

2715. To Achille Mercier, of Louviers, in the Department of the Eure, in the Empire of France, Engineer, for the invention of "a machine for felting the rovings, stubs, and threads or yarns of wool and other fibrous materials."

On his petition, recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 1st day of December, 1859.

2861. To John Langley King, of 56, Well-street, Oxford-street, London, Lecturer at the Royal Polytechnic Institution, for the invention of "a submarine lamp and safety lamp for mines and other useful purposes."

2863. To William Mosley, Junior, of Salford, in the county of Lancaster, Manager, for the invention of "certain improved machinery or apparatus for washing, scouring, or cleansing textile fabrics or materials."

2865. To Joseph Jeffrey Bennett, of Homerterrace, Victoria Park, in the county of Middlesex, Civil Engineer, for the invention of "an improved construction of fluid meter."

2867. And to Robert Morrison, of the town and county of the town of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Engineer, for the invention of "improvements in double and single action steam hammers."

On their several petitions, recorded in the Office of the Commissioners on the 16th day of December, 1859.

2869. To Friedrich Hochstaetter and Heinrich Hochstaetter, of Gresham-street, City, for the invention of "the preparation of a substitute for gunpowder."

2871. To Frank Clarke Hills, of Deptford, in the county of Kent, Manufacturing Chemist, for the invention of "improvements in means and apparatus for purifying gas, and in the preparation and treatment of oxides of iron to be used in such purification, or for other purposes."

2877. To Peter Spence, of Pendleton, in the county of Lancaster, Manufacturing Chemist, for the invention of "improvements in repairing bells injured by cracks or fractures."

2879. And to William Clark, of 53, Chancery-lane, in the county of Middlesex, Engineer and Patent Agent, for the invention of "improvements in the supports or chairs of railway rails."—A communication from abroad, by Messrs. Auguste Desgoffe and Leon Jucqueau, of Paris, Civil Engineers.

On their several petitions, recorded in the Office of the Commissioners, on the 17th day of December, 1859.

Vice-Chancellor Stuart for Master of the Rolls.

Thursday, the 29th day of December, 1859.

In the Matter of the Joint Stock Companies Winding-up Acts 1848 and 1849, and the Joint Stock Companies Winding-up Amendment Act, 1857, and of the Polytechnic Institution.

THIS Court doth order that the said Polytechnic Institution be absolutely wound up by the Judge of this Court, to whom this matter is attached, under the provisions of the Joint Stock Companies Winding-up Acts 1848 and 1849, and the Joint Stock Companies Winding-up Amendment Act, 1857.

F. Bedwell, C. R. and W.

Master of the Rolls at Chambers.

In the Matter of the Joint Stock Companies Winding-up Acts, 1848 and 1849, and the Joint Stock Companies Winding-up Amendment Act, 1857, and the Polytechnic Institution.

NOTICE is hereby given, that all parties claiming to be creditors of this institution are to come in and prove their debts before his Honour the Master of the Rolls, at his chambers, Rolls-yard, Chancery-lane, London, and until they shall so come in they will be precluded from commencing or prosecuting any proceeding for recovery of their debts. And notice is hereby further given, that his Honour has appointed Monday, the 9th day of January, 1860, at twelve o'clock at noon, at his chambers as aforesaid, for hearing and adjudicating upon the said claims. The particulars of such claims are to be forwarded to Robert Isaac Longbottom, of No. 309, Regent-street, in the county of Middlesex, Esq., the Interim Manager of the said institution. And notice is hereby further given, that his Honour has appointed the time and place above-mentioned for the creditors of the said institution to meet before him, for the purpose of appointing one or more person or persons, other than the Interim Manager, to represent all the creditors of the said institution in and about the said proceedings before him.—Dated this 30th day of December, 1859.

Master of the Rolls at Chambers.

In the Matter of the Joint Stock Companies Winding-up Acts, 1848 and 1849, and the Joint Stock Companies Winding-up Amendment Act, 1857, and the Polytechnic Institution.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Master of the Rolls the Judge of the High Court of Chancery, to whose Court the winding up of this Institution is attached, will at his Chambers, in Rolls-yard, Chancery-lane, London, on Monday the 9th day of January, 1860, at twelve o'clock at noon, or at such other adjourned time or place as may then or afterwards be fixed, appoint an Official Manager of this Institution, and all parties interested are intitled to attend at such time and place, and to offer proposals or objections as to any such appointment.—Dated the 30th day of December, 1859.

Vice-Chancellor Wood at Chambers.

In the Matter of the Joint Stock Companies Winding-up Acts, 1848 and 1849; and of the Joint Stock Companies Winding-up Amendment Act, 1857; and the British and Foreign Reliance Marine Assurance Company.

NOTICE is hereby given, that all parties claiming to be creditors of the above-named Company, are to come in and prove their debts before the Vice-Chancellor Sir William Page Wood, the Judge of the High Court of Chancery to whose Court the winding up of this matter is attached, at his chambers, No. 11, New-square, Lincoln's-inn, in the county of Middlesex, and until they shall so come in they will be precluded from commencing or prosecuting any proceeding for recovery of their debts; and notice is hereby further given, that the said Judge has appointed Friday the 27th day of January, 1860, at two o'clock in the afternoon precisely, at his chambers as aforesaid, for hearing and adjudicating upon the claims.

The particulars of all claims, together with a copy of the affidavit to be used in support thereof,