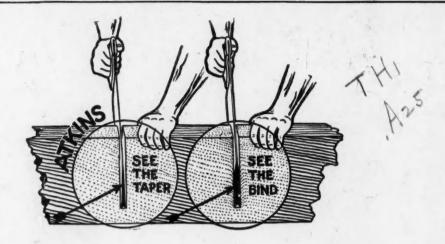


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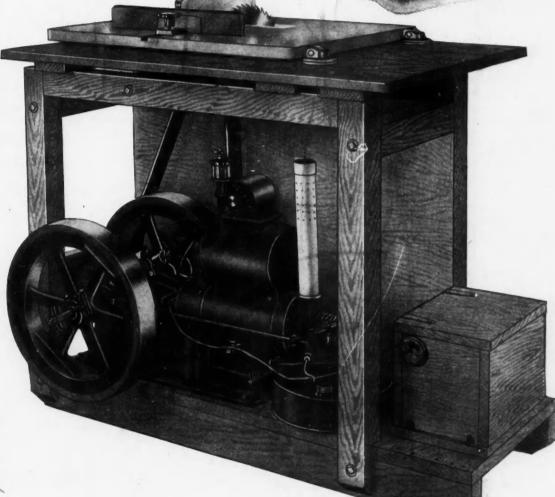
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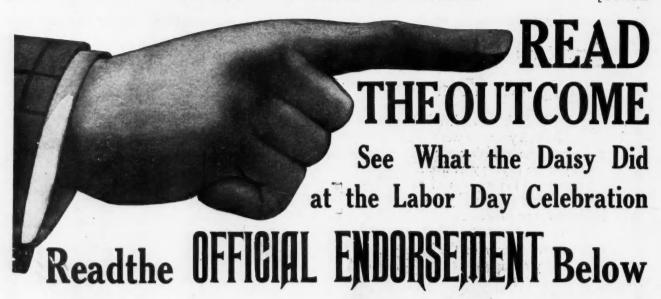


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Very truly yours, CHICAGO BUSINESS AGENTS ASSOCIATION

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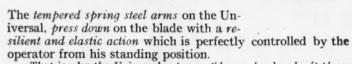
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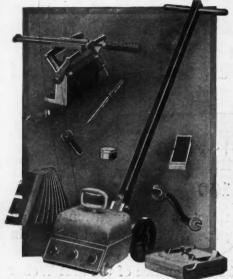
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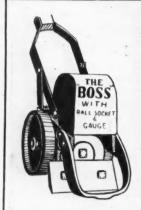
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In the July issue of this paper you published a challenge for a competitive floor scraper test, which challenge we promptly accepted in the following issue of the same paper.

Since then two months have elapsed and as yet we have had no direct communication from you with a view toward arranging for a contest, but instead you continue to publish your challenge.

As the matter stands it looks "to a man up a tree" as if you were now trying to side-step a contest. We note with amusement the advertising you are trying to get out of a letter obtained from certain parties who recently tried to appropriate this proposed contest as one of their attractions but whose proposition was not accepted by ourselves or other manufacturers for several good reasons.

was not accepted by ourselves or other manufacturers for several good reasons.

This letter, while endorsing your machine, criticises the manufacturers of other machines whom it states "did not appear to have sufficient confidence in their machines to enter them against yours." Our acceptance of your challenge mentioned above thoroughly refutes this charge in so far as the TRIPLE "A" MACHINE COMPANY is concerned.

Assuming that your challenge was made in good faith, rather than for mere advertising purposes, we suggest that you respond to our acceptance in a straightforward businesslike way in order that we, as principals in the contest, may come to an understanding in regard to terms and conditions that will be satisfactory and fair to both concerned.

Yours very truly,

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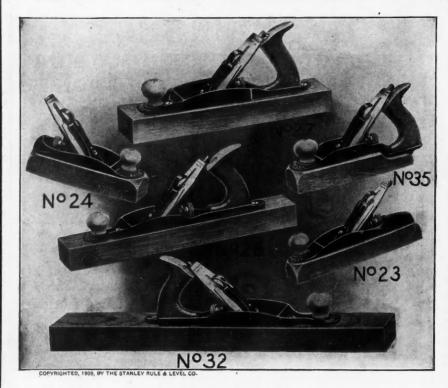
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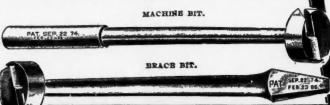
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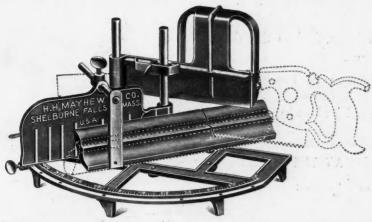
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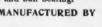


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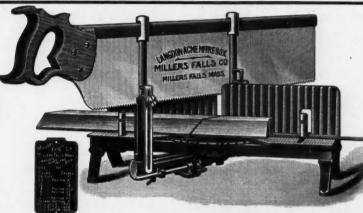


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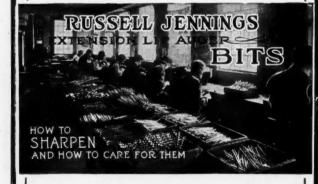
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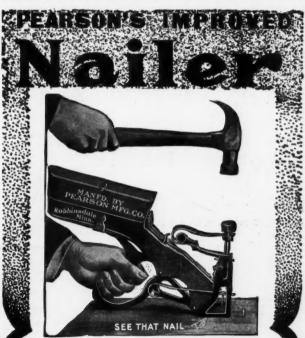
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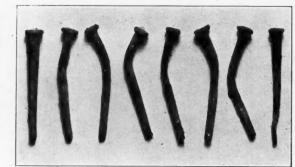
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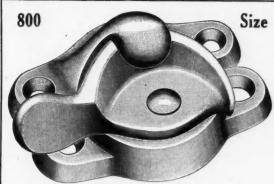




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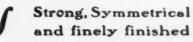
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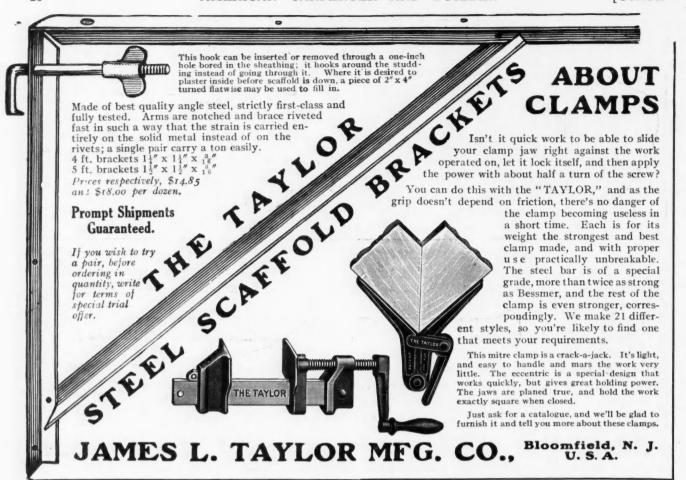
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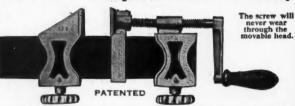


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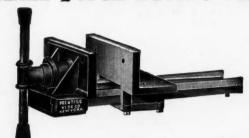
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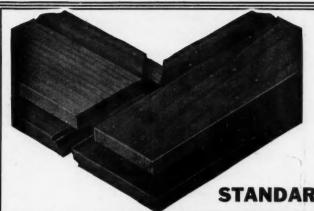
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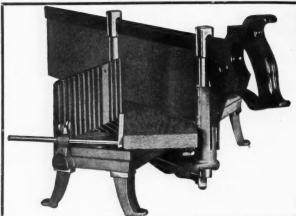
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Plans are to be drawn to scale of not less than oneeighth inch to one foot. Where party walls are used, a clause should be inserted in specifications that the party wall or walls, including cost of measurer's services, etc., are to be paid for by the owner.

Wells or cisterns, if accessible to contractor at time of estimate: the cost of cleaning, filling, etc., to be included in contract price, provided such wells and the kind of filling required are noted on plans or distinctly called for in specifications. Wells not in evidence to be considered as an extra and paid for at price mutually agreed upon.

Information relating to proposals shall be supplied to sub-contractor by general contractor, and all inquiries in relation to plans, etc., should be sent to architects by letter from general contractor.

Depth of all foundation walls to be plainly marked on plans, and any greater depth of excavation and foundation walls to be paid for at price agreed upon before work is begun. If evident that foundation be on rock, or that blasting be required, the fact shall be noted in specifications. The same recommendation applies to plumbing where in excess of ordinary, such as for surface water.

All plans to be fully completed before being placed in hands of contractors, and that ample time be given to make up estimates.

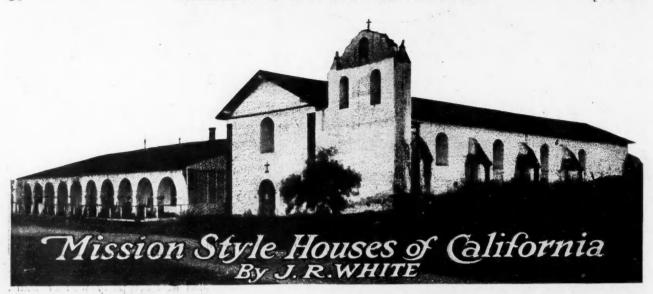
In case of an apparent disagreement between plans and specifications, the attention of the architects should be called to the discrepancies in order that the contractors may be notified of the explanation.

Where walls are to be furred, the same should be mentioned in specifications and noted on plans.

All partitions to be plainly marked as to thickness and the material indicated.

Where partitions on one floor are the same as those on another floor and it is not considered necessary to draw in these partitions, the plans should be clearly and conspicuously lettered, "partitions same as ——floor."

The detail construction of corridor partitions in office buildings, etc., should be either shown on scale drawings or fully specified to convey proper information to contractor.



O THE tourist, weary of the greys and browns of an eastern winter, the Mission style houses and the Mission churches of California seem especially beautiful. The cream plastered walls, the red tiled roofs, the graceful curves of arch and window heads, the deep inviting verandas, with the intense green of orange tree and palm, and the brilliancy of blue skies over all, make a picture it is good to recall during the dark days of other winters spent under less happy conditions.

The traveller of moderate means, after his first visit to California, very often returns a second year ready to settle in a land where he may have, at a relatively small cost, a home in which he can take genuine pride, to say nothing of twelve months of sunshine and an all-the-year-round garden. And it is often the more inexpensive homes that cause the passerby to pause

and comment. He may not be able to say "How magnificent!" but he must exclaim very often "How altogether cosy and home-like and artistic!"

It is from the old churches of the early Franciscan fathers that all suggestions of Mission architecture are derived; and the building is usually most successful that does not depart from their fine lines of simplicity and strength.

That the early missionaries to California should have built with such wisdom and skill is always a marvel. They seemed to know instinctively how to choose the best sites—their missions stand on the sunniest slopes and in the most beautiful fertile valleys. The thriving towns that have everywhere grown up around these churches confirm the wisdom of their choice as to location; and the many imitations of their architecture testify to the excellence of their work as builders.



Simple Mission Design-Circle Arches, Cream Stucco and Tile Roof

With only the rough material at hand, and with the unskilled Indians for laborers, they planned and built the sole historical monuments of which California can boast. The weathering of more than a century has softened the coloring and the outline of these beautiful

Some of the photographs show the great variety of design of which these smaller Mission bungalows are capable. The house with the five arches is a Mission building of the very simplest type. The large square windows below, the dormer windows above, the regu-



Artistic Mission Bungalow, Well Designed though a Trifle too Ornate

churches, but it has not greatly impaired their strength. The arches, facades, towers and domes of such splendid missions as those at Carmel, Santa Barbara and Santa Ynez are still a source of suggestion to the architect who knows how to weave the best of the old into the new.

True it is that the alluring plans of two and three thousand dollar bungalows do not seem so alluring in Cleveland or Pittsburg, for instance, when the man who has been reading bungalow books consults his architect and building contractor. What is possible in Southern California with a few thousand dollars is not at all within the realm of possibility in a northern or eastern city. In and about Los Angeles there is not the extra expense of furnace and stone basement to be considered, and the cost of building the small home is just about what the fascinating picture books of bungalows, state. Moreover, Southern California seems to have the proper environment for this type of home-for the bungalow and especially the Mission bungalow seems to demand space and sunshine and clambering vines. A bungalow is out of place in cramped quarters between high walls, and the man who cannot afford a garden of considerable size should not waste his precious land on this rambling sort of a cottage.

In the smaller as well as in the larger towns throughout California, the architects seem to vie with each other in designing inexpensive bungalows which shall be distinctive and artistic and the happiest designs are usually of the Mission type. lar roof, all contribute to the appearance of symmetry and finish; while the deep porch adds the desirable element of inviting comfort.

It is in its great simplicity that the real charm of the Mission style lies. It is this simplicity, possessed in such a marked degree by the old California Missions, that gives them their enduring place in American architecture; and it is only by holding fast to these ideals that the best results are to be had in adapting



Fine Mission Residence in Los Angeles

the Mission style to modern use. Sometimes this type of architecture evolves into something perhaps a bit too fanciful. For instance the little bungalow with the tile pagoda on the roof seems extremely attractive at first glance, but it is not quite in keeping with

the Mission type it is supposed to follow.

A woman's club house, the Adelphian Club of Alameda, shows another adaptation of the Mission style. There is the happy use of doomed tower, curved para-

of ornate decoration—all reveal the builder's appreciation of the beauty of this simple type of architecture.

Sad to relate, however, many examples are to be seen of the other kind, in which the architect has added



The Old Santa Barbara Mission

pets and bracketed cornices, all in combination with square window heads. Another photograph shows how the Mission style of buildings adapts itself to the rising scale of expense. For a fine city residence, this house on Hoover Street, Los Angeles, is an extremely good design. The right proportions of the upper and lower stories, the arrangement of balconies, the symmetry of arches and windows and the entire absence



A City Club House of Mission Design

to a Mission house all the adornment of which towers, elaborate facades and balconies are capable. Yet all the ornateness and ornamentation possible cannot quite spoil the Mission house, nor entirely conceal its characteristic features—the curved arches, tiled roof, plastered exterior in imitation of the old cream adobe, and the general effect of symmetry, simplicity and strength.

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of the home, the vacuum cleaner is welcomed by all housewives and building managers. And with the perfection and established practical success of vacuum cleaning together with its very reasonable cost, a very wide spread use has already come about. In reality, however, only a beginning has been made. Vacuum cleaners, both the "built-in" or stationary systems and the lighter, portable machines, are destined in a few years to be as universal and essential a conventence as modern plumbing is today!

In this development there will be large opportunities for carpenters, building contractors, architects, etc., to increase their own profits besides gaining the extra approval of their clients through recommending and installing vacuum cleaning systems. Accordingly a brief consideration of the subject will be profitable.

It is well known that of all the questions which confront the modern housekeeper none is more important than that of cleanliness—how to clean and keep clean the carpets, rugs, hangings and upholstery, and how to preserve from the ravages of dust and dirt, beautifully finished floors, tastily papered or decorated walls and ceilings.

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in a fashion and at great expense, by means of broom, carpet sweeper, feather duster and dusting cloth. This method, which was not dirt removal, merely dirt disturbance, involved as a result, continual scrubbing and washing of dirt grimed woodwork, redecoration and repapering on account of dust soiled walls and ceilings. Dirt, the destroyer was ever present, despite the most earnest efforts—lurking in corners, cracks and crevices, and as a final result, with increasing regularity came the real old-fashioned housecleaning spell.

The "joys" of this period of housecleaning are too well known, and too painful to enlarge upon. Suffice it to say that floor covering were torn up, hangings torn down, and a futile attempt made to clean them by destructive beating. The house was turned upside down, and the whole place thrown into such confusion and turmoil that the truth of the old song—"There is no place like home"—could not be denied.

Since the advent of the Vacuum method of removing dirt by means of suction—all is different.

Its introduction into the home means that nothing is moved but the dirt. Metal tools, with felt shoes or brushes, are moved over the surfaces to be cleaned, and every particle of dust and dirt is sucked down to



Sectional view of Residence, showing usual manner of installing a "Built-into-the-House" Vacuum Cleaning System.

a steel tank in the basement, or dust receptacle connected directly to the machine.

Carpets and rugs are left in their places—hangings are not disturbed, the furniture need not be carried out, pushed, jammed or marred—and everything in every part of the house is made spick, span and sanitary, quickly, thoroughly and economically.

And this splendid state of cleanliness need no longer

be merely a periodical occurence of twice a year, after a siege of general housecleaning. For with a good vacuum cleaner, either of the built-in type where the suction is "on tap" in pipes like water or gas ready for immediate use by the turn of a switch, or with the lighter portable cleaners, the daily



Baseboard Outlet with Air Hose on First Floor of Residence; Equipped With Built-in Vacuum Cleaning System

accumulation of dust is thoroughly, conveniently and quickly disposed of in a cleanly and sanitary manner.

By the application of light cleaning tools to the fabric or surface to be cleaned, all dust, dirt, sand, moths, larvæ, etc., are drawn away by suction. And this is accomplished without in any way "tearing up" things—without the slightest annoyance, disturbance or discomfort to the family—without putting a single room out of use—and without raising a bit of dust into the air during the cleaning operation.

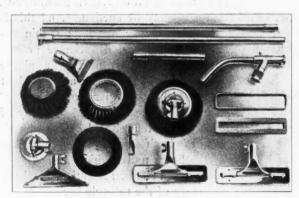
And yet the convenience and practical economy of vacuum cleaning is not all that should be considered; for health and even life itself depends largely upon the general state of cleanliness under which we live. As recently as 1882, the noted German scientist, Dr. Koch, made the first discovery of the tubercle bacilli, settling beyond doubt the first fact that tuberculosis or consumption is a contagious, infectious disease. Since that time it has been found that practically all of the so-called infectious diseases have their origin in bacteria, or germs as they are commonly called; and it is also well known at this time that almost all of these so-called "criminal germs" are capable of being dried up and floated in the air along with other particles which go to make up our common "dust."

Civilization is expending money at the rate of many billions of dollars a year to guard itself against polluted water, by buying up large areas of water sheds, and by installing in its buildings modern sanitary plumbing, etc., while, as a matter of fact, there is but one dangerous germ transmitted to human beings through the water supply—the germ of typhoid fever. In the meantime, a glance over the mortality report issued by the United States government will disclose the fact that from the two leading causes of death—tuberculosis and pneumonia—more than 280,000 persons in the United States die annually, while the deaths from other dust germ diseases, scarlet fever, diphtheria, influenza, grippe and other infectious diseases, all exceed the deaths caused by the typhoid germ.

From the foregoing you will get some idea of the importance of vacuum cleaning from a sanitary point of view, particularly when you discover that there is absolutely no other known method by means of which dust can be utterly suppressed and removed from building interiors, than by the process of vacuum cleaning or suction sweeping.

By withdrawing all of the dust contents of the buildings out of the rooms, and conveying it to air tight receptacles, the air that is found in the rooms is used as the fluid to scour the interior and its contents, and also to carry the dust and dirt away to the dust separator.

In residences, the use of the vacuum cleaning system prevents entirely any necessity of the old-fashioned semi-annual house cleaning. The use of the vacuum tools on the carpets and rugs throughout the house for a period of three months or more not only removes the dust and dirt within these fabrics, but all that may have accumulated on the floor under them as well, so that there is no necessity of taking up these articles, removing them to be cleaned, returning, and relaying them.

