

POSTAGE STAMPS OF FOURPENCE.

*Inland Revenue, Somerset House,
24th July, 1855.*

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Commissioners of Inland Revenue have provided a Stamp for denoting the duty of Fourpence for Postage, and that such Stamps will be issued to the Public on and after the 31st of this month, at the office of the distributor of Postage Stamps in this department, and of the distributor of Sea Policy Stamps, New Bank-buildings, City.

Further notice will be given of the period when such Stamps may be procured at the offices of the distributors throughout the country.

Thomas Keogh, Secretary.

THE AVERAGE PRICE OF BROWN OR MUSCOVADO SUGAR,

The Produce of the British Possessions in AMERICA. Computed from the RETURNS made in the Week ending the 24th day of July, 1855,

Is Twenty-two Shillings and Five Pence per Hundred Weight;

Exclusive of the Duties of Customs paid or payable thereon, on the IMPORTATION thereof into GREAT BRITAIN;

THE AVERAGE PRICE OF BROWN OR MUSCOVADO SUGAR,

The Produce of the MAURITIUS, Computed as above, and Exclusive of Duty,

Is Twenty-two Shillings and Eleven Pence per Hundred Weight;

THE AVERAGE PRICE OF BROWN OR MUSCOVADO SUGAR,

The Produce of the EAST INDIES, Computed as above, and Exclusive of Duty,

Is Twenty-five Shillings and Two Pence Three Farthings per Hundred Weight;

The AVERAGE PRICE of the three foregoing Descriptions of SUGAR, jointly,

Computed as above, and Exclusive of Duty,

Is Twenty-three Shillings and Six Pence Three Farthings per Hundred Weight.

By Authority of Parliament,

HENRY BICKNELL,

Clerk of the Grocers' Company

Grocers'-Hall, July 27, 1855.

Patent Law Amendment Act, 1852.

Office of the Commissioners of Patents for 1853. Inventions.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the petition of James Tildesley, of Willenball, in the county of Stafford, Manufacturer, praying for letters patent for the invention of "an improvement or improvements in curry-combs," was deposited and recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 21st day of July, 1855, and a complete specification accompanying such petition was at the same time filed in the said office.

Patent Law Amendment Act, 1852.

Office of the Commissioners of Patents for Inventions.

NOTICE is hereby given, that provisional protection has been allowed.

723. To William Henry Balmain, of St. Helens, in the county of Lancaster, Manufacturing Chemist, for the invention of "improved

methods of, or processes for, recovering oxide of manganese after it has been used in the manufacture of chlorine."

On his petition, recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 31st day of March, 1855.

997. To Jean Pechgris de Frontin, of Agen, Empire of France, and of 32, Essex-street, Strand, London, for the invention of "the use of a new material in the manufacture of paper and pasteboard."

On his petition, recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 4th day of May, 1855.

1530. To Richard Roberts, of Heaton Norris, in the county of Lancaster, Machine Maker, and George Coppock, of the same place, Manager, for the invention of "certain improvements in looms for weaving."

1531. To Henry Edward Flynn, of Retreat Ranelagh, in the county of Dublin, for the invention of "improvements in preventing fire from the overheating of hot air flues."

1532. To John Prophet, of Broughty Ferry, in the county of Forfar, North Britain, Confectioner, for the invention of "improvements in the manufacture or production of confectionery."

1533. To James Tetlow, of Oldham, in the county of Lancaster, Cotton Spinner and Manufacturer, for the invention of "certain improvements in machinery or apparatus for spinning cotton and other fibrous materials."

1535. To Alfred Vincent Newton, of the Office for Patents, 66, Chancery-lane, in the county of Middlesex, Mechanical Draughtsman, for the invention of "a new manufacture of fire and burglar proof glass."—A communication.

1536. And to John and Anton Bruno Seithen, of Regent's-square, in the county of Middlesex, for the invention of "improvements in machinery for cutting and shaping cork."

On their several petitions, recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 9th day of July, 1855.

1539. To James Palmer, of Oldham, in the county of Lancaster, Manager, for the invention of "improvements in machinery for carding cotton and other fibrous substances."

1541. To Richard Archibald Brooman, of 166, Fleet-street, in the city of London, Patent Agent, for the invention of "an improved means of securing wheels upon axles."—A communication.

1543. And to Charles James Cheatley Elkington, of Hall-street, City-road, in the county of Middlesex, Electro Metallurgical Artist, for the invention of "improvements in depositing alloys of metals."

On their several petitions, recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 10th day of July, 1855.

1544. To Henry Pratt, of the city of Worcester, Engineer, for the invention of "certain improvements in steam flour mills, wind mills, and water mills, parts of which are also applicable for other useful purposes."—Partly a communication from Edward Harrison, of Connecticut, in the United States of America.

1545. To John Henry Johnson, of 47, Lincoln's-inn-fields, in the county of Middlesex, and of Glasgow, North Britain, Gentleman, for the invention of "improvements in apparatus or means for facilitating the performance of church and other music on organs, harmoniums, pianos, and other similar keyed musical instruments."—A communication from François Guichené.