

2694. To Marc Antoine François Mennons, of 29, Rue de l'Abbaye-Montmartre, Département de la Seine, in the Empire of France, Clerk, for the invention of "certain improvements in machinery for the preparation of peat."—A communication.

On his petition, recorded in the Office of the Commissioners, on the 22nd day of October, 1857.

2708. To James Thom, of Glasgow, in the county of Lanark, North Britain, Manufacturer, and Hugh Mc. Naught, of the same place, Mechanic, for the invention of "improvements in looms for weaving."

On their petition recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 24th day of October, 1857.

2797. To Richard Laming, of Hayward's-heath, in the county of Sussex, for the invention of "improvements in purifying gas and in apparatus useful for that purpose."

2799. To Francis Higginson, of Woodlands-cottage, Woodlands, in the parish of Eling, and county of Hampshire, Esquire, a Lieutenant in Her Majesty's Royal Navy, for the invention of "submerging, extending, and laying down submarine, electric, magnetic, and every other description of submerged or immersed electrical telegraph cables, wire ropes, and combined wire, gutta percha, spunyarn, or other compound electrical cables whatsoever."

2801. To Romain Ignace Charles Dubus, of Brussels, in the Kingdom of Belgium, Merchant, for the invention of "a method of treating certain plants or vegetable substances, in order to extract from the same, 1st, a kind of fecula or farina proper both for alimentary and finishing or starching purposes, 2nd, an alcoholic liquor, and 3rd, a natural ferment or yeast."

2803. To Charles Clay of Walton, near Wakefield, in the county of York, for the invention of "improvements in machinery for grubbing or cutting up weeds and otherwise scarifying and cultivating land."

2805. And to Joseph Miller, of Alpha-road, Regent's-park, in the county of Middlesex, Engineer, for the invention of "an improved arrangement of marine steam engines."

On their several petitions, recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 4th day of November, 1857.

2807. To Joseph Bunnett, of Deptford, in the county of Kent, Engineer, for the invention of "improvements in machinery for bending and shaping metals."

2809. To George Robinson, of High-street, Deptford, in the county of Kent, Engineer and Millwright, for the invention of "improvements in apparatus for shelling or hulling coffee and other berries and seeds."

2811. To John James Cousins, of Park-lane, Leeds, in the county of York, Woollen Merchant, for the invention of "improvements in the construction of steam ploughs."

2813. And to William Sharman, of Sheffield, in the county of York, for the invention of "an improved metallic compound, applicable to the manufacture of useful and ornamental articles for which German silver and compounds resembling German silver are at present used."

On their several petitions, recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 5th day of November, 1857.

2815. To Frederick Lipscombe, of the Strand, in the county of Middlesex, Water Filter Manufacturer, for the invention of "improvements in the mode of conveying water and other liquids."

2817. To Germain Canouil, of Paris, France, Matches Manufacturer, for the invention of "improvements in the manufacture of matches."

2819. And to Henry Bessemer, of Queen Street-place, New Cannon-street, for the invention of "improvements in the manufacture of malleable iron and steel, and also in the manufacture of railway bars, and other bars, plates, and rods from iron or steel so manufactured."

On their several petitions, recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 6th day of November, 1857.

2821. To Hugh Baines, of Manchester, in the county of Lancaster, Architect, for the invention of "improvements in machinery or apparatus for the prevention of accidents, applicable to hoisting and other lifting machines."

2823. To John Henry Pepper, sole Lessee of the Royal Polytechnic Institution, Regent-street, in the county of Middlesex, for the invention of "improvements in displaying various devices when revolving discs or surfaces are used."

2825. And to William Wilson, of No. 1, Canterbury-place, Newington, Surrey, and James John Joseph Field, of No. 11, Sussex-street, Wandsworth-road, Surrey, for the invention of "improvements in casting or moulding liquified and other substances."

On their several petitions, recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 7th day of November, 1857.

2827. To Walter Hardie, of No. 6, Pitt-street, in the city of Edinburgh, Printer, for the invention of "an improved stereoscope."

2829. To Pier Alberto Balestrini, of Brescia, Italy, Gentleman, for the invention of "improvements in machinery and apparatus for paying out submarine telegraph cables, and for regulating and controlling the paying out thereof."

2833. To George Weedon, of Gloucester-place, Portman-square, in the county of Middlesex, and Thomas Turner Weedon, of Plumstead, in the county of Kent, for the invention of "an improved knife cleaning machine."

2835. And to John Reeve, of No. 46, Rutland-gate, in the county of Middlesex, Gentleman, for the invention of "improvements in propelling vessels."

On their several petitions, recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 9th day of November, 1857.

2837. To Thomas Rowcliffe, of No. 26, Upper Park-place, Dorset-square, Marylebone, in the county of Middlesex, Operative Engineer, for the invention of "improvements in machinery for making and pressing bricks, drain pipes, and tiles, and in preparing material to be used for such like purposes."

2839. To Joseph Townsend, of Glasgow, in the county of Lanark, North Britain, Manufacturing Chemist, for the invention of "improvements in the manufacture or production of sulphurous acid."

2841. To John Thomas Way, of Welbeck-street, Cavendish-square, in the county of Middlesex, for the invention of "improvements in obtaining light by electricity."

2843. And to Henry Critchett Bartlett, of Ampt-hill-square, Hampstead-road, for the invention of "improvements in the manufacture of paper."

On their several petitions, recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 10th day of November, 1857.