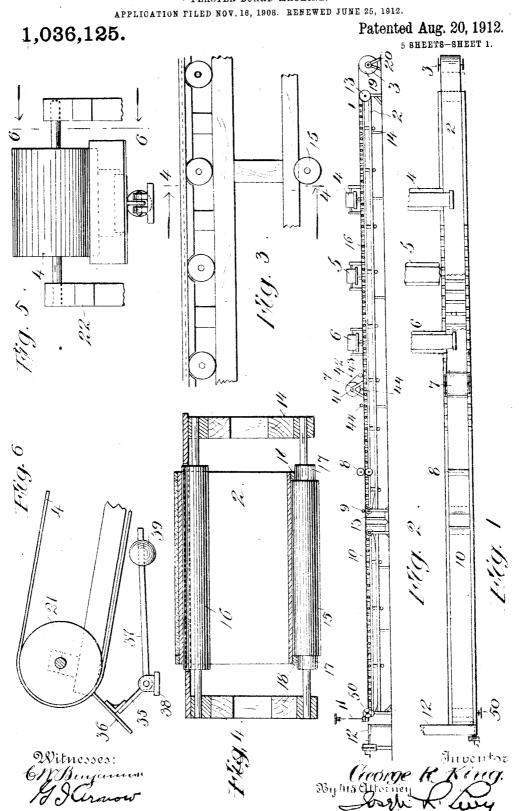
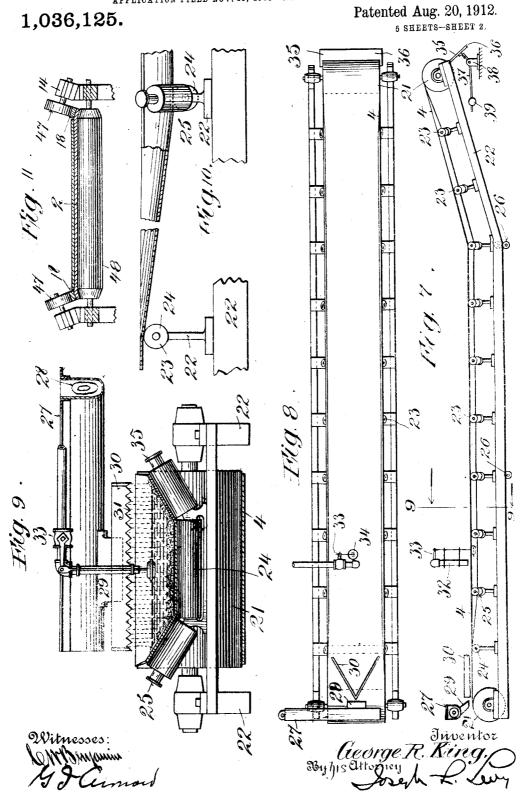
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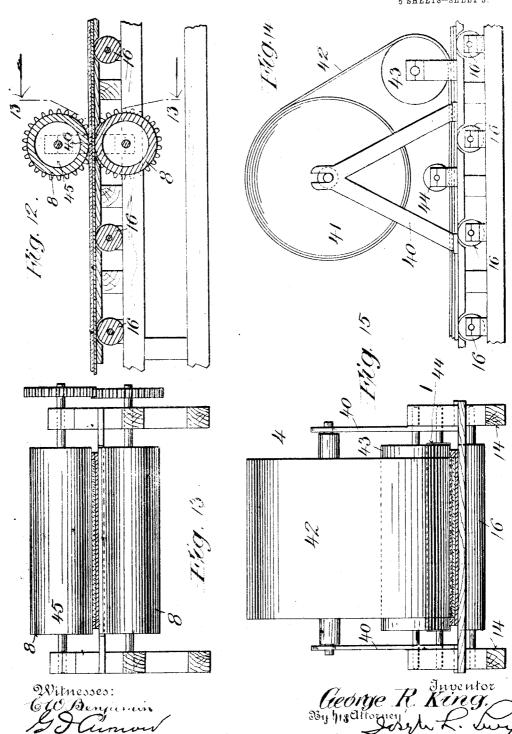
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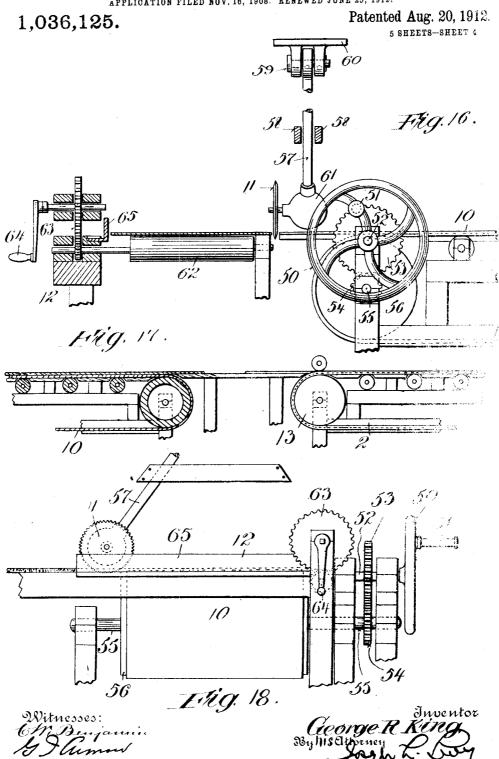
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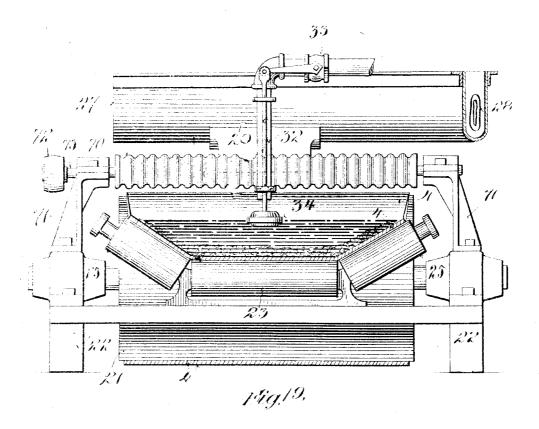
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE R. KING, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of New York, county of Rich-5 mond, and State of New York, have made a new and useful Improvement in Plaster-Board Machines, of which the following is

