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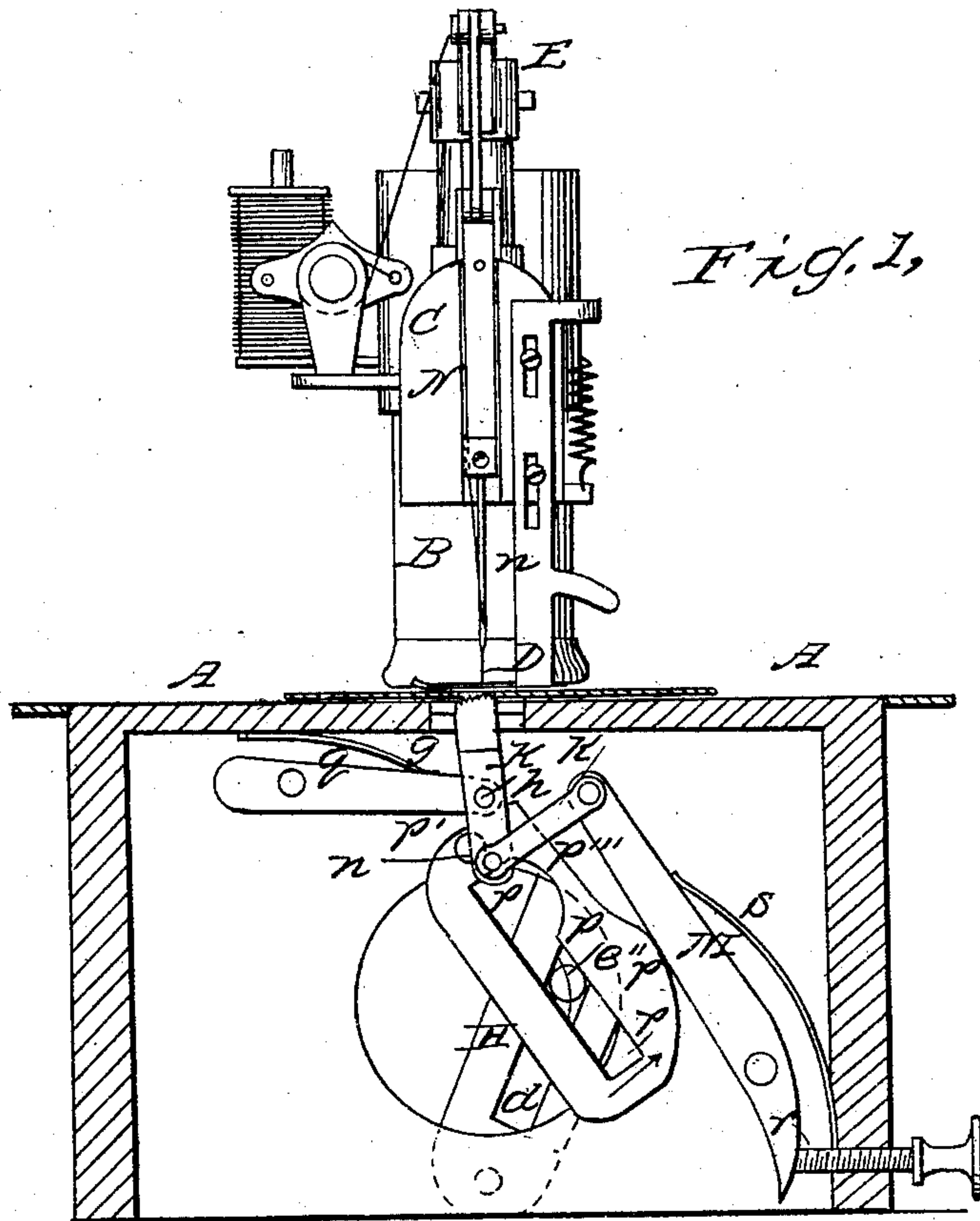


