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#### BULLET-MACHINE.

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To all whom it may concern: punch A' fitted into and through them, the Be it known that I, CALVIN YOUNG, of the outer end of the punches A' fitted permacity of Auburn, county of Cayuga, and State nently into cross bars, which are fitted freely

of New York, have invented a new and use-**5** ful Machine for Making Bullets from Cold Lead by Pressure; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the construction and operation of the same, reference being had to the an-10 nexed drawings, making a part of this specification, numbered from No. 1 to No. 10, inclusive.

The general construction of this machine is as follows: 1st, as shown by drawings 15 Nos. 1, 5, and 7, P' represents the main bed or foundation upon which stands the main trunk B, into which, at the top, the dies A, A are set as shown in Figure No. 1. Attached to the main trunk B are four up-20 rights Z Z, connected together by two cross bars T, T, through which the punch bar M moves, and by which it is guided. Motion is communicated to the punch bar M by means of a traveling beam H through which 25 M passes, and is adjusted to its proper height by means of a screw thread cut upon it, and is held in its place by a set nut S'' as shown in Figs. Nos. 1 and 7. Power is communicated to H by two connecting rods H' H' 30 as shown in Figs. Nos. 5 and 7, which take hold of it at each end outside of the uprights Z Z between which it moves, and by which it is kept in its place and guided aright. Connecting rods H' H' pass through the bed 35 plate P' and take hold of cranks R' R' upon each end of shaft F' which is driven by gear wheel H', which is driven by pinion  $\mathbf{H}''$  upon shaft S', to which power is applied by means of cranks or otherwise. The main body or trunk B is made in 40 two parts B and C as shown on Figs. 1 and 8. B is the fixed part, being bolted to the main bed or foundation P'. C is a working piece, being fitted between two flanges, and 45 connected to them by pin C', upon which it | which have their bearings in the eye bolts

into a groove cut in the back of each of the 60 dies. The groove is of sufficient depth to allow the cross bars to move freely a short distance toward the face of the dies, which carries the inner end of the punches A' A' beyond the inner surface of the dies. See 65 Figs. Nos. 1, 2, and 3. The cross bars project at each end beyond the side of the dies sufficient to receive cross connecting bolts A'' A'', which are of the proper length to allow the dies to open sufficiently for the 70 bullet to drop between them at their lower extremities. See Fig. 3. The connecting bolts are fitted loosely through the cross bars, so that they may slide freely and allow the dies to close and open to their proper dis- 75 tance. Upon those cross connecting bolts between the cross bars there are fitted collars or rubber A''', see Figs. 2 and 3, which act upon the inside of the cross bars at the point where the cross connecting bolts pass 80 through them, which force the cross bars back to their proper place when the dies are closed, and thus convey the lateral punches a' a' back to their places, so that the inner ends are even with the inner surface of the 85 dies, and thus help form a small portion of the bullet's surface. The punches and their appurtenances last above described are for the purpose of removing the bullet from the dies after it is 90 formed. At the top and upon the back of the main trunk B the parallel ways J, as shown by Figs. Nos. 1, 2, and 4, are attached, between which the slide I is fitted and moved freely 95 lengthwise by the cross arm H, at each end of which the connecting rods G G take hold as shown by Fig. No. 2, which at the other end take hold of one driven by crank F. Upon the end of the axle of the cam D 100 freely turns and is closed into its proper [E, E] that pass through the main trunk B and are nutted at the back side as shown by Figs. Nos. 2 and 5, the cranks F F are slotted at their outer ends to facilitate the adjusting 105 of the length of the run of slide I. The connecting rods G G are slotted at one end so that the slide I remains at rest for a short space of time at each end of its run. Over the top of slide I cap K' is fitted and bolted 110 to the ways J through which there is an orifice suitable to admit the lead wire S,

place by the cam D, see Figs. 1, 2, and 7, which cam is driven by pinion F' upon shaft S'. The movable piece C is thrown 50 back or open by the spring K'. See Fig. No. 1.