a specification.

The object of my invention is to provide 10 a machine which will automatically make plaster board in continuous sheets which are severed into the desired lengths and then removed from the machine. This object is accomplished by my invention, one embodi-15 ment of which is described below, in which the various elements are assembled, combined and manufactured, as above intimated.

More particularly this machine makes 20 what is known as a plaster board having paper on its outer and inner walls and plaster next the paper and fiber sandwiched in between the layers of plaster.

For a more particular description of my 25 invention, reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings forming a part here-

of, in which:

Figure 1 is a plan view of my improved machine. Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the 30 same. Fig. 3 is an enlarged side elevation of a portion of the same. Fig. 4 is a sectional view taken on the line 4-4 of Fig. 3, looking in the direction of the arrows. Fig. 5 is an enlarged end elevation of the 35 plaster making part of the apparatus, and shows a scraper for cleaning a belt there-of. Fig. 6 is a sectional view taken on the line 6—6 of Fig. 5, looking in the direction of the arrows. Fig. 7 is a side elevation 40 of the plaster making portion of the apparatus. Fig. 8 is a plan view of the structure shown in Fig. 7. Fig. 9 is an enlarged sectional view taken on the line 9-9 of Fig. 7, looking in the direction of the arrows. 45 Fig. 10 is an enlarged elevation of a portion of the structure shown in Fig. 7, portions being shown in sections. Fig. 11 is a sectional view of the machine for making the plaster board, and shows mechanism for the 50 edges so as to free the board from the machine except that it rests thereon. Fig. 12 is a longitudinal section of a portion of the plaster board machine. Fig. 18 is a sectional view taken on the line 18—18 of Fig. 55 12, looking in the direction of the arrows. of the conveyer 2, as shown in Figs. 1 and 110

Figs. 14 and 15 are side and end views respectively, of a paper roll and the parts connected therewith. Figs. 16, 17 and 18 are detailed views showing the mechanism for severing the straw board into slabs of 60 definite length, Fig. 17 showing the structure on the right of Fig. 16. Fig. 19 shows a modified mixer for the plaster and water.

Throughout the various views of the drawings, similar reference characters desig- 65

nate similar parts.

