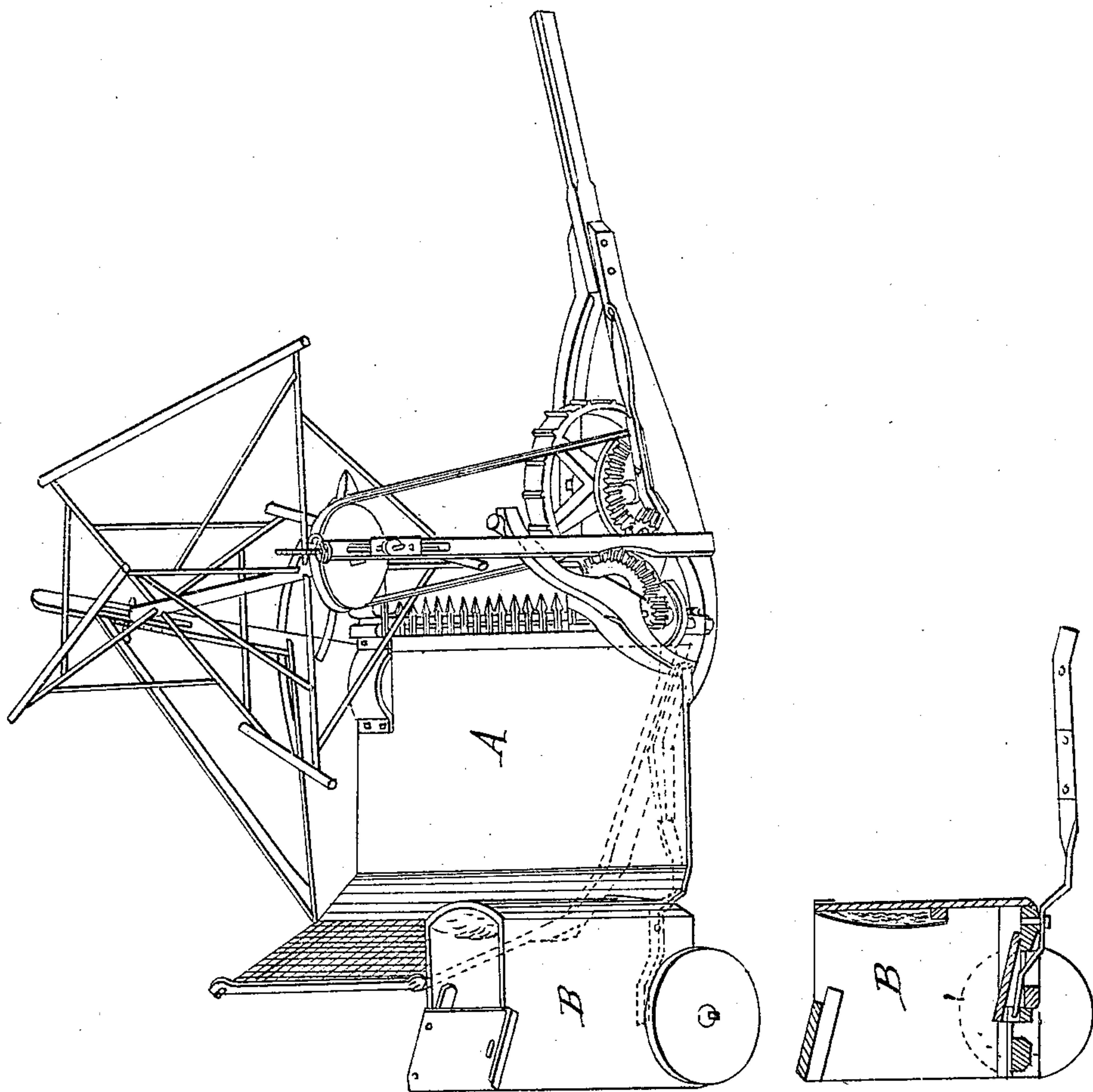


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ISAAC IRVINE HITE, of White Post, in the county of Clarke and State of Virginia, have made a new and useful improvement in C. H. McCormick's reaping-machines as patented in 1834 by attaching thereto a seat for the person to ride on whose duty it is to rake the grain from the platform on which it is deposited by the reel, of which the following is a specification.

Previous to the date of my invention it was the practice in using these machines for the person employed to rake the grain off the platform to walk alongside of the machine—a task of great difficulty, producing great fatigue, and very imperfect and unsatisfactory in its results.

In the accompanying drawing I have given a view of the reaping-machine known as "McCormick's," with my raker's seat attached thereto. The seat is mounted on wheels and

occupies an angle formed in the rear right corner of the platform A, on which the cut grain is deposited and carried until a sufficient quantity has accumulated for a sheaf. B is the raker's seat on wheels and so connected to the platform that it will follow the same in passing across elevations and depressions and in passing around corners. The seat is so constructed that the raker can conveniently and easily perform this work as well standing as sitting.

What I claim as my invention is—

The combination of a raker's seat or stand with McCormick's machine for cutting grain and gathering it upon a platform.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name.

ISAAC IRVINE HITE.

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