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Saw Mill Machinery. Stearns Mfg. Co. See p. 333. Cope & Maxwell Mfg Co.'s Pump adv., page 334. For Mill Mach'y & Mill Furnishing, see illus. adv. p. 332. Supplee Steam Engine. See adv. p. 270.

For Pat. Safety Elevators, Hoisting Engines, Friction Clutch Pulleys, Cut-off Coupling, see Frisbie's ad. p. 350. Safety Boilers. See Harrison Boiler Works adv., p. 349.

Mineral Lands Prospected, Artesian Wells Bored, by Pa. Diamond Drill Co. Box 423, Pottsville, Pa. See p. 348. C. B. Rogers & Co., Norwich, Conn., Wood Working Machinery of every kind. See adv., page 348.

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Ball's Variable Cut-off Engine. See adv., page 364. Paragon School Desk Extension Slides. See adv. p. 366. Brass & Copper in sheets, wire & blanks. See adv. p. 364.

The None-such Turbine. See adv., p. 350. The Chester Steel Castings Co., office 407 Library St., Philadelphia, Pa., can prove by 15,000 Crank Shafts, and 10,000 Gear Wheels, now in use, the superiority of their Castings over all others. Circular and price list free.

Diamond Tools. J. Dickinson, 64 Nassau St., N. Y. Berryman Feed Water Heater. See illus. adv., p. 366. The Improved Hydraulic Jacks, Punches, and Tube Expanders. R. Dudgeon, 24 Columbia St., New York.

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Magic Lanterns and Stereopticons of all kinds and prices. Views illustrating every subject for public exhibitions. Sunday schools, colleges, and home entertainment. 116 page illustrated catalogue free. McAllister, Manufacturing Optician, 49 Nassau St., New York.

Draughtsman's Sensitive Paper. T. H. McCallin, Phila., Pa. New Economizer Portable Engine. See illus. adv. p. 366.

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Skinner's Chuck. Universal, and Eccentric. See p. 365. Don't buy a Steam Pump until you have written Valley Machine Co., Easthampton, Mass.

For Machinists' Tools, see Whitcomb's adv., p. 366.

Notes & Queries

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.

Correspondents sending samples of minerals, etc., for examination should be careful to distinctly mark or label their specimens so as to avoid error in their identification.

(1) I. P. F. writes: I have a four-foot drum beneath the floor. Can I belt to a twelve-inch pulley overhead at right angles to it, both horizontal, and have it work satisfactory? A. Yes.

(2) L. J. K. asks how lacquer is made, applied to brass, etc., so as to produce the smooth and permanent polish seen upon fine electrical and optical instruments. I have often tried various recipes, but have always failed in producing good results. A. For receipts for lacquers, see page 209, vol. xlv. Heat the articles to be lacquered, and lay on a thin even coat of the lacquer quickly. If it is small, so that the lacquer chills it, it is better to lay on a very thin lacquer, expose the piece in a japanner's oven at a moderate temperature until the varnish has dried and fused, and then apply another coat and heat again to produce the requisite gloss and finish.

(3) A. E. B. writes: In tracing out the connections in the switch used with the magneto machine, illustrated on your front page last week, I find that the plate 14 is connected with plate 4. Is this correct? Should not 14 be connected with 13? A. 14 should be connected with 13. The mistake is one easily made by the artist. It was noticed and corrected before the printing of the edition was far advanced.