My machine 1 consists essentially of an endless carrier 2 which is provided with a paper supplying means such as a roll 3, a plaster supplying means such as an end- 70 less belt 4, a fiber supplying means 5 which may be of any suitable form as an endless belt, a second plaster supplying means 6 which is also preferably an endless belt conveyer identical with the part 4, a second 75 paper supplying means 7 which is preferably substantially the same as the means 3, compressing means 8 and 9, a second carrier 10, a severing device 11, of any suitable form, not necessarily a swinging saw as 80 shown, and a table with a carrier 12 for removing the plaster board.

The endless carrier 2 and the parts connected therewith embody the principal part of my invention. The carrier is provided 85 at each end with a roller 13 mounted in suitable frame work 14 on which are also mounted the lower rollers 15 and the upper rollers 16, the upper rollers carrying the weight of the conveyer and its load and 90 the lower rollers 15 serve merely to sustain the weight of the conveyer while inoperative on its return run. The rollers 15 (Fig. 4) are reduced in diameter at their ends 17 so as to receive the thickened edges 18 of 95 the conveyer 2. These edges 18 are made of the same thickness as the plaster board and run parallel, and separated from each other the width of the board. The conveyer 2 is made sufficiently long to permit 100 the devices above mentioned to be placed in proper relation thereto. It may be longer if desired and may be run at any desired speed, providing that the plaster does not set until after the board is passed from un- 105 der the rollers 8. The paper supplying means 3 consists of an ordinary paper roll 19 mounted in the conventional manner and suitable standards 20 adjacent to the end

2, so that the paper from the roll 19 is I suitable manner and provided with a weight placed upon the belt 2 as soon as it begins

its upper run.

The plaster is applied in a proper condition and placed on the paper from the roll 19 by the conveyer 4 which will now be described, together with the parts in combination therewith. The conveyer 4 is mounted on suitable rollers 21 carried by any suitable 10 supports 22 in the conventional manner, and on its upper run the conveyer 4 is supported by suitable rollers 23 mounted as shown in Figs. 7, 8, 9 and 10. That is, some rollers 24 are mounted each on a horizontal axis, 15 and others 25 are mounted each on an inclined axis so as to elevate the edges of the belt and make a suitable water-holding receptacle of the same throughout a portion of its upper run. As shown in Figs. 7 and 20 10 the last two rollers 23 are elevated and the first roller 25 has its lower edges depressed below the roller 24 at the extreme left of these figures. This construction makes the belt form what might be called a 25 trough during a portion of its upper run. The lower and rearward run of the belt

4 is over the lower rollers 26 which are mounted in any suitable manner in the

frame 22.

Immediately above the rear roller 21 and supported by any suitable means, not shown, is a trough 27 provided with a suitable spiral conveyer 28 in the trough 27 in the conventional manner and over the medial 35 line of the belt 4 is a spout 29 running from the trough 27 so that the plaster powder such as plaster of Paris may be conveyed in the trough 27 by the conveyer 28 and deposited through the spout 29 on to the belt 40 4 in any desired quantities. Immediately in front of the spout 29 is a rack 30 mounted by any suitable means, not shown, and provided with a serrated lower edge 31 which has the function of distributing the plaster 45 evenly over the belt 4. The belt under the rack 30 is practically horizontal and a little beyond this on its forward run it is made trough-shaped, as shown. Near the beginning of its trough-shaped portion and over 50 the same is a pipe 32 connected with any suitable source of water supply. This pipe 32 is preferably vertically disposed in its upper portion and it is also provided with a float valve 83 which will govern the water flow-55 ing on to the belt 4 when the apparatus is in use. The float 83 then rises on the water in the trough-like portion of the belt 4. This trough-like portion is made sufficiently long to thoroughly hydrate the plaster of 80 Paris, which passes from this in a thoroughly hydrated condition over the forward roller 21 and clings to the belt over this roller until it strikes a scraper 85 which consists of a horizontal plate 30 mounted on 65 a bell crank lever 87 fulcrumed at 38 in any

39 which is fixed to one arm of the lever 37, the plate 36 being fixed to the other. The plaster in its hydrated condition while it is still soft slides from the plate 36 to the 70 paper from the roll 19 on the conveyer 2, and is liquid enough to settle on this paper between the guides 18 at each side of the conveyer 2. This plaster then passes on the paper as above described, to the means 5 for 75 supplying fiber, which fiber is distributed over the plaster evenly and with the required thickness. This means 5, instead of being a belt, may be a table or anything else by means of which the hair may be fed 80 by hand and over the plaster. The belt 2 with its contents then passes under the second plaster carrying belt numbered 6 which with its cooperating parts is identical with the belt 4 and its cooperating parts so that a 85 further description is unnecessary. Under this belt 6 the fiber receives a second coat of plaster in a hydrated condition, which plaster spreads itself evenly over the fiber.

