## RECENTLY PATENTED INVENTIONS.

 of Interest to Farmers. SEED-SOWING MACHINE.-M. H. Browning, Perry, Ill. In this patent the invention seed-sowing machines which are particularly adapted for sowing clover and other seeds among standing corn or on ground in which corn or other crop has been planted in rows. BEET - HARVESTER. - J. F. SANDBERG, Smithfield, Utah. The beets are planted in rows. . A re very rank tops and a topper by its blades co-operating with the roller operates to cut the top portions sufficiently below theground surface, the scraper following and disground surface, the scraper following and dis-
charging tops to one side, the plow following charging tops to one side, the plow following
in line with the rows and digging out the in line with the rows and digging out the
beets, disintegrating the soil and separating it beets, disintegrating the soil and separating
from the beets by aid of pins. A rake from the beets by aid of pins. A rake in beets by aid of the toothed roller to a trough at the rear whe

## Of General Interest.

LOGGING DEVICE.-G. Moore, Granite Falls, Wash. The invention relates to logging devices such as shown Und granted to Mr. Moore. Tue object of the present improvement is to provide a device ar-
ranged to permit convenient running of the ranged to permit convenient running of the
logs down steep grades under perfect control juring the logs or wasting time.
LOCKING DEVICE FOR UMPRELLAS. B. Moses, Jennings, La. One purpose of this inventor is to provide a lock or catch forming cannot be unlocked to open the umbrella escept by one familiar with the combination, or by violent means, or by taking the lock apart, the object being to prevent the indiscriminate
appropriation of umbrellas by persons not en titled to their use.
PROCESS OF MAKING FERTILIZER FROM LEATHER SCRAP.-E. J. FUCHS, Scranton, Pa. The invention refers to the
material known as "ammoniate fertilizer," which is made from the scraps and refuse portions of vegetable-tanned leather. This ammoniate is employed mainly in the manufacture that it contains no tannin and little or no unavailable ammonia its quality is greatly improved, and by eliminating the soluble tannin it is possible to practically make all of the amma available.
Contractible Mold.-G. Georgenson
and J. E. Hennen, Fond Du Lac, Wis. This flexible mold is for use in the construction of arches, culverts, sewers, or the like, in whic a temporary support is required for the
ment, brick, or stone used in construction. "cylinder" is employed, being formed of shee metal and provided interiorly with means for
WHIP-SOCKET.-T. Armstrong, Saranac,
N. Y. In this case the invention has reference N. Y. In this case the invention has reference for locking the whip-stock in the socket thus preventing the removal excepting upon its re