INDEX OF INVENTIONS FOR WHICH Letters Patent of the United States were Granted in the Week Ending November 8, 1881, 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 25 cents. 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 names and page numbers. Includes: Adjustable seat, Alarm, Asbestos roof paint, Axle and hub attaching device, Axle bearing for vehicle wheels, Axle lubricator, Axles, washer for carriage, Bail ears to covered vessels, Banjo, Bedstead, Berth for passenger steamers, Berth, self-leveling, Blacking box, Blacking box, A. French, Blood, instrument for transfusion, Boot and shoe last, Boot and shoe pattern, Boot blacking apparatus, Box, Box nailing machine, Bracelet, Braid or ribbon holder, Brake, Brewing purposes, mixture or grist for, Buckle hook, Burglar alarm, Burner, Button or stud, Button, separable, Cable way, Can, Can case, Car brake, Car brake, P. M. Dalton, Car brake, J. K. Tremain, Car coupling, W. L. Fisher, Car coupling, L. King, Car coupling link, Car coupling pins, process of and machine for making, Car, railway, Car ventilator, railway, Cars, ventilating, Carburetor, metrical, Carburetor, rotary, Carpet stretcher, Carriage, child's, Carriage curtain fastening, Carriage seat, Carriage spring, Carriage wheel, Carrier, Cartridge, Case, Cash carrier and fare collector, Chain link, ornamental, Chair, Child's chair and carriage, Chimney, Churn, W. J. Dixon, Churn, Hutchison & Wiley, Cigarette mouth piece, Clamp, Clasp, Cleaner, Closet, Coffee cleaner and grader, Collar support, shirt, Cooking apparatus, Cooler, Corn cutter, Cornet, Corset, Corset, Cotton gin condensers, bearing for, Coupling, Cup, Current wheel, Cutlery handle, pocket, Cutter, Cattle fish bone holder, Damper, stovepipe, Desk, cylinder, Door spring, Dough machine, soft, Earring fastener, Earring shield, Electric machine, dynamo, Electric signal apparatus, Elevator, Engine, Exhaust mechanism, variable relief, Fabrics, manufacture of ornamented, Fan and clothes rack, Faucet for shipping cans, Feather renovator, Fence, barbed, Fence wire, barbed, File, bill, Filter, Fire alarm, Firearms, side trigger for, Fire extinguisher, automatic, Fire extinguisher, chemical, Fire iron holder, Fire ladder, Flanges of angle bars, machinery for changing the angle of, Flower stand, Fulling mill, Garment clasp, U. R. Stanton, Garments, pressing and drying, Gas meter register, Gaseous fuel, apparatus for generating, Gearing, chain, Glove fastening, Gold and silver, wet process for the extraction of, Governor, pressure, Grain binder, Grain binder, S. S. Jackman, Grain binder, S. D. Locke, Grain binder, G. B. Shafer, Grate, W. C. Jennings, Guard, See Key hole guard, Gun, machine, Gun, magazine, Gun, magazine, spring, Gun, magazine, spring, J. H. Randell, Hammock, self-leveling, Handle, See Cutlery handle, Harness, J. Straus, Harness cleaning and polishing composition, H. N. Wheeler, Harrow, A. J. Puryear, Harvesting machine, R. Elckemeyer, Hay rack, J. L. Owens, Hay, straw, etc., apparatus for stacking, Hinge, lock, Hinge, reversible spring, Hog scraping machine, adjustable traveling, Holder, See Braid or ribbon holder, Cattle fish bone holder, Fire iron holder, Pen holder, Hollow articles in which lightness, rigidity, and impermeability are required, manufacture of, Hook, See Buckle hook, Snap hook, Hub, J. A. Hudgens, Hub attaching device, Ice cream freezer, Ice making machine, Incandescent burner, Insulating electrical conductors, Iron, See Waffle iron, Jack, See Lifting jack, Joint, See Rail joint, Key hole guard, Grill & Hetz, Knife, See Veneer cutting knife, Knitting stockings, Lamp, electric, Lamp, electrical, Lamp, mill, Lamps, flame regulator for burners of heating, Last, E. N. Higley, Lift or hoist or other elevator, Lifting jack, Lifting jack, H. R. Ferris, Lifting jack, A. T. Wilson, Lock, See Nut lock, Loom picker staff, Lubricating cup, Lubricator, See Axle lubricator, Map and chart case, Mat, J. B. & C. Z. De Young, Measure bucket, Meat by refrigeration, preservation of, Meat chopping machine, Metal working machine, compound, Metal rolls, machine for grooving, Metal rolls, embossing and shaping, Metallic wheel, fielding & Bryant, Meter, See Water meter, Milk can, Milk cooler, Mill, See Fulling mill, Windmill, Mineral and water elevator, Moulding machine, Mortising machine, Motor, See Water motor, Motor, I. L. Lanais, Motor worked by combustible gas or vapor, D. Clerk, Musical instrument, mechanical, Musical instrument, mechanical, Nailing machine, Needle blanks, machine for swaging, Nitrates, drying, Nut lock, Nuts on bolts, washer for locking, Oatmeal making machine, Ore reducing apparatus, Ore separator, magnetic, Organ, cabinet, Organs, whistle for cabinet and pipe, Oven, charring, Overall, F. Kivi, Packer, oil well, Packing box, Medbury & Fenner, Packing for steam engines, pumps, etc., self-lubricating, Paint for ships' bottoms and other submerged structures, Panels and mouldings, and apparatus employed in such manufacture, manufacture, embossing, and coloring of, Panels, slabs, and other articles from oxidized oil, manufacture of, Pants and overalls, Pattern, See Boot and shoe pattern, Pen holder, Perforating machine, Phosphorescent substances, manufacturing, Photographic apparatus for holding dry plates, Pick, J. C. Cramer, Pipe fitting, Pipe wrench, Planing machines, feeding device for wood, Planter, corn, Plover, J. S. Feit, Plover, R. E. Rose, Plover, U. T. Stewart, Printer's cabinet, Propeller, steering, Pulley block, Pulley loose, Pulleys, moulding, Pulp, apparatus for filtering and compressing liquid-suspended colors into, Pump, J. Boyers, Pump, Tubbs & Alderdice, Rack, See Hay rack, Rag engine, Rail joint, Railway cross tie, Railway rail, Railway switch, Railway tie and rail fastening, Railway ties, wear plate for, Refrigerating apparatus, Register, See Gas meter register, Regulator, See Watch regulator.