From the second plaster distributing 90 means 6 the belt 2 moves on with its contents under the paper from the paper-supplying means 7. The paper-supplying means consists of a standard 40 similar to the standard 20 and a paper roll 41 identical 95 with the paper roll 19 and the paper 42 from this roll passes under the roll 43 which is parallel with the conveying rollers 16, and this roller 43 distributes the paper evenly and correctly for the top layer of 100 plaster deposited by the hydrater 6. Other rollers 44, parallel to the rollers 16 and 43 further press the paper 42 and the rest of the plaster board beneath the same into a close and compact union and the plaster 105 then becomes set and then passes forward with the belt 2 to the compressing and marking rollers 8 and give the board its final shape and finish. The paper roller 45 is provided with a projection 46 which marks 110 the board into slabs of a predetermined length, or nearly severs the board as desired. This marking is for the purpose of convenience in handling and is not necessarily

the final severing as will appear below. The slabs of plaster board are reparated from the edges 18 in the following manner: 47 are rollers set at an angle to the horizontal as seen in Fig. 11, the lower roller 48 having conical ends so that the edges of the 120 belt 2 are bent down as shown when passing between said rollers. The belt 4 is made trough shape and resumes its flat condition on the lower run while it is inoperative. Its elasticity permits it to do this. The belt 2 125 is flat except when its edges are flexed to release it from the plaster board. As intimated above, the conveyer 2 should be long enough to permit the plaster to set sufficiently and permit the board to pass 130

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from the conveyer 2 to the conveyer 10. If this is the case the belts may be run continuously. Otherwise it must be run intermittently to give the plaster sufficient time to set. The table 10 is a plain conveyer mounted as the conveyer 2 and the same in all respects except that it is preferably shorter and the thickened edges 18 are omitted. The forward run of this conveyer 1) 10 is manually controlled and at a higher speed than the conveyer 2 so that the slabs which have been severed are drawn forward rapidly by turning the wheel 50 which is provided with a handle 51 for this pur-15 pose. This wheel 50 is fixed to a shaft 52 to which is fixed a gear 53 meshing with a pinion 54 which is fixed to a shaft 55 to which is also fixed a drum 56 which carries the conveyer 10 on its periphery. When 20 each slab is fed to its proper position it is severed by the saw 11 mounted on a suitable arm 57 guided by parallel guides 58 and pivoted at its upper end by a pin 59 held in a bracket 60 in any suitable manner. 25 The saw 11 may be driven by any suitable means, as an electric motor 61, and is given a sufficient diameter to permit the saw to cut clean through the slab from edge to edge without having the motor 61 come in 30 contact with its upper surface. If desired the arm 57 may be made telescopic for this The table 12 is provided with purpose. suitable rollers 62 driven by gears 63 which in turn are driven by a crank 64 or other 35 suitable means in the same manner as the gears 53 with a suitable stop 65 which is set in accordance with the length of the slab to be severed, the distance from the stop 65 to the saw 11 being the length of the slab. 40 From the hand-driven rollers 62 the severed slab passes to the power driven rollers or other suitable conveyers which carry it as desired.

In view of the foregoing, the operation 45 of my improved plaster board machine will be readily understood. Assuming that the parts of the machine are as shown in Figs. 1 and 2, paper from the roller 19 is first run under the plaster supplying conveyer 4 50 which conveys plaster on said paper as above described. The paper and plaster then pass by the table 5, where fiber is placed on the plaster and then the paper with its supply of plaster and fiber is then fed to the second 55 plaster-supplying means 6 where a second supply of plaster is had, as above described, then the paper with its load passes to a second paper supplying device 7 and thence under the marking and pressing rolls 8 and 60 44 to the rolls 9 and from thence to the table 10 where the slabs are severed with the aid of the saw 11 and passes away from the apparatus from the table 12 as above described.

fied mixer which is the same as the mixer shown in Fig. 9 except that the scraper 30 is dispensed with and a corrugated roller 70 substituted in lieu thereof. This roller is mounted in suitable bearings 71 on the 70 frame 22 and is rotated by means of a pulley 72 on the shaft 73 of the roller 70. This pulley 72 may be driven by any suitable means, not shown. The rotation of this corrugated roller 70 will distribute the 75 plaster evenly over the belt 4.