The dies, a, a, for forming the bullet, are fitted and firmly fixed; the one half into the permanent part B and the other half into the movable part C, by which they are closed and opened. The dies a a have each a lateral

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which passing through K enters a corresponding orifice in I, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2, and passes through I until it rests upon a gage screw R", by which the length 5 of lead, level with plate K, is regulated. The slide I in moving forward passes its orifice under the elastic roll Y, which is drawn by the bearings at Y' so as to press snugly upon slide I as it moves along under 10 it, as shown by Fig. No. 4. Slide I has a groove cut in its lower side lengthwise, corresponding to its orifice and the gage screw  $\mathbf{R''}$  so as to admit of the screw being raised to its proper place without interfering with 15 the movement of the slide I. The last above described part is for the purpose of gaging, cutting, and depositing the lead into the dies. Directly over the above mentioned part 20 there are two rolls N N as shown in Figs. Nos. 1, 5, and 6, which have their bearings in frame O'. The outer roll has its bearings in the movable boxes O which are forced inward by set screws P, by which means the 25 rolls are forced together. The rolls are formed, in part, of rubber, by which means the surface of the rolls are rendered sufficiently elastic to prevent their marring the lead wire, as it passes between them. The 30 lead is guided to and between the rolls by passing through a guide fastened at arch R which is fastened upon frames O'. Motion is given to the rolls by arm C'' as shown by Figs. 5 and 6, which is fitted upon 35 the outer end of the shaft of the inside roll, and is fitted so as to turn freely around the shaft. Inside of the arm C'' is a toothed wheel W' which is fixed fast upon the shaft. This wheel is acted upon by means of hand 40 M' which is connected to the arm C'' and is held in contact with the teeth of the wheel by means of a spring, so that the motion of the arm downward turns the wheel W' and rolls N, N. The arm C'' is raised back to its 45 place by means of spiral spring I' as shown by Fig. No. 5 which is attached, the one end to the arm, and the other to the outer end of the arch piece R at T' see Fig. 6. While the arm is moving upward or back 50 to its place, the spring hand M' is drawn backward over the teeth on wheel W' which allows the rolls to remain at rest during that

which also governs the distance of motion of arm C'' and rolls N N. The lever D' is raised back to its place by the spiral spring I'.

The last above described portion of the 70 machine is denominated the feed works, and takes the lead S from a reel or coil where it may have been placed for that purpose. The foregoing specification of the construction of the principal parts of the ma-75 chine is given and the materials used for the same may be of cast iron, or wrought-iron, or any other suitable metal or composition. The following is a description of the manner of operating the machine: Motion being 80 given to shaft  $\bar{S}'$  which carries gear pinions H'' and F', which give motion to wheels H' and F'', the direction of which is indicated by arrows. Wheel H' upon shaft F' turns the crank R', which work connecting 85 rods X' and raise traveling beam X, which carries the punch M to its proper height to admit of slides I passing under it. While the punch is in the dies, the cranks R' R' are upon their lower center. The cam D 90 has its flattened part a little past the lower center, and its fullest part holds the dies firmly together. The cranks F, F are upon their back center, parallel with connecting rods G G which carry slide I back to its 95 proper place, so that the orifice in it near the front end is directly under the orifice in cap K in which the lead wire S remains, having been passed through its guide at the top of R and passed between the rolls N N 100 and its end inserted in said orifice. At this point the cam E'' rests upon the incline E''', pinion F' turns wheel F'', which carries the crank F upward and the cam E''over the incline, which forces the lever D' 105 downward and turns the arm  $C^{\prime\prime}$  a corresponding distance, carrying the wheel W' and the rolls N N which force the lead S down through the orifice of I upon the gage screw R''. During this motion of the feed 110 works, the slide I which receives and cuts the lead, stands at rest by means of slots in the connecting rods G, G, where they take hold of the cross bar H. At this time, the feed works have completed their motion. 115 The cam E'' remains in the arc E''' and holds the feed works still, and the lead in its place while at this time the connecting rods part of the movement of the arm. The arm G, G have advanced sufficient to act upon