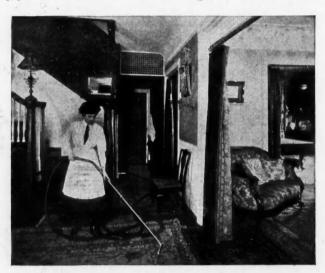


Cleaning Tips for Various Uses

It is estimated that the cost of house cleaning in residences averages about one per cent on the cost of the building every time it is done, or if it is done twice a year, then two per cent per annum. It is easy to figure what a splendid investment that saving alone would make in a vacuum cleaning system, to say nothing of the saving on interior decorations, carpet wear,

etc., and not to mention the greater ease in the matter of doing the daily house cleaning.

The equipment for built-in or stationary vacuum cleaning installations consists of the vacuum producer—whether high-pressure steam, electrical power current, or the pressure of the ordinary water system in the house—which is permanently installed in the basement or cellar, and from which a suction pipe is run up through the floors the same as are the gas and water pipes. On each floor a valve is placed in this suction pipe, to which is attached a length of suction hose.



House Cleaning via the Easy, Sanitary Way

On the end of this hose are attached various tools, one at a time, such as a suction carpet and rug sweeper, an upholstery and bedding cleaner, and others illustrated.

When wanted for use, the power is turned on by opening an ordinary valve (or by closing a switch, if electricity is used), and at once a strong suction is created throughout the entire system of piping, hose and tools. The suction in the tool in use may be stopped at any time by moving a little thumb-valve in the handle of the tool—and started again by moving it in the opposite direction.

Unquestionably all new buildings, if they are to be counted *modern*, should be equipped with one of these systems. Also many owners will want them installed in buildings already occupied; which can be easily done. In a great many other cases a good portable cleaner will be desired; and as a means of introducing vacuum cleaning in houses and buildings when the owner or tenant does not wish the larger and more expensive stationary equipment, they are of the greatest utility.

Soft Tar Saved Him

A vat of tar on the roof of the buildings of the Union Iron Works, San Francisco, recently saved a painter from instant death by providing a soft place for his fall from a height of 65 feet. He was painting a high chimney, when one of his ropes broke, dropping him into the vat. The tar was soft, but not hot, so he escaped with a few bruises.

Varnish-What it Is and How Produced

INTERESTING FACTS CONCERNING THE HISTORY OF VARNISH—THE STRANGE FOSSIL GUMS OF WHICH IT IS MADE—PROCESSES OF MANUFACTURE AND RIPENING

By Charles H. Smith

ARNISH is by no means a modern invention, its use having been known in the earliest historic times. The Chinese and Japanese were adepts in the use of varnish, and the latter people carried the art to a high degree of perfection, as our modern word "japanning" shows.

The Egyptians also understood the art of varnishing and the pictures exhumed from the buried cities of Herculaneum and Pompeii are said to owe the brightness of their color to their having been covered with a species of wax varnish.

An exchange tells a story of "How Varnish Got Its

Greek sailors, in their voyages to distant African points, occasionally found the rare and valuable resin now known as amber, and called it Bernice, in honor of the beautiful Egyptian queen's tresses. Bernice is equivalent to the Greek Pheronice. Ph sometimes had the sound of v, and the name was pronounced Veronice. The Romans referring to the amber made it vernice and their descendants further changed it to vernis—hence Vernis—Martin. The Anglo-Saxon form became varnish, and there you are.

It is now a generally acknowledged fact that the finest varnish is produced in America, although for



Sorting the Copal Gum

Name," and it goes as follows:

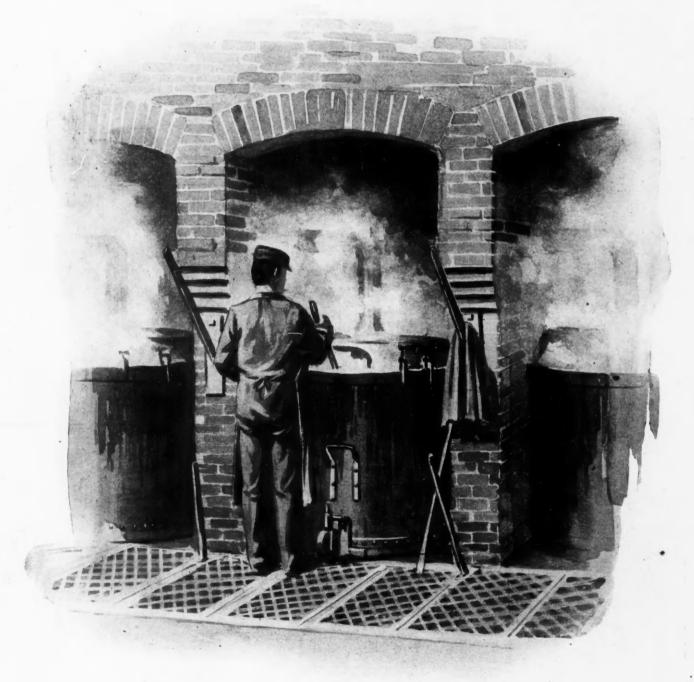
The prosaic and common-place varnish of today and all other days got its name in a pretty romantic manner. Bernice, wife of one of the Ptolemys, of Egypt, a grand-daughter of a half-brother of Alexander the Great and an ancestor of the lovely Cleopatra, was blessed with a crowning glory of red-gold hair. The

many years the fight for supremacy between English and American varnish was very hotly contested. There are even yet some few consumers whose craze for things "English" still blinds them to the merits of American made varnish, but they are greatly in the minority, and it is a matter of only a very short time when English varnish will suffer total eclipse.

The Three Classes of Varnishes

The varnishes in modern use are divided into three classes: Fixed oil varnish, volatile oil varnish, and spirit varnish. The solvents used are, for the spirit varnishes, alcohol, and for the volatile oil varnishes, turpentine, while the fixed oil varnishes, which are the

and are principally used for first coats on work that is to be afterwards treated with a fixed oil varnish, filling up the pores of the wood and making a good foundation to work on. Spirit varnishes are also used to a certain extent, to impart a finish to sundry articles of furniture, tool handles and other objects not neces-



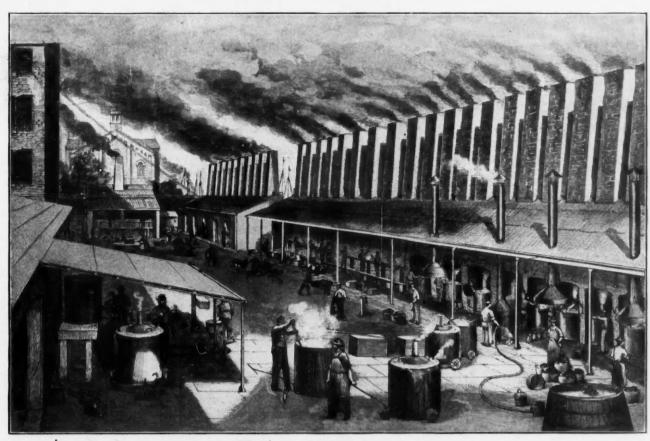
Gum Melting

most important of all, have, properly speaking, no solvent, the gums or resins of which they are composed having first to be melted and then combined with turpentine and linseed oil.

Spirit varnishes possess a limited value only for finishing purposes. The alcohol evaporating leaves a coating lacking in durability or elasticity, so that they are entirely unfitted for exposure. They are useful,

sitating exposure to the weather, the most commonly known spirit varnish being shellac.

Volatile oil varnish consists of a solution of the various soft gums or resins with turpentine. They possess neither the brilliancy of spirit varnish nor the durability of fixed oil varnishes, their chief mission being to mix with paint to impart a gloss. They are also used on wall paper, maps, etc. Damar varnish



Battery of Gum Melting Kettles

is perhaps the best known example of the volatile oil varnishes.

Fixed oil varnishes, the most important division of these classes, are the prevailing varnishes in modern use, embracing: carriage varnishes, house varnishes, cabinet varnishes and furniture varnishes.

The ingredients of fixed oil varnish are three in number, consisting of copal, which is the base, linseed oil and turpentine.

Copal, or Fossil Gum

the gum, or to be chemically accurate, the resin of

trees long since extinct; copal being a true fossil, and is found in places now treeless and barren. Copal is found in certain portions of Africa, the Philippine Islands, New Zealand and other places, the finest grade coming from Africa. The known African gum fields, however, are rapidly becoming depleted. The Island of Zanzibar, where the choicest copal is found, has been dug over several times by the natives; and the quantity of copal exported decreases annually.

Other deposits of copal, however, will undoubtedly Copal, which is the base of the fixed oil varnishes, is be found, as beyond question it exists in many places vet undiscovered.



Part of Shellac Bleaching Process-Pulling Hanks

Apart from its commercial utility for varnish making, much interest attaches to copal on account of its great antiquity; and although geologists differ as to its probable age, it certainly belongs to a period so remote that the most learned opinions can be received as conjecture only.

The term copal, by the way, is a family or generic name for all fossil gums: Zanzibar copal, North Coast copal, Kauri copal, Pebble copal, Manila copal, and so on, the term copal as above intimated being common to all fossil gums.

perhaps, at their bases, and being unable to extricate themselves from the viscid mass, died and became entombed therein.

Time has wrought the extinction of the race of trees; nay more; the very soil in which they grew disappeared, the Island of Zanzibar being now a sandy desert. And the ocean is now rolling over the sands where amber copal is found, its present abiding place being on the shore of the Baltic Sea; but the little creatures found in the gum are still perfectly preserved in their crystal prisons. Leaves, twigs, fragments of



Bleached Shellac Grinding

It is not perhaps generally known that amber from which beads and other jewelry, mouthpieces for pipes, etc., are made, is a fossil copal of precisely the same nature as that from which varnishes are made, and indeed varnish is actually made from amber copal, although not so generally used as varnish made from other varieties.

Among the Zanzibar and amber copals, pieces are occasionally found with insects and small animals of the reptile family imbedded in them. Just how they got there is not precisely known, but it can be readily imagined how they may have been ensured in the soft-resin as it oozed from the trees, forming little-pools.

bark, seed pods, etc., are also found in the gum, and thus we are brought face to face with the fauna and flora of a period perhaps antedating the earliest dynasty of the Pharoahs.

The most useful copal gum for the varnish maker at the present time comes from New Zealand and is known as Kauri copal, deriving its name from the Kauri tree, of which it is a product. Although the trees that produce the Kauri copal of today have long since perished, the species is not extinct, but the fresh or living gum is of no use to the varnish maker.

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with their spears, and on feeling a lump, dip it up. Much the same process is employed in procuring the African copal, although the natives frequently have to dig deeper, eight or nine feet not being an uncommon depth at which the copal is found; and when the lazy aborigines can summon sufficient energy to delve so deeply, they are rewarded by finding larger and better copal.

Having now introduced the famous triumvirate, copal, linseed oil and turpentine, it is fitting we should say a few words about varnish, which is made by the union of this "mystic three."

Varnish Making and Ripening

To an onlooker, the manufacture of varnish is apparently an exceedingly simple process, merely consisting of putting a quantity of the gum copal into a copper melting kettle, wheeling it over the fire and letting it remain until the gum is melted; then adding a certain quantity of the prepared linseed oil—some stirring, a little more boiling and lastly adding turpentine to the mixture, some straining and filtering, and lo, the varnish is made. And so far as the mere mechanical process is concerned, that is really all there is to it.

Simple as it appears to the novice, every process in the manufacture of varnish must be conducted with scrupulous care, unremitting attention and mathematical accuracy.

No guess work is permissible in varnish making. The gums are carefully sorted and graded for the various kinds of varnish; the quantities to be melted correctly weighed; the melting or cooking of the gum closely watched by the varnish maker by means of his stirring rod; and the proportions of oil and turpentine added, measured with the greatest accuracy. In addition to these leading essentials in the proper manufacture of varnish, there are numerous minor points to be observed, only learned by experience and long acquaintance with gum copal and its faithful allies, linseed oil and turpentine. I use the expression "minor points," however, in a relative sense only, as every point and precaution observed in the manufacture of varnishes is or should be based upon personal experience of what is necessary to produce the best results; and all are factors in aiding to reach the goal that should be constantly striven for: "perfection."

Next to the quality and adaptability of varnish the most important requisite is undoubtedly uniformity of quality, and in order to preserve this successfully, an enormous tankage capacity is necessary. Although in the manufacture of several lots of varnish, the same formula may be used, and the same "modus operandi" adopted throughout, there is still one essential feature that must be observed to insure absolute uniformity, so far as human means will permit, and that is the time allowed for the ripening process. This is something that cannot be hurried; and the results obtained while the varnish is remaining in the tank undergoing

the mysterious process of "ripening" cannot be produced by any artificial means so far discovered.

The proper time for ripening is from three to twelve months, according to the grade of varnish, so that it will be easily seen, that to allow the varnish full time to ripen; and at the same time keep a supply of "ripe" varnish on hand, sufficiently large to fill all orders and to meet emergencies, demands a very extensive storage capacity; and a poor equipment in this regard must necessarily prove disastrous to the production of uniform goods; a limited storage capacity compelling varnish manufacturers to either ship unripe varnish, or refuse orders, or delay shipment until the stock ripens.

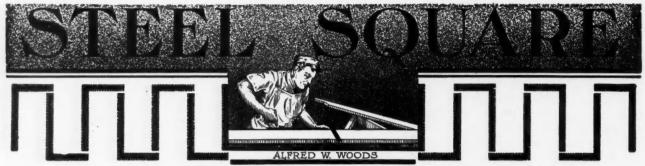
A varnish carefully and correctly made from a tested and approved formula is only half complete, and if not given the proper time to mature before shipping will, in all probability, be condemned by the consumer to whom it may be shipped.

Next month this paper will be concluded with a practical consideration of the properties and uses of varnish in modern building work.

Fire Resistance of Cinder Concrete

The cinder concrete walls of the buildings used in subjecting floor constructions to fire tests at Columbia University were erected two years ago and have been subjected to five fire tests of 4 hours each, during which the average temperature has been 1700 degrees Fahr. At the end of each four-hour test a stream of water at 60-pound nozzel pressure was played back and forth over the ceiling for 10 minutes while the ceiling walls were red hot. After this severe treatment, Prof. Ira H. Woolson states the walls were practically as good today as they were when new, except that the rear wall has been scored by the water to a depth of from 1/2 to 1 inch for 2 or 3 feet near the top. This wall gets the direct stream for a portion of the time and always receives the deflected stream from the ceiling. He believes that the structure is good for an indefinite number of tests, the only repairs necessary being an occasional plastering to renew the wall surface washed away.

A duplicate of this building torn down some years ago sustained seven four-hour tests at 1700 degrees before its removal. At that time the walls were as good as those in the present structure. Professor Woolson is of the opinion that within reasonable limits the percentage of coal and the amount of fine material in such cinders have very little if any effect upon their fire resisting qualities. He believes that sifting and washing the cinders would be a useless expense and injurious to the cinders as aggregate for concrete. The pieces of coal which came next to the surface of these walls have been burned to an ash, but remain in place and act as a non-conductor of heat. Plenty of particles of pure coal can be found in the walls less than 2 inches beneath the surface.



Problems of Roof Framing Solved

TENTH ARTICLE-EXEMPLIFYING THE CUTS OF COMMON AND HIP RAFTERS BY TWO METHODS, BY THE ONE-TWELFTH SCALE AND FULL SIZE TO ONE FOOT

N all of our writings, it has been the aim to explain not for a certain problem, but more in the way of illustrating a general rule that could be applied to all like conditions, even though seemingly different. The great trouble in learning how to use the steel square, is in not being able to recognize the relation, or we might better say, the similarity of cuts under different conditions. There is in fact but the

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one broad rule, working from unity; and when that is understood the steel square can be readily applied to the timbers to obtain all of the cuts, lengths and bevels that enter into any shape or pitch the building may have. But as the parts to take are susceptible of different scales which may be used there is a tendency to confusion.

So we have thought best in this article to exemplify the different cuts that enter into the roof, showing what constitutes the parts to take on the steel square; how it should be applied; and why these parts give correct results. Therefore, this article is a summing up of what we have gone over, placing the subject more in a nut-shell, so to speak; because it contains the kernel of what was preceded. In doing this, we will illustrate by two methods, or scales, giving first the I-I2 scale, or one inch to the foot; and second, the full scale of I2 inches to the foot; the result being the same in either case.

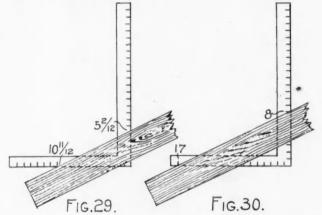
Seat Cut of the Common Rafter

This is the simplest of all the rafters to frame and every carpenter that is worthy of the name, knows the

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Take half the width of the building on one member of the square, and the rise of the roof on the other; the member on which the half-rise is taken, will give the seat cut and the other member will give the plumb cut. Or take 12 on one member of the square and the rise for that proportion (12) on the other. The side on which 12 is taken, will give the seat cut, the plumb cut being on the other.

Now for illustration purposes, suppose the building is 15 feet 6 inches wide and we wish to frame to the I-3 pitch. By the first method, the parts to take are 7 9-12 inches on one member and 5 2-12 inches on the other. Why? Because the 7 9-12 represents one-half of the width of the building and 5 2-12 represents one-third of the width. By the second method, the parts to take are 12 and 8. The first number is taken because it represents one foot and is used for that much of the run; the latter is used because if the run is one foot, the span must be two feet, and one-third of two feet is 8 inches.



Figs 27 and 28 illustrate both methods in the order in which they are given. From this it will be seen that the results will be the same. The reader will understand, of course, that it does not make any difference which member of the steel square is used for the run or rise, but for our own work, have always let the tongue represent the run as here shown.

Seat Cut of Hip or Valley

In this, it is first necessary to find the run of the hip; and in the case of a square cornered building, this may be quickly done by taking one-half the width of the building on both blade and tongue; the lengths diagonally across from these figures will represent the run. This taken on one member of the square and the rise of the roof on the other, will give the seat cut on the former the plumb cut on the latter. (When the building is out of square, it is best to lay out a diagram of the corner to a scale one inch to the foot, from which to obtain the run.)

For the example in question, it would be 10 11-12 on one member and 5 2-12 on the other; the former giving the seat cut and the latter the plumb cut. By the second method, take 17 and 8; the former giving the seat cut and the latter the plumb cut. Seventeen is used because it is the diagonal (practically) of a one-foot square, and answers for any run the building may have. Eight is used in this case, because it represents the 1-3 pitch as before described for the corresponding common rafter. See Figs 29 and 30.

In the next article we will continue with the side cuts of the rafters and other parts contained in the roof.

Cost of Fire Proof Walls

The following figures taken from a booklet just issued by Pennsylvania Fireproofing Co. should be of interest as showing the costs of various hollow tile fireproof walls in comparison with those of ordinary frame construction:

HOLLOW TILE OUTSIDE WALLS.

		Superficial S With Ex	-		
Cement St	ucco and	Plain and	Interior	Stucco o	r Interior
Interior Plaster		Plastered		Plaster-Tile Keyed	
Complete.		Complete.		Ready for	Plasterer.
Wall.	Cost.	Wall.	Cost.	Wall.	Cost.
6 in	\$23.85	6 in	\$18.35	6 in	\$15.50
8 in	27.10	8 in	21.60	8 in	18.75
10 in	30.85	10 in	25.35	10 in	22.50
12 in	32.35	12 in	26.85	12 in	24.00
15 in	36.35	15 in	30.85	15 in	27.00
16 in	39.35	16 in	33.85	16 in	29.50
H	OLLOW TI	LE WITH EX	TERIOR BR	ICK VENEER	4

Cost per 100 Superficial Square Feet (1 Square). Tile used for this purpose sometimes called "Backing up block." Tile with keyed surfaces ready for direct application of plaster.

