363. To William Hirst, of Bath, for the invention of "improvements in manufacturing felted fabrics."

364. To William Wilkens, Manufacturer, of Baltimore, United States of America, and now of No. 4, South-street, Finsbury, London, for the invention of "an improved cannon, which he calls a revolving battery."—A communication from E. Ames, of Baltimore, U.S.

365. And to Perceval Moses Parsons, of Dukestreet, Adelphi, in the county of Middlesex, Civil Engineer, for the invention of "improvements in the permanent way of railways."

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

866. To James Murdoch, of 7, Staple-inn, in the county of Middlesex, Patent Agent, for the invention of "an improvement in the process of treating the threads of floss silk, which is also applicable to the threads of other fibrous materials."—A communication from Gabriel Armand, of Lyons.

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367. To James Taylor, of the Britannia Works,
Birkenhead, in the county of Chester, Engineer,
for the invention of "improvements in machinery for crushing various substances."

368. To Henry Cartwright, of the Dean Broseley, in the county of Shropshire, for the invention of "improvements in the application and mode of working excentrics on steam engines."

369. To Charles Turner, of Liverpool, in the county of Lancaster, Hat Manufacturer, and Louis Watermann, of the same place, Cap Manufacturer, for the invention of "improvements in or applicable to the class of hats made from straw, grass, palm leaf, or other like materials."

370. To Léon Talabot, of No. 57, Chaussée d'Antin, Paris, Gentleman, for the invention of "improvements in the manufacture of iron and steel."

371. To Joseph Fenn, of Newgate-street, in the city of London, Tool Manufacturer, for the invention of "an improvement in oil-cans and other like vessels."—A communication.

372. To David Falconer, Wright, residing at 68, Causeyside, Paisley, in the county of Renfrew, for the invention of "improvements in the mechanical arrangement for raising and forcing of water or other fluid, air, or gasses."

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373. To John Harding, of Beeston Manor Iron Works, Leeds, in the county of York, for the invention of "improvements in the treatment of metallic ores."

374. To Thomas John Taylor, of Sekforde-street, Clerkenwell, in the county of Middlesex, Jewel Case Maker, for the invention of "an improved construction of stereoscope."

375. To Samuel Groves, of Judd-place East, in the county of Middlesex, Organ Builder, for the invention of "improvements in organs."

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376. And to Henry Willis, of Manchester-street,
Gray's-inn-road, in the county of Middlesex,
Organ Builder, for the invention of "improvements in organs."

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

377. To William Thomas Walker, of 55, Kingsquare, in the parish of St. Luke, in the county of Middlesex, Civil Engineer, for the invention of "improvements in apparatus used in gas works for exhausting, forcing, transmitting, and regulating the flow of gas, and cleansing and warming gas apparatus."

378. To Abel Stokes, of Birmingham, in the county of Warwick, Manufacturer, for the invention of "new or improved machinery to be used in the manufacture of nails, pins, screws, and other similar articles."

379. To Julian Bernard, of the Albany, Piccadilly, in the county of Middlesex, Gentleman, for the invention of "improvements in the manufacture or production of boots and shoes, or coverings for the feet, and in the machinery or apparatus employed in such manufacture."

380. To Daniel Benjamin Herts, of Bunhill-row, in the county of Middlesex, Merchant, for the invention of "improvements in apparatus for stamping and embossing."—A communication.
381. To Benjamin Webster Owrid, of Dundalk,

in the county of Louth, Engineer, for the invention of an "improved method of connecting and disconnecting pines or tubes"

and disconnecting pipes or tubes."
382. To Joseph Graham and James Shepherd, both of Burnley, in the county of Lancaster, Machine Makers, and Thomas Whitaker, of Acrington, in the same county, Manufacturer, for the invention of "certain improvements in power looms for weaving."

383. To Jabez Morgan, Iron Wire Drawer, of Kidderminster, in the county of Worcester, for the invention of "certain improvements in the manufacture of steel and iron wire for umbrella and parasol frames."

384. To William Richelieu Hodges, of the city of Manchester, in the county of Lancaster, Merchant, for the invention of "improvements in the manufacture of an elastic material, and of its application to certain purposes."

385. To Austin Chambers, of Canterbury, and William Harrison Champion, of Lynsted, Kent, for the invention of "a mode of working railway breaks."

386. To George Bedson, of Manchester, in the county of Lancaster, Manager, for the invention of "improvements in coating metal with metal and metallic compounds."

387. To August Frederick William Partz, of the City and State of New York, in the United States of America, for the invention of "an improved method of evaporating fluids, condensing and absorbing vapors, gases, and fumes, arresting and precipitating floculent, metallic, or other particles, and transferring heat from air or steam to fluids and pulverulent substances."

388. To Thomas Fielding Johnson, of Leicester, Spinner, and John Williams, of Leicester, Mechanic, for the invention of "improvements in screw gill machinery for preparing wool and other fibrous materials."

389. To John Forrest Watson, of St. John's-square, Clerkenwell, in the county of Middle-sex, for the invention of "improvements in the construction of watches."

390. To Jesse Bridgwood, of Burslem, Staffordshire Potteries, for the invention of "improvements in connecting pipes to the basins of water closets and wash-hand basins, and also in the means of stopping the outlets of wash-hand basins."

391. To William Wood Pilcher, of St. Margaret'sat-Cliffe, Dover, for the invention of "improvements in straw shakers of thrashing machines."

392. To Abraham Royds, Carder, and John Kenyon, Overlooker, both of Lower-place, Rochdale, in the county of Lancaster, for the invention of "certain improvements or a certain improvement in machines for spinning or doubling, commonly known as throstles."