of the tongue, and to give an advantage to the single horse or to the pair, as may be desired. The invention consists in a triangular equalizer provided with clamps for securing it to the tongue or beam, and having its forward arm slotted and provided with adjustable perforated plates to receive the hammer or pin by which the tripletee is connected with it.