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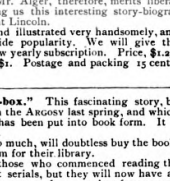
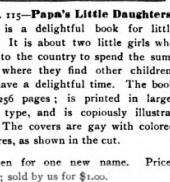
This beautiful album holds cabinet and card photographs, both oval and square.

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No. 122—Size 6 1/2 x 8 1/2.

This album holds 64 pictures, and is divided to hold both cabinet and card size photographs.

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No. 126—Lloyd's Combination Pen-Holder. This is an indispensable article for the desk and pocket. It is heavy, nickel-plated...



No. 127—Mathematical or Drawing Instruments. Given for two new names. The cut will give a very good idea of this class of instruments...

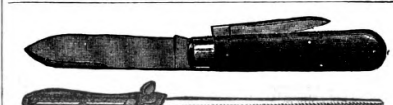
No. 128—The Challenge Printing Press. We cannot have too many Printing Presses. It would be a good thing if one should find his way into every home...



No. 129—Set of Tools. In this set is a good Jack Knife, one small Try Square, one Keyhole Saw with detachable iron handle, and a good Block Plane...



No. 130—A Complete Printing Office. A Complete Printing Office goes with the Challenge Printing Presses. It includes a complete set of type, a galleys, and a complete set of printing furniture...



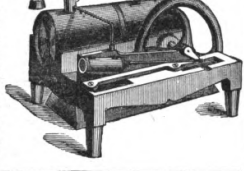
No. 131—A Complete Sewing Machine. This is a young lady's one of the best sewing machines ever made. It is simple and easy to use, and will sew every kind of fabric...



No. 130.—The Keystone Scroll Saw. This saw is unsurpassed by any in the world for the money. It is strong, beautifully finished, and will do very fine work. It is 30 inches high and 18 inches wide. Diameter of balance wheel, 12 inches. Weight, 7 pounds. Saw swings 80 inches in the clearest stroke, 1-1/2 inches. An Emory Wheel and Tiling Table goes with the machine, which is simple and easily set up by any one. It runs rapidly and does excellent work. Women and children can run it easily and with the best results. The most exquisite work, both in wood and shell, can be turned out by it. It will work in material from the thickness of tortoise-shell up to boards 1-1/4 inches thick. The capacity for bracket or scroll sawing is well nigh unlimited. This machine will be shipped on receipt of \$2.00, or given for three new names and \$1.00, or for two new names and 50 cents additional, or for three new names. It will be sent by express or freight, as directed by the purchaser; freight charges to be paid by him.



No. 137.—Horizontal Steam Engine. This engine is 16 1/2 inches long and four and a half inches high. The boiler is made of brass and has brass pipe connecting boiler and steam chest. It has a one-inch stroke and crosshead running on steel ways. It will make over 1,000 revolutions a minute. It is a very pleasing toy for boys. Given for three new names. We offer it for sale for \$2.50. Postage and packing 24 cents, when sent as premium or purchased.



No. 138.—The Mechanic's Pocket Knife. The above cut represents an excellent combination knife. It comprises nine distinct tools, namely: two blades, a lancet, corkscrew, reamer, tweezers, pick, screwdriver, and a hook for cleaning a horse's hoof. The blades are made of fine steel and the whole knife is made strong and firm with a good handle. Given for one new name and 9 cents for postage and picking. Sold for \$1.00 postage and packing 6 cents.

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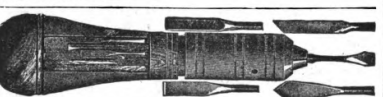


No. 132.—The Walking Beam Engine. This is really a nice little engine, and works as perfectly as a large machine. Boys can get a good idea of steam engines from this. Its strength is sufficient to run quite a heavy machine. It is seven inches long and seven inches high. Given for five new names or for two new names and two dollars. We sell it for \$5.00. Purchaser to pay express.