Fig. 1,

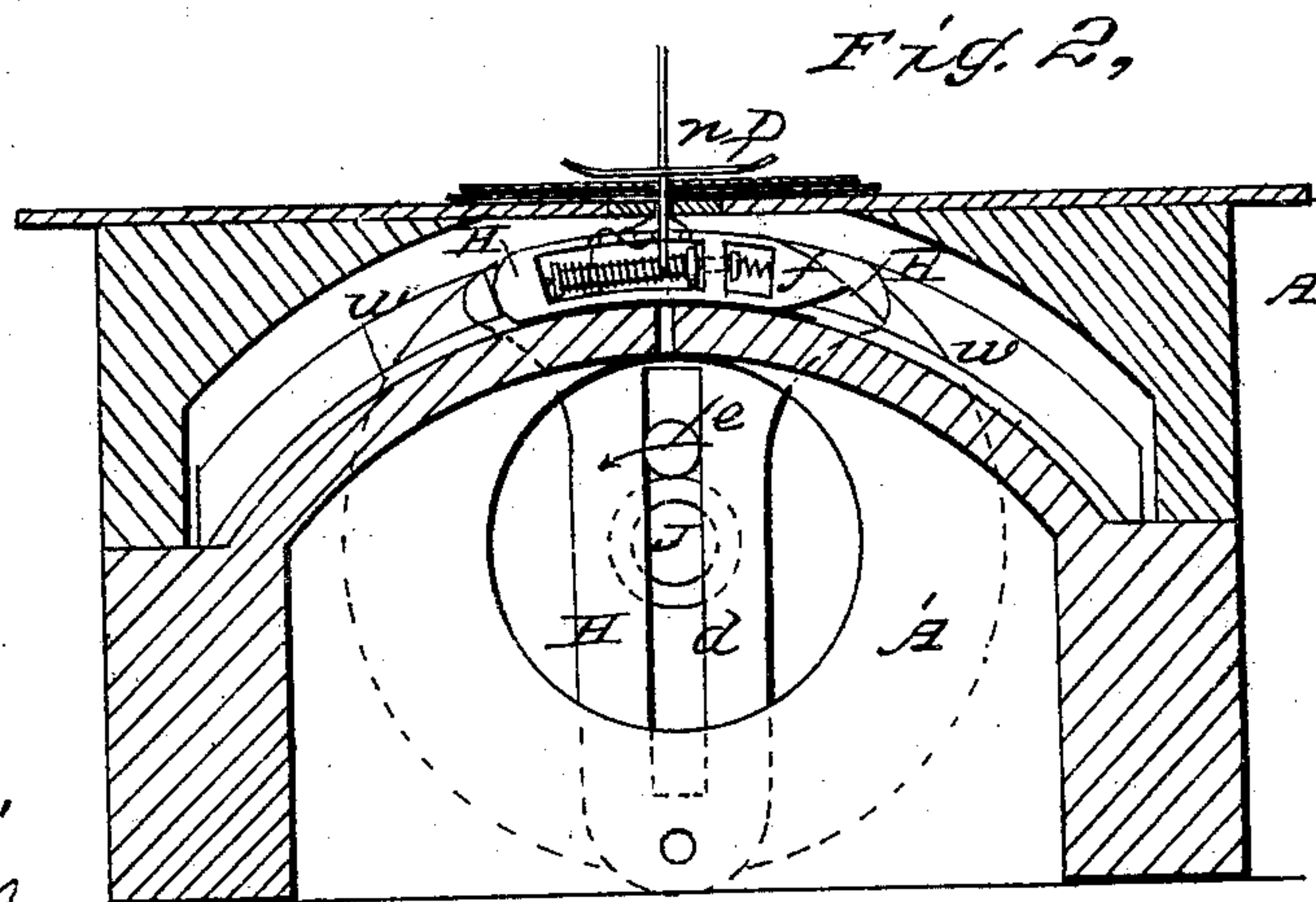


Fig. 2,

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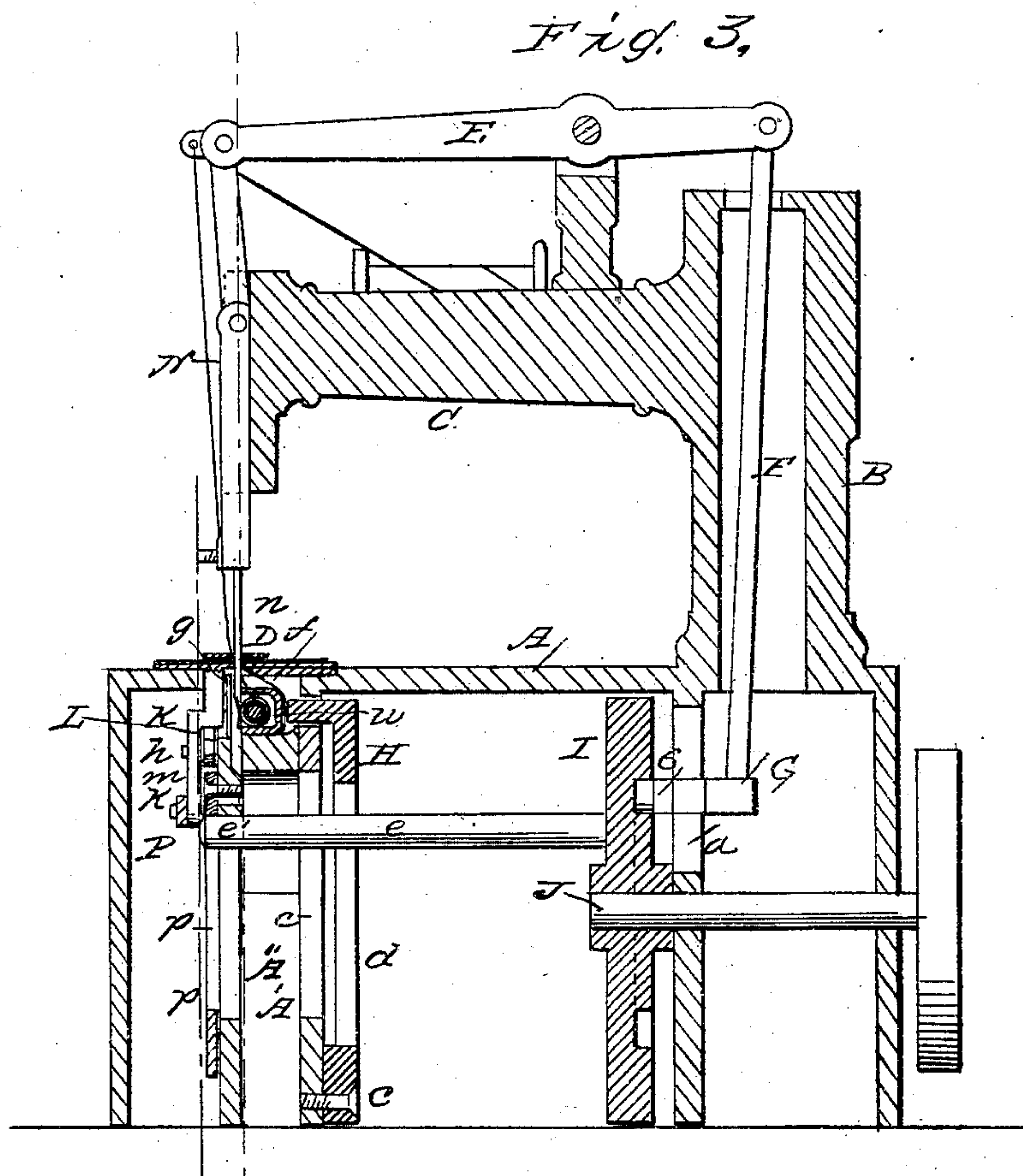
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN MACKENZIE, of Cleveland, in the county of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Sewing-Machines; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a front view of a machine with the front part of its bed-plate removed to show the shuttle and feed motions. Fig. 2 is a vertical section of the same in a vertical plane close to the needle and parallel with the feed movement; but in this view all the needle mechanism is omitted. Fig. 3 is a vertical section, taken at right angles to Figs. 1 and 2, in a plane close to the needle.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the several figures.

This invention consists in a certain combination and arrangement of mechanical devices to provide for the operation of the feeding-dog by the elongation of an eccentric pin which drives the shuttle.

