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OPERATING MECHANISM FOR RAILWAY SIGNALS.

By means of the construction herewith illustrated, a

been operated by a wire direct from the signal stand

but by this invention there may be interposed as many

pitman with the short arm of another lever, through which the pull of the wire is transmitted to a sliding bar, riding in slots, and thence through another pivotal lever to the signal. At each of the stands there are racks with limit pins or stops to prevent the

passage of the lever arms: and the upper arm of the

directly with the signal, has several holes, the throw of the lever being determined by attaching the wire at a proper distance from the fulcrum. When the lever

is released at any one of the signal stands, it permits

the levers to change and the wire to slack from such

point sufficient to drop the weight at the signal post.

This invention has been patented by Mr. Peter N. Martin, of Madalin, N. Y., to whom, or to Mr. Miller

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city, should be addressed all communications relative

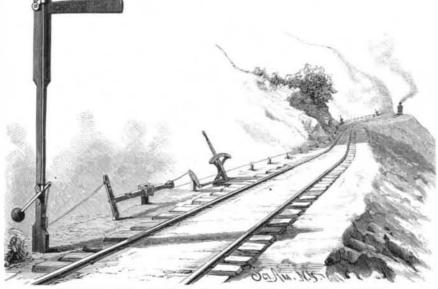
ADDING MACHINE.

ed by railroad men.

thereto.

Novel Way of Advertising.

A lady going north a few days ago, says a Chicago newspaper, was stopped by a rather shabbily dressed single signal can be operated by a single line wire from woman, who inquired where Schultz's dye house was. any number of points desired, but which, having once "I do not know," was the reply. "Well, why don't been set to "danger" from one or more of the stations, cannot be set to open the line until all of the signal you know? It's over corner Illinois and Clark Streets," stands have been moved to "safety." In the ordinary was the apparently disgusted reply. Subsequent developments proved that this has become a new mode of forms of construction heretofore in use, the signal has

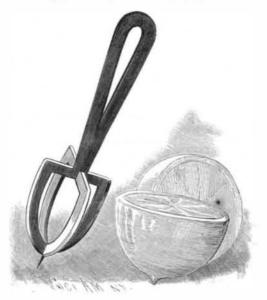


MARTIN'S OPERATING MECHANISM FOR RAILWAY SIGNALS.

advertising. It is indeed a novel one, and one that cer- lever, to which is attached the wire communicating tainly leaves an impression on the person questioned

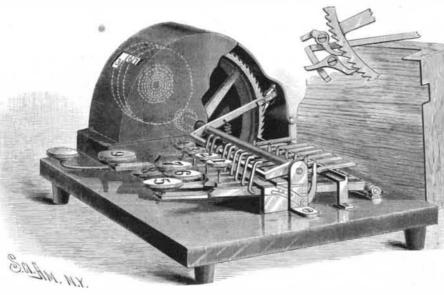
FRUIT PULPER.

The object of this invention, which has been patented by Mr. Frank W. Bradley, whose address is



BRADLEY'S FRUIT PULPER.

P. O. Box 2,015, Denver, Col., is to provide a simple implement for easily removing the pulp from lemons, oranges, and similar fruit. The curved blades are united at the bottom and form a point, and their opposite ends are connected by arms with the handle. The curvature of the blades is approximately the same as that of the inside of the peel of a lemon or orange, are one hundred teeth formed upon the wheel, and up-



In the machine herewith illustrated there are nine levers, each provided at its outer end with a disk marked with a numeral. When one of the levers is depressed, a pawl carried upon the end of an arm passes up over as many teeth of a ratchet wheel as are indicated by the numeral of that particular key; the arm carrying the pawl is then drawn down by a spiral spring and turns the wheel, which is held from being turned back by the friction of the pawl by a second

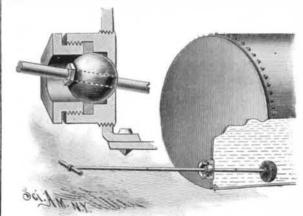
pawl pivoted to the hed plate. The wheel is loosely mounted upon the end of a shaft extending across the bed plate and journaled in suitable standards. There on its rim is formed an annular flange marked with numerals from 1 to 100. To the outer end of the hub of the wheel is attached a small pinion wheel, with which meshes a gear wheel having a rim marked with num-

lever having a blank disk. The mechanism is covered by a casing having apertures over the zero marks of the wheels, in order that the sum can be readily read. In using the machine, the keys representing the figures to be added are successively depressed, and the sum of the column of figures can be read through the apertures.