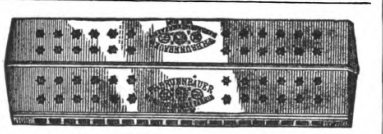


No. 133.—Something for Boys. A Tool Chest. What is there that would please a boy more than a Chest of Tools, or really be of more practical service to him as a profitable means of spending his leisure hours? To know how to handle tools well and to make things, means a great deal to a boy. It will save him many dollars and much trouble all through life. There are always many little things to be made and done. Many men are so utterly ignorant of the use of tools that they cannot make even a box or a mouse-trap, but the man who had tools to use when a boy can now use them to advantage and will save running for a carpenter to do every little thing necessary to be done about a house.

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No. 134.—Twenty Useful Tools. This cut is but half the size of tools and holder. This holder is made of hard wood well polished, and has at the large end a cavity where twenty different tools are stored. Among them are: four sized chisels, gouges, awls and almost everything in that line. At the other end of the handle is a strong chuck that will hold any of these tools firm. No more useful tool than this can be imagined. Given for one new name. Price \$1.00. Postage and packing, 15 cents, when sent as a premium or purchased.



No. 135.—A 96 Hole Harmonica. This is the largest Harmonica ever offered for sale, and is very loud and rich in tone. The wood part is entirely covered with silver, being beveled on the edges. Only half the number of holes shown on the cut. It is a first-class instrument, and gives the best of satisfaction. Given for one new name. Price \$2.50. Sold by us for \$1.00. Postage and packing 15 cents, when sent as a premium or purchased.



No. 139.—Nickel-Plated Bracket Saw Frame and Outfit. Every boy in the United States or Canada should own one of our Bracket Saws. With it fancy articles of all kinds, such as brackets, picture frames, easels, etc., can be made. Supplied with all of these saws many dollars can be earned by any boy in making ornamental articles for sale. It furnishes delightful, profitable and fascinating employment for boys and girls. The saw frame is of the best spring steel, has a solid rosewood handle, and is beautifully nickel-plated. The outfit consists of one Nickel-Plated Bracket Saw, 5 1/2 inches; 12 Extra Saw Blades; 1 Manual Sawing and Wood Carving; 100 Miniature Designs; Designs for \$25 worth of Brackets, etc.; 1 Drill Point. With this saw you cannot fail to earn money. Given for two new names. Price, \$1. Postage and package 30 cents, when sent as a premium or purchased.



No. 140.—A Fine Rosewood Concertina given for two new names and 35 cents. It has 20 keys and bellows protectors. This is the same instrument formerly sold by us for \$2.50. We now offer it for sale for \$1.75, or give it for two new names and 35 cents additional. Postage and packing 30 cents.

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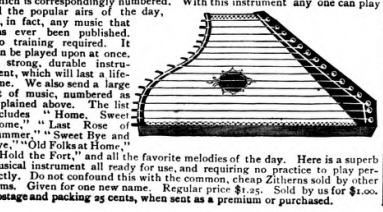
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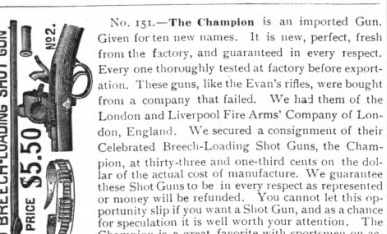


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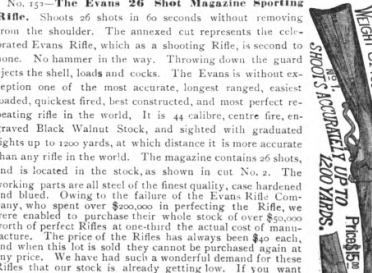


