

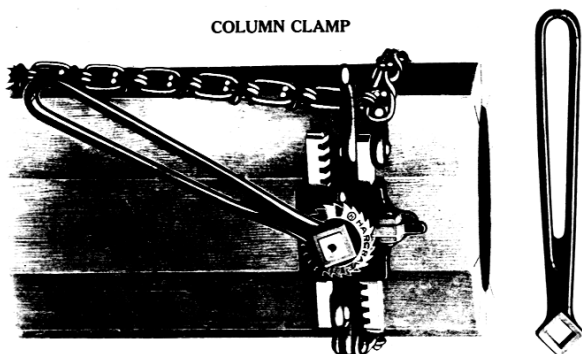
# Remembrance of Things Past

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These ads were selected from an assortment of old tool catalogs, all of which have been reprinted recently in their original form. The tools in these catalogs show, in part, the extraordinary activity of tool companies that flourished from 1850 to 1950 as the mechanical revolution took hold worldwide. The ads are presented here with their original text and prices. You'll notice that

prices have increased slightly since the time these tools were first offered. But don't be discouraged. We hope someday to print the specs for a time machine for those of you who would like to go back to 1923 and pick up, say, a dozen column clamps for \$36. The entire collection of reprinted catalogs is available from Bridge City Tool Works, 1104 N.E. 28th Ave., Portland, OR 97232; 800/253-3332.

## COLUMN CLAMP

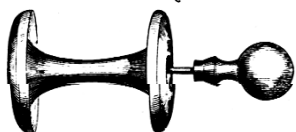


This clamp is of the latest and most practical design, quickest in operation, and made from the very best material. A double rack and pinion gives the speed in both clamping and unclamping, and draws each end of the chain equally.

Stock No. 560—Price per dozen, with 4 ft. of chain..... \$36.00  
Extra length chain, 20 cents per foot.  
One wrench with each clamp.  
Weight, 5½ lbs. each

The Cincinnati Tool Company, 1923

## CHALK-LINE REELS, ETC.

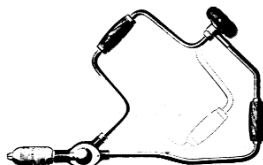


No.		Per Doz.
12.	Chalk-Line Reels, 3 dozen in a box.....	\$0.36
13.	Chalk-Line Reels, with 60 feet best quality Chalk-Line, 1 dozen in a box.....	\$1.75

Labor Saving Carpenters' Tools, Stanley Rule and Level Co., 1892



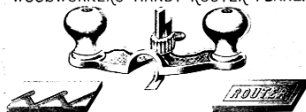
## CORNER BIT BRACE WITH MASTER CHUCK



Rare tropical wood; metal parts **POLISHED AND NICKEL-PLATED** except japanned hub casting. **BALL-BEARING** head and **ADJUSTABLE, FREE ACTING** sweep and steadying handles. Chuck operated by **INCLOSED GEARS**, **PROTECTED** from dust and dirt. Gears **CASE HARDENED** and **HARDENED STEEL BUSHINGS** in frame at both chuck spindle and sweep, practically **ELIMINATING WEAR AT BEARINGS**.

Size of sweep.....	10 in.	8 in.
Weight, per dozen (with pasteboard boxes).....	57 lbs.	55 lbs.
Length.....	17½ in.	17½ in.
Price, per dozen.....	\$48.50	\$46.50

## WOODWORKERS' HANDY ROUTER PLANE.



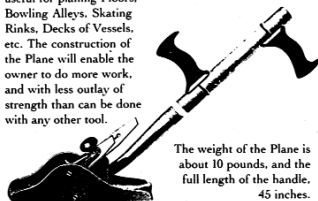
This Tool should be added to the kit of every skilled Carpenter, Cabinet Maker, Stair Builder, Pattern Maker or Wheelwright. It is perfectly adapted to smooth the bottom of grooves, panels or all depressions below the general surface of any woodwork.

The Bits can also be clamped to the backside of the upright post, and outside of the stock. In this position they will plane into corners, will router out mortises for Sash-frame Pulleys, or will smooth surfaces not easily reached with any other tool.