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T	hickness of	•	Face Brick	Common Brick
	Wall.		Veneer.	Veneer.
	8 inch		\$38.50	\$26.80
	10 inch		42.00	30.30
	12 inch		45.25	
	14 inch		49.00	37.30
	16 inch		50.50	38.80
	PARTITION	WALLS-	HOLLOW TILE READ	Y FOR PLASTER.
3	in\$10	.50 5	in\$12.80	7 in\$14.50
4	in 11.	.00 6	in 13.10	8 in 17.00

Outside walls, wood frame construction throughout, painted exterior, plastered interior, including all labor and finish, is stated to cost \$18.50 per square.



MILE, and you'll land your customer.

TO paraphrase a bit of popular slang, every workman may be thoroughly in love with what he is doing—but, oh, you dinner whistle!

Winning a Derby

Miss Yangkie: And what has Lord Chichester done that you think him so interesting?

Lord De Fendus: He won a Derby, y' know.

Miss Yangkie: How lovely! On an election bet?

—Cleveland Leader.

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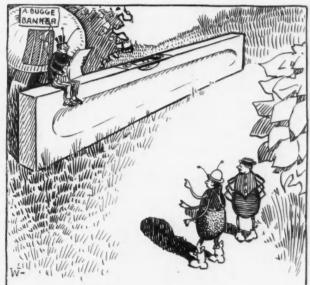
[A twenty-story edifice in Wall Street is being torn down to make room for one of forty stories.—News Item.]

We're on the road to progress;
There is no turning back.
In New York town
They're tearing down
A twenty-story shack.

This twenty-story shanty
Belongs to ages gone.
It has no place;
They need the space
To put a building on.

-Washington Herald

On the Level



They say Old Bugge is very upright and honest. Yes! Anyone can see he is on the level.



Architectural "Hand-Me-Downs"

MISFITS IN BUILDING—SUBSTANTIAL GOODS SPOILED IN THE CUTTING BY CARPENTER DESIGNERS WHO WANT TO PLAN WELL BUT DO NOT KNOW JUST HOW

By A. W. Woods

HE most costly dress goods can easily be spoiled by an unexperienced tailor. He must have an eye for true proportion and style, else the cost of his services is worse than wasted, for through his cutting the goods are spoiled. Though his garments may be made just as substantially and will wear just as long-in fact too long for comfort and peace of mind-yet it is an ill fit, and whether known to the owner or not, there are others who do know a good thing when they see it and the ill fit grates on their nerves. On the other hand, the experienced tailor can take cheap goods and make the same party a suit that will be a graceful fit from head to foot, though it may not be made as substantially as the first. Still it has received the finishing touches that bring out the good points and appeal to the artistic sense.

The same is true in all lines of work from that of the humblest workman up to that of the most skilled in any trade. It applies to all alike. Yet this sense of taste is not promiscuously handed out by the giver of all things; it is rather a gift that is obtained by diligent exercise of both mind and body. Think and work patiently and the desired results will come to those who persevere, but "think" and work must go hand in hand, working together to make success.

In no trade is this more applicable than in carpentry work. The architect is like the cutter in the tailor shop. He lays out the patterns for the subordinate workman (the carpenter) to follow. Both are liable to mistakes and singularly or jointly they may be responsible for a bum job.

In the smaller towns the tailor is the whole thing; he cuts his stock and puts it together, making the finished product. The same is true of the carpenter. He plans and builds; more often plans as he builds. We know a carpenter who makes a business of building and selling houses. He has a reputation of being a good workman, and he is; but his houses lack the finishing touches that show real refinement of taste. He uses good material, but like the inexperienced tailor, he does not always get a good fit. Some places he cuts his stock long and in others short, and nails them up that way. He wants to build tasty houses and

probably thinks he is getting what he wants; and, while he is seemingly successful in selling them at a profit, there is no question but that he could more readily sell to a better profit if he gave better proportion to his houses.

It was our lot to pass from two to four times a day on the cars by one of these houses then under construction. The whole work showed that he wanted to build a good looker; but he did not know how, so to speak, to cut the goods. He wanted a nice wide cornice and he built it wide; but he failed on the nice part because he lacked judgment of proportion. He built dormers on the roof, but he did not care for wide cornices on these, so he left them off. Here he had the two extremes, too wide and too narrow. The contrast was so great that if he could have heard some of the remarks of the passengers that glided by his house, his ears would be tingling yet. At least they were not of the kind that would indicate a prospective purchaser!

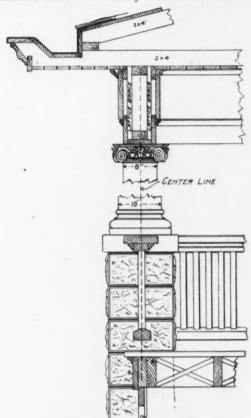
And so there are many other points encountered in the every-day house building that could just as well be made right as wrong, without extra cost and thereby adding greatly to the architectural effect. Like the experienced tailor, the skillful builder may take cheap goods and make an ideal fit just the same as he would from the finest of materials and that too with but a trifle extra expense, if any, to the owner.

Let us then study the proportions that enter into the more simple construction of our dwellings. For instance, let us take the porch which is found on most every house of any pretense. It is the first part of the house that the eye catches as we approach the entrance. It is here that the long hours of the hot summer days are spent in study and relaxation. Its proportions should have a restful effect to the eye as well as serving the comfort of the body. Yet, here is where some of the most noticeable misfits are made. Pass along any street and take notice of the cornice and supporting columns. Some will contain sagging lines, caused by not having frame work rigid enough to properly support the weight between the columns, which in many cases are placed too far apart, both for

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looks and for proper support. Again, probably in the very next porch, probably too many columns are brought into use. In either case, the effect is bad.

But one of the most noticeable mistakes is found in the soffit. It is usually anything but the right width and does not rest properly with reference to the column. The width of the soffit should be governed by the diameter of the neck of the column. So to proportion it the builder should know the diameter of the column, where it rests on the base, which is the proper reckoning point for its height. But we will not stop to take up this part of the subject now, as it would furnish quite an article itself. The builder should know the size of the column at the base, he should also know the size of the column at the neck and should build his frame work accordingly, so that the finished soffit will exactly center over the column.



Showing Proper Relation of Parts

This may be easily accomplished by working from a center line through the column, as shown in the illustration, or better still, have the columns on the job; set them up in place and frame the work accordingly so that the soffit will center over it. In case of large columns, the soffit should be paneled to avoid a large plain surface.

Recently we saw what was intended to be a pretentious porch, but from lack of judgment in proportion the whole thing was spoiled in effect and what otherwise was a fairly well proportioned house was made an awkward misfit. Here cement block columns about eighteen inches square were built up and on top of this was a moulded cap, making the top about twenty-four inches square. On this rested a frail looking wood cornice with about an eight inch soffit, leaving projecting ledges on both sides, which made a most excellent bird roost and not the best place to have it either! What should have been done was to have made the soffit the full width of the shaft and with a frieze and plancer more in keeping with the size of the columns. The soffit being wide for solid wood panels, wainscoting could have been used to good effect to form the recess panel, and by breaking a mould around same a simple, yet attractive finish could have been given the whole work without much additional cost.

And it does not stop here with the porch. Mistakes of this kind are generally carried clear through the house, cropping out here and there, from cellar to garret, both internally and externally. In short, the laying out of the plan is a study within itself. Like the expert cutter in the tailor shop, the architect lays out the pattern. Then other workmen take it up and carry out the work to perfection.

Wages of Workmen in Building Trades

Some interesting statistics have just been compiled by E. M. Craig, secretary of the Chicago Building Contractors' Council, showing the rates of wages paid workmen in the various branches of the building trades in Chicago, as contrasted with those paid in the same lines in 1902. From the table here given, it will be seen that the painters received the highest advance and the bricklayers and stone masons the lowest:

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-Per I		Hour-	Per Cent
	1902	1910	Increase
Bricklayers and stonemasons	\$0.60	\$0.671/2	12.5
Structural ironworkers	.50	.65	30.0
Ornamental ironworkers	.50	.60	20.0
Plasterers, tilesetters, plumbers.			
steamfitters	.561/4	.683/4	22.2
Gasfitters	50	.683/4	37.5
Carpenters	.50	.60	20.0
Painters	.40	.60	50.0
Stonecutters	.45	.621/2	37.0
Electricians, lathers	.50	.683/4	37.5
Sheet metal workers	.421/2	.60	41.2
Marble setters	50	.621/2	25.0
Cement finishers	.40	.571/2	37.5

According to the authority above quoted, brick-layers in Kansas City secured an increase of 37.1 per cent since 1902, and in Providence, R. I., 35.4 per cent. Chicago led 24 other cities in the advance in wages for building workmen, the average for all trades being much higher than in any other city.

No Cause for Worry

Painter (to his servant)—Now carry this picture to the exhibition gallery. But be careful, for the paint is not quite dry yet.

Servant—Oh, that's all right. I'll put on an old coat.—Fliegende Blaetter.

A Notable American Residence

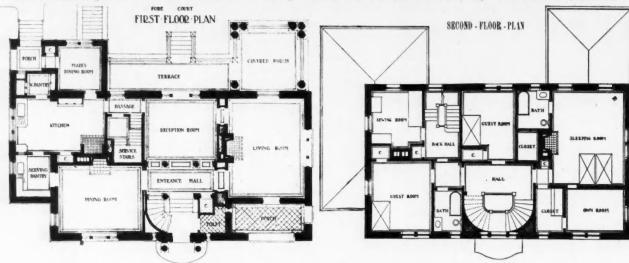
"WELDACRE" THE HOME OF MR. GEORGE E. SMITH AT PHILLIPS BEACH. MASS .-- A DUTCH COLONIAL

runs from Swampscott to Marbelhead, in Massachusetts, is an example of pure Dutch Colonial architecture, the residence of Mr. George E. Smith, designed by Guy E. Lowell of Boston. In its well proportioned simplicity, its staunchness of construction, and its beauty of design, both exterior and interior, it

TANDING back from the main highway that simplicity of its lines being relieved also at the front and rear by quaint dormer insertions. To the right of the entrance door is an attractive loggia, screened in and fitted up as a cosy lounging nook. At the rear of the house is a broad covered veranda, its roof supported by classic columns, which serves as an outdoor livingroom. Connected with it, and shaded by an adjustable



Beautiful and Dignified Dutch Colonial Residence of George E. Smith near Marblehead, Mass., Guy E. Lowell, Boston, Architect



presents many aspects well worthy the careful study of all interested in residence work.

The house is constructed of red brick, with white shingled with slate, is built with a "flare," the severe

awning, is a smaller veranda, equipped as a breakfast room, and so used whenever the weather permits. From this side of the house the lawn slopes away in painted trim and dark green blinds. The hip roof, a great stretch of marshland and meadowland to the borders of old ocean.

The front entrance is an excellent example of the best type of the Colonial porch, and it is doubtful if a finer specimen is to be found along the entire shore. Its deep rounded hood is shingled and supported by finely fluted columns, painted white, the whole in striking contrast to the deep red of the house, and the varying greens of the surrounding lawns and shrubbery. The simple white painted door is ornamented with a handsome old-time brass knocker, and fitted with a quaint oblong glass insert, set a few inches from the top of the single panel.

The main hall is constructed on a slightly higher level than the vestibule, from which it is reached by a flight of oak steps. The stair hall is separated from the reception hall by handsome Ionic pillars, with enriched volute capitals. To the left a simple staircase, painted white with hand-rail of mahogany, rises in an elliptical well to the second floor, its landing half way

white, and of a design harmonizing with the balance of the trim.

Opposite this apartment and opening from the reception hall is the dining-room, one of the most attractive rooms in the entire house. It is pure Dutch-Colonial and is finished in a color scheme of blue and white. A deep paneled wainscot extends around the room, and above it on a level with the mantel shelf is a narrow plate rail. Above the wainscot is a pictorial frieze of beautiful design, in tones of Delft blue, green and soft browns. Complete working details for the finish in this dining-room are given on page 42.

In a separate wing, at the rear of the main portion of the dwelling, is the service department, reached from the central hall by a broad passageway, which opens at the left.

On the second floor are five large chambers and two finely appointed bath rooms. The third floor contains



The View From the Rear Is Out Over a Broad Meadow to the Ocean

up coming directly over the entrance doorway. The reception rooms, like the vestibule and stair hall, is finished in white wood, with wall hangings in tones of grey. It connects at the rear with the open veranda.

To the right of the hallway opens the living-room, or library, a large, pleasant apartment, connecting at the front with the loggia, and at the rear with the larger veranda. It is finished in white wood, its walls above the low paneled wainscoat, hung with grass cloth in tones of red. At one end of the room is a great brick fireplace, fitted with the majority of the old-time accessories, and above it extends a handsomely carved mantel of true colonial feeling. On either side of the apartment are low, glassed-in bookcases, painted

three additional bedrooms, a bath, and storage room. The house is lighted throughout with electricity, and all the doors on the main floor are of solid mahogany.

Making Bricks from Slag

Word comes from Queensland that the slag from the copper smelters is being made into good quality building bricks by being run into molds.

"The bricks have been found equally useful in the erection of offices and in the construction of water tanks, retaining walls, piers for ore bins, and bases for chimney stacks.

"The moulds used in making the bricks consist of two L-shaped cast iron plates, and mention may be



Entrance Hall Finished in White Enamel with Mahogany Doors and Hand Rail

important: First, the thickness of the metal, sufficient to chill the slag without becoming overheated; secondly, the reinforcing of the angles to minimize warp-



View of Living Room

ing; and, thirdly, the adaptation of these reinforcements to form distance pieces by which means space for air circulation is maintained between adjoining

made of the following features, which have proved moulds. These plates, having been set upon edge on the leveled surface of the slag dump, and arranged to form rows of twenty moulds or therebouts, are banked up with one and one-half inches of dry sand

> "The slag is poured into the moulds from the ordinary hand-drawn slag pots, which are filled from the double bowl horse pots now in use on this mine. As soon as the bricks have solidified the moulds may be removed and set up afresh elsewhere. After from ten to fourteen hours the bricks are cool enough for handling. Their average weight is eighty pounds, and, when tested with the rough appliances available, they have successfully withstood a crushing stress of thirteen tons per square foot without showing any sign of strain or collapse. "

Correct

A teacher was examining his class, and he said: "I will give a quarter to any boy that can tell what nothing is." A small boy at the back of the class put up his hand, "Well, Willie, and what would you say it is?" "Please, teacher, it is a bung hole without a barrel around it." Willie got the quarter.

DETAILS CONSTRUCTION AND FINISH CHARLES PRAWSON

Colonial Dining Room Trim-Wall Sections

TWO LARGE SIZE DETAIL PLATES, ONE SHOWING TRIM USED IN "WHITE" DINING ROOM ILLUSTRATED BELOW, THE OTHER GIVING CONSTRUCTION OF NINE TYPES OF OUTSIDE WALLS

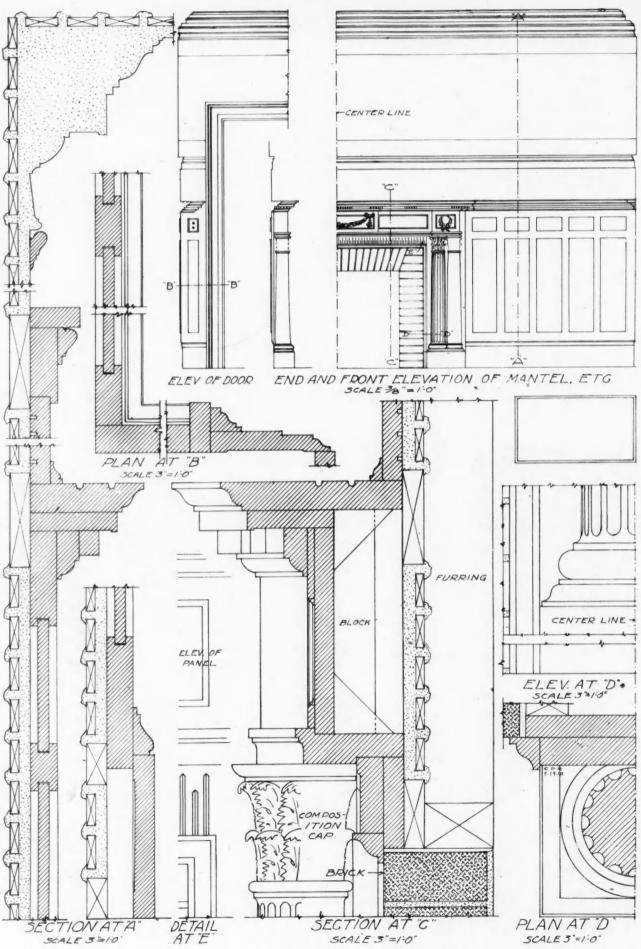
THE DINING-ROOM illustrated below, details of which are given on the next page, emphasizes the two considerations that should take equal rank in the planning of a dining-room—convenience and cheerfulness. Convenience must come first; and a glance at the floor plan, page 38, will show that this element has been unusually well handled by the architect in this case. Cheerfulness is also a dominant feature, obtained more by the decorations and white enameled woodwork than by the number of spacing of the windows. The plaster ceiling and cornice

which are painted white also add greatly to the beauty of the room. A very unusual feature and one highly to be commended is the placing of the plate rail. If one is to be had at all, it seems that it should be below the top of the wainscot, thus keeping the plates below the level of the wall decorations. The details are drawn to the scales of three-eighths inch equals one foot and three inches equals one foot.

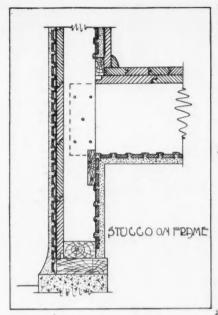
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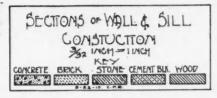


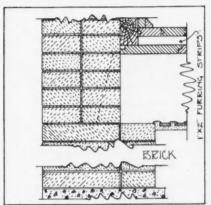
Colonial Dining Room in the Smith House, with High White Enamel Wainscot and Beautifully Colored Landscape Frieze COMPLETE DETAILS FOR THIS ROOM ARE SHOWN ON NEXT PAGE

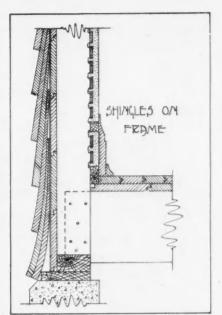


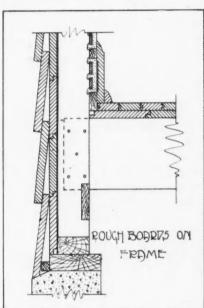
DETAILS OF TRIM FOR COLONIAL DINING ROOM

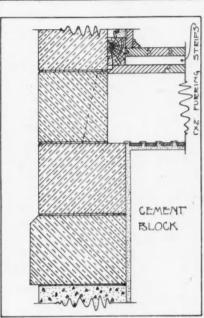


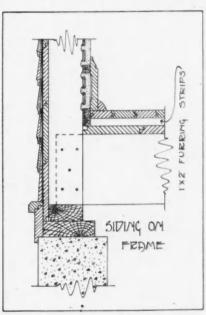


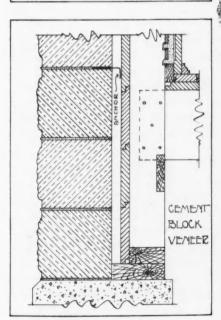


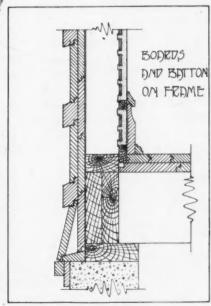


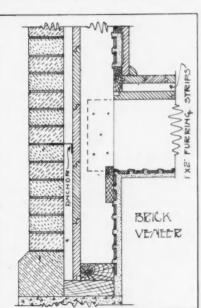














"Too Much Fresh Air is Just Enough"

PORTIONS OF AN ADDRESS BEFORE THE RECENT CONVENTION OF MASTER SHEET METAL WORKERS
-FURNACE HEATING AND VENTILATION-OPPORTUNITIES AND OBLIGATIONS FOR CONTRACTORS

By Wm. F. Colbert, M. D.