No. 152—A Breech-Loading Semi-Hammerless Gun. This is the finest Single-Barrel Breech-Loading in the world. It has the popular Top Snapper action, and is the finest Single-Barrel Breech-Loading that looks and handles like a double-barrel gun. It is the quickest operating gun in the world, as there are no projecting hammer or trigger. It weighs 12 lbs., and is 27 or 30 inch barrel, gentler action, and is finely engraved Black Walnut Stock, full Pistol Grip, Nickel-Plated Frame, and weighs less than six pounds. This is just the right gun for boys, being perfectly safe, light and easy to handle. We will guarantee it to kill at least 75 and 100 yards. Ten new names and five dollars or for eighteen new names, receiver must pay express. We offer it for sale for \$12.00. Complete set of reloading tools, \$2.00 extra.



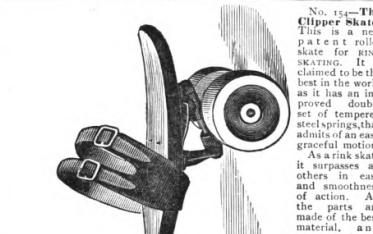
No. 153—The Evans 26 Shot Magazine Sporting Rifle. Shoots 26 shots in 60 seconds without reloading from the shoulder. The annexed cut represents the celebrated Evans Rifle, which as a Shooting Rifle, is second to none. No hammer in the way. Throwing down the guard ejects the shell, loads and cocks. The Evans is without exception one of the most accurate, longest ranged, easiest loaded, quickest fired, best constructed, and most perfect repeating rifle in the world. It is 44 caliber, centre fire, engraved Black Walnut Stock, and sighted with graduated sights up to 1200 yards, at which distance it is more accurate than any rifle in the world. This magazine contains 26 shots, and is located in the stock, as shown in cut No. 2. The working parts are all steel of the finest quality, case hardened and blued. Owing to the failure of the Evans Rifle Company, who spent over \$50,000 in perfecting the Rifle, we were enabled to purchase their whole stock of over \$50,000 worth of perfect Rifles at one-third the actual cost of manufacture. The price of the Rifles has always been \$40 each, and when this lot is sold they cannot be purchased again at any price. We have had such a wonderful demand for these Rifles that our stock is already getting low. If you want one, be quick to secure it before you are too late.

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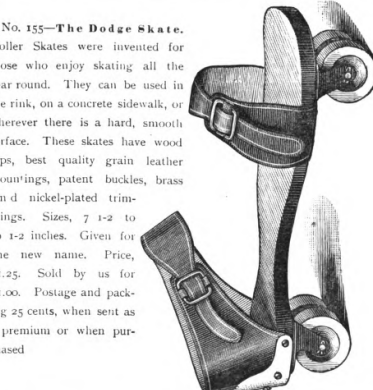


No. 154—The Clipper Skate. This is a new patent roller skate for speed skating. It is the best in the world as it has an improved double set of tempered steel springs, that admit of an easy graceful motion. As a rink skate it surpasses all others in ease and smoothness of action. All the parts are made of the best material, and every pair is warranted. The cut shows the patent arrangement on the bottom of the skates either way, which admits of the rollers rest squarely on the floor. It runs smoothly and easily.

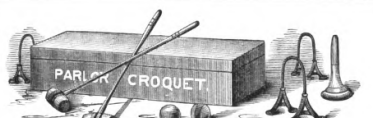
Given for two new names and 50 cents, or for three new names. Regular price, \$4.50, sold by us for \$4.00. Postage and packing 25 cents, when sent as a premium or purchased.




No. 155—The Dodge Skate. Roller Skates were invented for those who enjoy skating all the year round. They can be used in the rink, on a concrete sidewalk, or wherever there is a hard, smooth surface. These skates have wood tops, best quality grain leather mountings, patent buckles, brass and nickel-plated trimmings. Sizes, 7 1/2 to 12 inches. Given for one new name. Price, \$1.25. Sold by us for \$1.00. Postage and packing 25 cents, when sent as a premium or when purchased.



