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Mineral Lands Prospected, Artesian Wells Bored, by Pa. Diamond Drill Co. Box 423, Pottsville, Pa. See p. 157.

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HINTS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

No attention will be paid to communications unless accompanied with the full name and address of the writer.

Names and addresses of correspondents will not be given to inquirers.

We renew our request that correspondents, in referring to former answers or articles, will be kind enough to name the date of the paper and the page, or the number of the question.

Correspondents whose inquiries do not appear after a reasonable time should repeat them. If not then published, they may conclude that, for good reasons, the Editor declines them.

Persons desiring special information which is purely of a personal character, and not of general interest, should remit from \$1 to \$5, according to the subject, as we cannot be expected to spend time and labor to obtain such information without remuneration.

Any numbers of the SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN SUPPLEMENT referred to in these columns may be had at this office. Price 10 cents each.

(1) O. V. D.—In replying to your query as to the proper strength for telephone magnets, in last issue of this paper, an obvious error occurs. The magnet should support three or four times its own weight, instead of three-fourths as there given.

(2) W. H. C. asks: 1. What kind of boiler and fuel should be used in close apartment to run a 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 products of combustion. 2. Also what is the best book for a student of mechanical drawing to begin with having no previous considerable knowledge of geometry or mathematics? A. Professor MacCord's drawing lessons in SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN SUPPLEMENT will meet your wants.

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

(4) W. writes: The exhaust pipe from a 200 horse power steam engine has a back pressure valve in it. The escaping steam, after passing the valve, makes a disagreeable noise. How can this be avoided cheaply? A. The noise will be very much reduced by surrounding the outlet or escape, with a wood pipe, 2 feet or 2 1/2 feet diameter or square, and say 12 to 16 feet in length.

(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 injurious effects of lightning? A. Yes, they form an excellent 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 undoubtedly true that accidents have been averted by the presence of the pipes, and it is also true that the pipes afford so many avenues of escape for the lightning that under certain conditions the danger is increased. For example, suppose a person standing in the path of the lightning between the striking point and the nearest pipe, it is probable that he would be selected as a conductor. 3. Will not a metal roof with water conductors leading to drain afford some protection? A. Yes, to a certain extent, but if several good lightning rods were connected with the roof and well grounded by connecting their lower ends with the gas and water pipes, and by extending them eight or ten feet in a trench made in earth that is continually moist and filled with coke packed around the rod, your protection will be as good as it 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 a good rod, well grounded.

(6) T. W. O. asks: 1. Can you give me a process of bleaching animal size, such as is used by papermakers? A. Try a small quantity of alum and 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 will probably obviate the difficulty. An excess must be avoided.

(7) "Enterprise" asks: What tools, if any, is a machinist supposed to furnish, at his own expense, when in the employ of other parties? A. All of what are usually termed "hand" tools; but if any are lost

or destroyed on the work they are chargeable, also all necessary repairs while used on the work are chargeable.

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INDEX OF INVENTIONS FOR WHICH Letters Patent of the United States were Granted in the Week Ending August 24, 1880, AND EACH BEARING THAT DATE. [Those marked (r) are reissued patents.]

A printed copy of the specification and drawing of any patent in the annexed list, also of any patent issued since 1866, will be furnished from this office for one dollar. In ordering please state the number and date of the patent desired and remit to Munn & Co., 37 Park Row, New York city. We also furnish copies of patents granted prior to 1866; but at increased cost, as the specifications not being printed, must be copied by hand.