E are living in a progressive age. We have seen wonderful improvements in machinery, in transportation facilities, in methods of communication, in building construction, etc. But, better still, we are living in a healthful and humanitarian age, an age in which Boards of Public Health, Anti-Tuberculosis Leagues, Housing Commissions and Civic Betterment Organizations, and many other agencies for good are active as never before in improving the living conditions of the people.

A recent development in this work has been a proper appreciation of the value of fresh air. In fact, authorities have come to realize that plenty of fresh air is even more important than proper food. This should have been realized long ago, for there is nothing new about the physiologist's saying that, "A man can live three weeks without food, three days without water, and three minutes without air." It does not require a savant to deduce from this, that fresh air is even more necessary to the well being of the human race than either pure water or pure food.

As a result of this somewhat belated appreciation of the value of fresh, pure air, the representatives of these societies, in addition to distributing pure milk, teaching mothers how to prepare cheap but nutritious meals, etc., are preaching the gospel of fresh air. This has been done with such decided success that a writer in a recent number of "Hampton's" Magazine mentions the fact that a new word, "Freshair," all one word, has crept into the Yiddish vocabulary in the slums of New York City.

A little more experience will impress these workers with the fact that it is impossible to secure much fresh air in winter unless some special provision is made for ventilation.

A Vital Problem in Every House

However, the dwellers in the slum districts are not the only portion of our population who are injured by a lack of fresh air in their houses during the winter months. Any American home that is not warmed by a purely indirect system of heating, with all the cold air supply taken from outdoors, suffers from a lack of fresh air during the winter months.

The Chicago Health Department is alive to this fact. Mr. E. R. Pritchard, the Secretary of the Department of Health of the City of Chicago, at the meeting of the Midland Club, June 28, 1910, said: "In fact, so marked has been the increase of the death rate from pneumonia and the bad-air diseases in Chicago during the past ten years, that we have named pneumonia as the New Captain of the Men of Death, and we have come to regard the steam-heated flat, with its dry and overheated atmosphere, a serious menace to public health. It was the discovery of the indoor conditions under which so many people in Chicago were living, that prompted the Department of Health to start the campaign for fresh air, which it is still waging with all the forces it can command." He also refers to "steam heated tunnels" called, by courtesy, flats or apartments.

So much for the condition of the air in our homes during the winter months, when direct radiation is used as a heating medium. But don't delude yourselves into the belief that because an indirect system of heating is used, the air in the house is as pure as it should be in all cases. Indoor air is sufficiently pure when a gravity system of ventilation is installed in connection with the indirect system of heating, with all outdoor air supply. But when the gravity system of ventilation is omitted, it sometimes happens that the building is so airtight that not sufficient air leaks out to permit the house to be properly heated by a purely indirect system of heating. When you fail to secure enough air leakage to permit the introduction of sufficient volumes of fresh warmed air to properly heat a room to 70° Fahr. in zero weather, with the incoming warm air at a temperature of 140° to 160° Fahr., it is a certainty that you have also failed to secure enough leakage to provide sufficient ventilation.

To provide sufficient ventilation in ordinary winter

weather, 25° to 35° Fahr., the register temperature should not exceed 130° Fahr.

Do not Install Return Circulation

The use of *return* circulation of air, either partial or complete, in residence heating cannot have other than an unfavorable effect on the health of the occupants of the home.

The complete return circulation of air is as bad as the use of direct steam or hot water radiation so far as ventilation is concerned. Theoretically, this method would be far more economical than a ventilating system; practically, the difference in fuel consumption is not very great. Any slight advantage in heating economy is overbalanced by the disadvantage in heating efficiency. Return circulated air is more readily affected by wind pressure than any other indirect system of heating.

Partial return circulation of air is nearly as bad as complete return circulation. The plea is made that the air is only returned from the first floor at night, when every one is presumably in bed and the first floor is deserted. That is very good in theory, but the fact is that people use the return circulation all of the time. Partial return circulation of air creates currents of cool air that have an unfavorable effect on heating efficiency. Furthermore, if the partial return circulation is used only during sleeping hours, the saving in fuel is theoretically only about 8%, and in practice it would not exceed 4%, because the return circulation is not at all positive in action. I submit the fact that in the average home this would mean a fuel saving not to exceed \$4.00 a season. Rather a small saving and not worth while when one considers the fact that people use the partial return circulation at all times, and as a result have insufficient ventilation, instead of using it at night only, as intended by the designer of the system.

The Heating Contractor's Obligation

When this fact is pointed out to some men, they say it is not their fault if people do not use the system as they intended it to be used. As there is no printed list of directions furnished with a partial return circulation system, this verbal evasion always reminds me of Cains' question—"Am I my brother's keeper?" The man who evades responsibility for the welfare of fellow beings, who have entrusted him with a contract to heat their home, without injuring their health, cannot be classed as a humanitarian.

There are many architects, heating engineers and building contractors, as well as sheet metal workers, who believe that a warm air furnace system, with all outdoor cold air supply and a gravity system of ventilation, provides too much ventilation. Such a thing as too much ventilation is impossible. Dr. Evans, the Health Commissioner of Chicago, uses a terse sentence, which exactly states the truth—"Too much fresh air is just enough." Burton Hendrick's excellent story,

"Oxygenizing a City," in a recent number of "Mc-Clure's" magazine, is the best corrective that I can prescribe for that large section of the community who suffer from a form of "brainstorm," whose symtoms may be best described as a horror of any system of heating that will introduce fresh air into the home and an uncanny delight in living with one foot in the grave.

However, for the benefit of those who believe that a warm air furnace system, with all outdoor cold air supply and a gravity system of ventilation, provides too much ventilation, I would state that such a system of heating will provide in a living room of ordinary size, good ventilation for three to five persons, according to the proportion of exposed wall and glass surface. Bedrooms are usually smaller than living rooms, have lower ceiling and smaller windows, so that the bedroom usually requires only a little over one-half the air supply that must be delivered to a living room to properly warm it. Is it not ridiculous to advocate a complete or even a partial return air circulation, which will greatly reduce the amount of fresh air poured into the rooms?

The humanitarian mission of the sheet metal worker can only be fulfilled by those men who are willing to think, talk, advertise and do warm air furnace heating of the right sort, i. e., with a furnace that is adequate to do the work imposed on it, with properly proportioned warm air piping, with all outdoor cold air supply, with ventilating ducts and with proper provision for humidifying the air.

The furnace that is adequate to do the work imposed on it and properly proportioned warm air piping should be furnished by the heating contractor as a matter of business honor. The outdoor cold air supply (with no return circulation and with no cellar-air supply), the system of ventilation ducts and the proper provision for humidifying the air, are the items that the sheet metal worker must strive to have included in his heating contracts if he would succeed in fulfilling his humanitarian mission in life, for it is only where he succeeds in having these items included in a residence heating contract that he secures a contract for the most healthful system of heating. Every time the sheet metal worker secures a contract of this sort, not only has he done something that will have a good influence on the health of his customer and his family, but he has also indirectly raised the standard of health in the community. The sheet metal worker should take a keen interest, not only in the science of heating, but also in ventilation and air conditioning. A broad knowledge of all three will give him an implicit confidence in furnace heating that he cannot secure in any other way, and the confidence thus gained is a money maker-confidence inspires confidence-for it will have a most favorable effect on prospective customers.

You may say people will not pay the difference in price between the kind of heating done by the ordi-

nary do-it-the-easiest-way heating contractor, and the man who is trying to live up to his humanitarian mission in the great scheme of life-I say that they will pay the difference in price, if you will do the things that you must do to live up to your humanitarian mission in life, i. e., think, talk, and advertsie as well as do warm air furnace heating of the right sort. Before a man pays you more money than he would pay

another contractor, he wants to know the reasons for the greater cost. The man who thinks in terms of the right sort of furnace heating will have little trouble in supplying reasons that will convince the average man that the increased outlay is well worth while. Remember that the man who admits that his price is regulated by his competitors' price admits that he lacks the force possessed by a truly successful man.

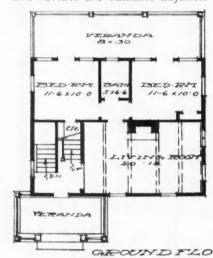
The Problem of the Steeply Sloping Lot

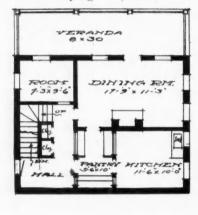
ALMOST EVERY LOCALITY HAS STEEP SIDE-HILL SITES, CONSIDERED WORTHLESS FOR BUILDING PURPOSES-HOW SUCH MAY BE IMPROVED BY PROPER BUILDING

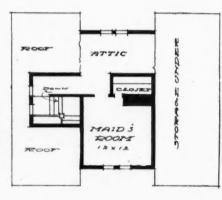
By O. S. Lang

hilly ground, taxes the ingenuity of the architect and builder to utilize the many side hill sites without sacrificing either beauty or utility or adding unnecessarily to the expense. Nevertheless, hills and ravines are valuable adjuncts toward beautifying

ITTSBURG, like many other cities built upon frame bungalows different in exterior design, but with rooms arranged the same in each. There is, on the main floor, a large living room, two bedrooms, bath and reception hall. There is also a rear outside sleeping porch 8 by 30 feet enclosed with glass for winter and screens for summer, which commands a view for







Floor Plans of Side Hill Bungalow

Interior ! Arrangement the same in all 3 Houses—Exteriors Different.

BASEMENT PLAN

the surroundings of the home, provided we can accept and use them, fitting our developments to their natural

The houses here shown were planned and built by O. S. Lang, architect of Buffalo, upon a sloping lot in Pittsburg, so steep as to be considered nearly valueless, the grade being about 45 degrees to another street 150 feet below. To fill would be practically impossible; to build an ordinary house would mean a rear wall entirely out of proportion.

These houses, as they show from the street, are

miles down the ravine to the Monongehela River. There is one good sleeping room in the attic space above. From the hall a plain, neat stairway leads down to another story enclosed with brick walls. Upon this floor there is a large dining-room, kitchen, maid's room and entrance hall. Here likewise there is a rear veranda full width of the house. From the entrance hall another stairway leads down to the laundry, fur-

FIRST FLOOR, and ATTIC PLAN



Perspective of Side Hill Bungalow

nace room and maid's bath-room. This floor is enclosed with brick walls and extends under only half of the house. An outside door from the laundry opens upon a rear porch, floored with concrete; and

the wild natural surroundings harmonizes perfectly. The interiors are plastered with rough cast, tinted with wax transparent paints in colors of tan, yellow, green and brown. The woodwork is plain finished in dark



Street View-Three Attractive Bungalows Built in Pittsburg on a Steeply Sloping Lot

the grade of the lot is leveled off at this point.

There are concrete outside steps and walk rising air furnace, instantaneous hot, water heaters. about 13 feet to the street grade above. The lots are graded in two terraces, using all of the side hill as appearance, was about the same; the contract price

mission. There are two complete tile bath rooms, hot

The cost of each, though somewhat different in



Rear View-Lots are Terraced-First Floor With Dining Room and Kitchen is Below Street Grade

lawn and garden, grading with the dirt left by nature and requiring no more.

All exterior woodwork is finished with clear cypress stained brown, the roofs are moss green, which with being about \$5,000.00, or \$15,000 for the three. The houses and lots sold for \$8,500 each, netting the owner a very handsome margin for the price of his valueless



Two Simple Pieces of Handicraft

FOR MAKING A PLANT STAND AND AN UMBRELLA STAND-HOW TO DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS HAMMER SHEET COPPER-SUMATRA BROWN FINISH

HE plant stand or taboret will be found a convenient piece of furniture upon which to place the foliage plant such as can be found in most every home. It is not a difficult piece to make and requires comparatively little wood.

There will be required the following pieces:

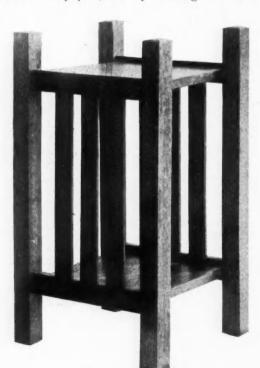
STOCK BILL FOR PLANT STAND.

Posts, 4 pieces, 134 by 134 by 221/2 inches, S-4-S. Horizontals of rails, 2 pieces, 1 by 2 by 12 inches, S-4-S. Horizontals or rails, 2 pieces, 1 by 2 by 12 inches, S-4-S.

Slats, 6 pieces, 3/8 by 11/2 by 121/4 inches, S-4-S.

Shelves, 2 pieces, 7/8 by 101/2 by 12 inches, S-2-S.

The best material to use is quarter sawed white oak, though any other hard wood might be used if the white oak is not available. A beginner might use soft wood, such as poplar, and by staining the wood with

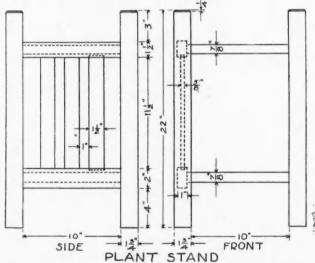


Plant Stand of White Oak

some of the popular stains now on the market, get a fairly satisfactory piece.

The stock bill calls for most of the pieces squared to exact width and thickness. Should it not be possible or desirable to have the mill do this, the craftsman should order his piece a little wider than the bill above specifies.

Begin work on the posts, squaring up the lower ends of each. Next measure the length on one of them and by placing them side by side on the bench and evening the squared ends, square a line across all of them at the point so marked. Use knife and trysquare in doing this. Put a slight chamfer on the lower ends of the posts so that they will not sliver through usage. Also put a chamfer on the top ends, or, if desired, a slight slope from the sides to the center.



Stand the posts up in the positions they are to have relative to one another in the finished piece, face sides "in," and mark roughly as with penciled circle, the approximate locations of the mortises for the tenons of the rails or cross ties. Place the pieces on the bench side by side, even the lower ends by means of the trysquare and then measure off on one of the posts the exact positions for the ends of the mortises. With the trysquare and a sharp pencil square lines across all the pieces that are to have corresponding mortises. Gauge the sides of the mortises, keeping the head of the gauge always against one or the other of the faces. The gaugings for the sides of the mortises can and ought to be done with but two settings of the gaugeonce for the lines nearest the faces and once for the lines that locate the far sides of the mortises.

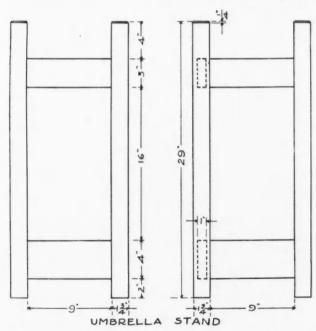
Having marked the mortises in the posts the next

step is to cut them. After this, lay out and mark the rails to proper length. Since the ends of these rails are to be tenoned it will not be necessary to square them up with the plane, only saw them square to the lines. Place the pieces together, even the ends and measure and mark the shoulder lines. Set the gauge and gauge for the sides of the tenons, keeping the gauge block against the face side or face edge. On this one-inch stock the tenons may be made threeeighths or one-half inch thick with a similar amount shouldered on the edges and with a length of threefourths or one inch.

Into the edges of these rails are to be "let" the ends of the vertical slats. Cut the mortises of a sufficeint size to take in the entire end; this is much easier and much more likely to produce satisfactory joints than to attempt to shoulder the ends of the slats. "Let the ends in" about one-fourth or three-eighths of an inch. Place the four pieces together and knife or lay out the ends of the mortises of all of them at once. Separate them and gauge the sides of the mortises.

The inner surfaces of the rails are to be ploughed to a depth of one-fourth of an inch and of a width sufficient to take in the ends of the shelves. This should not be done, however, until the shelves have been surfaced and squared to size.

Thoroughly scrape and sandpaper all the parts and put the sides that have the slats together, using good,



hot gue. After the glue has hardened on these, the clamps may be removed and the surplus glue scraped off and the shelves put in place.

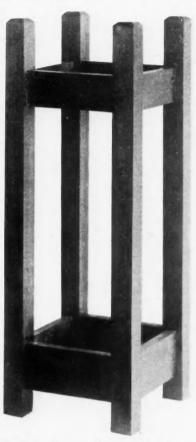
Sumatra Brown Finish

A suitable finish for this piece is obtained as follows: Apply a coat of Sumatra water stain. Allow this to dry over night, then apply a second coat of the same stain diluted by the addition of an equal volume of water. This is to make a stronger contrast. Sandpaper lightly both of the coats of stain after they have dried, using number oo paper.

Upon this last coat of stain put a very thin coat of shellac. Be sure that it is thin, otherwise the shellac will gloss and spoil the effect desired-it is used

merely to hold the filler in place and to keep the stain in the filler from affecting the high lights of the wood-finish. Being thin, it does not fill up the pores or in any way interfere with the application of the filler.

On this coat of shellac, after it has been smoothed with fine sandpaper, apply the filler according to the directions that will be found on the filler can. A dark paste filler should be used. On the filler. after it has hardened and been smoothed with sandpaper, put a coat of orange shellac. Follow the shellac with two coats of some good Umbrella Stand with Copper Drip Pan rubbing varnish. The



first coats should be rubbed with hair cloth or curled hair and the last coat with pulverized pumice stone and crude or raw linseed oil. This produces an effect known as egg shell gloss and is a most satisfactory finish. Sumatra brown is dark brown in general effect with the highlights standing out in reddish brown, giving a rich, warm color effect.

How to Make the Umbrella Stand

Another piece of simple design and construction is the umbrella stand shown in the accompanying picture. It can best be made of some hard wood, such as oak, and may be finished in a manner similar to that described for the plant stand.

The following pieces of stock will be needed: Posts, 4 pieces, 13/4 by 13/4 by 291/2 inches, S-4-S. Lower rails, 4 pieces, 1 by 4 by 10 inches, S-4-S. Upper rails, 4 pieces, 1 by 3 by 10 inches, S-4-S.

Square up the ends of the posts as was described for the plant stand and set up the posts in position, faces in, and mark the locations of the mortises roughly. The method of procedure for laying out the mortises and tenons is the same as that just described for the plant stand, the dimensions being indicated in the accompanying drawing.

Two of the sides should be made and glued up and allowed to dry, after which the remaining rails may be placed. Make sure that the posts are square with the rails, the clamps may be shifted one way or the other to accomplish this should it be found out of square. Then, too, see that the sides of the stand form right angles one with another. This can be told by measuring the diagonals of the stand by means of two short sticks held as a slide rule. If the diagonals are equal the stand is square. If not, a clamp will need to be applied across the stand and the longer diagonal shortened until it corresponds with the other.

Shaping the Copper Drip-Pan

There will be needed to be made a drip-pan for the bottom. This may be made of either copper or brass, some metal that will not rust. It should be made large enough to rest on the lower rails, the corners being cut out to allow it to rest around the posts properly. To make the depression, first prepare a block of wood about three inches by three inches by six inches. In one end of this make a hollow about onehalf an inch deep having a diameter of about one and one-half inches.