No. 156—Table Croquet. 8 balls and mallets. Table Croquet is a pleasing game, and serves excellently well to while away the long winter evenings. It consists of 8 balls, 3 mallets, bridges, stakes, copper wire standstays, and webbing. By stretching webbing around the edge of dining-room table you have a good croquet table. The set is handsomely painted and polished. Given for one new name. Price, \$1.00. Postage 35 cents, when sent as premium or purchased.



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No. 160—The Luminous Match Safe. The Luminous Match Safe is a novel, very useful, and highly ornamental for either wall or mantel, and can be seen in the darkest room at any time of the night. It is one of the most useful household articles ever invented. The illustration will give you a faint idea of it. The back is made of heavy card-board, 453 3/4 inches in size; and this design shown in cut is hand-colored in seven colors. In the lower right hand corner is attached a piece of emery paper, on which to strike matches. The pockets for holding matches are made *shell shape*, and the face of it is treated with a material with which the wonderful effect is produced of making it perfectly visible in the dark. This preparation is made by the calcination of certain chemicals possessing the property of absorbing light and giving it out in the form of phosphorescence in its properties but contains no phosphorus in any form, and will always retain its light-giving qualities. Wherever this Luminous Match Safe is in use there is no groping in the dark, no upsetting of mantel ornaments, and no loss of temper looking for a match. One or more can be sold in every house. We offer ten of these Luminous Match Safes for one new name. They can easily be disposed of by any bright boy, among his companions, for 25 cents apiece. We will send one dozen of these safes, for 75 cents. Postage and packing 10 cents, when sent as a premium or purchased.

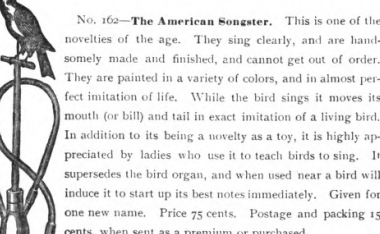


No. 161—Beautiful Solid Gold, Stiffened Thimbles. These Thimbles are warranted to wear twice as long as the best gold or silver thimbles. The process of their manufacture is as follows: Two bars of solid 12 karat gold are soldered on each side of a piece of a piece of tough stiffening metal of the same color as the gold; the whole is then rolled to the required thickness to form into thimbles. The piece is then formed into a thimble, without a seam or joint, and by a peculiar process of manufacture, the combined metals of which the thimbles are composed are pressed together, thereby making the thimbles extremely hard and durable. Figure 2 shows the relative thickness of the gold and metal, and also shows that it is much thicker where the wear comes. The dark line in Fig. 3 shows the stiffening metal, while the white lines show the gold. They are practically solid gold thimbles, and no one could tell but what they were unless told.

Given for one new name, or sold for \$1.00. Postage and packing 10 cents, when sent as a premium or purchased. We send each thimble in a neat satin-lined case.



No. 162—The American Songster. This is one of the novelties of the age. They sing clearly, and are handsomely made and finished, and cannot get out of order. They are painted in a variety of colors, and in almost perfect imitation of life. While the bird sings it moves its mouth (or bill) and tail in exact imitation of a living bird. In addition to its being a novelty as a toy, it is highly appreciated by ladies who use it to teach birds to sing. It supersedes the bird organ, and when used near a bird will induce it to start up its best notes immediately. Given for one new name. Price 75 cents. Postage and packing 15 cents, when sent as a premium or purchased.



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No. 164—A Genuine Galvanic Battery. This Battery meets a long-felt want, and should be in every household. Heretofore batteries have sold 1/2 to \$20, but we are now able to present to those who want one, one that gives out a steady current of electricity that a person of ordinary temperament can stand, and at the same time there is not the least danger of getting too much. It is simple, durable and cheap. It will cure all Nervous Affections, Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Lumbago, Sciatica, Atrophy, Paralysis, Pains in the Bones, Gout, Headache, etc., etc. In fact, there is hardly a disease that electricity will not cure or relieve. Full directions with each battery. A light or strong shock can be given as desired. Every battery is neatly cased in wood. Given for one new name and 25 cents additional. Sold for \$15. Postage and packing 15 cents, when sent as a premium or purchased.





