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Tin and Its Uses

The sixth issue of this Quarterly Review of the International Tin Research and Development Council, contains an illustrated article (page 4), describing a special tinning machine designed to produce more uniform and less porous tin coatings on tinplate. This machine embodies certain new features which are not yet employed in industrial practice, one of which is a device for securing a smooth drive for the rellers.

Another article (page 6) which is of particular interest at the present time, explains the uses of fusible alloys for the mounting of dies and punches for press-tool work, for foundry work and for bending tubes and sections.

An article (on page 11) entitled "Fluxes for Soldering" gives important information regarding the types of flux available and the uses to which each type is suited. Further details are given in this issue as to the best methods of ensuring adhesion of bearing metals to bearing shells of cast-iron and alloy steel.

Other articles give examples of technical difficulties encountered by tin consumers and of the Council's suggestions for overcoming them; this service of technical advice is available to any firm engaged on processes in which tin is involved.

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