

WALL PAPER AND DECORATIONS—Cont'd.
suitable and appropriate for these "fin de siècle" times.

It is all very well to provide for the future, but present requirements must also be given attention, and, in anticipation of a good Spring trade with the retailers, this company reserved a large assortment of 1898-99 patterns in order to be able to fill repeat orders in a satisfactory manner, and they will cheerfully submit samples, on application, free of charge.

THE UNITED STATES COMPANY.

It is authoritatively given out at the offices of the Continental Wall Paper Company, of New York, says a contemporary, that it has succeeded in perfecting arrangements with the different wall paper factories of this country for another year. It will be remembered that this company was organized last year with the purpose of controlling the prices and discounts to prevail throughout the season, and so well has it succeeded that all factories which were pledged to it last year have renewed the terms and will operate under it again. The Continental Company

does not own or dictate to the various firms and factories which are in the pool, but simply regulates prices, and has thereby succeeded in steadying the trade of the country, which, prior to its existence, was very much demoralized.

A NEW INVENTION.

Thomas J. Empfield, of Davenport, Ia., has patented a wall paper trimmer or cutter. It is No. 621,299, and was issued on the 14th ult. It is described as follows:

Claim.—1. In a movable paper cutter, a suitable track, a carriage placed thereon, and provided with lugs which catch over the projecting edges of the rail, and a bridge, and a spring placed upon the top of the bridge, combined with a vertically-moving carrier and a rotating knife journaled thereon, substantially as described.

2. In a paper cutter, a carrier provided with a hollow post, a washer placed thereon, a rotary cutter attached to a circular plate journaled upon said post, and washer and a screw for holding the washer in position upon the post.

3. In a movable paper cutter, a carriage

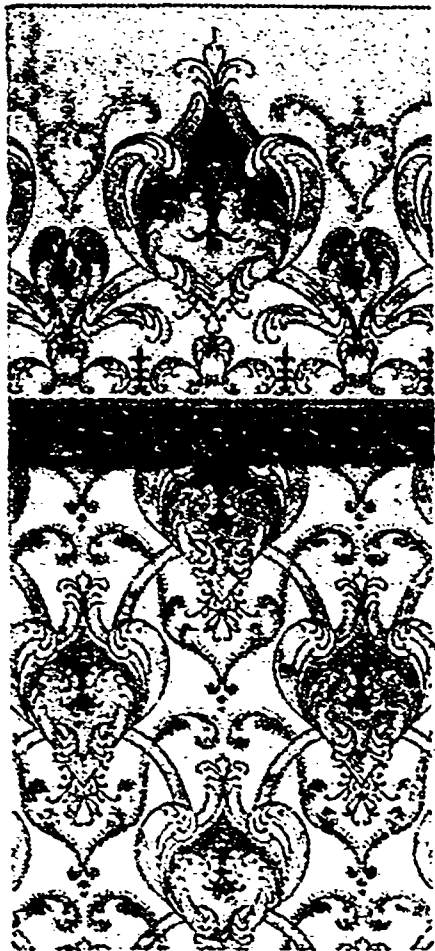
consisting of the posts provided with guides upon their outer sides, and the lugs upon their inner sides, to engage with the rail; a bridge connecting the posts and forming a support for the spring, combined with a vertically-moving carrier, with stops at its lower ends to limit its upward movement, substantially as specified.

FACTORY WORKING AT NIGHTS.

Messrs. Colin McArthur & Co. have had to run their factory every night up to April 1 to enable them to fill their orders. It is very gratifying to them that the line has been so cordially appreciated by the trade; and certainly they deserve the approbation of their patrons, for they have spared neither care or money so that this well-known line should be in the forefront.

THE INGRAIN TRADE.

Messrs. Colin McArthur & Co. report the demand for ingrain as unprecedentedly large this year. This is accounted for very largely by the excellence of their 12-color friezes, which have been blended in the highest style of the art. No. 996, especi-



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for want of assortment—look through your stock, and if it's not as complete as it should be, drop us a card for samples, and get in good shape. If you've a customer who wants something a little out of the ordinary—that you haven't got—write us about the style he wants and the price you want to pay. We'll send samples and help you land the sale. We're prompt and careful.

M. STAUNTON & CO.

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