Mark off, on the metal, a series of concentric rings, using the center of the metal for a center. Make a wooden mallet with one end rounded. Place the copper on the block and, beginning at the center, beat the copper over the hole in the block, gradually turning the copper around the center and working out along the rings toward the outer ring. Should the copper tend to buckle, turn it over and beat it to shape. Continue this until the desired depth is obtained. Do not attempt to make a deep pan. Repeated beatings will necessitate annealing the copper to make it malleable-this is done by heating the metal over a gas flame to a cherry red then dipping in water-but this is not necessary with the shallow pan.

If desired, instead of a circular depression the metal may be worked into a square depression.

The two pieces, pictures of which are shown, were made by pupils of the Oak Park and River Forest High Schools.

Development and Use of Metal Ceilings

By Al. Langenbach

HEN one observes the extended use of metal seeing to what length the idea might be improved. ceilings in modern buildings, the curiosity is aroused as to how this excellent building material came to be first thought of and used. As far back as 1840 we have records of metal ceilings being used by the Germans in the construction of large buildings and factory rooms. But at that time their artistic possibilities were not dreamed of; their merit lay solely in their being fireproof. Just how long these first ceilings endured is not positively known, but as they were not exposed to the elements, it is thought they outlived the buildings in which they were used.

These first ceilings were shallow embossed steel sheets-embossed more to fit evenly than for any other reason. Their use was restricted to buildings in which they were absolutely necessary, no one fore-

Up to the year 1895, the metal ceiling industry in America remained practically undeveloped. A few manufacturers, it is true, made ceilings before that time, but they were lacking in artistic effect and were seldom used in any buildings but those necessitating absolute fireproof construction. The designs were of the straight line variety necessitating only shallow embossing, which turned out sheets very unattractive at best. Not that metal ceilings hadn't noticeably improved since their origin, for they had; but the result of these improvements was merely the production of ceilings of stereotyped designs which failed to appeal to the artistic eye. They were also hard to apply, as they were made in small steel sheets. Architects ignored them and used other forms of interior trimming which produced better decorative effect,



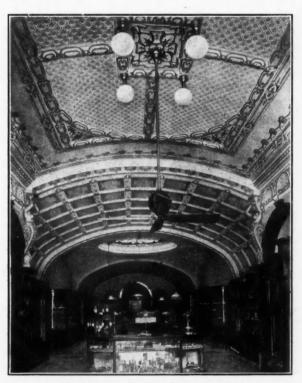
Beautiful Metal Ceiling in Modern Residence



Sheet Metal in Plastic Relief Effects

This was the situation in this country up to 15 years ago. Yet it was evident that there was a real field for metal ceilings and that they would gladly be used if a range of artistic design and variety could be had. The idea was conceived by the Berger Mfg. Co. that steel dies could be made to produce ceilings of designs different from any before used; these were to be true classical designs. Up to this time deep embossing was regarded as impossible with the sheet metal used. As nearly all of these classical designs required very deep embossing, radical changes had to be made, both in the form and construction of the dies and in the processes of pressing so as to successfully reproduce these ceilings without breaking the sheet metal during the process. After a long period of experimenting, these difficulties were surmounted and many minor improvements were incorporated facilitating ease of application. So now the popularity of these modern ceilings may be observed in nearly every large building constructed during the past ten

Beautiful dome and beamed effects are now pos-



Metal Ceilings for Drug Store-Fire-Proof

sible on account of the ceilings being made in forms as well as in sheets. All parts are shaped for easy application and perfect matching. Eleven basic, classic designs have been adopted, embracing Greek, Roman, Romanesque, Gothic, French, Italian and German Renaissance, Rococo, Moorish, Empire and Colonial Art. From these basic designs, which include heavy cornice and border forms, center plates, et cetera, hundreds of beautiful combinations are offered to select from. For large churches, public buildings, and structures built along artistic lines, where architectural

style requires special designs, unique combinations are offered for the builders' selection.

It is difficult to foretell the future of the use of metal ceilings. Though their adaptability has hereto-



Embossed Metal Ceiling in New York Hotel

fore been largely confined to ceilings, they are now coming into wide use for beautiful wall coverings. There is no reason to believe that their popularity for the latter use will not be as widespread as it has proved in the former. At any rate, since the "artistic" obstacle has been removed, it is reasonable to believe that they will be very widely used for ceiling decoration before long, not only in large buildings and stores, but in residence construction as well.

Beams in "Genuine" Mill Construction

"Mill construction of the genuine kind," says F. W. Dean, of Boston, in a recent paper, "and that which the mutual insurance companies seek to encourage, and as far as possible the only kind that they will tolerate, contemplates the smallest possible number of large wood beams for floors and roof, all running in one direction, covered with thick plank. A floor system with bays so wide that beams running at right angles to the main transverse beam are required, is not mill construction and is not desirable. It is not desirable because it is complicated, the supplementary beams are likely to be supported by non-fire resisting connections, and sprinkling is less effective and more difficult and expensive to install than with the genuine kind.

"Mill construction contemplates the use of wood beams instead of steel, because in case of fire the latter when heated lose their strength and the floors fall with great loss to building and machinery. In the case of wood beams the fire is usually put out by sprinklers and otherwise before the beams lose sufficient strength to produce this result.

"The beams of wood floors are of long-leaf Southern pine or Northwestern pine, the latter being used only in the West, Northwest and Canada. The beams are usually planed on three sides and with the lower corners chamfered."

WHO'S WHO IN BUSINESS

The Rapid Rise of R. C. Hupp

R IGHT years ago Robert Craig Hupp knew nothing of the manufacture of automobiles. But he had an unconquerable determination to find out.

Today he is the moving spirit in eight sound Detroit companies—three of them producing motor driven vehicles—and is the only man at the head of the automobile plant who has risen to his place from a mechanic's job in the shops.

That is the result of his determination to find out—to begin at the beginning and go on and on, learn-

ing all the ins and outs of a business then in its very infancy.

R. C. Hupp foresaw the possibilities of the automobile industry when he was 25 years old. The automobile was new; it seemed to hold forth the brightest promise.

So in 1902 Mr. Hupp went into the shops of the Olds Motor works, at that time located in Detroit. He helped assemble motors for the famous old curved dash Olds cars, and took his first lessons in the building of automobiles.

For years he worked at the bench and grounded him-

self in the mechanical department of the business. Then came an opportunity to go into the office and it was welcomed. Here he came into contact with all departments and all phases of an intricate business. His experience with the Olds works covered a period of three years, and in the autumn of 1905 he left and went to Chicago.

Nine months later he returned to Detroit and became a member of the Ford organization, which at that time was wrestling with the problem of building 10,000 four-cylinder runabouts. Until January, 1908, he remained with the Ford company and left to become the organizer of a new company.

In the years that had passed since he entered the industry, Mr. Hupp had come to have some ideas and plans of his own. He had never had a free hand to put them into execution; and in his new connection was restricted as much as he had been theretofore.

But for this there might never have been a Hup-mobile.

Mr. Hupp had foreseen the demand for a car of moderate size and price which would compare in build and appearance with the largest and costliest. The market at that time—1908—offered no such car.

Mr. Hupp was so certain of the success of such an automobile as he had in mind that he had no misgivings in withdrawing from his associates and placing his proposition before Detroit capitalists.

The idea was so big and so revolutionary that capital was at first inclined to be shy, yet there was no real difficulty in securing enough money to equip a small plant and buy the materials for the building of a few hundred cars.

So the Hupp Motor Car Company came into being, and Mr. Hupp gathered about him an able organiza-

R. C. HUPP President Hupp Motor Car Co.

tion to carry out his plans. Work was begun at once on the first Hupmobile, but none save a few were any the wiser until March of 1909. Since the preceding November the first Hupmobile had been in test.

At the time the car was introduced it was planned to build 500. The company occupied a small factory on Bellevue avenue.

The success of the Hupmobile was so instantaneous and pronounced that plans were at once made for the erection of a large factory building at Jefferson and Concord avenues. This was rushed to completion, occupied in the following August and the production of 5,000 cars for 1910 was begun.

Mr. Hupp remains in active direction of the Hupp Motor Car Co., and his surplus energy has found outlet in the organization of seven other Detroit con-

Thus the automobile industry records another story of rapid and brilliant success.

Mr. Hupp advances some interesting thoughts concerning the present and future status of the automobile industry, and, incidentally, points out that the acquisition of motor cars is far from an extravagance -particularly as pertains to farmers.

"As a matter of fact," said Mr. Hupp, "the automobile is a very valuable addition to the farmer's business, and no more extravagant than owning horses. For long distances the automobile saves money for the farmer when used in place of the horse. The good that the automobile has done for this country is very great. It has been the most potent factor in forcing the improvement of roads, and certainly when we have good roads throughout the country, the whole population will be greatly benefited and all land will be made more valuable."

Turning to the other side of the question—the talk of the business falling off, Mr. Hupp said that the manufacturers of first-class cars throughout the country have not been able to take care of their orders, and, practically speaking, there has been no over-production.

The Voss Mantel Company

VER since the founding of the Voss Mantel Company in 1885, by August F. Voss, for 23 years its magnatic center and controlling spirit, the growth of the business has been a consistent and his strict adherence to the founder's high ideals

healthy one, even through periods of National depression.

It is worthy of note, as an illustration of the fair treatment accorded the men in the employment of this company, that 25 years ago there were 22 men on the pay roll, 12 of whom are still with the company. It has been a wise policy of the company to always recognize and to suitably reward faithful and efficient service.

Mr. August F. Voss, the founder of the business, died in 1908, his son, Louis C. Voss, succeeding him. Even as a boy he employed his summer vacation in his father's factory; and now there is not a detail connected with manufacturing the product with which he is not familiar and an expert. At the age of 14, having left school,

manager, and at 27 was appointed to fill the place made vacant by the death of his father.

The future of the company is assured, because of

of integrity and wise business policy. All who were acquainted with the late August F. Voss, agree that his mantle has fallen upon his son and successor, who is in every sense qualified by experience and training to carry on the business to still greater success.

The personal element in the building of a mantel business is so important that were this business too large to receive personal supervision, it would prove a misfortune to their product and their customers.

The success of the Voss company has been due largely to the painstaking, personal attention on the part of the management to details of design and workmanship in the process of construction. The continued success of this company and its repu-



LOUIS C. VOSS President Voss Mantel Company

he entered the shops, and came up from the bottom tation for fair dealing is doubtless the result of conby his ability and tireless efforts. At the age of 20 siderate treatment accorded its customers by members he was one of the company's salesmen; at 23 sales of the company who are personally interested in the placement of their product and in the purchaser's satisfaction. The factory is one of the largest in the middle west, covering two acres and having a floor space of sixty thousand square feet. It is thoroughly equipped with all modern wood working machinery. The yards are ample to carry a two years' supply of lumber.

Plenty of light and fresh air makes the shop a most desirable place to work and enables the men to produce the high class of workmanship for which "Voss Quality" mantles are famous. It is a well-known fact that

mere quantity and quality facilities count for little in themselves, except when combined with the personal attention from men intent upon meeting the customers' requirements. While the plant and facilities of the Voss Mantle Company have grown in recent years, the efficiency of their organization has been maintained. The company is now on the threshold of the broadest and most elaborate campaign of advertising.

Thus, while they have reached the matured age, they are stronger, feel younger and are better equipped to turn out more mantels than ever before in their history.

In general outline, the house is rectangular in shape,

House Won at Cement Show

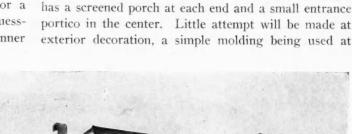
PERSPECTIVE, PLANS AND METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION OF CONCRETE HOUSE WON LAST WINTER IN GUESSING CONTEST AT CHICAGO SHOW

A THE Third Annual Cement Show held last February in the Coliseum the material for a cement house was given the winner in a guessing contest. It was to be built wherever the winner wished, with materials furnished

by the exhibitors.

The successful contestant was Miss Lillian M. Williamson of Englewood, Chicago, Ill., and the house is now under construction in Walden, a pretty suburb south of Chicago on the Rock Island Railroad. Cement is being used throughout the building, wherever possible. The house is to be a perfect example of what is possible in cement residence construction at a moderate cost. The walls and partitions are being made of hollow cement tile, insuring perfect insulation. The exterior of the walls is to be finished with a rough cast cement plaster coat. The foundations are of solid plain con-

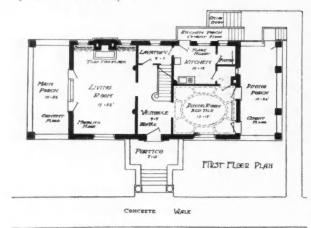
crete, and the floors and stairways will be reinforced concrete. Red cement tile will be used in the roof, which will be surmounted by two concrete chimneys with round tops.





"Cement Show" House Being Built at Walden, Ill.

the second floor level and a molded cornice relieving the plain concrete wall. The reinforced concrete floor will be surfaced with a special composition of varying colors in the different rooms. The baseboards are to be of the same material as the floor, carried up as a border.



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The house will have two fireplaces with window seats on either side and a square of red tile in front of each. The fire-place and mantel will be of solid reinforced concrete with molded decorations. The bookcases and china closet are to be built in and have leaded glass doors. The dining-room will be unique in having a beamed ceiling with an oval central panel from which the beams radiate, carrying out the idea of decoration by means of actual structural details.

The modern idea of living nine months of the year on the porches of a house, rather than inside, has been allowed for in this design by the two spacious porches, one opening off the dining-room and the other off the living room. These are entirely separate from the entrance portico, giving the full privacy of an interior room with the advantage of screened exposure on three sides. The porches open off the living and dining-rooms through two generously big French doors, making each porch a unit with the interior room.

The house is typically modern. It has been the aim to make every line harmonize with its material. In the open doorways, the flat arch is used and where beams and columns are needed for support, they are plainly exposed. Nothing has been attempted in structure or decoration which does not harmonize in concrete, the aim being to show the highest example of true concrete construction and decoration throughout the building.

The house is already attracting widespread interest among builders throughout the country and particularly among prospective home builders in Chicago and vicinity. Over thirty of the exhibitors at last year's Cement Show have donated the material to be used in the building.

Bonding New Concrete to Old

In discussing the question of bonding new concrete to old, Albert Mayer presents the following suggestions:

Clean off with clear water and stiff broom the surface of the old concrete. Mix one part commercial muriatic acid or hydrochloric acid and four parts water, make several applications one after another with a brush containing little or no metal. This will not injure the concrete, as the acid does not sink to a sufficient depth before it is neutralized.

This will have the effect of removing the cement from the top surface of each grain of sand or piece of stone and the other aggregates that may have been used, exposing the clean surface of these aggregates in exactly the same condition as they were before being mixed.

After applying the acid, wash the surface with clear water, scrubbing with a stiff broom or brush, removing all the dead particles. While the surface is still wet (and it should be thoroughly wet) apply the new concrete. Protect this new concrete by keeping it damp for at least a week. Do not let it dry out at any time during the first week.

It will be found that the new concrete will bond to the old as strongly as if both had been mixed at the same time.

Anti Bellum Building in the South

In these days of modern building, wherein a house is erected while you wait, it is interesting to look back on the old buildings our grandfathers knew, comparing them with the gayly painted little homes we see to-day, the Galveston News says.

Many of the old plantation homes were veritable palaces by comparison. They were builded of brick that were made by slaves and in many cases slaves did much of the work of their construction, they being skilled mechanics in those days.

Enough wood was used in the door and window trim of one of these old houses to build two modern cottages. It was mostly hand-worked material and superbly finished, for labor was cheap, material was plenty and there was a world of time.

Great beams were used to support the flooring; the window panes in many cases were of diamond pattern set in Gothic frames and the glass was brought with exceeding labor and awful expense from the far east.

The hardware was hand-made and of massive and artistic pattern, not the flimsy, machine-made hardware we see in these degenerate days.

Then away back in the mountains they built cabins of strange design, but undoubted stability. Great logs were notched and placed together for walls; split logs were used for door lintels and window frames—where there were any windows. The floors were of puncheons—logs split in half and placed flat side up after having been hewn to a reasonable smoothness. Sometimes the inner and outer sides of the log walls were hewn flat, and in all cases the cracks and crevices were solidly filled with a sort of mortar composed of sticky mud and chips.

This was known as "chinking and daubing." The chimneys in the more pretentious houses were of stone, the same adhesive mud being used for mortar. In the simpler cabins the chimneys were of sticks and mud.

The roofs of such cabins were of narrow boards split with wedges from sections of logs cut for this purpose and were laid like shingles.

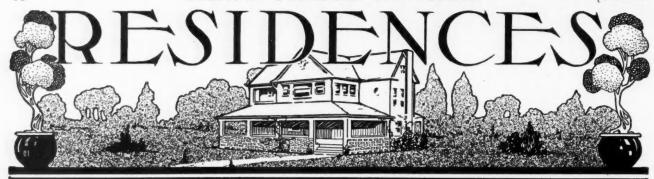
Today the houses are practically built in the mill. All parts are completely finished except as to paint, and sometimes with one coat of that, and when a mill gets so reckless as to waste an inch of material it's time for the mercantile agencies to look into its standing.

So today we are building houses that look mighty pretty, but when it comes to lasting qualities, there's no comparison with even the simpler forms of buildings used in our forefather's day.

A Terrible Threat

Immature Conductor (to clarinet player)—See here, Herr Schlag, why don't you follow my beat?

Veteran Clarinet (solemnly)—If you don't look owid, I vill!"—Puck.



Plans for Six-Room Cottage

COMPLETE SET OF ARCHITECT'S DRAWINGS FOR A NEAT STORY AND A HALF FRAME COTTAGE—INTERESTING POINTS IN THE DESIGN

A CCOMPANYING this will be found the complete set of architect's drawings for the attractive little clapboard house illustrated on this page. This is a design that will exactly suit many who want to build a home of their own. While it is simple and in no way expensive, it has a touch of

There are three good rooms, besides the large reception hall, on the first floor,—living room, dining room and kitchen. The porch extends around the corner and gives entrance into the dining room also. This is a feature very often desired. On the second floor are three good large bed rooms, with abundant



Attractive Story and a Half Cottage being Built for Mrs. Chas. Crowe, at Riverside, Ill,

the unusual in the flaring cornice lines at the ridge and in the pointed rafter ends; and at the same time there is a very homey and inviting look about the large porch. It is a design that never would be called commonplace; and a little story and a half cottage of this kind always has the advantage of appearing trim and neat.

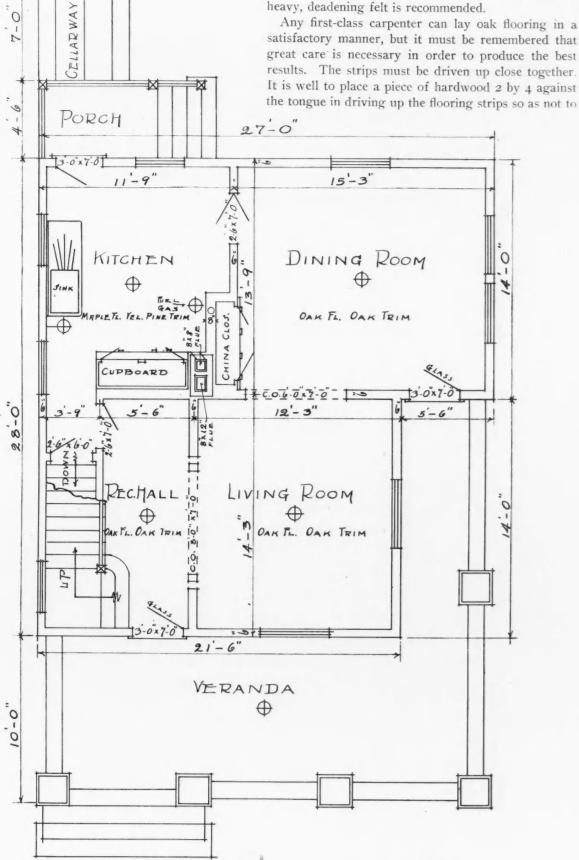
closet space. The bath room on this floor is conveniently located, and at the same time finds itself directly above the kitchen. This groups all the plumbing together, and effects quite a saving in that item of the expense. Too often the men who design the house do not give proper thought to such seemingly trivial points; but much money can be saved by planning right.

