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(2) W. H. C. asks: 1. What kind of boile and fuel should be used in close apartment to run small engine without vitiating the air? A. You can use a tubular (upright) boiler with gas or alcohol lamps but you should provide a pipe to carry off the product of combustion. 2. Also what is the best book for student of mechanical drawing to begin with having n previous considerable knowledge of geometry or mathe matics? A. Professor MacCord's drawing lessons in SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN SUPPLEMENT will meet you

(3) W. P. asks if quicklime is a proper disinfectant for a cellar where milk is kept. A, Yes.

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(5) W. H. W. asks: 1 Are not the

(5) W. H. W. asks: 1. Are not the continuous lines of metallic pipes for gas, water, etc., in city buildings a considerable protection from the in jurious effects of lightning? A. Yes, they form an ex cellent and extensive ground. 2. Do they not render any severe injury to the inmates improbable by affording the electricity a ready escape to the earth? A. It is un doubtedly true that accidents have been averted by the presence of the pipes, and it is also true that the pipe afford so manyavenues of escape for the lightning that under certain conditions the danger is increased. For Mineral Lands Prospected, Artesian Wells Bored, by example, suppose a person standing in the path of th lightning between the striking point and the neares Machine Knives for Wood-working Machinery, Book | pipe, it is probable that he would be selected as a con ductor. 3. Will not a metal roof with water conductor leading to drain afford some protection? A. Yes, to certain extent, but if several good lightning rods wer nnected with the roof and well grounded by connec around the rod, your protection will be as good as i Rollstone Mac. Co.'s Wood Working Mach'y ad. p. 172. is possible to secure. 4. Would the risk from lightning be materially increased by placing a wooden pole, with an iron pin on top for a weather vane, two or three feet above a low chimney on a city house with gas and water pipes, metal roof, etc., but without a lightning rod? A. The risk would be increased. All elevated points are sources of danger unless provided with good rod, well grounded.

(6) T. W. O. asks: 1. Can you give me process of bleaching animal size, such as is used by papermakers? A. Try a small quantity of alum an sulphite of soda (freshly prepared). 2. What will prevent the forming of rosin size. The size is made of rosin and sal soda. A. A trace of fine sperm or olive oil wil probably obviate the difficulty. An excess must b

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