No. 71. Iron Stock, with Steel Bits (¼ and ½ inch) ... \$1.50

## PATENT FLOOR PLANE.

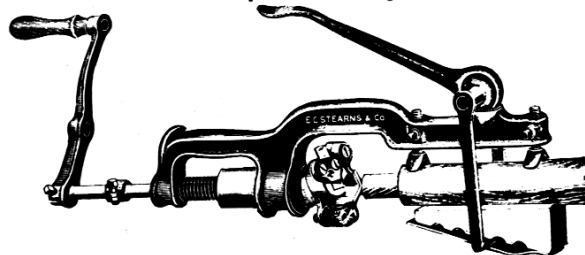
This tool will be found useful for planing Floors, Bowling Alleys, Skating Rinks, Decks of Vessels, etc. The construction of the Plane will enable the owner to do more work, and with less outlay of strength than can be done with any other tool.



The weight of the Plane is about 10 pounds, and the full length of the handle, 45 inches.

No. 74. Floor Plane, 10½ inches in length, 2½ inch Cutter \$4.50

## PEACE'S IMPROVED SPOKE TENONING MACHINE With Adjustable Hollow Auger



This machine is now made in two sizes. One size cuts from ¼ to 1¼ inches, the other from ¾ to 1½ inches. They are guaranteed to give satisfaction. The auger head is extra heavy. The knife starts on the blunt end of the spoke, and centers perfectly. The auger is kept cutting by the force of the spring. It is adapted to any size spoke or dish wheel.

Without fellow boring attachment—cuts up to 1¼ inches. 9 lbs. .... Each \$18.00

E.C. Stearns & Co. Hardware, 1924

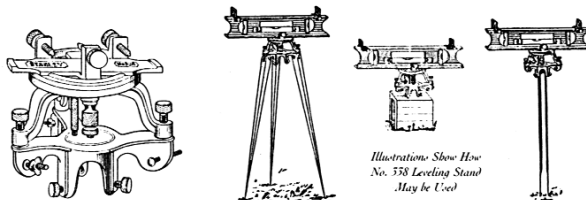
## ADJUSTABLE LEVELING STANDS FOR WOOD AND METAL LEVELS

Used with a level and a pair of level sights. For ordinary work it makes a very satisfactory and inexpensive substitute for the most expensive surveyor's instruments.

With this Stand one can determine levels from a given point to another, when locating or setting the profiles for foundations, determining grades for drains, ditches, etc.

This Stand can be used on any reasonably flat surface such as a box or wall. The Swivel Part of the Stand can be made exactly level by means of the adjusting screws. It can also be fastened to a stake or crow bar and adjusted to a horizontal position even though the support may not be exactly perpendicular. Three wings are provided on the base so that the stand can be attached to the legs of a tripod.

Made of grey iron and Nickel Plated.

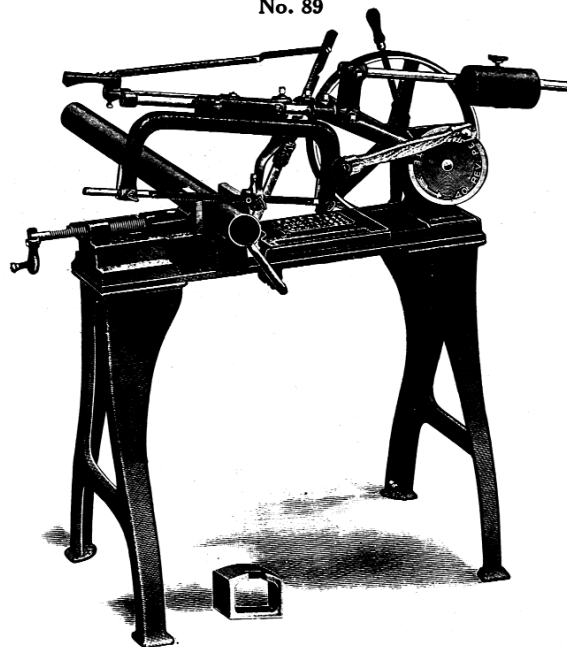


Leveling Stand only

Price Each \$5.50

Stanley Tools, Catalog 139, 1939

## STAR POWER HACK SAW No. 89



**REQUIRES NO ATTENTION**, except when inserting work and starting machine: **STOPS AUTOMATICALLY** when cut is made.

Adjustable, **SELF-FEEDING**, cutting fast or slow according to material at work on. Adapted to all kinds of work, of all shapes and sizes up to 4½ inches in diameter.

Power transmitted by direct drive.  
Speed recommended, 45 strokes a minute; ½ horsepower recommended.  
Price, \$50.00.

Millers Falls Tools, 1915