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Laying Oak Flooring

Where a building has a sub-floor it is advisable to place heavy damp-proof paper over it before the flooring is laid. Where sound-proof results are desired, a heavy, deadening felt is recommended.

Any first-class carpenter can lay oak flooring in a satisfactory manner, but it must be remembered that great care is necessary in order to produce the best results. The strips must be driven up close together. It is well to place a piece of hardwood 2 by 4 against



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damage or bruise the top edge.

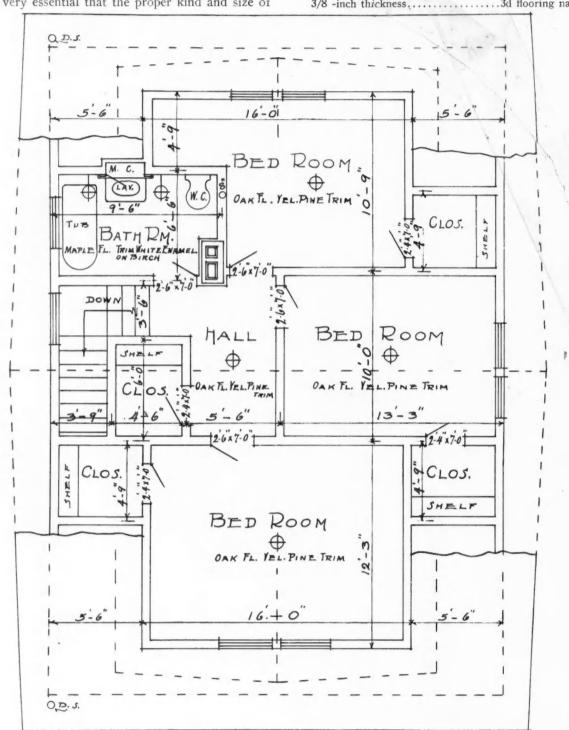
The nailing of a floor is another important feature. When not properly nailed the strips often work out of place, marring the finish and frequently making a most disagreeable squeaking noise when the floor is walked upon.

It is very essential that the proper kind and size of

flooring effects a much better anchorage than a like number of wire nails.

The sizes of cut steel nails for the different thicknesses of flooring are as follows:

13/16-inch	thickness8d	flooring	nail
7/16-inch	thickness4d	flooring	nail
3/8 -inch	thickness	flooring	nail

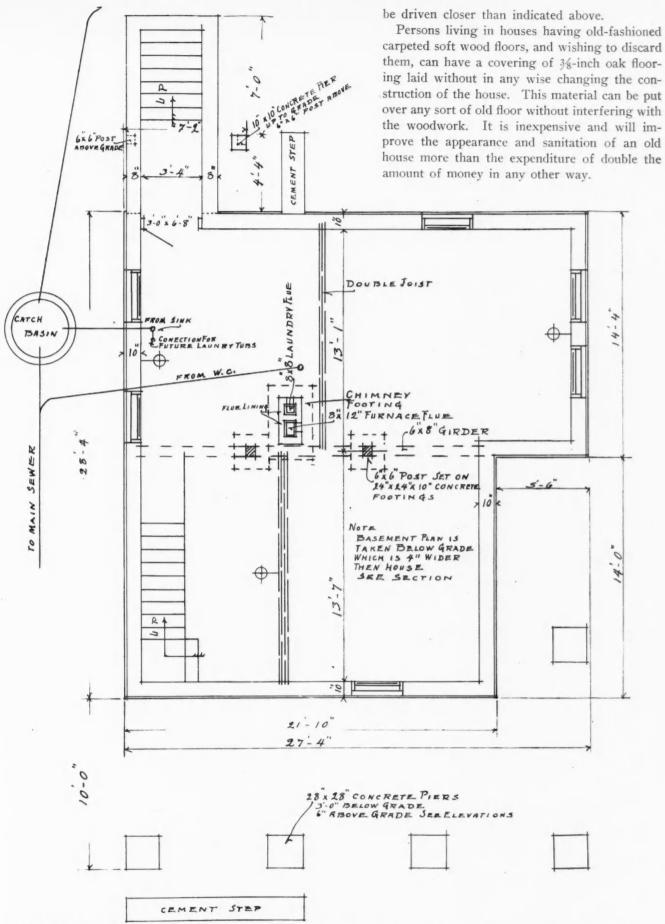


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nails be used. Practical test has demonstrated that the very best nail to be employed in laying oak flooring is the steel cut variety for all blind nailing, and all tongued and grooved flooring should be blind nailed. The same number of cut nails driven into a strip of

The maximum distance between nails in the various thicknesses of flooring should be as follows:

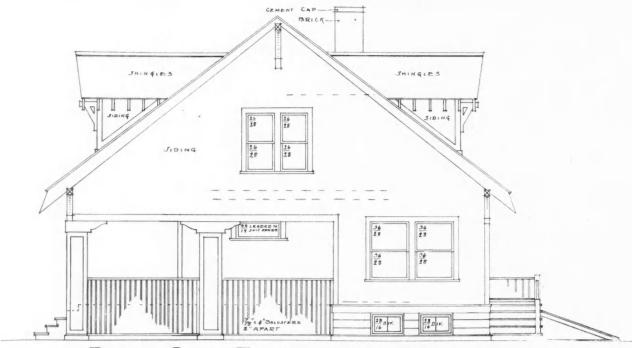
13/16-inch	thickness	 16	inches
7/16-inch	thickness	 12	inches



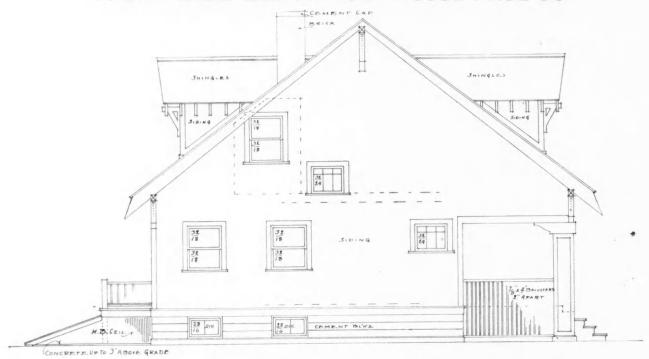
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Why Good Tin Sometimes Fails

- 1. Acid used in soldering the seams.
- 2. Nails driven through the sheets. This prevents sufficient play to allow for expansion and contraction of the metal, causing broken seams.
- 5. Under side of the tin unpainted. Moisture often condenses here, and at least one coat of good paint should be applied before the roof is laid.
- 6. Use of tar-paper under the tin. If any sheathing-paper is used it should be waterproof, but should



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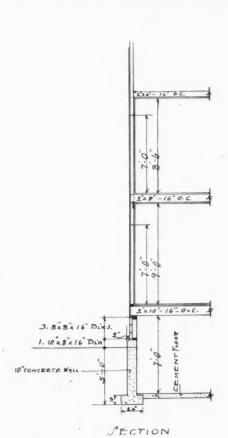


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- 3. Allowing the roof to stand without paint. Every contain no tar, pitch or similar bituminous substances. tin roof is scratched more or less in laying, and rust may start at these points if a coat of paint is not applied promptly.
- tar.
- 7. Employing ignorant or careless workmen. Beware of the low bidder.
- 8. Abuse of the finished tin roof. Few people re-4. Injurious effect of paints containing graphite or alize that scratches damage the soft lead coating of tin. Keep workmen off the roof after it is finished.

a scratch is deep enough to cut through the paint and variations to the extent of 100 per cent were revealed.

Too often the tin gutters and decks are used as a gen- of the Department. All four sets of specimens were eral thoroughfare for workmen. Rust will start where tested under equal conditions, with the result that



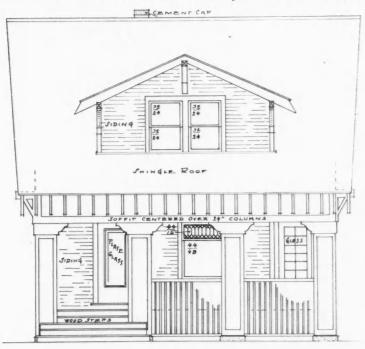
the lead coating.

9. Laying the tin roof too flat, without sufficient pitch to allow water to drain off. Gutters and decks are often found so flat that water and dirt collect in shallow puddles. For long service, the steeper the pitch, the better.

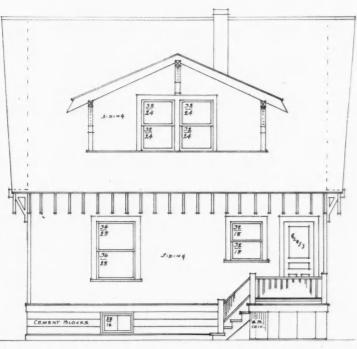
10. Neglect or abuse of the roof in service. In winter time it is the usual custom for the property owner to go up on the roof with a steel spade or shovel, and clear off the snow, perhaps to take a hatchet and chop the ice off the tin. A good tin roof, like any other good article, deserves some attention. To keep it in perfect condition, paint at four or five-year intervals, and occasionally clean out the gutters.

Workmanship and the Strength of Concrete

With the object of obtaining data as to the effect of workmanship on the strength of concrete, a series of test has been conducted by the United States Geological Survey. Three contracting firms were requested to undertake the preparation of concrete cubes and beams, the materials and proportions being identical one with another and with those employed in similar specimens prepared by the Laboratory Staff

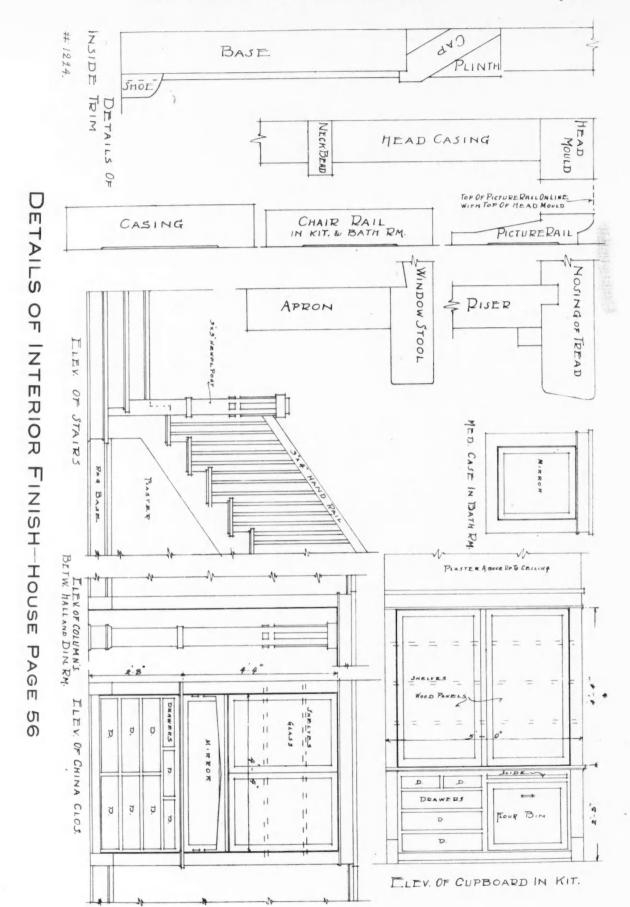


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These tests emphasize the point that no designer can predict absolutely what will be the actual strength of the concrete in practical work. It may be that while relying upon 4 as the factor of safety he may only actually have the factor of 2, owing to indifferent workmanship, or perhaps a still smaller factor in the case of an inexperienced contractor





How About Diagonal Boarding

To the Editor:

Missoula, Mont.

The other day, passing by, I saw a friend laying the rough first floor of a building and laying the boards diagonally. I had just passed several buildings where the sheeting was being put on diagonally (for diagonal boarding seems to be the universal custom in this particular section) but had not felt sufficiently well acquainted to ask impertinent questions. Here, however, the case was different, for I knew the man well—and he was small.

"Why are you laying these boards diagonally?" I asked.

"Well, I can work up the short pieces better, break joints better, and they tell me it is stronger."

"Except for two very short pieces at the corners, your

pieces will have to be longer than though you laid them square, they will have a longer span and consequently be weaker, and you break joints not at all; for the cracks of your top floor must cross these."

As he was a "pig headed" man it took some little time to prove these statements to him, and after I had, he said: "Well, they tell me it is better," and went on laying his floor diagonally. How many of us are doing work in the way "they tell us" is best, without ever having spent a moment in thought as to whether it really is best?

In the case of wall sheeting there is ground for argument that placing it diagonally makes the wall more resistant to a racking strain; but will it? Because

one board placed diagonally will stay studding better than the same board placed level does not prove that the diagonal sheeting as a whole is stiffer than horizontal. If the ends of the diagonal boards abut firmly against the foundation they will, it is true, offer greater resistance to any strain acting in the direction of a thrust; but as they rarely do so, and as the extra resistance in such a case would be in only one direction, this condition may be omitted from general consideration. As a general proposition it may be safely asserted that all racking strain on a wall resolves itself into a shearing strain on the nails.

Let us suppose, then, that we are using 8-inch boards for sheeting, and consider a space twelve feet high on a stud. Referring to the sketch it will be seen that, in the diagonal boarding, there will be twenty-five nails used; while thirty-five will be used in the same height of horizontal boarding. This shows a saving of a fraction over 28% in nails, it is true, but it is doubtful if that will offset the extra work in cutting and placing and the waste of lumber. It is true, too,

that two nails spaced (approximately) nine inches apart will hold more than two spaced six inches apart; but the twenty-five in twelve feet can hardly hold more than the thirty-five in the same space. There is also to be considered the fact that the length of board between bearings is, in the diagonal work, about 22.6 inches as against 16 inches in the horizontal; which certainly does not add strength.

While it is true that there are certain circumstances and conditions under which it is expedient to lay sheeting diagonally, and possibly some under which it might be advisable to lay flooring the same way; these are far from being universal. In any case it is well to take thought as to why one is using any special method, rather than to use it because "they all do so" or "they tell me" so and so.

W. D. GRAVES.



Method of Erecting Stave Silos

To the Editors

Breckenridge, Mich.

As I was reading the request of Mr. John P. Kramer wanting to know how to erect stave silos, I will tell him my way. The first thing I do is to nail my scaffold together as long as the silo is high. I nail on the brackets about seven feet apart. I nail these all together one on top of the other so there will be no up and down to the scaffold boards. I nail up six sets of brackets and when I get them done, I raise the door frame. Get it plumb and straight up and down.

After I get the door frame raised and well stayed, I raise my scaffold around the foundation and then put up the stayes. Start at the door frame; put up the lower half first. The best thing I find to hold the stayes together is to nail barrel stayes on in the inside. Shingle nails will hold them.

When I get around with the tower half I put on the hoops. But do not tighten them up too tight or you cannot slip the top staves down to join the bottom staves. Then proceed with the top half the same as you did with the bottom.

I would advise Mr. Kramer, if he has many silos to erect, to make a set of scaffolds as long as his highest silo; then he can move them from one job to the other and save a lot of time making scaffolds.

I am a charter member of the American Carpenter and Builder and have read every paper but two or three.

E. F. SENSABAUGH.



Laying Cement Floor Over Wood

To the Editor: Montrose, Pa

What is the thinest coat of cement that can be put on top of a wood floor and have it stay? There is a man here that wants a cement floor put on top of the wood floor around his soda fountain about 6 by 15 feet, and he does not want the floor raised any to speak of, not more than 1 inch if it can be helped. I told him that I did not think this could be done. I think 2 inches with a 1/4-inch gal, wire mesh 1/2 inch from top and 1/4 inch from bottom making two reinforcements, would stand. Do you think this would do it if

the cement is mixed about 1 part Portland cement and two of good sharp clean sand.

GORDON DEPUE.

Answer: The method you suggest would be sufficient if there is a stiff and substantial floor to lay the cement floor on. We would advise the nailing down of any loose boards and a strengthening from below if the floor is the least bit shaky. It would also seem to be a good plan to divide this 6 by 15-foot slab into four equal parts, leaving joints to be filled with pitch or tar to allow for temperature changes or for any movement of the floor.

It is often recommended that batten strips be nailed to the floor over the floor joists so as to bring the reinforcement towards the top of the slab at these points. It is also recommended that the reinforcement be fastened by staples to the floor at frequent intervals. Common thicknesses for such cement flooring are $1\frac{1}{2}$ to $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches, and the mixture a one to two as you suggest.

One objection which we have to this method of laying the floor direct upon the wood is the liability of the wood floor beneath rotting out through dampness. It would seem that a coat of tar or asphaltum spread over the floor before the cement was put in place and before the reinforcement was fastened down, would be beneficial. Again we wish to state that it would be practically useless for you to try to lay this floor unless the wood floor beneath is absolutely rigid and of sufficient strength to hold up both the load which was originally upon it and the weight of the new cement floor.

EDITOR

Direction of Flues

To the Editor: Brooklyn, N. Y.

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Would you please inform me if the attached drawing for carrying up chimney flue pipe is correct?

I made it for a brick job on which I am foreman. Architects never give us details like this and we often have to use our wits laying out the work. As shown it gives the width of the chimney breasts at all stories, widening by corbelling as it is carried up. I think this idea would be found useful by all mason builders.

OWEN B. MAGINNIS.

Concrete Street Crossings

To the Editor: Harbor Springs, Mich. We are having considerable trouble here in building cement street crossings. I have built a number which are standing intact; other makes are going to pieces.

Crossings have been built here by excavating 14 inches, filling with stone (thrown in loosely) and then pretending to slush this with concrete with the idea that it would work down among the

stone. Cover this with 4 inches concrete and 2-inch top dressing. They don't last as long as a plank crossing.

I have crossings of several years standing without a crack. I excavate to clean sand or gravel (we have no clay); remove all surface soil, fill with clean gravel; saturate with water and shovel in some concrete and bed stone firmly in same, not over 8 inches high. Fill with concrete within 2 inches of grade, cover immediately with 2-inch coat of 2 and 1 top dressing, finish with float and trowel and corrugate. The work stands well.

JEFF LOSINGER.

Answer: While we are in no position to criticise the work of your competitors, we submit the following as an example

of what is considered to be good practice by some authorities:

First—A layer of well tamped broken stone, gravel, cinders or sand 6 to 8 inches thick. This should be well drained to prevent undermining later. Often in the better class of work a 6-inch layer of lean concrete is placed over this well tamped foundation and made a part of same.

Second—Lay the base slab about 5 inches thick and consisting of a 1:3:5 concrete. This should also be well tamped.

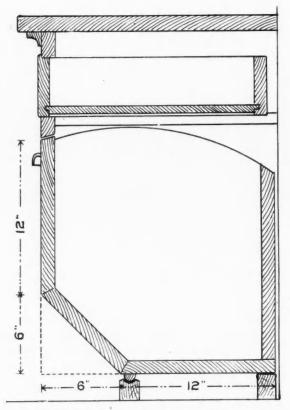
Third—Place immediately on top of the base a coat of 1:1½ or 1:2 Portland cement mortar 2 to 3 inches thick. This mortar should be mixed rather stiff and care should be taken not to trowel enough to bring cement to the surface.

Expansion joints should be left either at each end of the crossing to allow for the lengthening due to temperature, or divide the crossing into blocks by inserting wood strips about ½ of an inch wide at intervals of not over 6 feet when placing the concrete, and allow them to remain there. This effect is often varied by using a metal parting strip of the same thickness when placing the concrete, removing the strip after concrete has set, and filling the space left with loose sand. This joint should extend through top coating and base to the foundation.

