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2979. 11th May. Moritz Michaelis, of Melbourne, in the Colony of Victoria, Leather Merchant, and Frederick David Michaelis, of Melbourne aforesaid, Leather Merchant.—An invention for an improved dressing-blacking. Not proceeded with.

2980. 7th May. James Randall Gascoigne, of Devonport, in the Provincial District of Auckland,

New Zealand, Gentleman.—An invention to be called "Gascoigne's I.X.L. Hedge-clipping and Pruning Shears." Not proceeded with.

2981. 8th May. WILLIAM THOMAS BARNSDALE, Jun., of the City of Auckland, New Zealand, Fireman, and William Hicks, of Auckland aforesaid, Tallow and Manure Manufacturer.—An invention for desiccating blood-manure, to be called "Barnsdale and Hicks's Desiccated Blood-manure and Process of Manufacturing."
2982. 9th May. Edward Jones, of the City of Auckland, New Zealand, Gentleman.—An invention for a trap or contrivance, to be called "Jones's Canadian Trap."

2983. 9th May. Thomas William Mayson, of Devonport, in the Provincial District of Auckland, New Zealand, Draughtsman.—An invention for range-finding, to be called "Mayson's Automatic Range-finder.'

2984. 9th May. James Brown, of Invercargill, in the Provincial District of Otago, New Zealand, Accountant.—An invention for sifting clay, sand, and other material for gold-washing purposes, to be called "Brown's Patent Dredge and Gold-washing Machine Combined."

2985. 12th May. Hugh Laing Mainland, of Burkes, near Dunedin, in the Provincial District of Otago, New Zealand, Builder.—An invention for tightening wire-fences, or other wires, also splicing broken wires, to be called "Mainland's Patent Little Giant Wire-strainer and splicer." Not proceeded with.

GEORGE LANSELL, of Fortuna Crushing-works, Sandhurst, in the Colony of 2986. 17th May. Victoria, Quartz-miner.—An invention for improvements in mining and other pumps, and in

apparatus for operating the same. Not proceeded with.

2987. 18th May. Robert Ashton Lister, of Dursley, England, Agricultural Engineer, and George Shaw Richmond, of Dursley aforesaid, Agricultural Engineer.—An invention for improvements in grinding-mills.

2988. 16th May. James Seed, of Southbrook, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, New Zealand, Rope-manufacturer, and Henry Able Flatman, of Southbrook aforesaid, Engineer.-An invention for separating cinders from ashes, to be called "The Automatic Cinder- and Ashseparating Attachment for Stoves and Ranges and other Grates." Not proceeded with.

2989. 17th May. Charles Davis Lightband, of Christchurch, in the Provincial District of Canterbury, New Zealand.—An invention for giving ease and preventing the foot from slipping in the sole of skates, to be termed "Lightband's Paragon Skate." Not proceeded with.

2990. 17th May. Charles Davis Lightband, of Christchurch, in the Provincial District of Can-

terbury, New Zealand.—An invention for an improved heel-support to roller-skates, to be termed "Lightband's Improved Heel-support." Not proceeded with.

2991. 17th May. Alfred Prince, of Christchurch. The Provincial District of Canterbury, New Zealand, Coachbuilder, and Frederick Jahnes, of Christchurch aforesaid, Coachbuilder.— An invention for a sectional hoop or rib to be used in the hoods of drays and other vehicles. Not proceeded with.

2992. 19th May. WILLIAM HEBER BRIGHTWELL, of Okaiawa, in the Provincial District of Taranaki, New Zealand, Farmer.—An invention for a butter-package for general commerce

and export. Not proceeded with.

James Macalister, of Invercargill, in the Provincial District of Southland, New 2993. 15th May. Zealand, Engineer, and James Hugh Walker, of Invercargill aforesaid, Carpenter.—An invention for fastening window-sashes and for raising or lowering same by means of spiral springs, to be called "Macalister and Walker's Burglar-proof Sash Side-fastener and Sashelevator." Not proceeded with.

2994. 21st May. Duncan William McArthur, of Hokitika, Westland, New Zealand, Civil Engineer.—An invention to be called "The Retrograde Tail-race for saving Gold." Not

proceeded with.

2995. ISth May. Samuel Smart, of Kaikohe, in the Provincial District of Auckland, New Zealand, Photographer —An invention for cleaning and polishing all kinds of plate, jewellery, trinkets, electro-plated goods, burnished steel, nickel, silver, polished brass or copper, pictureframes, and every description of polished metallic surface, to be entitled "The Electric Platepolish." Not proceeded with.

2996. 25th May. James Howard, Frederick Howard, James Harold Howard, and John HOWARD HOWARD, carrying on business under the style or firm of "James and Frederick Howard" at the Britannia Ironworks, Bedford, England, Agricultural-implement Makers.— An invention to be called "Howard's Patent Reversible Sectional Ploughshare." Not

proceeded with.

2997. (L.R.) 21st May. GEORGE DEXTER WHITCOMBE, of Aloster, in the County of Los Angeles, in the State of California, one of the United States of America, Mining Engineer.—An invention for improvement in mining-machines.

2998. 18th May. George Johnston, of Cobden, in the Provincial District of Nelson, New Zealand, Architect.—An invention for a washing-machine, to be entitled "The Jubilee" Washer: Johnston's Improved Patent."

2999. 22nd May. Charles Loseph Cooze, of Cumberland Street, Dunedin, in the Provincial District of Otago, New Zealand, Carriage-trimmer, and Daniel Mitchell Barnett, of Dunedin aforesaid, French-polisher.—An invention for a shield clothes-rack. Not proceeded with.

3000. 22nd May. John Mitchell, of the City of Auckland, New Zealand, Architect.—An invention to be called "The Acme Corrugated Batten."

3001. 23rd May. James Alexander Pond, of the City of Auckland, New Zealand.—An invention for applying an impermeable material to surfaces for preservative purposes. Not proceeded with.