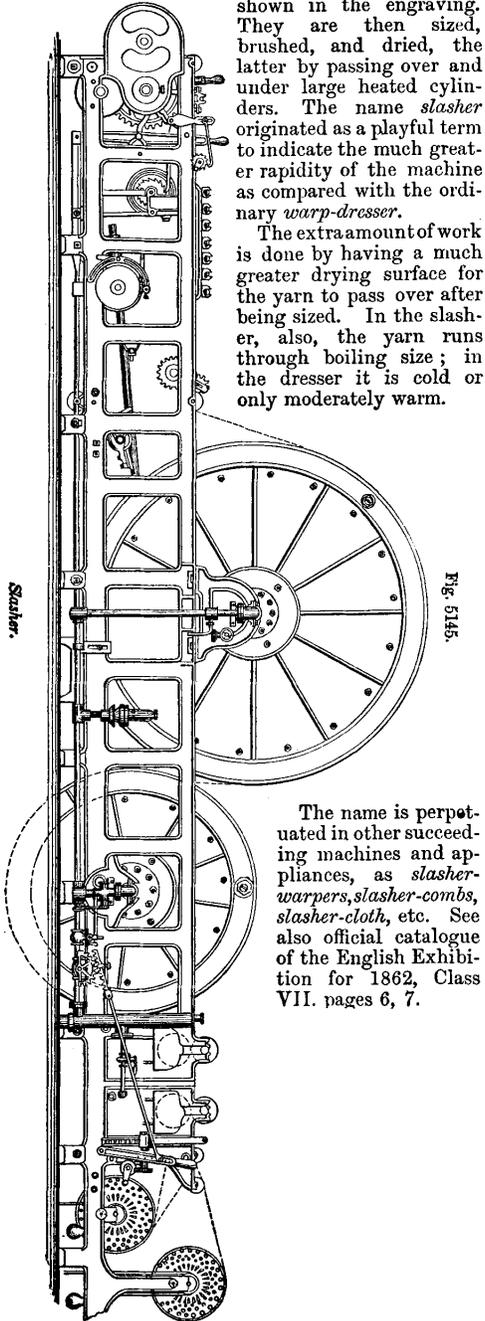


Slasher. A sizing-machine for warp-yarns. The yarns are received from a number of rollers on the right, but two of which are shown in the engraving.

They are then sized, brushed, and dried, the latter by passing over and under large heated cylinders. The name *slasher* originated as a playful term to indicate the much greater rapidity of the machine as compared with the ordinary *warp-dresser*.

The extra amount of work is done by having a much greater drying surface for the yarn to pass over after being sized. In the *slasher*, also, the yarn runs through boiling size; in the *dresser* it is cold or only moderately warm.



The name is perpetuated in other succeeding machines and appliances, as *slasher-warpers*, *slasher-combs*, *slasher-cloth*, etc. See also official catalogue of the English Exhibition for 1862, Class VII. pages 6, 7.