is drawn forward or down by the connecting arms H, by which means the slide I is forced 120 55 rod D'' which connects arm C'' to lever D'forward and the portion of lead that is in it which is acted upon by cam E'' which is is sheared off, between the upper surface of fixed upon one of the outer arms of cam D, I and the lower surface of  $\bar{\mathbf{K}}'$  which come and inside of crank F, as shown by Figs. 2 in close contact so as to cut the lead and 5. The direction of the cam is indicated smoothly. As the lead is being cut off cam 125 60 by the arrow (Fig. 5) and acts upon incline E'' is passing out of arc E''', so the feed and arc E''' which is fast to lever I', and works may resume their proper position as forces it downward in slotted guide E' as hereinbefore described ready for the next shown in Figs. 5, and 9, at the top of which action. The slide I continues to move forthere is a regulating screw by which the ward, carrying in its orifice the piece of 65 amount of motion of lever D' is regulated,

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lead cut off and passing under the elastic roll Y the lead is loosened in the orifice by the pressure of the roll upon it so as to drop its lower end upon the upper surface of B, 5 which is parallel and even with the upper surface of the dies and is carried along in the orifice of I until it is brought directly over the opening of the dies into which it drops. Thus the lead is gaged, cut and de-10 posited in the dies all with the same instrument. At this point of the operation the punch, which forms the cavity and butt of the bullet, and it attached to the lower end of punch bar M, is at its upper extremity of 15 the run, the cranks R' R' being upon their upper centers and the cranks  $\overline{F}$   $\overline{F}$  on their forward centers parallel with connecting rods G G. The slide I remains at rest at this point the same length of time that it does 20 at the opposite end of its run, so that the punch passing down enters the end of it, into the orifice in slide I sufficient to remove or force down the lead, if it should not have fallen into the dies previously. At this instant the slide I starts back from under the 25punch, the front part of the orifice being cut away to admit of this movement, and moves back to its former position to receive another portion of lead. In the meantime the 30 punch passes into the dies and presses the bullet into shape, the dies being closed by the cam D. As the punch recedes from the dies the cam D turns its flattened part toward the movable part of the trunk C into which the

draws the cross bars forward in the slots, which projects the punches A' A' through and out of each half die, so that the bullet 45 must be removed from either part of the die, to which it may adhere. The bullet when thus removed falls down through the lower extremity of the dies into a conducting tube in which it passes through P' into the por- 50 tion of the conductor that is curved so as to pass the bullet around the wheel H' and thence into a receiver arranged for that purpose.

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What I claim as my invention and desire 55 to secure by Letters Patent—

1. The application of elastic rolls for the purpose of feeding lead wire into the machine, substantially as described in annexed drawings and specification.

2. The application of the arrangement or device for gaging, cutting and depositing the lead into the dies by the same instrument; and the manner of constructing and operating this portion of the machine, sub- 65 stantially as described in annexed drawings and specification.

3. The application of the arrangement or device of lateral punches for removing the bullet from the dies substantially as de- 70 scribed in annexed drawings and specification.

The above is a full description of improvements in the mode of constructing machines for the manufacture of bullets from cold <sup>75</sup> lead by pressure in respect to which a caveat was filed. by said CALVIN YOUNG, in the month of April 1857 in the secret archives of the Patent Office.

<sup>35</sup> one half of the die is fitted, which allows C to open the dies, being forced back by the spring K and turning upon the pin C'. Thus the dies are opened without restriction until they are checked by the cross connecting bolts A'' which pass through the two cross bars in the back of the dies which carry the lateral punches A' A', and which motion

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