SAFETY-RaZor.-J. R. Curley, New York N. Y. Mr. Curley has for an object the pro-
vision of a razor arranged to permit of using the implement to produce either a right or left hand shearing cut or a straight scraping cut and to allow convenient opening for clean ing purposes and insertion and removal of the
blade and a very fine adjustment of the blade relative to the guard.
PROCESS OF MAKING VANILLIN.-E. L Froger-Delapierre, 25 Rue de Belfort, Cour-
bevoie, Seine, France. The present invention has for its object a process for the production of vanillin or other aromatic aldehydes conoxygen in presence of terpins, sesquiterpins etc., upon phenols containing allyl. groups or propenyl groups, or upon certain derivatives
of such phenols with free phenol groups, such as clove-oil, eugenol, isoeugenol, and their analogus.
Marine vessel--J. F. Gray, Ports mouth, N. H. By means of this invention
Mr. Gray provides a life-boat completely in closed, and which may be operated as a sub marine and to allow persons to enter the
life-boat even after the wreckage of the larger vessel without in any way opening the life boat to the surrounding air or water, as the
case may be, after which the life-boat may be case may be, after which the dise-boat and disconected from the larger vessel, the life-boat being fitted with propelling
means, and such equipment as will render it self-sustaining.
CARECASE.-M. NIELL, New York, N. Y
In this patent the invention refers to card cases to hold business or personal cards, and has for its object the provision of a case
adapted to hold such cards, to keep them in a serviceable condition, and to enable one card to be withdrawn from the case
ling the remaining cards therein.
SOAP.-L. H. Reuter, New York, N. Y. Average soap of the market contains too much free alkali-so much, indeed, that it cannot
be used without injury for toilet, medicinal,
or technical purposes. On a large scale
neistral soap is not obtainable in one opera nion, and therefore practically all soap manu factured necessarily contains an excess of free alkali, which can only be removed in a second
operation - for instance by neutralization operation - for
with an acid.
brick-Kiln.-C. K. Weller, Atlanta, Ga. The object of this improvement is to provide
structure wherein it is not necessary to a structure wherein it is not necessary to
cover the entire length of the kiln-fioor, as in other structures heretofore used, before turn ing the drying-air into the duct; but as fas air may be turned into it and the dryin the kiln.
drafting apparatus.-T. F. Williams New Bethlehem, Pa. This apparatus is es pecialing useful in connection with devices em
bodye use of scales for the purpose measurement. The object of the inventor is to
provide an apparatus which permits the draft provide an apparatus which permits the draft ing of designs and other drawings with exact-
ness and rapidity and which facilitates the laying off of measure
or vertical directions.
COMPOSITION FOR SOUND-RECORDS. E. J. B. Brocherioux, P. J. Tochon, A. For-
ier, and L. V. Marote Paris, France. The object of this invention is the production of a special composition deardboard be applied to the surface of paper form a film or coating on which sounds may be recorded and subsequently reproduced by
means of a phonograph. It is especially suit means of a phonograph. It is especially suit
able for the production of cards which bearing the record may be forwarded by post and read
by the recipient by means of a phonograph. HYPODERMIC SYRINGE.-J. DE LISLE, New York, N. Y. The object of the present nvention is to provide a syringe arranged to ontain antitoxin serum in an absolutely asep
ic condition during the time the syringe is stored or in transit and to enable the user readily rearrange the parts to allow a free unobstructed fiow of the serum through the needle when the syringe is used. It relates to
nypodermic syringes, such as shown and de hypodermic syringes, such as shown and de-
scribed in Letters Patent of the United States cribed in Letters Patent of the United States ormerly granted to Mr. De Lisle.
tobacco-box. - M. B. Behrman, Baltimore, Md. The inventor produces an improved tobacco-box which is simply and durably con-
structed and adapted to be carried in the structed and adapted to be carried in the
pocket to contain and protect a tobacco plug, and having an attachment which may be quickly and easily operated to sever a portion of a size suitable for chewing. The inconvoided. Mr. Behrman has invented another tobacco-box and it is an improvement in that class of pocket tobacco-boxes which are pro-
vided with a cutting attachment for severing rom a plug portions or sections of a size Papted for chewing.
Paper-Roll holder and cutter.-J. F. Finan, Cumberland, Md. The invention consists in an improvement upon the general
construction of a roll-holder and cutter, seen in previous patents granted to Mr. Finan. In the present improvement the cutter-bar gravi-downwardly-inclined guides, and is one in
which a simple and better construction is obtained. The cutter devices may be applied to any form of roll holder already in use as a wall-bracket.
UMBRELLA. - P. Green, Wytheville, Va. The invention pertains particularly to the
means whereby an umbrella is held open atul cosed by the operation of a runner in conection with a stick. In operation a spring-
latch will be disengaged by small pressure upon the thimble in the direction of length of the stick when it is desired to adjust the umbrella from open to closed position, or vice NUT-LOCK.-E. L. Pitts, Phœnix, Ariz. In this case the invention is an improved nutways, but particularly for the pivots of barbers' shears, scissors, and other cutting implements. It is applicable as a nut-lock and screw attachment for connecting any two or
more parts, whether movable on each other or not
DISPLAY-HANGER. - R. O. Doughty, Mount Pleasant, Mich. The object in this in-
stance is to provide a hanger or merchandisestance is to provide a hanger or merchandise-
support, more especially designed for use in stoves and arranged to compactly support and display for scarfs, collars, muffs and other same time preventing petty theft or removal of the articles by unauthorized persons.
TELEGRAPHIC CODE.-A. M. Fisher, Box 1375, New York, N. Y. The object of the
invention is to provide a code, more especially designed for the use of large business concerns and arranged to permit convenient and accu-
rate codifying of correspondence, specifications, orders, and the like, each code-word being ten letters.

