

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

W. E. L., of Ohio—You must have been in an extraordinary hurry when you penned your letter. If you made it a business to study such things, you would be more careful in expressing such ideas; and your views, as expressed, are certainly not very clear, although you wrote them "to clear up the subject."

J. V. D., of Ohio.—We receive many letters like yours; there are many men who read considerable, and presume that they can write better than those who study and make it a business. You say that if we had used the word "ground" instead of "principle" in reference to Judge Kane's decision, we would have been saved from a loose style of language. See Webster's dictionary.

J. E. C., of N. Y.—There is nothing new or patentable in your pump, that we can discover. The principle is old and well known.

J. B. F., of Ohio.—We have entered your name upon our subscription books and credited you with the dollar received. Where the evidence is palpable that a person subscribes for the paper, a dollar's worth, for the purpose of getting five dollars' worth of information by letters, he need not feel disappointed if he gets no reply.

E. O., of Ill.—E. Howe, Jr., Chas. Nettleton, J. M. Singer & Co., are manufacturers of sewing machines in this city—all good machines. Wheeler, Wilson & Co., Watertown, Ot., and J. A. Ross, of St. Louis, are also makers, and will give all needful information about prices, etc.

R. B., of Geo.—Letters not signed by the proper name of the writer are not answered or preserved.

E. T., of Va.—Essentially the same plan as yours for operating brakes is described in the caveat of Joseph Marks, filed some months since.

J. C., of Ohio.—We have seen no picture taken by the process of Niepce. none has been exhibited in this city. We would like to see some of your specimens. Your article is in this week; your honor is secure as a discoverer. We could not publish it before.

E. B. R., of Ky.—Your pump is different from any with which we are acquainted, and we have no doubt a patent can be obtained. Still, you should remember that much has been done in this branch, and it is therefore the more difficult to determine accurately.

W. B., of Tenn.—We do not find that Mr. S. has a patent for his mill. We furnish only copies of claims, and have credited you with one dollar on account of further subscriptions. We should think the invention possessed some novelty, but cannot determine without a sketch or a model.

L. B. G., of Pa.—We do not remember to have seen a plough beam like yours. This, however, is not conclusive as to its novelty, because there are many improvements in ploughs with which we are not familiar; in fact, there are so many patents for this purpose, that no one will venture an unqualified opinion.

E. W. H., of Mass.—We will send you a copy of the patent laws as soon as we have them to furnish.

W. H. F., of Mo.—For the very fine list of subscribers sent by you, accept our thanks.

J. T. A., of Va.—We made a similar enquiry some months since for another party, and found that the yellow oak bark under the name of "quercitron bark" is largely shipped from Philadelphia. We cannot learn of its being an article of commerce from this city.

F. B. H., of Ind.—You will not have to make any alteration in patent if issued, so long as you retain in the machine the principle upon which the claims are based. We hope the case will meet attention soon.

G. V. A., of N. Y.—Your improvement in journal boxes appears to be new, and we think a patent can be obtained.

G. M., of Md.—We regret to be obliged to inform you that we have not a copy of either No. 19 or 20 of the present volume on hand.

M. G., of N. Y.—If you insist upon it, we will make an application for a patent for you, but your invention does not possess a feature that is not in common use, and it will be useless for you to maintain a hope of success, if you apply.

N. S., of Mass.—The plan you suggest for obviating railroad accidents, has been tried, but it was found not practicable.

W. A. S., of N. Y.—Your letters of the 27th ult, and 11th inst, were both duly received. The former contained \$10; which we credited to Mr. Sloan; the latter \$1, which was credited to complete your yearly subscription.

J. R., of Mass.—We cannot furnish such a receipt as you want.

Money received on account of Patent Office business for the week ending Saturday, Feb. 19:

B. L., of N. Y., \$25; J. P. W., of Mass., \$20; W. J. McA., of Ga., \$24; J. A. R., of Mo., \$25; J. O. C., of N. J., \$10; C. T. of R. I., \$600; J. P. A., of Ct., \$30; G. W. B., of N. Y., \$100; T. J. A., of Ohio, \$55; J. N. A., of Ct., \$30; C. H. P., of N. Y., \$30; J. B. T. of N. Y., \$30; L. B. W. of N. Y., \$10; J. T., of N. Y., \$300; S. W. D. & Co. Mass., \$60. M. B. D., of Pa., \$16; S. B. E., of N. Y., \$30; J. P., of L. I., \$30; J. M. R., of N. Y., \$57; J. L., of L. I., \$27; J. E. N. of N. Y., \$35.

Specifications and drawings belonging to parties with the following initials have been forwarded to the Patent Office during the week ending Saturday Feb. 19:

J. L., of L. I.; J. P. W. of Mass; J. E. N., of N. Y.; T. R., of N. Y.; M. B. D. of Pa.; S. C. R., of N. Y.

A Chapter of Suggestions, &c.

BACK NUMBERS AND VOLUMES—In reply to many interrogatories as to what back numbers and volumes of the Scientific American can be furnished, we make the following statement:—Of Volumes 1, 2 and 3—none. Of Volume 4, about 20 Nos., price 50 cts. Of Volume 5, all but four numbers, price, in sheets, \$1. Of Volume 6, all; price in sheets, \$2; bound, \$2.75. Of Vol. 7, all; price in sheets, \$2; bound, \$2.75. Of Vol. 8, none.

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WILLIAM D. WESSON.

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TO ARCHITECTS, BUILDERS, AND OTHERS—Messrs. WATSON & HODGSON, Modelers, Designers, &c., respectfully intimate that since they have commenced business they have completed a house, the property of Charles Morgan, Esq., No. 4, Madison Square, north side; any of the above parties may call and see their first essay before the New York public. Decorations of every period, style, and character, accurately executed to order. Place of business 494, basement, and 374 Broadway, up stairs.

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W. P. N. FITZGERALD, Counsellor at Law, has recently resigned the office of principal Examiner of Patents, which he has held for many years, and is ready to assist, professionally, in the preparation and trial of patent causes before the U. S. Courts in any of the States, and before the Supreme Court of the United States. He also acts as Counsel in cases before the Patent Office, and on appeals therefrom, but does not prepare applications for Patents. Office corner of E and 8th sts., Washington, D. C.

APPLICATION will be made to the Commissioner of Pensions for a duplicate of Land Warrant Certificate No. 63,062, issued by the Department in 1849, to Roxena, widow of Silas Salisbury, late of 2nd U. S. Infantry; said warrant was assigned by her to E. C. Church, and by him to me Oct. 1st, 1849, and was stolen from me the 16th January, 1852, at the Hudson R. R. Depot, New York City. CHARLES D. NIMS, January 24th, 1853.

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