Sla\'sher. A sizing-machine for warp-yarns. The yar\'ns are received from a num\'ber 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 cylin\'ders. The name sla\'sher originated as a playful term to indicate the much greater rapidity of the machine as compared with the ordi\'nary 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 slash\'er, also, the yarn runs through boiling size; in the dresser it is cold or only moderately warm.

The name is perpetuated in other succeed\'ing machines and appliances, as sla\'sher-warpers, sla\'sher-combs, sla\'sher-cloth, etc. See also official catalogue of the English Exhibition for 1891, Class VII. pages 6, 7.