## Hardware.

PIPE-CLAMP.-R. Parker, Lakewood, N. J. This invention is an improved clamp embodying in its construction a plurality of jaws
which are untversally adjustable, adapting
branch joints, and any kind of pipe-fitting. The nature of the construction is such that it
may be folded to occupy a small compas enabling the clamp to be conveniently carried from place to place, and manufactured at
small cost.
tool.-J. B. Kraus, Puyallup, Wash. Th invention relates to watchmmakers' tools ; and its object is to provide a tool for accurately
and quickly placing the roller-table in posiion on the balance-staff in a very convenient manner and without danger of inj
oller-jewel, pivots, or balance-wheel.

## Household Utilities.

SHOVEL.-C. F. Smith, New York, N. Y. This shovel is for use in sifting ashes, es-
pecially before the same are removed from the stove. The invention is particularly directed a form of detachable bottom for the shovel and a novel device for securing the same in
place, the device being of such construction place, the device being of such construction with the
manner.
Liquid-separator.-G. W. Dixon, Chicago, Ill. This invention relates to improvements in devices for the separation of light matter from heavy liquids-such as cream, oils, fats, grease, and the like-the object be-
ing to produce a simple device particularly ing to produce a simple device particularly adapted for household use in separating crea
from milk in bottles or other receptacles.

Machines and Mechanical Devices.
ash-handling crane.-C. R. Ord, McAdam, New Brunswick, Canada. The object of the invention is to produce an apparatus especially adapted for handling ashes or cin-
ders, facilltating the unloading and dumping ders, facilitating the unloading and dumping operation. More specifically, the invention re-
lates to means for dumping the bucket in which the ashes or cinders are carried, and further, in providing an arrangement which the operating-cylinder
MACHINE FOR SHAPING PRUNES.-A. C Surdick, Portland, Ore. This invention re lates to a machine for shaping prunes, it being prunes into a novel shape, as best adapted for the top layer when packing them in boxes and commonly known as "facing" prunes. The
machine is capable of acting on a large nummachine is capable of acting on a large num-
ber of prunes simultaneously, thereby shaping them with facility and at a nominal cost. COTTON-GIN ATTACHMENT.-G. W. Lon Lindsay, Indian Ter. In this patent the in vention relates to means for conveying has for its object paliar no gin-bos, an has for its object peculiar, novel, and im being designed for use in place of the screw conveyer com
the seedbox.
Wrapping-machine. - A. H. Potbury, Prtland, Ore. Caramels are supplied to links of a chain, which stops when a caramel is in
position for removal. During movement chain a strip of paper is fed into a paper caramel into place for engagement caramel into place for engagement
strip, the caramel and paper move into strip, the caramel and paper move into a
foldtng-box and then follows a process of fold
ing the caramel. A new one is now placed caramel, the plunger forcing the wrapped caramel into a chute. This movement makes against the ends of the caramel, and complet ing the wrapping.

Prime Movers and Their Accessories
INTERNAL-COMBUSTION ENGINE. - F Wackenhuth, Newark, N. J. The engine i operative in connection with gaseous or solid fuels, if desired. The object of the invention primarily is to secure complete combustion o fuel, at the same time avoiding loss of hea contamination of the fresh charge by the products
RELIEF-VALVE FOR LOCOMOTIVES.-.-T E. Beaghan, H. B. Reid, and J. H. Best
Shenandoah, Va. The object of the invention is to provide an arrangement which will op the cylinder or compression in the ends of
steam-chest when the piston are moving freely therein and without steam and under such conditions as arise when the
locomotive is driven or running freely without steam, as in stopping or in going down a
a.

