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(1) Z. C. S. asks for a rule for finding the sectional area of a boiler shell. A. By a table of areas, deduct the area of the diameter of the inside of shell from the area of the diameter of the outside of shell, the remainder is the sectional area of shell. Or multiply 2 feet 4 inches pitch, 5. Ports are 30-100 inch area: the thickness of the plate by the average of the circum- are they large enough? A Ports should equal fiveference of the outside and inside diameters of shell, the product is the sectional area.

(2) A. P. asks: 1. What is the least pressure required to blow off with the submersion and diameter of blow off pipe being given? A. Disregarding friction, etc., the pressure should be at least one pound

is determined by the quantity of water evaporated and not by the size of cylinder. 3. What size of safety valve does a boiler require (grate surface and steam pressure to be carried being given)? A. The rule of the United States steamboat inspectors is one square inch area of valve to each two square feet of grate surface. 3. What lift must a valve of given diameter have? A. One-fourth the diameter of valve, 5. What is the ratio of expansion of wrought iron? A. For each degree of heat (Fahrenheit) • ••814 of one inch for each 100 feet

(3) H. L. S. asks if it is necessary to have an airpump in connection with an engine that exhausts into a keel condenser, said condenser being under the bottom of the boat and consequently always cold and not liable to get hot, pressure of steam 60 to 100 lb., revolutions 75 to 100. The idea of condensing in this manner is to save the fresh water so as to be used in place of salt. A. It is necessary to have an air pump if you wish the benefit of a vacuum, otherwise you can take the water from the condensing pipes with the feed

(4) E. C. N. writes: I have made a dynamo electric machine about five times the size the one that was in the No. 161 SUPPLEMENT with a double coil in the armature, and use only one pair of brushes formy commutator. My machine works well and generates a great deal of electricity. I connect the circuit on the machine with No. 6 copper wire, and take my electricity from the binding posts of the brushes. When running the machine 800 revolutions per minute the machine will fuse 3 copper wires No. 30, 12 inches long, showing that I have great resistance in my machine. I will say right here that I have for field magnets soft cast iron 22 inches wide, 13 inches high, 2 inches thick, wound with 8 layers of double wire No. 14. The armature has one coil, is wound with 3 wires of No. 18, 7 layers; the other with 5 wires No. 18,7 layers. My commutator is made different from any that I have seen or heard from. My first coil is put on the inside ring, and the wire soldered and the slot cut for neutral points; the other ring is on the same commutator with one-eighth of an inch apart and the slot cut 90 degrees from the others, slot one thirtysecond inch. I have but very little sparks at the commutator. I have made a lamp somewhat after the form of Brush lamp, and use Brush carbons, and have a very large light with very small arc, not more than onesixty-fourth of an inch, but the carbon arc incandescence one-half of inch. I have in my lamp on the coil or hollow magnet six layers of No. 14 wire. Afterrunning about one hour the coil gets so hot that I cannot handle it, and I have to shut down the machine. What is the trouble? The machine does not get very hot. A. Use coarserwire in your lamp helix. You have succeeded verv well with your machine.

(5) T. B. asks: 1. Can I use electro-magnets for the dynamo-electric machine described in Sur-PLEMENT No. 161, Fig. 6? A. Yes. 2. And if not, how can I make magnets permanent, and from what kind of iron are they made? A. Pern anent magnets are made less than 65,000 lbs. to sq. in. Circulars free. Pittsburg from steel, hardened and tempered. You will find di-Steel Casting Company, Pittsburg, Pa. rections for making permanent magnets in an article on rections for making permanent magnets in an article on New Economizer Portable Engine, See illus. adv. p. 333. telephones in Supplement 142. 3. Can the part surrounding the armature be made of wrought iron pipe, as shown in Fig. 6? A. Yes.

(6) C. S. W. asks: Are there any coal or: peat beds in the torrid zone? Where? What is the reason that there are more in the temperate zone than elsewhere? A. No peat. Very little coal of carboniferous period. Tertiary coal, "brown coal," abundant in in South American tropics. A cool moist atmosphere is required to develop peat.

(7) T. C. asks: If a wire be attached to a safe or stove in an office of a hardware store and conveyed to the moist earth beneath, will it be a good prorod with large ground connections placed in moist

(8) S. S. B. asks: 1. Is it practicable to use three-eighths inch gas pipe for a water grate in an upright boiler having one end connected to pump and the other to the crown sheet? Boiler is 16 inches diameter, 2 feet high, with 19 11/4 flues, 1 foot long. A. You could use them, but they would soon burn out. 2. Is such a boiler large enough to drive a 2 inch by 4 inch engine with 60 lb. steam, and 250 to 300 revolutions per Car coupling, E. T. Barlow. 226,824 minute? A. It may answer with an exhaust jet, but is Car heater, S. F. Kellogg. 226,862 rather small without it.

(9) J. E. E. asks (1) how to construct a galvanometer for testing electrical resistances. A. A. Carbureter, gas. J. M. Palmer simple galvanometer may be made by suspending a magnetized cambric needle over a flattened helix of fine wire. For details of construction of delicate instruments of this kind see Prescott's Electricity, or Frick's Physical Technics. 2. Can you give me better detail of the re-Correspondents whose inquiries do not appear after versing gear of Mr. Maxim's steam launch, Supplement lished, they may conclude that, for good reasons, the setting of the eccentric. How far should it be moved to give proper "lead" both ways? Has the loose piece on groove? A. The eccentric will be set in the usual manner, and by throwing it across to the opposite side, it is in position for reverse motion without lead. You must lay out a diagram to get the proper lead and throw for your valve. We do not understand there is any spiral groove, though this would probably be better, as you could then get the proper lead in both directions. 3. What horse power would a 21/2x21/2 stroke engine give, 300 revolutions per minute, with 73 1b of steam? A About three-fourths lb. horse power. 4. What size boat can Irun with it at the rate of eight miles per hour? Also what size screw and pitch? A. Probably 12 feet long and 31/2 to 4 feet beam; screw 14 inches diameter and tenths inch. 6. What size pump shall I use? A. Half inch diameter of plunger, if it has the stroke of the engine.

(10) W. F. O. asks: Suppose a string fastened at one end will just support a weight of 25 lb. at ened at one end will just support a weight of 25 lb. at the other. Unfasten it, and two persons pull upon it in Door hanger, A. N. Monteer (r). 9.174

off pipe, 2. What size must a feed pump be, diameter of cylinder being given? A. The size of feed pump each end brings a total strain of only 25 lb. on the string. Try this experiment with spring scales instead of a string.

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