This invention has been patemed by Mr. Peter L. Lindholm. Further particulars can be had by addressing Messrs. Lindholm & Peterson, of Franconia, Minn.

BOILER SWEEPER.

different signal stands as A sweeper for cleaning scales and sediment from boildesired, at such distances ers, tanks, and stills, that can be used while the presapart as may be most consure is on, is shown in the annexed engraving. In the venient, one of these interhead of the boiler, and as near the bottom as possible, is screwed a pivotal universal joint connection for the posed signal stands, as shown in the illustration, sweeper rod. The construction of the connection is clearly shown in the sectional view. The sweeper rod consisting of a lever pivotally mounted on a standis made in sections screwed together to allow of its being drawn out and disconnected to prevent corrosion. ard, and connected by a



LEVI'S BOILER SWEEPER,

As the weight falls, it displays the danger signal, the The last section remains in the ball, with the brush full rise of which is easily insured by the compensatdrawn up so as not to rest on the bottom and endanger ing lever. After the line has thus been closed by the its burning, and this section is made as short as possible. setting of the danger signal, it cannot be again opened to prevent it projecting too far at the front of the until all the parties who have given the danger signal head. With this device every portion of the bottom of set the levers at their respective signal stands for the boiler can be reached and cleaned by the brush, safety. By such an arrangement of operating mechanand this sweeping operation can be performed when ism, it is claimed that the number of distinct signals rethe boiler is under pressure, so there need be no loss of quired for a section of road can be greatly reduced, time and thus effect a saving that will be readily appreciat-

This invention has been patented by Mr. William T. Levi, of Charleston, W. Va.

IMPROVED PUMPING APPARATUS.

Extending into the well, cistern, or other reservoir, is a pipe whose lower end is at a suitable distance be-

GUTHRIE'S IMPROVED PUMPING APPARATUS.

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low the surface. The upper end of an inner pipe is connected airtight with the upper end of the outer pipe, and the lower end extends below the water level, but need not reach to the end of the outer pipe. At a suitable height is an annu-

LINDHOLM'S ADDING MACHINE.

so that when the pulper is inserted in the pulp of one- is connected the end of a spring, so arranged as to be air pumps are connected with the air-tight cover unithalf of the fruit, and turned, it will remove the pulp coiled up by the forward revolution of the wheel, and ing the upper ends of the first and second pipes. The without its being flavored with the oil of the peel. having sufficient strength to turn the ratchet wheel connecting pipes are provided with proper valves. and gear wheel back to the zero points when the pawls When the engine is operated, the liquid is drawn by are raised, which is accomplished by depressing the the pump and forced through a discharge pipe, while The blades may be made detachable from the handle, if desirable.

bers 1, 2, 3, and so on, as many division

lar water-tight partition between the outer

marks being used as pipe and the wall or casing of the reservoir. Conthe teeth of the gear nected air and water tight with the lower end of the second pipe is a third one; between the second wheel are multiples of the teeth of the and third pipes is an air space to prevent the pinion, so that this second pipe from being crushed by the air pressure in rim will indicate the the outer pipe when a vacuum is formed in the third number of revolu- or inner pipe, whose upper end is connected with a tions of the ratchet pump cylinder as shown. To the main piston rod is wheel, and conse- attached a cross-bar, to the ends of which are secured quently the number piston rods of two eylinders, placed at opposite sides of hundreds in the of the pump cylinder, so that the suction pump and sum. With the jour- the two air force pumps at the sides will be operated nal of the gear wheel from a common piston rod. The air chambers of the