Table listing inventions with patent numbers and names, including: Adjustable chair, J. M. Taggart; Air engine, A. K. Rider; Awning window, J. E. Dwinelle; Bale tie, H. Riesel; Basket, folding, C. J. Underwood; Beer, etc., apparatus for preserving, P. Kingsland; Boot and shoe, S. E. Thecker; Boot and shoe jack, Z. Beaudry; Bottle for aerated liquids, siphon, J. Matthews; Bottle stopper, A. Albertson; Bottle stopper, A. C. Schulz; Bottle stopper and fastening, W. H. Bate; Box clamp, S. Murry; Brick press box, G. H. Thompson; Broom, Schosson & Markham; Buckle, J. F. Molloy; Button, W. W. Covell; Button, C. L. Hazard; Caloric engine, J. Hook; Car brake, automatic, Card & Randolph; Car brake coupling, W. N. Haring; Car dust guard, F. M. Stevens; Car platform, R. W. Cowell; Car, stock, W. S. Hunter; Car wheel, H. C. Smith; Cars, means for coupling, W. N. Haring; Carbureting air or gases for illuminating purposes, apparatus for, W. West; Carpet cleaner, T. Ferry; Cartridge loader, J. L. Osgood; Castings, apparatus for producing chilled, W. A. Reid; Chain, drive, E. L. Howe; Chair and stool, G. K. Reist; Check book, pocket, C. B. Perrico; Chimney cap, N. U. Walker; Churn, Heck & Reed; Churn, J. M. Mattoon; Churn motor, S. T. Carter; Churn power, C. Howard; Cider mill, J. Mercier; Clothes pounder, D. M. Skinner; Coal washing machine, A. C. Jorssen; Coffee and tea pot, steam, S. Jones; Coffee roaster, C. L. Hall; Condenser tube, surface, H. See; Cooker, steam, I. B. Olmsted; Copying pad, M. Alisoff; Cork grinding machine, F. Latta; Corset, S. B. Ferris; Corset spring, M. K. Bortree; Cotton cleaner, W. Herrmann; Cultivator, H. Ives; Cutlery handles, attaching, Trambhall & Blydes; Damper, cooking stove, I. A. Sheppard; Desk and seat, school, Turner & Logan; Diamond polishing machine, A. Hessels; Door alarm, J. Simon; Door plate, card receiver, and indicator, combined, W. P. Marshall; Drain tile gate, F. Barst; Electric current, apparatus for measuring the, J. R. Finney; Electrical switch board, E. T. Gilliland; Elevator gate, automatic, G. Ackermann; Exercising machine, J. R. Judd; Extension table, J. J. McKnight; Fanning mill, H. H. Seelye; Fat from animal substances, apparatus for obtaining, V. Gastard; Feed, automatic boiler, N. Curtis; Fifth wheel platform, A. H. Beach; Filter, N. Downes; Filter, McCauley & Cady; Filter, water, J. Wilsey; Firearms, safety lock for, F. Crutchley; Fire escape ladder, R. Harris; Fire extinguisher, H. S. Parmelee; Fishing lines, sinker and weight for, T. M. Foote; Floating elevator, P. H. Gill; Folding chair, J. E. Wakefield; Foot rest and boot jack, combined, L. C. Boyington; Game counter, N. C. Cooley; Gas from hydrocarbon liquid and water, apparatus for making illuminating, E. E. Holmes; Gas generators, acid chambers, and fountains for mineral waters, lining, J. Collins; Gate, R. M. Grier; Gate, W. Robinson; Gate hanger, J. C. Baumgartner; Grain band cutter, M. G. Hubbard; Grain binder knot tier, F. W. Randall; Grain drier, W. Eberhard; Grater, vegetable, Fine & Locke; Grinding mill, A. Voelk; Grits, etc., apparatus for separating and cleaning, T. Bühlmann; Gun, machine, E. G. Parkhurst; Harness box loop, J. C. Brightman; Harness pad, R. G. Leighton; Harrow frame clamp, A. Wilcox; Harvester, S. D. Bates; Hay and straw press, L. Kirk; Hay raker and loader, D. W. Bovee; Head rest, F. M. Hibbard; Heating furnace, W. C. Miller; Hedge trimmer, D. W. Burroughs; Heel, shank, and counter supporter, H. Flindt; Hinges, manufacture of, C. Lanz; Hooks, manufacture of screw, W. H. Richards; Horse power, W. H. De Loach; Hose carriage, J. S. Campbell;

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