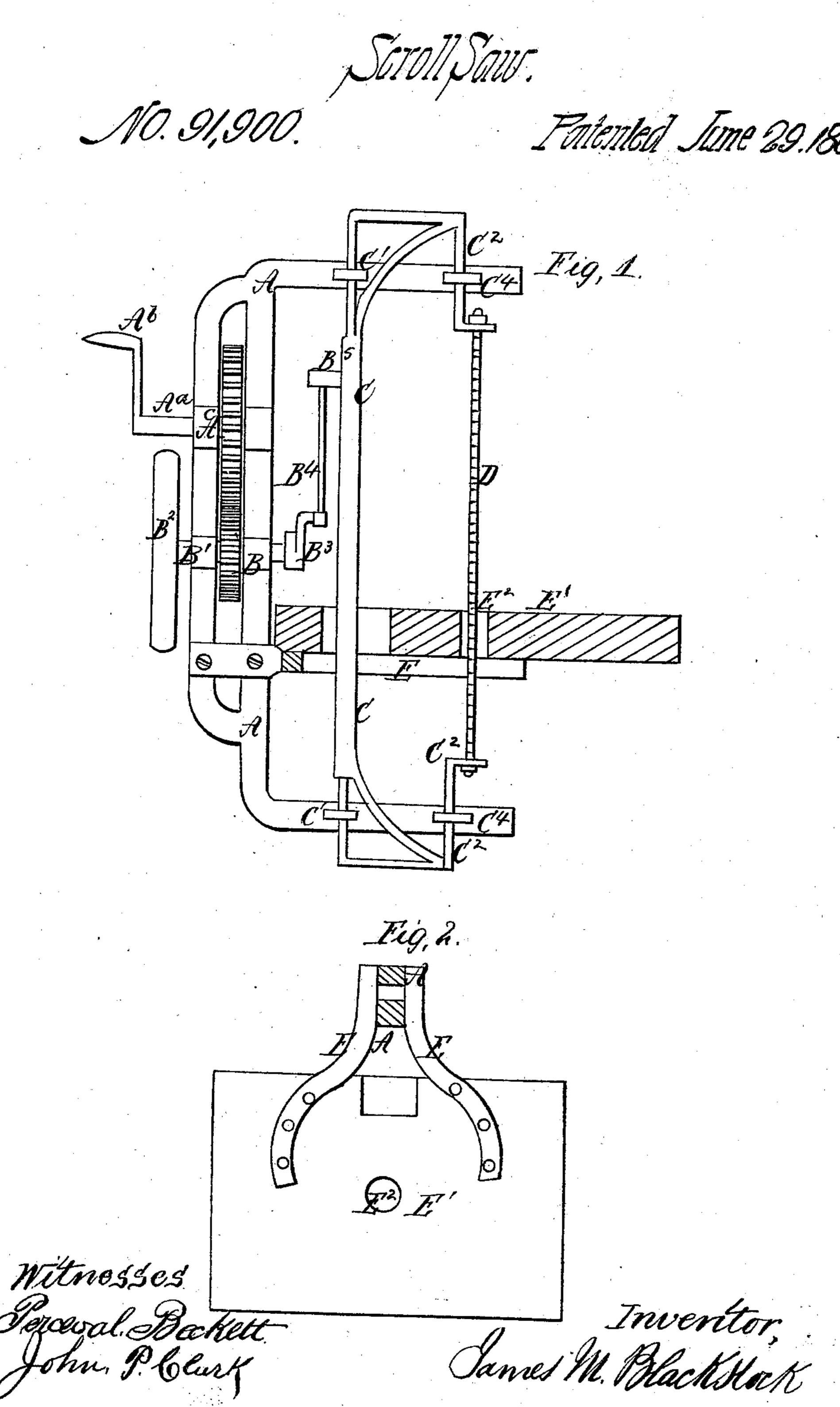
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IMPROVEMENT IN SCROLL-SAWING MACHINE.

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

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, James M. Blackstock, of Tarentum, in the county of Allegheny, and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Scroll-Saws; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

The nature of my invention consists in the use of devices whereby ordinary scroll-sawing machines can be run by hand-power, and attached to and detached from any ordinary workshop-bench.

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

In the accompanying drawings—

Figure 1 is an elevation of my improvements in scroll-saws as attached to an ordinary shop-bench.

Figure 2, a sectional plan of some of the details. Letters of reference denote parts.

A frame-work, A, consisting of two vertical parallel bars and horizontal side pieces, sustains most of the devices used, revolving in suitable bearings, attached to which is a driving-shaft, A^a, provided at the one extremity with an ordinary cranked handle, A^b, and an ordinary spur-pinion, A^c, situated between the beforenamed vertical bars.

This spur-pinion A° rotates a spur-wheel, B, affixed to a counter-shaft, B¹, also revolving in suitable bearings on the frame A, said shaft B¹ being provided at the outer extremity with an ordinary fly-wheel, B², and on the inner end with an ordinary crank, B³, of suitable proportions and construction, attached to which is an ordinary connecting-rod, B', its upper part being pivoted to a pin, B⁵, affixed to a frame, C, whose upper and lower ends pass through guides C¹, attached to the side pieces of the before-named frame A.

This frame C has other sliding surfaces, C², passing through guides C¹, attached also to frame A.

An ordinary scroll-saw, D, is attached to the extremities of these sliding surfaces C², by means of screws or such-like devices.

A brace, E, of suitable construction, and of a curved shape, is attached to the frame A by means of rivets or such-like devices, said brace E being of such proportions as it will project from the frame A and pass underneath an ordinary workshop-bench, E¹, to which it is affixed by screws or clamps, said bench E¹ being provided with a slot, E², through which the saw D passes, the whole being so arranged and constructed, that by turning the crank-handle A^b the saw-frame C and scroll-saw D are reciprocated, by means of the described devices.

As heretofore scroll-sawing machines have been constructed, they have been of such design and size as prevent ordinary mechanics from having them, on account of the cost; and as every workshop is not provided with steam-power, ordinary buck or hand-saws have to be resorted to, thus causing loss of time and unnecessary manual labor.

By the use of my devices, lumber can be sawed, resawed, ripped, or cross-cut into any shape; and as the devices are driven by hand-power, and can be attached to and detached from any ordinary workshop-bench, great saving of time and expense will accrue thereby.

I do not claim the separate devices herein described and shown, as I am aware that the same are not new; but as constructed and arranged by me, to form a detachable and portable scroll-saw, they constitute a novel and useful improvement, requiring no special framing or support, and being readily applicable to workshop-requirements, whether driven by hand or power.

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

The combination of the saw D, saw-frame C, and its driving-mechanism, with the frame A and braces E, when all the parts are constructed substantially as set forth and for the purpose described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own, I affix my signature, in presence of two witnesses.

JAMES M. BLACKSTOCK.

Witnesses:

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