Another Flour Bin

To the Editor: Calgary, Alta, Canada.

This simple flour bin may be of help to some of your readers. I have found it to be a very perfect bin and one



that will balance with any desired quantity of flour or sugar. It has its advantage for the woman to stand in front of the work table as there is plenty of room for the feet. It can be removed at any time simply by partly opening the bin and raising it out.

R. D. Curdy.

Setting Marble in Plaster-of-Paris

To the Editor: Warren, Ark.

I have a job in which I am to use an old marble mantel

which is in several pieces that have to be set together with plaster-of-paris cement. As there is no plaster-of-paris worker available, will you kindly inform me how to manage this job.

PAUL H. CARR.

Answer: Have all surfaces clean and free from loose particles of any kind. Then mix plaster-of-paris into a paste; and, using same as a cement, carefully but quickly place the slab, thoroughly backed up with the paste, in the position where it is to go. The marble slab should have anchors of copper wire or some non-corrosive material firmly embedded in the back, or wall side. Care should be taken that these anchors are firmly embedded in the plaster-of-paris backing, and that sufficient number of anchors are used to hold the slab in place when backing has hardened.

Another point to be noticed is that the slab touches the plaster-of-paris at each anchor. On account of the rapidity of hardening of the plaster-of-paris, the work will have to be done very quickly in order to obtain good results. The slabs should be supported firmly in position while the backing is drying, or hardening, in order that they may not become loosened by jarring at some subsequent time.

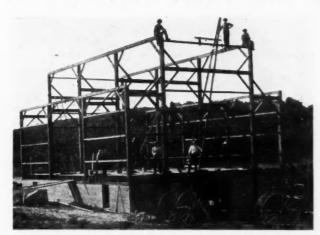
EDITOR.

Barn Framing

To the Editor:

Wasco, Ill.

Enclosed find photo of heavy timber barn frame I am building near Wasco, Ill. It is 34x48 feet. I build large ones after the same plan; it is a plan that takes well in these



parts. The plates are 6 by 8 inch, sills 6 by 8 inch, posts and tie beams 8 by 8 inches, girts 4 by 6 inches, braces 4 by 4 inches, rafters 2 by 6 inches. The girder is 8 by 10 inches, running lengthwise of building and supported by 8 by 8 inch posts.

C. W. MILLEN.

To Erect Stave Silos

To the Editor:

Ames, Iowa.

The inquiry as to how to set up a stave silo comes about a month too late to be of the most service, as all silos should be filled this month. However, it does not seem that a good mechanic would destroy a copy of the American Carpenter and Builder, so the information will come handy next fall.

There are two ways of setting up a stave silo. If it is small, 14 by 30 feet or less, and the tongued and grooved staves extend full height of the silo, it may be set up without a scaffold.

The door frame is first raised and braced or guyed to place; then, by means of a pulley hooked over the door frame and a light rope running through it, each successive stave is drawn up and held to place by means of salt or lime barrel staves tacked on the outside. This should proceed half way round from each side. Then, when opening up to get in the last stave or closing to make connections as the case may be,

each side may be moved half way without moving the door frame. As the building progresses, braces may be run out from the door frame tacked to the top by occasional staves. The workman at the top sits upon a plank which rests on the door frame and a few of the outer staves. In windy weather the bracing from the door frame will not be sufficient and occasional staves or top braces will need guying from the ground.

In erecting a large silo, the door frame must be erected and secured as in a small one, then the scaffold must be built. This will consist of uprights of 2 by 6 or select 2 by 4 material 16 feet long. For a silo 30 feet high which is the most common height, the upper scaffold plank should be at least 26 feet high, and these uprights which are outside of the silo should not be more than 6 or 8 feet apart. The scaffold plank should be supported by brackets. At least two sets of these should be used and the steel at different heights may be reached more conveniently if there are four sets of brackets and scaffold planks. The scaffold must clear the final circle of the silo by 4 to 6 feet, as it cannot be drawn to its proper diameter until the steel is drawn up. When building a silo which will be exposed to severe summer winds it should be framed into the barn or thoroughly guyed to posts set at considerable distance from the base of the silo. This last precaution will eliminate nine-tenths of the difficulties encountered in making a stave silo hold its shape during the

I have had but a few minutes in which to write this out, but hope that it may serve the purpose. Stave silos are becoming very common in this state.

M. L. King.

Rope Splicing

To the Editor:

Manito, Ill.

Would say that I have been taking your valuable paper for over two years and have received a lot of benefit. I saw, in July's issue knots, bends and hitches illustrated, and think it was a good article for everybody using rope; but I didn't see anything about splicing rope. Now I have a splice that I use, but it takes about two hours to make. What I want to get is a splice that does not take so much time. I make a splice about 9 feet long. Now I want to hear from brother chips, as we have ropes to splice very often.

J. M. Roust.

Substantial House Design

To the Editor:

White Hall, Ill.

I am sending you herewith photo of my house which I built, following a design published in the Dec., 1905, number of the American Carpenter and Builder, the plan being by John J. Beufer. In its construction there is but very little wood. Porch floors are re-enforced concrete. Cornice is galvanized iron. Roof is of asbestos shingles. Walls and



porch are concrete blocks. The total cost of this house was \$4,000. The floor plans are the same as those published before, except they are larger. Wm. Stevenson.

Erecting Stave Silos Without Scaffolding

To the Editor: Dinuba, Cal.

Drive a stake, 4 inches in diameter by 3 feet long, 18 inches into the ground at the center of where the silo is to stand. Take a 1 by 3 inch strip, say 12 feet long (for a silo 20 feet in diameter), measure 10 feet from one end and nail a 1 by 3 inch piece 3 feet long across it for a leg; with other end against stake, describe a circle with long end of leg. If ground is level, this is all that is necessary; if not, make a trench 2 feet wide, level with the lowest part one-half of trench on each side of circle.

Put short pieces of 2 by 12 inch in bottom of trench (or on the ground), for staves to stand on. Have one of these pieces long enough so you can dig a hole under it large enough for a man to crawl under silo when staves are all set up.

Get enough pieces of ½ by 3 inch 12 feet long to make two temporary hoops with plenty of length to lap past each other and soak them in water over night, or wet them well and cover with wet straw.

Get 14 or 16 pieces of 1 by 6 inch, 16 feet long for braces.

Make a ladder two feet longer than your staves. (I make it of 1 by 4 inch Douglas fir clear). Make two legs for ladder same length of ladder; bolt them together at top same as step ladder; spread legs out to six or eight feet at bottom by nailing two or three braces across them.

Peg one of your blocks to ground so it can not slip, stand up first stave, set ladder with its side to the stave on outside of circle, one man on ladder, one on ground; tack end of stave to the block you have pegged down, then plumb stave both ways. Take a 1 by 6 inch stick 16 feet; cut one corner off top end so you can toe-nail it to stave. Nail bottom end to the center stake, top end to stave wherever it will reach. Drive another stake anywhere outside of circle so you can brace the first stave the other way from it. Get two of your wet pieces of $\frac{1}{2}$ by 3 inch by 12 feet; give one to man on ladder; let him nail it 2 feet from top of stave; nail yours $\frac{4}{2}$ feet from ground. These are your temporary hoops. Nail them with 4d nails so they can be easily removed.

Proceed with next stave. Let it come against first one, tack wooden hoops to it and proceed with the others in same way. When five are up, make bottoms conform to circle and tack, put up five more; tack bottom to circle; plumb it flat way; brace it with your 1 by 6 inch by 16 feet to center stake same as first. Proceed in like manner until all are up. Plumb and brace every tenth stave.

Put first iron hoop on 4 feet from ground, next one 2 feet from ground. Next put bottom hoop on and tighten up. Then set a few 20d nails around silo just above wooden hoop. Put a hoop on over them very loose; then with a piece of 1 inch gas pipe each two men can run this hoop up against top wooden hoop. Tighten it up so it will not slip down, or tack some nails under it; then proceed with the other hoops, putting a hoop every 2 feet for a 20-foot silo.

The first four hoops should be 3 inches wide and heavy; 2½ inches will do for others.

Hoops should be in two pieces spliced with two patent lug tighteners, so as to give ample room for taking up slack. The top hoop can be put on when the silo is nearly full. Be careful and do not put the lugs over one another, as that will make a flat place, which must not be allowed in any event. While tightening hoops, have man inside pounding any staves that may project in back against hoops, or any flat places that may occur. When wooden hoops buckle, remove them altogether. When inside braces spring, remove them. Tighten up until you cannot see through the joints, unless it is just a short kink—it will swell airtight.

Staves should be made of 2 by 6 inches, milled to the proper bevel, clear of knots and planed.

I generally build them 20 feet in diameter and 24 feet high. This size will hold nearly 150 tons of ensilage.

No scaffold is needed with this kind of silo, as the man on the ladder can take care of several staves without moving ladder. Then come down and move ladder farther around circle, and so on, until finished, when legs are removed and ladder can be used in filling silo.

If Mr. Kramer wants more specific information, he can write me a personal letter and I will take pleasure in giving it.

R. N. ALLEN.

To Glue Marble

To the Editor: Cincinnati, Ohio.

In your correspondence column of August I see one of your readers in want of some kind of glue for marble. For this I recommend the use of sealing wax. The broken parts must be well heated, the wax as well. When good and soft it should be poured in the joint, and the broken pieces pressed together and allowed to cool. The wax must be the same color as the marble and there will be no joint visible. When dry the marble should be rubbed with a hone and then polished with oxalic acid.

A READER.

Painting on Copper and Galvanized Iron

To the Editor: Malvern, Pa.

I note the question in last month's issue concerning a method of painting over copper and galvanized work.

The copper may be prepared for painting by sizing it with a solution of copper sulphate, four ounces to the half-gallon of warm water, adding also an eighth of an ounce of nitric acid. This will roughen the surface of the copper and allow the paint to get a hold. Make the first coat of paint flat with turpentine, or nearly so; say one-third raw oil to two-thirds turpentine. On this foundation you may apply any good oil paint you wish, sure that it will wear about the same as good paint wears on wood.

Galvanized iron is all right for paint if it has stood to the weather for a year or so, but if the galvanizing is rather fresh it will be necessary to size it, as follows: Make up a solution of two ounces each of copper chloride, copper nitrate and sal ammoniac, dissolved in one gallon of soft water in an earthen or porcelain vessel; to this solution add two ounces of commercial muriatic acid. With a broad bristle brush, say a whitewash or kalsomine brush, apply a coating of this solution, covering all parts perfectly, and then let it stand until next day. It will appear black, but gradually the color will become lighter, assuming a grayish tone finally, when it may be swept off and coated with any good paint. This method of treating galvanized iron has been in use for over fifty years, and gives perfect satisfaction.

A. ASHMUN KELLY.

Painting Soil Pipe

To the Editor: Sante Fe. Isle of Pines, W. I.

Can you tell me what mixture to use on a soil pipe? I have a soil pipe to paint that comes up on the outside of the house which is painted white. They also want the pipe white. The tar on the pipe turns the paint a nasty yellow.

CLARE C. WASHBURNE.

Answer: The only way we consider practical in overcoming the difficulty is to first thoroughly remove all traces of the tar paint which is now on the pipe, either by burning with gasoline torch or by scraping. Then after the metal is entirely clean, apply as many coats of your paint as are necessary to bring it up to the color and quality desired.

EDITOR.

A Circular Splayed Frame with a Circular Head

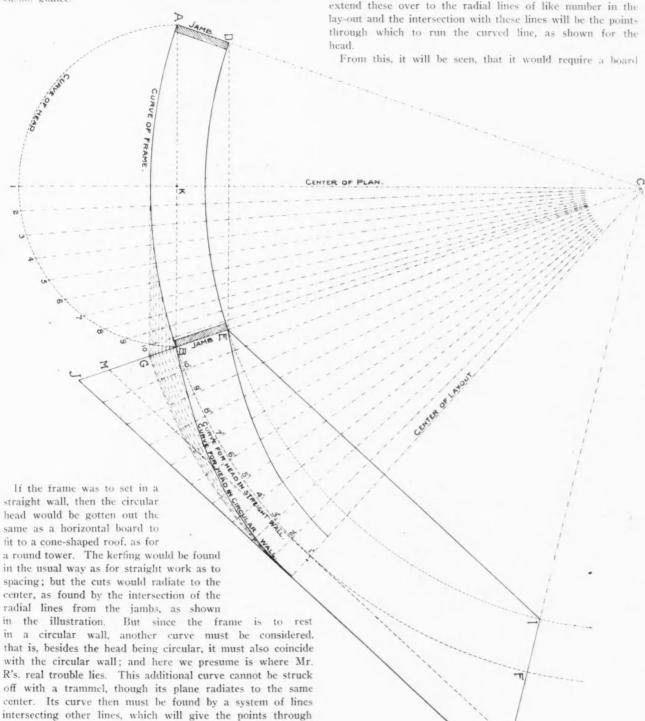
To the Editor: Springfield, Ill.

I would like to know a rule for kerfing the head jamb for a splayed frame with a circular head and to go into a circular wall.

Henry C. Rentsch.

Answer: Mr. Rentsch's problem, while seemingly simple presents a problem more difficult than would appear at a casual glance.

with the line AB as at K. This being done, lay off on this semi-circle, any number of the radial lines, as 1, 2, 3, etc. Continue the curve of the frame, as shown by the dotted line BF and on this space off 1' 2' 3', etc., equal to the spacing 1, 2, 3, etc., as before mentioned, on the circle for the head: but should extend beyond the circle, as shown. Now draw lines at right angles from the center line of the plan from each of the radial lines where they cross the curve of the frame, to the jamb line BG and from this with C as center, extend these over to the radial lines of like number in the lay-out and the intersection with these lines will be the points through which to run the curved line, as shown for the head.



Now referring to the diagram, A B represents the width of the frame and A D and B E the jambs. The radial lines from these, intersecting at C which is the common center for all of the radial lines. The center for the circular head is struck from the center line of plan where it intersects

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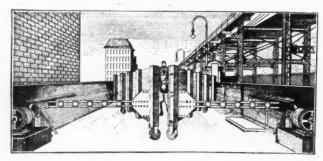
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as bounded by EMHI from which to cut the head to fit the frame in a straight wall and EJLI to cut the same to go into a circular wall.

A. W. Woods.

A Gate to Stop Runaways

A device to check runaway horses has been devised and put in successful operation on the Williamsburg Bridge, New York, which on account of its wide roadways and lack



Gate to Stop Runaways on the Williamsburg Bridge, New York

of trolley-cars seems to have acquired an unusual record in the matter of runaways, far exceeding the number on the Brooklyn Bridge. In four years 185 runaways took place, 53 horses were killed and 47 injured, while at the same time 96 persons were injured, says Popular Electricity.

On April 14, 1910, a "runaway gate," the idea of a laborer on the bridge, was put into operation. The device consists of two leaves built of plank as shown, 40 feet long and 6 feet 9 inches high, mounted on wheels. The officer in charge needs only to close a switch which sets in operation motors which cause racks and pinions to push the two ends of the leaves toward each other, forming a V with the opening facing the direction from which traffic is coming, except that a space through which a man may pass is left at the apex. In the one runaway which occurred since its installation the horse started 150 feet distant, and by the time it had reached the gate the leaves were nearly closed. The horse breaking away from the harness passed through the opening without injury, leaving the wagon in the apex of the V. The leaves swing back parallel with the sides of the bridge when not in service.

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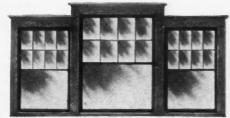
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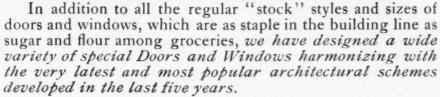












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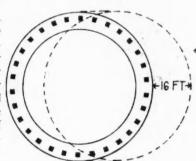
for other objects of interior adornment. In the face of this great activity in favor of art glass the long experience of the Suess Glass Company should be of great advantage to practical builders, since it enables them to design and fabricate the most attractive and pleasing ornamental pieces at factory prices. They are ready to figure on any kind of art glass job and are equipped to furnish sketches and estimates promptly.

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The sword-swallower, the lion-tamer, and other daring performers who finally come to grief by carrying their specialties too far, seem likely to be joined soon by Pisa's leaning tower, which has lately shown a tendency to lean more than ever. Frightened Pisa has appointed a commission to look into this alarming inclination, and the commission reports that a new foundation must go under it if it is to stand any longer. Otherwise, after serving to illustrate the stability of inclined structures to generations of school boys, it would doubtless give one final sad demonstration of what happened to such structures when the center of gravity falls outside the base line. The Literary Digest reports the following from a writer in Cosmos (Paris):

"The leaning tower of Pisa, renowned throughout all the world, is leaning more and more and is causing anxiety; it

has even been necessary to stop ringing its bells. At the opening of the nineteenth century its inclination was 8.6 per cent of its height; today it has reached 9.2 per cent, and what is still more disquieting is the fact that this increase of departure from the vertical has taken place almost all at once.



"A commission has been appointed to study the situation, and its report is most pessimistic. It states that the foundations, instead of consisting of a large, massive base, as has been believed since the studies of Grassi in 1831 and those of Rohault de Fleury in 1859, are formed only of a ring exactly the size of the walls, and go down only about ten feet below the ground-a depth absolutely insufficient for a monument of this importance.

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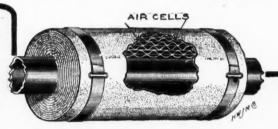
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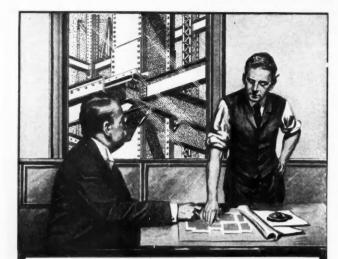
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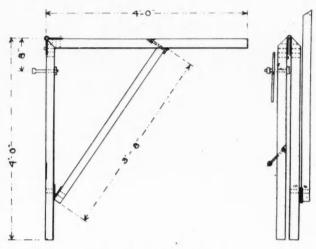
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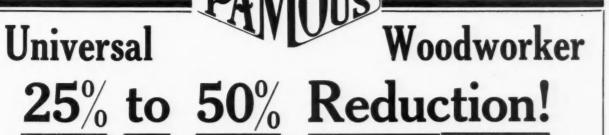
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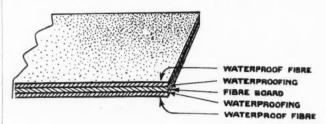
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Utility Wall Board

During recent years there has been a growing feeling among carpenters and builders that the ordinary lath and plaster we have been accustomed to does not form the ideal material for the finishing of building interiors. The lath is too expen-



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The accompanying photograph is of a room built with "Utility Wall Board" and shows the handsome panel effect that can be secured by this method. The studs are 2 by 4's set on 16-inch centers, and the strips of wall board were nailed to them, running the sheets full length from floor to



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ceiling The trim was put on after the wall had been painted, as that way it makes the painter's work easier. The base board and chair rail were of usual stock dimensions, while the strips were of ordinary yellow pine, surfaced four sides, 13% inches wide and 1/4-inch thick. Under the chair rail the strips were placed 32 inches apart, while above the chair rail they were placed 16 inches apart. The color scheme was yellow and dark olive green, using two coats of ordinary oil

The sketch shows the construction of "Utility Wall Board" and makes clear its durable and waterproof character. Still, to really appreciate its structure a sample should be examined; which samples may be had from the manufacturer on request.

