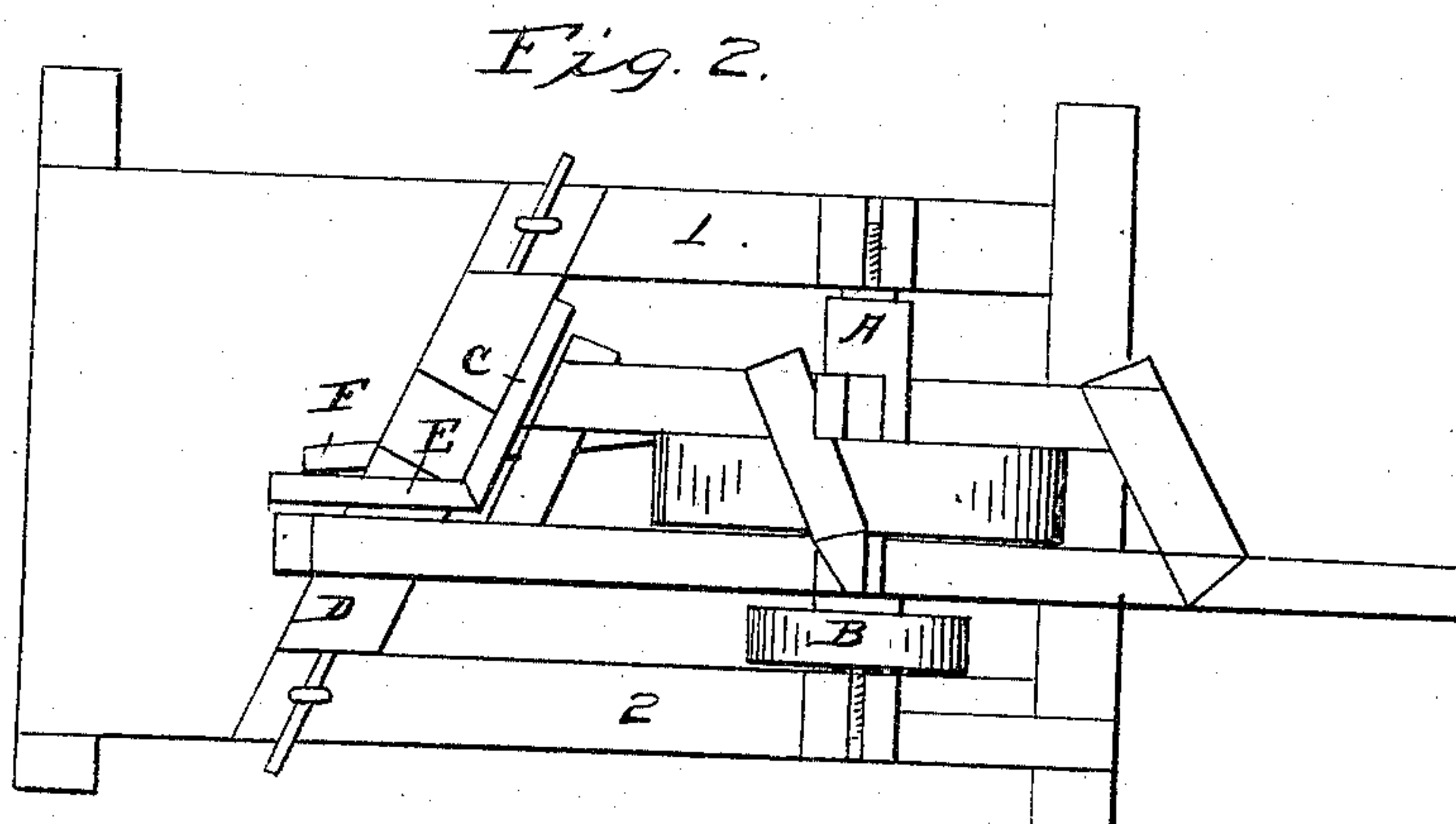
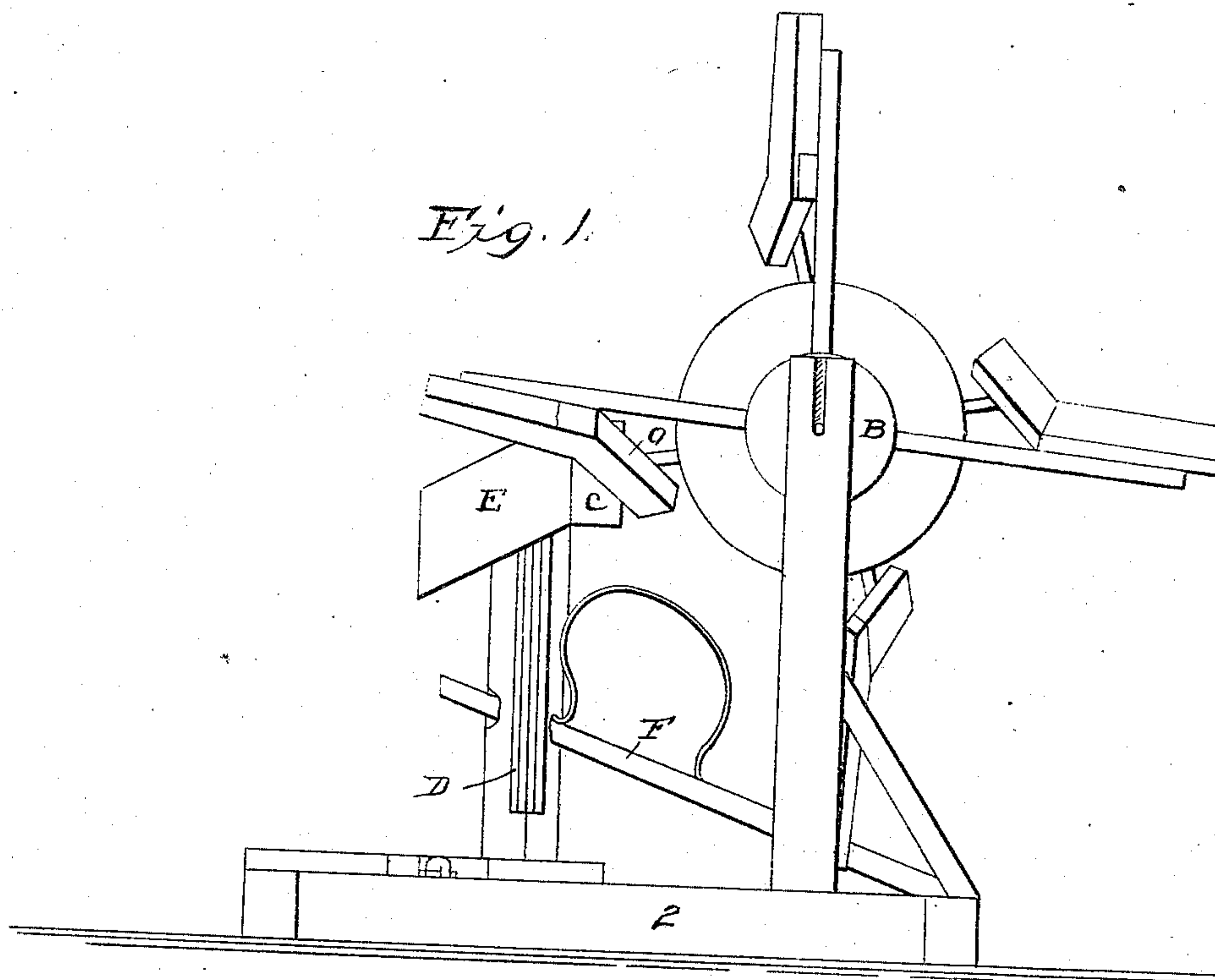


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IMPROVEMENT IN MACHINE FOR SCUTCHING FLAX.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

Be it known that I, ABRAHAM S. MILLER, of Bluffton, in the county of Wells, and State of Indiana, have invented a new and useful Machine for Scutching Flax, entitled "An Improved Flax-Scutcher;" 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 enclosed drawings.

My invention consists of four obtuse-angled knives, O, attached to arms on shaft A, driven by belt on pulley B, the broken flax being fed upon upright knife at C, and passing off at E. The base of the upright, D, is made to vibrate upon journals 1 and 2, so as to accommodate itself to large or small quantities, the upright being governed and held in place by the spring at F.

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

The knives O, upright, C E, base, D, and spring-bar F, all combined, constructed, and arranged as and for the purpose herein set forth.

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