It is obvious that my invention is not restricted to the exact form above described, but is broad enough to cover all structures that come within the scope of the annexed 80 claims.

What I claim is:

1. In a device of the character described, a plaster supplying mechanism embodying an automatically, floatably controlled hydrating device and a belt, with means for forming a trough portion in said belt, said trough portion being adapted for cooperation with said hydrating device.

2. In a machine of the class described, an 90 endless conveyer, means for delivering paper on said conveyer, means for placing plaster on said paper, an automatically controlled hydrating device for said plaster, buoyant means for governing said device, means 95 whereby fiber may be placed on the plaster, means for placing more plaster on the fiber, means for placing paper on said last mentioned plaster whereby a plaster board is formed and means for shaping said plaster 100

board before the plaster sets.

3. In a machine of the class described, an endless conveyer, means for delivering paper on said conveyer, means for placing plaster on said paper, an automatically controlled 105 hydrating device for said plaster, buoyant means for governing said device, means whereby fiber may be placed on the plaster, means for placing more plaster on the fiber, means for placing paper on said last men- 110 tioned plaster, and means for shaping and means for marking said board as it is formed progressively.

4. In a machine of the class described, a conveyer, means for placing thereon a paper 115 band, means for placing plaster thereon, an automatically controlled hydrating device for said plaster, and means for severing the formed plaster board, said hydrating device being automatically controlled by the rise 120

and fall of the liquid.

5. In a machine of the class described, a conveyer with means for placing a web thereon, means for supplying plaster to said web, an automatically controlled hydrating 125 device for said plaster, said hydrating device being controlled by the rise and fall of the water, means for supplying a second lot of plaster after the fiber has been supplied, The structure shown in Fig. 19 is a modi- | means for supplying paper on said last men- 130

tioned plaster whereby a plaster board is

6. In a machine of the class described a conveyer with means for placing a web 5 thereon, means for supplying plaster to said web, an automatically controlled hydrating device for said plaster, said hydrating device being controlled by the rise and fall of the water, means for supplying a second 10 let of plaster after the fiber has been supplied, means for supplying paper on said last mentioned plaster whereby a plaster board is formed, and means for marking, means for shaping said board, a cutting 15 table, and means for severing said board in predetermined lengths.

7. In a machine of the class described, a conveyer belt and means for mounting the same so that said belt leaves a trough-like 20 portion on its upper run, means for supplying said belt with plaster, and hydrating means for supplying said belt with water so that such plaster may be hydrated, said hydrating means being controlled by the 25 rise and fall of the water in said trough-like

portion. 8. In a machine of the class described a belt and means for mounting the same so that said belt is provided with a trough-like 30 portion, means for placing plaster on said belt, means for distributing said plaster placed over said belt, and means automatically controlled by the supply of water in the trough for hydrating said plaster in said

35 trough-like portion of said belt.

9. In a plaster board machine, a conveyer belt and means for supporting the same in a trough-like shape on its upper run, means for placing plaster on said belt, means for 40 hydrating the plaster on said belt and automatic means controlled by the rise and fall of the water in the trough for regulating the flow of water on said belt.

10. In a machine of the class described, a 45 belt and means for supporting the same with a trough-like portion on its upper run, means for supplying plaster to said beit. means for distributing plaster over said belt, means automatically controlled by the 50 height of water in the trough-like port on for hydrating the plaster while in the trough-like portion of said belt and means for removing the hydrating plaster from s: d belt.

11. In a machine of the class described, a conveyer, and means for supporting the same so that said conveyer has on its upper run a trough-like portion, a horizontally disposed portion and a portion inclined, 60 means for supplying said upper run with plaster and means for hydrating the same, said hydrating means being controllable by the rise and fall of the water in said troughlike portion.

12. In a machine of the class described,

an endless convever having thickened edges, and means for flexing said conveyer adjacent to said edges whereby said edges are removed from the material carried by said conveyer.

13. In a machine of the class described, an endless conveyer, means for supplying the same with paper, means for placing plaster on said paper, means for placing fiber on said plaster, means for placing plas- 75 ter on said fiber, automatically controlled means for hydrating said plaster, means for placing fiber over said last mentioned plaster, means for pressing and marking the plaster board thus formed, means for severing said board into slabs of a predetermined length and means for passing said slabs out of and away from said boards.