HORIZONTAL BOILER.-J. C. Parker, Red Bank, N. J. The brick arch commonly used In boilers for closing off the draft between the away with in this end ond is replaced by away with in this case and is replaced by a
coil of pipe having both ends connected to the boiler and covered with asbestos. $\mathbf{B}_{y}$ reason times during the life of the boiler. This in ventor effects just as perfect a seal between the fire-box and the front of the boller and at the same time the water circulating in thr steam by the absorption of heat which would

Railways and Their Accessories. MAIL-BAG-DELIVERY DEVICE.-P. J. A Schnoor, Holstein, Iowa. The mail-bag is
suspended from one of two supports on the derrick at the station or railway side, and bag is also suspended from the head at the free or outer extremity of crane, the latter obviously being adjusted outwardly from the side of the car. As the car moves along the
mail-bag on the derrick will be taken up by mail-bag on the derrick will be taken up by the crane, and the mail-bag
be taken up by the derrick.

## Portaining to Recreation.

AMUSEMENT DEVICE. - H. S. BASSETt, Edwall, Wash. This invention relates to that class of amusement devices designed for the production of peculiar sounds, and more par uced by the vibration of a thin strip of maerial when exposed to the infiuence of a blas

The device may be carried in the pocket. Sounds may be produced by inserting through the same.
FISH-HOOK. - W. J. Evans, Minneapolis, Minn. On this hook the bait is fully exposed at all times, but cannot escape from the hook no part of the hook is passed through the body of the bait and the frog, the bait pre to the surface may swim about, and even rise to the surface and breathe with nearly as great freedom as though the hook were not and cruelty to live bait is obviated.

## Pertaining to Vehicles.

STEERING DEVICE FOR WHEELED VEHICLES.--J. W. Love, Truby, Texas. The invention has referance more especially to ultivators, planters, suled vehicles, such a and the like; and one of the principal objects hereof is to overcome numerous disadvantages and objections frequently encountered in the deve of other contrivances or
VEHICLE-TIRE.-F. Hitchcock, Freeport, New York. One purpose of the invention is to rovide an armor for use in connection with the shoe of an automobile or other vehicle tire
and a protection for the inner tube, rendering the tire punctureless and to so construct and poly the armor that it will not detract from the usual elasticity of such tires.

## Designs.

DESIGN FOR A WALL-COVERING. - L. ronberger, Berlin, Germany. This design for wall-covering comprises alternate vertical fect and at comparatively large fieur de lis.
Note.-Copies of any of these patents will be furnished by Munn \& Co. for ten cents each. the invention, and date of thls paper.