To enable others skilled in the art to make and use my invention, I will proceed to describe its construction and operation.

A is the cast-iron stand, upon the upper horizontal surface of which the cloth or other material is laid to be sewed, having attached to it a stand, B, from which projects a stationary arm, C, to which is attached the pressure-pad D, and which contains the guide for the needle-bar N. This needle-bar derives motion from a lever, E, connected by a rod, F, with a slide, G, which works in a vertical slot, *a*, in the table, and carries a stud, *b*, working in the groove of a cam, I, on the driving-shaft J. This cam may also constitute a fly-wheel.

H is the shuttle-driver, arranged to vibrate on a fixed pin, C, secured to the lower part of a vertical partition, A', in the stand A, and containing a slot, *d*, to receive an eccentrically-arranged pin, *e*, that is secured to the cam or fly-wheel I in such a manner as to be parallel with the shaft J. The revolution of this pin *e* with the driving-shaft produces the vibratory motion of the shuttle-carrier, which gives the necessary movement to the shuttle *f* in its arched raceway *w*. The same pin *e*, by being elongated in a forward direction beyond the

shuttle-carrier, as shown at *e'* in Fig. 3, is made to drive the feed apparatus.

K is the feeding-dog, having a serrated face, and working through a slot, *g*, in the top of the stand A. This dog is made in the form of a lever, whose upper end constitutes the serrated face. This lever is connected by its fulcrum-pin *h* with a lever, L, working on a stationary fulcrum-pin, *j*, secured in a vertical partition, A'', in the stand, and it has its lower end connected by a rod, *k*, with the upper end of a lever, M, which works on a fixed fulcrum, *l*, secured in the partition A''.

P is a plate containing a slot, *p*, and arranged to swing on a pin, *m*, which attaches it to the partition A'', said pin being arranged not far below the top of the stand A, and the slot *p* being radial to the pin *m*, except that it is curved on one side near the top, as shown at *p'''* in Fig. 1. The said slot receives the elongation *e'* of the eccentric pin *e*, and by the revolution of the said pin in the said slot the said plate is caused to derive a vibratory motion. The upper edge, *p'*, of the plate P constitutes a cam, with which the lever L is held in contact by a spring, *q*, and the side of the plate next the lever M has a cam-like projection, *p''*, toward which the upper arm of the latter lever is forced by a spring, *s*, as far as is permitted by an adjustable-screw, *r*, which screws through one side of the stand A and stops the lower arm.

The operation of the feeding apparatus is as follows: The pin *e* rotates in the direction of the arrow shown upon it in Figs. 1 and 2, and its elongation *e'* causes the plate P to vibrate on the pin *m*. As the pin *e* passes below the center of the shaft J it causes the plate P to move in the direction of the arrow shown on it in Fig. 1, by which movement the cam-like edge *p'* is caused to raise the lever L, and thus lift up the dog K, through the slot *g*, to make it bite the cloth, which is confined vertically by the pressure-pad, and before the said pin *e* arrives at the curve *p'''* of the slot the projection *p''* on the plate comes into contact with the lever M, and causes the said lever, through its connecting-rod *k*, to move the dog K, on its fulcrum *h*, in the direction of the arrow shown upon it, and thus to move the cloth. As the pin *e'* arrives at the curve *p'''* the plate P is allowed to be moved back by the pressure

of the spring q upon the lever L , which also depresses the dog and throws it out of contact with the cloth, so that it will not carry the cloth back again. As the projection p''' on plate P leaves the lever M the spring s moves it back again as far as permitted by the screw r , and thus carries back the dog in the opposite direction to that in which it fed the cloth. The screw r is screwed in or out to regulate the feed by regulating the movement of the lever M .

I do not claim, broadly, working the feed apparatus and the shuttle-driver by the same eccentric pin projecting from a revolving wheel, or its equivalent; nor do I claim giving the feed-dog such a movement as is herein described; but—

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

Combining the lever-like feed-dog K with the revolving eccentric pin e , which operates the shuttle by means of the vibrating slotted double cam-like plate P , and the two levers L and M , the connecting-rod k , and the springs s , the whole being arranged and operating as described to produce the movements of the feed-dog.

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