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It is stated that a Paris firm of glassmakers has produced some porous glass to be used for window panes. The pores are too fine to permit of draught, but cause a healthy ventilation in the room.

When varnishing fretwork use white hard spirit varnish; it requires no size; the application is to be made in a warm room; or fill in the grain of the wood with glue size and varnish with brown, hard varnish.

To paint sheet tin, first scrape off all resin that may adhere to joints and then thoroughly wash the surface with benzine, so as to remove all grease and dirt. Then apply red lead and linseed oil paint for first coat. White lead and ochre should never be used.

To remove the green that gathers on brick, pour over the brick boiling water, in which any vegetables (not greasy) have been boiled. Do this for a few days successively, and the green will disappear. For the red wash, melt one ounce of glue in a gallon of water; while hot put in a piece of alum the size of an egg, half a pound of Venetian red and one pound of Spanish brown. Try a little on the brick, let it dry, and if too light add more red and brown; if too dark, put in more water.—*Clay Record.*

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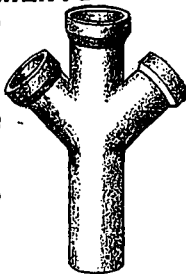
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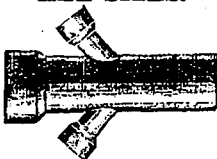
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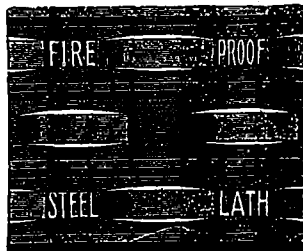
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