No. 165—Double-plate Caster.
Very durable, but of course not as lasting as the quadruple plate. It is, however, as good those usually sold at retail stores or given as premiums.
The bottles are finely engraved, and the silver work is beautifully ornamented with silver leaves, flowers, and butterflies.
We give it for only three new names, or sell it for \$2.75. Receiver to pay expressage.
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This is a very popular and durable stand, and one that we can recommend to all our patrons and friends. It is made in finest quadruple plate, and nicely ornamented and chased. We give it for four new names, or sell it for \$4.00. Receiver to pay expressage.



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Made in quadruple plate. Elegantly chased and gold lined.
Makes a nice present from a parent to a child, and will wear a lifetime.
Given for three new names, or sold for \$2.50.
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No. 171—Beautiful late Style Napkin Ring.
QUADRUPLE PLATE. Handsomely engraved and burnished silver. Cut is full size. Given for one new name, or sold for \$1.00. Postage and packing 10 cents, when sent as a premium or purchased.



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No. 177—Elegant New Style Napkin Ring. Quadruple Plate. Handsome design, beautifully chased. Given for one new name, and 75 cents additional, or sold for \$1.25. Postage and packing 25 cents, when sent as a premium or purchased.



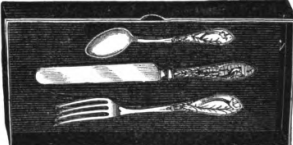
No. 158—Butter Dish. QUADRUPLE PLATE. One of the latest and most desirable patterns made. It is beautifully chased and engraved, and has holders on the sides for holding the butter-knife. It will wear a lifetime. Given for four new names, or sold for \$3.75. Receiver to pay expressage.



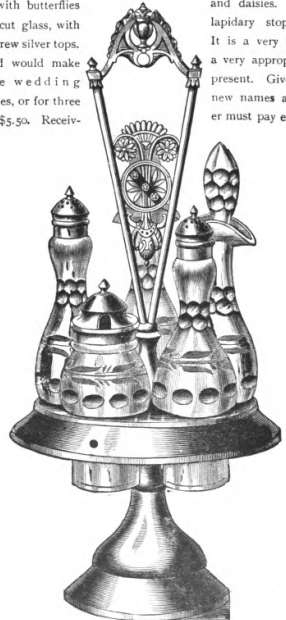
No. 179—Silver Tea Pitcher.
This pitcher is beautifully ornamented with fine chased work. It is of late design and finish, and so cheap as to be within the reach of all. We consider it one of the most useful articles made. Double plate. Given for five new names and fifty cents additional, or for three new names and two dollars additional, or sold for \$5.50. Receiver to pay expressage.



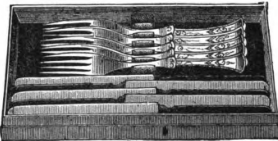
No. 180—Juvenile Silver Set. These goods are silver plated on steel, and are made with special reference to strength and durability, knowing that children usually give such articles a rough handling. They are elegant in design, and are fully equal to those usually sold at retail at \$2.00. We offer it for sale for \$1.00. Given for one new name. Postage and packing 15 cents, when sent as a premium or purchased.



No. 181—A Very Beautiful and Durable Dinner Caster. This Caster is QUADRUPLE PLATE, and is beautifully engraved and ornamented with butterflies and daisies. The botanical stoppers and It is a very useful article, and would make handsome wedding presents. Given for six new names and \$2.00, or must pay expressage.



