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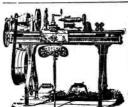
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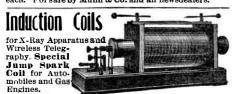
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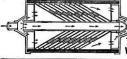
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HEEL-SLIDE FOR PLOWS. — E. M. TOUTCHTONE, Valdosta, Ga. It is sought by this invention to provide a novel form of heel which can be readily applied to any of the ordinary forms of plows, now commonly used —such, for instance, as the "Avery," the "Georgia ratchet," and any other form of plow-stock that works without a heel. The construction is simple, and in operation on the roughest land will hold the plow steady and the work easier for both plowman and horse.

Of General Interest.

SAW GAGE AND JOINTER .- T. OLSEN, Manistee, Mich. The object of the inventor is to provide a device readily adjustable and easily handled. In operating upon the cleanerteeth the face plate is placed against the saw and the flanges engage on the top of the teeth, with the cleaner-tooth extended through a receiving slot. After filing one cleaner-tooth the device may be readily removed to the next. In top-jointing, flanges are placed against the blade of the saw and the file passed over tops of the teeth.

MEANS FOR ATTACHING BOILER-TUBES TO THE TUBE-SHEETS.—H. L. McCullowgh, Cropsey, Ill. In this patent the invention pertains to steam-boilers; and the purpose is to provide a new and improved means for attaching the boiler-tubes to the heads of the tube-sheets and arranged to prevent leakage due to unequal contraction and expansion of the tubes and the tube-sheets.

T-BOLT.-G. R. LANG, Cincinnati, Ohio. It is customary to clamp work upon planers, boring-mills, and other machine-tools by means of bolts having heads passing into T-slots in the surface of the bed. When different size or class of work is substituted for one previously used, these bolts have to be changed, and hunting new ones consumes time and is a great waste. Also when bolts of proper length are not on hand new ones are forged and threads turned upon them to receive the nut to be used. By means of a removable head for the bolt, which can be used with any length of bolt and not to be renewed, the inventor does away with above delays and forging.

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PERMUTATION LOCKING DEVICE FOR LOCKET'S .- O. KATZENBERGER, San Antonio, Texas. This improvement refers to locking devices for lockets such as are usually worn suspended from the neck of a person, and more particularly to such as are adapted to contain a miniature likeness or other valued souvenir, and its object is to provide a permutation device having a hinged lid, which will be adapted to secure the lid closed until the correct combination is attained by proper manipulation of working parts of the device.

METAL JOINTING .- M. H. BIGSBY, Monmouth, Ill. The invention refers to improvement in means for jointing or securing two metallic members, the object being to provide a simple means for connecting two metal numbers together while in a cold condition, the invention being particularly adapted to cold-rolled steel or finished metal designed to be plated or polished.

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Machines and Mechanical Devices.

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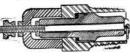
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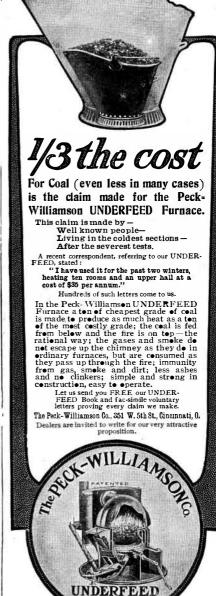
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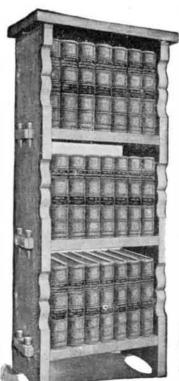
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TURBINE .-- L. E. TRUESDEL, Kershaw, S. C. The underlying objects of the present improvement are to more effectively distribute the pressure of the steam or other elastic fluid around the periphery of the rotor of the turbine and also to improve the devices for governing the turbine action. The invention relates particularly to an improvement in radial-flow turbines, and it is of the same general class as that forming the subject of a prior patent granted to Mr. Truesdel.

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BASE-BALL-GAME APPARATUS.—J. E. DADER, Summerville, S. C. In the present patent the invention relates to a base-ballgame apparatus having a multiple dial, read in connection with certain instructions, usually printed upon a slip. The game can be played by eighteen persons, representing two full sides, or it can be played by one person, using the men and operating them according to instructions on the slip.

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