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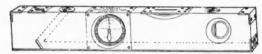
Lack of proper lubrication is the greatest cause of disintegration of wire rope. The corrosion is particularly noticeable on the inside wires of the strands, due to the fact that the lubrication has failed to penetrate to them.

The scientific lubrication of wire rope, according to the American Wire Rope News, is a matter which has not been given the attention it deserves. A wire rope is very complex, requiring constant lubrication not only on the surface, but inside of the strands. Many wire ropes fail because of the complete corrosion of the inside wires, while the outside wires are apparently in good condition.

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Does It Look Familiar?

This is the invariable condition of the average wood shingle after a few years usage.

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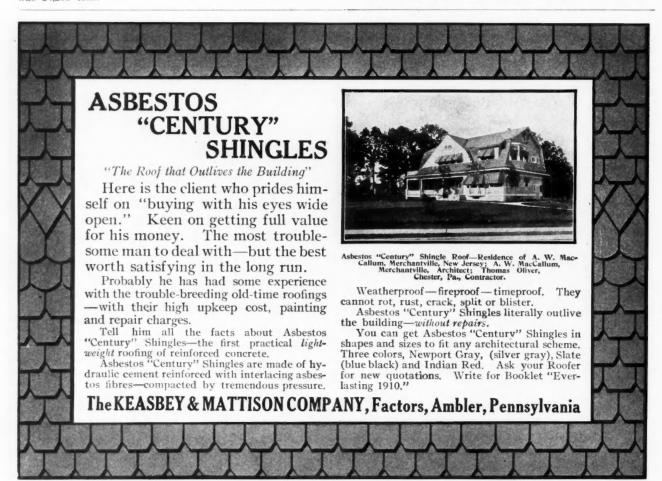
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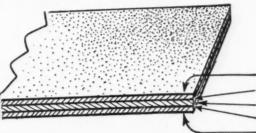


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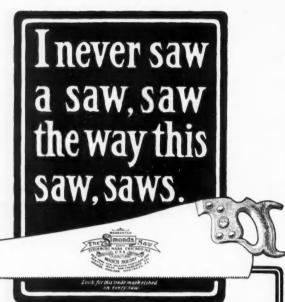
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He finds, on the whole, that the steel is generally in a good state of preservation, although some rivets are corroded. The paint used to "preserve" the steel, made of pure linseed oil, has entirely disappeared, owing to chemical action with the mortar—a fact that shows linseed oil to be unfit for this purpose. The cement in which the steel was encased seems to have preserved it perfectly—an interesting and valuable fact.

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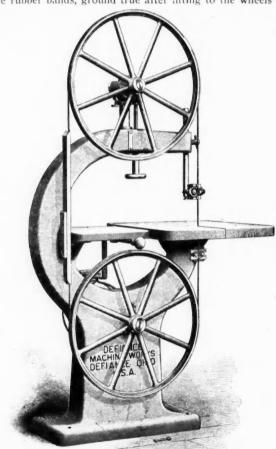
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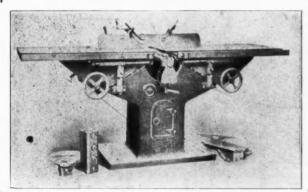


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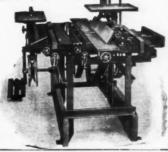
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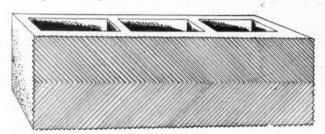
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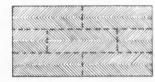
fact enabling the block maker to make a number of designs with a smaller stock of blocks, will make this very popular.

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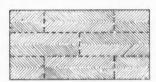
is equally well adapted to all sizes and shaped blocks.

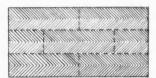
To the block machine manufacturer it costs but the price of one face plate and one end plate; and will often be the means of selling a complete machine.

The block maker who cannot obtain this design from his manufacturer can convert the plain face of his ma-









Grooved Blocks Laid in the Wall

chine into this style by the use of a half yard of corrugated rubber floor matting and a few ounces of rubber tire cement.

When this block is used in combination with rockface, or panel blocks, a great variety of wall designs is possible. They are neat and attractive, and relieve the sameness so noticeable in walls made of one design in any other pattern.

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the Cleveland office of the American Sea Green Slate Company the other day expressly to say:

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But Mr. Barnard is only one of hundreds.

Livery owner of a slate roof who has watched his roof outwear two, or three, or half a dozen times the shingle, the tin, the iron, copper or composition roofs of his neighl ors is just as enthusiastic about nature's best roofing—the roofing that never wears out—Sea Green or Purple Slate.

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This is to certify that the undersigned had personal know-ledge of placing an American Sea Green Slate roof upon a building of his grandfather, Gabriel Putnam, in the year 1877, and also one upon the dwelling of his father in the same year. Said roofs are in the same year.

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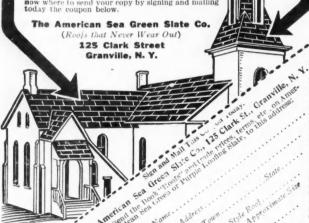
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All readers of the American Carpenter and Builder would do well to investigate this improved heating apparatus. A card will bring full particulars.

Cost of Roofing

Because it is used so generously on the finest homes in this country, and on the pitched roofs of the best buildings. churches, museums, libraries, etc., everywhere in fact, where the roof must fittingly finish with a chaste uniformity the construction of the building beneath, slate has the reputation of being an expensive luxury. Its many excellencies, its cleanliness, its orderliness, its smart, high-class and prosperous look, and the fact that it is fireproof, have gained it many an admirer who had not previously given it consideration on his own buildings because he thought it too costly.

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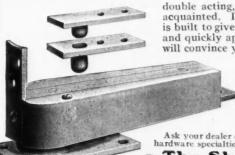
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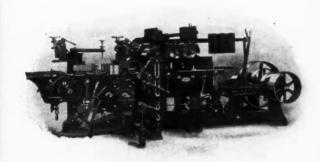
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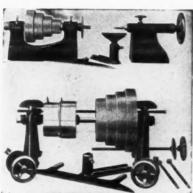
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The lowering of ground-water levels by pumping operations carried on in connection with subway construction may seriously affect foundations of adjacent buildings which are not supported on rock. In fact, deep excavations in soft materials in city streets, which are somewhat removed from bodies of water, are often the source of considerable trouble because of the settling of the buildings. As the water is removed from the subsoil there may be not only a vertical settlement, but a horizontal motion as well. The movement of a building near an excavation is largely due to sliding of the earth which underlies the building, but where the structure is at a considerable distance from the digging operations it may be that removal of water from the soil allows the latter to be compressed, thus resulting in a settlement.

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ducing a fine polish. But such a finish is affected by water. A better finish, one not affected by water, is made by melting three or four bits of gum sandarac about the size of a walnut each and adding one pint of boiled oil, boiling the mass for one hour. When taken from the fire and allowed to cool, add in the meantime one dram of Venice turpentine and if too thick add also a little ordinary turpentine spirits. Apply a coat of this to the furniture and let it stand for a few hours, after which rub off clean. The furniture then should be rubbed daily to keep it clean, but a fresh application of the polish will not be necessary more than once in two or three months, possibly longer. Scratches may be removed with the rubbing in of a little of the polish. This recipe is very highly recommended.

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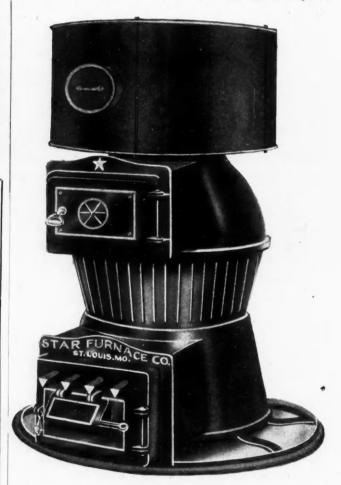
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The use of lifting-magnets where large masses of iron are to be handled quickly and readily has already been described in these columns. An article in the American Exporter





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For loading and unloading rails, tubes, and large plates it has been found an advantage to operate the magnets in pairs. In this manner twenty to twenty-five rails at a time may be lifted while nested together and dropped in the exact location desired without disturbing their arrangement, enabling a whole car of rails to be loaded neatly in a few minutes. It is in such special uses of the lifting-magnet that the saving of time and labor is most marked. The grip by simply magnetic force, by saving space occupied by the old hooks and chains, enables the magnet to do work which is impossible to the old method, as, for example, the close and accurate piling of rails and structural steel without rehandling.

The magnet may be used advantageously in loading and unloading large quantities of loose scrap, matted masses of scrap iron, lathe chips, and the like at a profit in the handling, whereas the labor cost under the old method would be prohibitive. The cost of handling iron and steel is from 5 cents to 50 cents per ton, according to the nature of the material. The use of lifting-magnets cut down this cost about 90 per cent. Other interesting special uses are in handling iron and steel goods packed in cases and barrels, such as kegs of nails—notwithstanding the wood between the magnet and the metal to be lifted, and extra margin of electric power being provided to make up for the absence of direct contact between the magnet-poles and the load.

New Handy Saw Clamps

Henry Disston & Sons, of Philadelphia, have just announced that they are beginning the distribution of two new saw clamps made so light and compact that they can be carried in a tool chest with no trouble or inconvenience.

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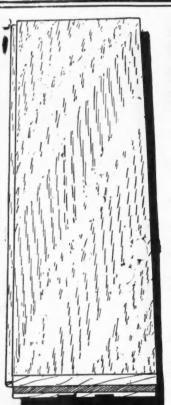
The length over all is 14¾ inches. Filing length of jaws is 13 inches. Weight of the clamp is 3¾ lbs.

Disstons are also making a new No. 6 Saw Clamp which is of the same general design as No. 5, with the addition of screw lugs for fastening to the bench. The lugs fold snugly to the body of the clamp, thus taking up small space in a tool chest.

Flood Precautions in Paris

The havoc caused in Paris during the early part of this year by floods resulted in the appointment of a commission to investigate and adopt measures to prevent a recurrence of the disaster. The report of this commission, the engineering plans of which will probably be carried out to the letter, provides for the widening of the smaller arm of the Seine above the bridge St. Michel, the reconstruction of the Archeveche, Double and Petit bridges, the displacement of the Orleans railway near the bridge St. Michel, the modification or suppression of the Monnaie dam and lock, the raising of the embankment walls 20 in. above the highest water level during the flood, and the adoption of suitable means for hermetically closing the openings into the Seine when a rise in the water level threatens.

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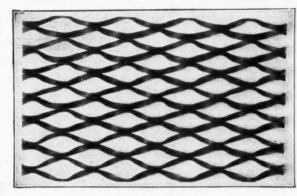
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Makers of the Best Hardwood Flooring

With this caption the Dwight Lumber Company of Detroit, Michigan, have for many years advertised their flooring, and in all of the years that this company has been doing business they have always kept up the standard of their product.

The claim is made that "Dwight" flooring is always manufactured from the very best stock, thoroughly kiln-dried, and in addition the milling is as nearly perfect as modern machinery and method can produce. It is in thin hardwood flooring that the Dwight Company specializes, and, in fact, the name this thin flooring bears, "Dwight Special," carries with it a reputation deserved by long years of careful attention to stock and milling, and matching that easily entitles it to the name "Best Thin Hardwood Flooring." The great strength of the tongue is its strongest recommendation; and that carpenters like to lay it, makes it easy selling on the part of the dealer.

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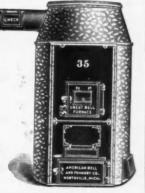
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Not Imitators But Leaders

A very important suit was decided in U. S. Court of Appeals, at Cincinnati Ohio, July 18th, 1910, by Judge Severence, Warrington.

The XXth Century Heating & Ventilating Co., of Akron, Ohio, sued The Taplin, Rice-Clerkin Co., of Akron, Ohio in U. S. Courts, Northern District of Ohio, about three years ago, on an invention claimed to be owned by complainant company, covering certain grate construction and attachments.

The case was first tried before Federal Judge Taylor, in June, 1909, and decided by him in favor of the defendant, The Taplin, Rice-Clerkin Co. The complainant, the XXth Century H & V. Co., not satisfied with Judge Taylor's opinion, appealed the case to the U.S. Court of Appeals, at Cin-

The case came for hearing in April last, and after carefully reviewing the whole case, the Court of Appeals decided that the Defendant, the Taplin, Rice-Clerkin Co., did not infringe the complainant's construction; and to ones who are interested a copy of the opinion can be obtained from The Taplin, Rice-Clerkin Co., Akron, Ohio.

This is a great victory for the defendant, The Taplin, Rice-Clerkin Co., who have always claimed to be "original" in all stoves, furnaces and machinery construction-and claiming never to appropriate "old-copied construction" as used by others; in other words, "Not Imitators," but rather "leaders" in improvements.

It is learned, on good authority, that the defendant, The Taplin, Rice-Clerkin Co., having been injured in their business, will bring suit for the sum of \$100,000 for damages against the complainant company. No doubt that will be a long-drawn out suit, and will be watched by interested parties as to the final outcome.

America's Lead in Telephones

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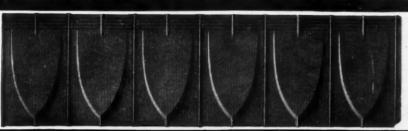
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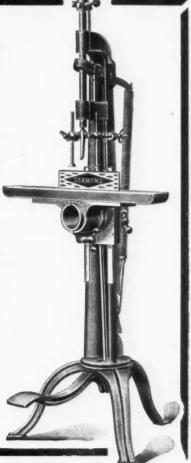
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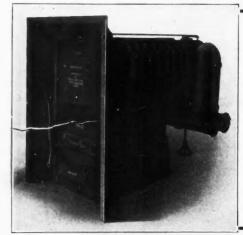
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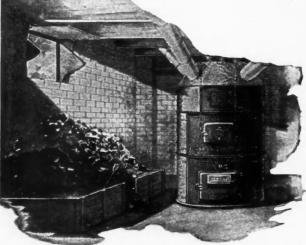
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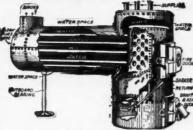
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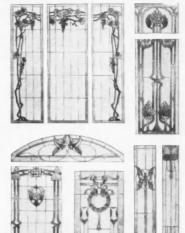
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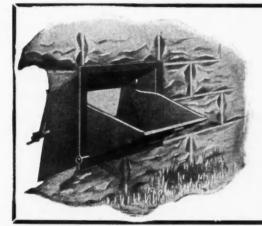
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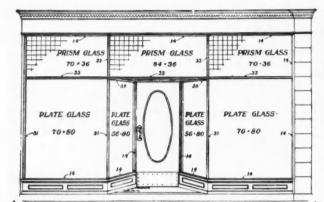
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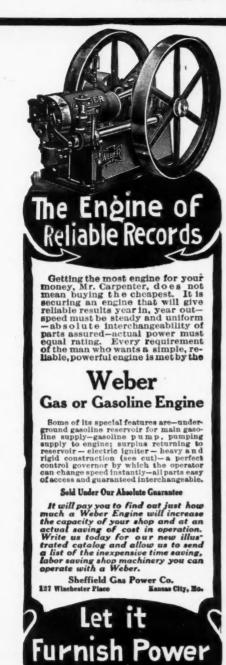
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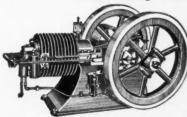


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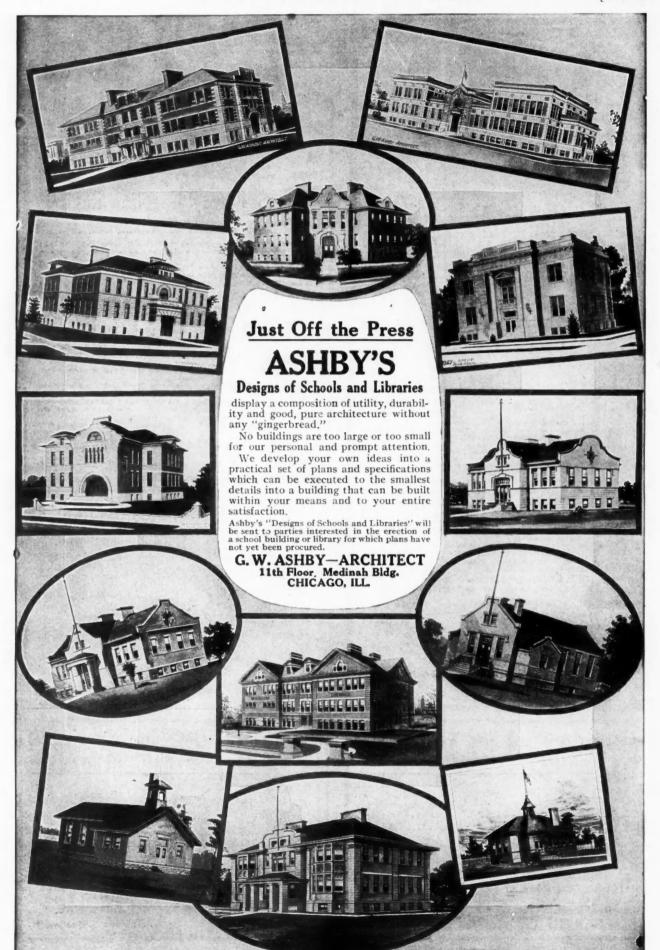


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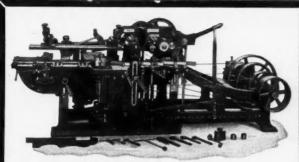
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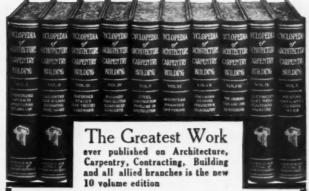
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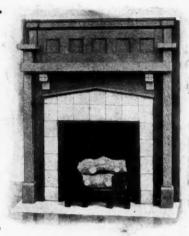


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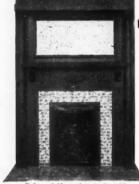
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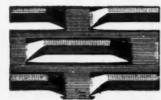
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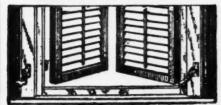
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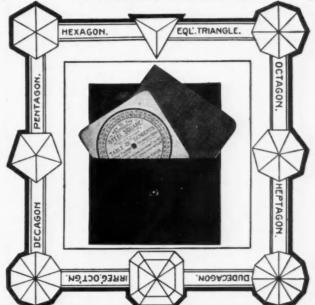
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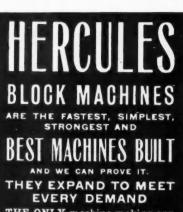
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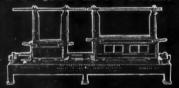
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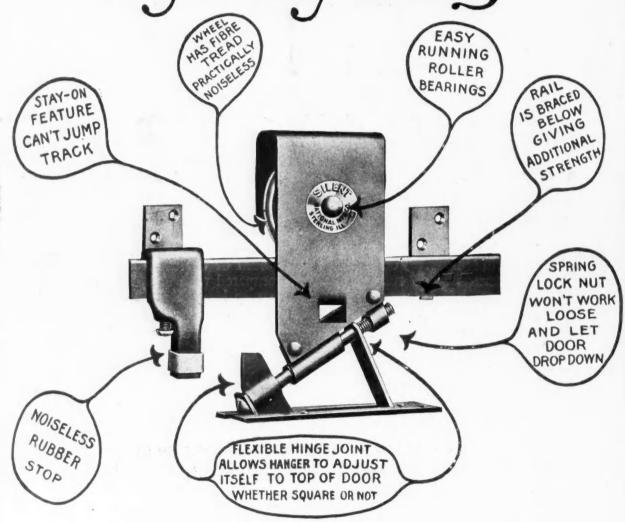
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