14. In a machine of the class described, an endless conveyer, means for delivering 85 the paper on said conveyer, means for mixing fiber and plaster together, automatic means for hydrating the plaster, means for placing paper on said last mentioned plaster and fiber whereby a plaster board is formed, 90 and means for shaping said plaster board

before the paper sets.

15. In a machine of the class described, an endless conveyer, means for delivering paper on said conveyer, means for mixing 95 and automatically hydrating the plaster and fiber together, means for placing paper on said plaster and fiber whereby a plaster board is formed and means for shaping said plaster board before the plaster sets.

16. In a machine of the class described. an endless conveyer, means for delivering paper on said conveyer, means for mixing plaster and fiber to rether, a corrugated roll for distributing the mixed plaster and fiber, 105 means for placing paper on said last mentioned plaster and fiber whereby a plaster board is formed, and means for shaping said plaster board before the plaster sets.

17. In a machine of the class described, 110 the combination of means including a conveyer-flexing means for forming a plaster board, and means for severing the board into slabs during a pause in the movement of said board.

18. In a machine of the class described, the combination of means including a conveyer-flexing means for forming a plaster board, means for severing the board into slabs during a pause in the movement of 120 said board, and means for taking away the severed slabs at an angle to the line of travel to the beard.

19. A machine of the class described, an endless conveyer holing thickened edges, 125 means for flexing said conveyer adjacent to said edges whereby the edges are removed from the material and means for severing the board into slabs during a pause in the moveme t of the conveyer.

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20. A machine of the class described, an endless conveyer having thickened edges, means for flexing said conveyer adjacent to said edges whereby the edges are removed 5 from the material, means for severing the board into slabs during a pause in the movement of the conveyer, and means for removing the severed slabs.

21. A machine of the class described, an condless conveyer having thickened edges, means for flexing said conveyer adjacent to said edges whereby the edges are removed from the material, means for severing the board into slabs during a pause in the movement of the conveyer, and transversely movable means for taking away the severed

slabs.

22. In a machine of the class described, an endless conveyer, means for delivering paper on said conveyer, means for mixing plaster and fiber together, means for automatically hydrating the plaster, buoyant means for controlling said hydrating means, means for distributing the mixed plaster and fiber and means for placing paper on

the plaster and fiber.

23. In a machine of the class described, an endless conveyer, means for delivering paper on said conveyer, means for mixing 30 plaster and fiber together, means for automatically hydrating the plaster, buoyant means for controlling said hydrating means, means for distributing the mixed plaster and fiber, means for placing paper on the plaster and fiber, and means for shaping the plaster board before the plaster sets.

24. In a machine of the class described, an endless conveyer, means for delivering paper on said conveyer, means for mixing plaster and fiber together, means for automatically hydrating the plaster, buoyant means for controlling said hydrating mer as, means for distributing the mixed plaster and fiber, means for placing paper on the plaster and fiber, means for shaping the plaster board

before the plaster sets, and means for sever-

20. A machine of the class described, an ling the board into slabs during a pause in adless conveyer having thickened edges. the movement of the conveyer.

25. In a machine of the class described, an endless conveyer, means for delivering 50 paper on said conveyer, means for mixing plaster and fiber together, means for automatically hydrating the plaster, buoyant means for controlling said hydrating means, means for distributing the mixed plaster 55 and fiber, means for placing paper on the plaster and fiber, means for shaping the plaster board before the plaster sets, means for severing the board into slabs during a pause in the movement of the conveyer, and 60 means for removing the severed slabs.

26. In a machine of the class described, an endless conveyer, means for delivering paper on said conveyer, means for mixing plaster and fiber together, means for auto-65 matically hydrating the plaster, buoyant means for controlling said hydrating means, means for distributing the mixed plaster and fiber, means for placing paper on the plaster and fiber, means for shaping the 70 plaster board before the plaster sets, means for severing the board into slabs during a pause in the movement of the conveyer, means for removing the severed slabs, said means being laterally movable.

27. In a machine of the class described, the combination of means for forming a plaster board by a continuous operation, means for progressing the board forwardly as it is formed, intermittently operating 80 means for moving the latter, means for severing the board into slabs during a pause in the movement of the board, said severing means being operable at each actuation of

said moving means.

Signed at the city of New York, county of New York, and State of New York, this 14th day of November, 1908.

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