Please bear in mind that this Caster is quadruple plate, which is practically as good as solid silver



No. 166—Our Combination Casket. Contains SIX KNIVES AND SIX FORKS, of medium size and elegant design, silver plated on nickel. As no brass is used in the manufacture of these goods, they will always keep white, look as nice and wear as well as the best triple-plated goods. Given for three new names, or sold for \$2.25 cash. Postage and packing 25 cents, when sent as premium or purchased.

No. 167—Tea Sets. THREE PIECES. This is one of the latest and most elegant tea sets ever made. It is quadruple plate and beautifully ornamented on the sides, leaving a place for monogram. Each piece is finely engraved and chased, and the Cream Pitcher is gold lined. The pattern is one of the prettiest we could select out of a hundred, at the factory where they are made. We can guarantee this set to last a lifetime.
The manufacturer's price is \$18.00, but we offer it for sale for \$15.00, or give it to any one who will send us in fifteen new names or five new names and \$10.00. Expressage to be paid by receiver.



No. 168.—Call Bell. This is a very handsome bell with black base, side strike. It is six inches high and has a triple silver-plated top. It makes a very pretty ornament and is always useful. Given for one new name, or sold for \$1. Postage and packing 20 cents, when purchased or sent as premium.



No. 192.—Self-inking Printing Press. This press is well adapted for job work—such as cards, envelopes, letter heads, bill heads, etc., etc. A small amount of paper could be well printed on it. Extra type can be furnished by us at any time. Press complete, with type, cards, rollers, and a full outfit, to be given for ten new yearly subscriptions to the Argosy, or for five new names and three dollars. We will sell it for \$7.50 cash. Expressage must be paid by receiver.

No. 183.—The Musical Casket. Elegant Black Walnut case, richly trimmed in Gold—a beautiful ornament for a room and one that will discourse sweet music.

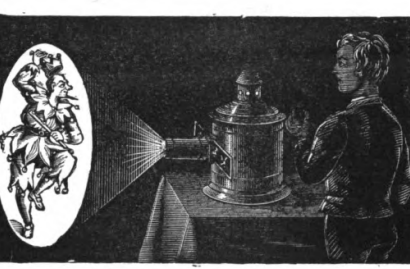
The Musical Casket is pronounced "The Queen of Automatic Instruments." It is perfect in its action, simple to operate and produces a rich melodious tune that can be changed in volume, expression and time, at the will of the operator.

It gives a range of tone from the most delicate to almost the power and volume of the cabinet organ.

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATION. It will play Hymn Tunes, Popular Airs, Sets of Quadrilles, Polkas, Waltzes, Schottisches, Hornpipes, Reels, Operatic and the most difficult pieces with clearness, accuracy, and a degree of execution which but a few performers can equal. Simply turning a little crank with one hand, feeds the music paper, and blows the bellows, while with the other hand the performer can retard, hasten, prolong any note or chord, and give the music power or delicacy of tone at will, thus combining the precision of a Mechanical Instrument, with the expression and varied style of the performer. The most exquisite waltzes are as easily produced as a single note. Such pieces as "Lute to the Mocking Bird" are played in a manner few organists can approach. A false note is an impossibility, and the most difficult and complicated pieces are played as perfectly as a simple melody.

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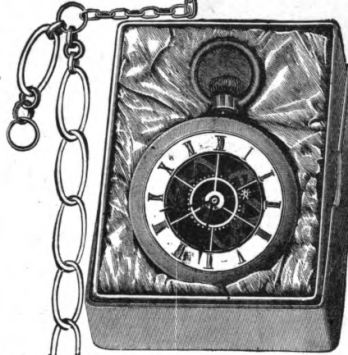
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563. Maid of Athens, by McCarthy.

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565. Fitzbooby Papers; and Fatal Boots, etc., by Thackeray.
566. Breakfast Hall, by Irving.
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568. Roundabout Papers, by Thackeray.
569. Rossmoyne, by the Duchess.
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572. Beyond Barford, by Ferthy Clay.
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