- 1. The interval between seeing a blow struck by an axe and hearing the sound of the blow was ½ second. How far away was it?
- 2. How long does it take the sound of a church beil 2½ miles away to strike the ear of a listener?
- 3. The moon's average distance from the earth is 238,840 miles. How long does it take light from the moon to reach the earth?
- 4. The light which we shall receive to-night from one of the fixed stars started on its journey over 3000 years ago. Calculate its distance from the earth.
- 5. In the lever, the power multiplied by its distance from the fulcrum equals the weight multiplied by its distance from the fulcrum. If the fulcrum is in the middle, a power of 10 lb. at one end will raise how many pounds at the other?
- 6. The long arm of a lever is twice the length of the short arm. A power of 10 lb. at the end of the long arm will lift how much at the end of the short arm?
- 7. A workman is using a six-foot iron bar. He places it so that the short arm is 4 inches long. If he bears down with a force of 200 lb., how many pounds can he raise? How many if he makes the short arm only two inches?
- 8. The power is 20 lb., the weight raised is 50 lb. Find the relative length of the two arms of the lever.
- 9. The radius of a large wheel it 16 inches, the radius of a small wheel 3 inches. One pound at the circumference of the large wheel will exert a power of how many pounds at the circumference of the small wheel?
- 10. In lifting an anchor which weighs 1000 lb., four men work a capstan having a radius of 2 ft. by bars, the outer ends of which are 6 ft. from the centre of the capstan. How much force does each man exert?
- 11. A man and a boy support between them on a pole 3 yards long a weight of 100 lb. Where should the weight be placed so that the boy may support 20 lb.?
- 12. Make problems similar to problems on this page, using the metric system.