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$\begin{gathered}\text { Minerals sent for examin } \\ \text { marked or labeled. }\end{gathered}$
(10374) J. D. W. C. asks: Inasmuch as it is frequently stated to be a fairly wellestablished fact that our sun, with his attendant and dependent fiock of planets, are in flight
as one body, with some distant star as a cenas one body, with some distant star as a cen-
ter of the solar system combined orbit, it would er of the solar system combined orbit, it would
be interesting to know the probable time, in earth-years, to complete the circuit. I am unable to find information on this point. If not too much trouble, please reply through inquiry column. A. There is no knowledge whatever apon the length of time required for our sun to
make one clrcuit of its mighty orbit. It is quite a well-established fact that the sun and, of course, his family of planets with him, are moving in a certain direction in space.
stars in the quarter of the sky from which the sun is going are slowly moving apparently ooward each other, and at the opposite point the sky the stars are apparently moving not elapsed since these observations began to enable one to determine the rate of the inotion
the sun
(10375) J. T. H. asks: Will you ex-
glasses? I often see objects in my glasses re-
fiected from behind me. one very clear reflecflecte from behind me. one very clear reflec tion and the other dim to the right of the
right eye and to the left of the left eye. I have right eye and to the notice my own reflection in the same way in a looking glass when held close to the face, but not when held at a distance of a foot
away. A. There are two surfaces of every lens or mirror of glass coated on its back. Both of these surfaces reflect light from belind and to the side of the one wearing the
glasses. If it is lighter in front than at the back, one oes not notice these reflections and the images they form; but if it is dark in front and light behind the person, one can see the
objects belind him. He may even see a double front surface and the other from the back sur face of the glass. ©ne may easily amuse him self by experimenting in order to learn how much he may see in his glasses in this way. (10376) S. A. H. asks: A friend makes the statement that a wagon wheel in
motion moves faster at the top than at the bottom or portion on the ground. Is this the top of a wagon wheel move faster than the bottom?" it is necessary to define the word "move." When that is one it becomes evi-
dent that the question is very indefinite. A rotating wheel moves with the same velocity in every part, as measure in degrees of the
circumference. If it not it would break in pieces. The wheel has another motion as a whoee along the road. In this respect the the same velocity. Still another motion is that of any point of the wheel with reference to a
line on the ground. At one moment a point on the rim of the wheel is in contact with this line; it then rises till it is the entire diameter of the wheel above the line, and then
descends till the point is again in contact with the ground. The wheel has meanwhile gone a has risen in a cycloid and moved down again in the same kind of curve. At any moment the point of the rim which is coming down to the ground is also coming to rest as viewed from that point of the ground. It touches the ground for an instant and moves up again.
Since it was descending and now is ascending it is evident that between the two it must have come to rest. Since it is at rest for the point is a center of motion, the hub is moving with a certain rate and the rim at the top is moving twice as fast as the hub in a forward moving vertically down and the rear point is moving vertically upwar at the same moment. This is one of the perpetually recurring questions. We have answered it hundreds of
times. We have publisher notes upon it many times. Among recent notes, see Notes and No. 2, price 10 cents each.
(10377) W. L. S. writes: I notice your answer to queries, No. 10297, in issue of January 19, 1907 , and also remember sub-
stantially the same answer to a question about year ago-that water would not burst bar
rels in freezing if the barrels were open a one end. On the contrary, they will burst in very cold weather, as I know from experience. For twenty-five years I was engaged
in milling in southeast Missouri and for ten years had to get new barrels or repair the barrel a piece of straight-grained wood about $2 \times 2$, with a hole $3 / 4$ inch bored through it
about half the distance from the bottom to top of barrel. This piece of wood was allow do extend 3 or 4 inches above the barrel rels would last, and hold water, for five or six years, and would freeze solid during the winter
without injuring the barrels, (10378) F. B. asks: How many pounds pressure would I get on a 12 -inch pipe, run
hing to a turbine, with a tank of water hold ing one and one-half million gallons of water, with a ten-foot fall? How many horse-power
would it give me? How many horse-power would I gain with every ten-foot fall through the same pipe? How many horse-power will it
require to lift a six-inch stream of water 100 feet with the best pump, and will it take the same height? A. You would have $41-3$ pounds per square inch pressure at the tur-
bine. It is possible to obtain 5 horse-power from the 12 -inch pipe, and the same for each additional 10 -foot fall. It will require about flow, and four times as much power for a 12 nch stream with four times as much water. tracing cloth. A. 1. Boile linsee oil (bleachea) 10 pounds; lead shavings, $1 / 2$ pound; pinc oxidc, $21 / 2$ pounds: Venetian turpentine, $1 / 4$,
pound. Boil for several hours, then strain, and dissolve in the strainca composition $21 / 2$ fire, and when partly cold, add oil of turpentine (purified), sufficient to loring it to proper consistence. Moisten the cloth thoroughly in benzole and give it a flowing coat of the var-
nish. 2. Varnish the cloth with Canada bal sam dissolved in turpentinc, to which may be added a few drons of castor oil. but do not
add too much. nr it will not dry. Try a little piece first with a small guantity of rarnish let the varnish be too thick.

## NEW BOOKS, ETC

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