

2791. To Bernard Hughes, of Rochester, New York, United States, but now of 67, Gracechurch-street, London, for the invention of "a knot-tying sewing machine."—A communication.

2793. To Jean Marie Préaud, of Lyons, in the Empire of France, for the invention of "certain improvements in india-rubber springs."

2797. To John Henry Johnson, of 47, Lincoln's-inn-fields, in the county of Middlesex, and of Glasgow, North Britain, Gentleman, for the invention of "an improved apparatus for discovering the leakage or escape of gas."—A communication from Etienne Abram Maccaud, of Paris, in the Empire of France, Gentleman.

2799. To Robert Adam Whytlaw, of Glasgow, in the county of Lanark, North Britain, Manufacturer, and James Steven, of the same place, Mechanic, for the invention of "improvements in weaving."

2801. To Alfred Vincent Newton, of the Office for Patents, 66, Chancery-lane, in the county of Middlesex, Mechanical Draughtsman, for the invention of "improved machinery for manufacturing bolts."—A communication.

2803. And to Samuel Clarke, of Albany-street, Regent's-park, in the county of Middlesex, for the invention of "improvements in lanterns for affording light, and for cooking."

On their several petitions, recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 11th day of December, 1855.

2900. To Myles Kennedy, of Ulverstone, in the county of Lancaster, and Thomas Eastwood, of Preston, in the same county, for the invention of "improvements in pump buckets, which improvements are also applicable to lift pumps, air-pumps, and all similar apparatus."

2902. To John Henry Johnson, of 47, Lincoln's-inn-fields, in the county of Middlesex, and of Glasgow, North Britain, Gentleman, for the invention of "improvements in furnaces for steam-boilers and other heating purposes."—A communication.

2904. To Christopher Dresser, of Waterloo Cottage, Waterloo-street, Hammersmith, for the invention of "improvements in the mode of effecting what is called 'Nature printing.'"

2906. To Edward Rowcliffe, of 2, Gloucester-terrace, West-grove, Blackheath, for the invention of "improvements in the manufacture of blocks or slabs for paving or building purposes."

2908. And to David Dick, Engineer, of Paisley, in the county of Renfrew, in Scotland, for the invention of "a new and improved regulator for gas."

On their several petitions, recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 22nd day of December, 1855.

2910. To Frederic Holdway, of No. 12, Mount-street, Grosvenor-square, in the county of Middlesex, Coachmaker, for the invention of "improvements in carriages and various parts of the same."

2912. To Thomas Cowburn and George Walker Muir, both of the city of Manchester, in the county palatine of Lancaster, Engineers, for the invention of "improvements in steam boilers, and in valves and parts connected therewith."

2914. To Christian Ernst Offhaus, of Newark, in the State of New Jersey, and United States of America, for the invention of "improvements in rotary steam engines."

2916. And to John Barton, of Stockport, in the county of Chester, Shuttle Manufacturer, for the invention of "improvements in shuttles or shuttle tongues."

On their several petitions, recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 24th day of December, 1855.

2918. To Alexandre Tolhausen, of No. 7, Duke-street, Adelphi, London, county of Middlesex, Sworn Interpreter at the Imperial Court of Paris, for the invention of "certain improvements in railway axle-boxes."—A communication from G. W. and T. C. Geisendorff, United States.

2920. To John William Lewis, of the city of Manchester, in the county of Lancaster, Engineer, for the invention of "an improved picker for looms."

2922. To Sylvanus Sawyer, of the State of Massachusetts, of the United States of America, for the invention of "an improved bomb shell."

2924. And to David McCallum, of 3, Victoria-place, Stonehouse, in the county of Devon, for the invention of "improvements in electric telegraphs."

On their several petitions, recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 26th day of December, 1855.

2926. To Simon Petit, of Versailles, in the Empire of France, for the invention of "a new or improved apparatus for buoying ships or vessels, and also drawing them out of water."

2928. To Alfred Krupp, of Essen, in the Kingdom of Prussia, Cast Steel Manufacturer, for the invention of "certain improvements in guns and gun-carriages."

2930. To Edwin Ladmore, of Birmingham, in the county of Warwick, Assistant Superintendent of Small-arms, for the invention of "a new or improved method of securing ramrods to military fire-arms."

2932. And to John Grist, of Islington, in the county of Middlesex, Engineer, for the invention of "improvements in machinery for the manufacture of staves and parts of casks, and for forming them into casks, barrels, and other like vessels."

On their several petitions, recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 27th day of December, 1855.

2934. To John Robinson, of the firm of Sharp, Stewart, and Company, of the Atlas Works, in the city of Manchester, Engineers, and Richard Cunliffe and Joseph Anthony Collet, of the same place, Mechanical Draughtsmen, for the invention of "improvements in locomotive steam-engines, and in springs for locomotive steam-engines and other purposes."

2936. To Thomas Fielden Uttley, of Mytholm Royd, in the county of York, Manager, for the invention of "improvements in the mode of applying fusible plugs to steam-boilers."

2938. To George Chisholm, of St. John's-square, Clerkenwell, in the county of Middlesex, for the invention of "improvements in the manufacture of artificial manure."

2940. And to Henry George Baily, of the Vicarage, Swindon, in the county of Wilts, Clerk, for the invention of "improvements in machinery for digging and forking land."

On their several petitions, recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 28th day of December, 1855.