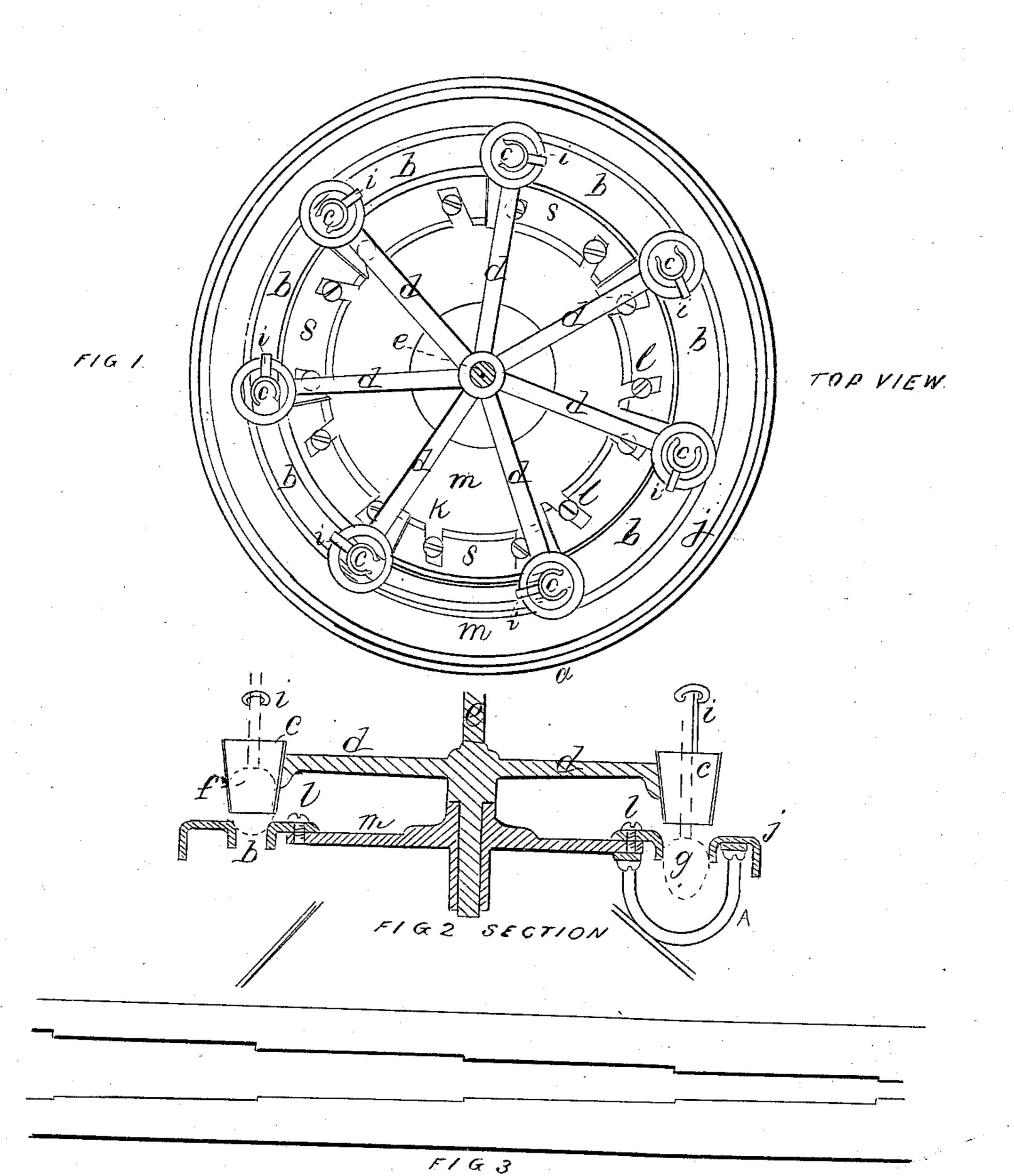
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## IMPROVEMENT IN TEASEL-GRADING MACHINES.

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, GEORGE A. BURROUGH, of Providence, in the State of Rhode Island, have invented a new and useful machine, which I call a Grading Machine for Grading Teasels, an article used by woolen manufacturers for raising the nap on cloths and other articles; 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 annexed drawings making a part of this specification, in which like parts are represented by like letters in the several figures, and in which-

Figure 1 is top view;

Figure 2 is a sectional view; and

Figure 3, a partial top view of a straight machine, which was first made but not considered as good as fig. 1.

The machine is made of iron or other materials, in a circular form, about four feet across the top, with about forty slots or spaces graduated from three-quarters of an inch to one and a half inch wide and three inches long, with a suitable number of caps.

In the drawings, fig. 1—

- a represents the seat for the operator.
- b, graduated slots.
- c, caps.
- d, radial arms.
- e, a rotary shaft.
- i, supports.

j is a fixed exterior flange.

The width of the slots b is regulated by sections s of an annular ring concentric with the flange j, these sections to be adjusted inward or outward by a parallel movement through slots k in the same and setscrews l, by which they are secured to the center-

table or platform.

The machine is set in motion by power being applied in any suitable manner to the shaft e, fig. 1, and the operator, at a, places the teasels in the cups with their stems in the supports i to keep them in a perpendicular position as they rotate over or through the graduated slots, until they reach one sufficiently wide to allow of their passing through, as shown in fig. 2, frepresenting a teasel passing over, and g one passing through a slot, suitable receptacles A being provided underneath to keep the sizes separate.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Let-

ters Patent of the United States, is-

1. In a teasel-grading machine, the graduated slots or spaces formed by the annular flange j, and the adjustable sections l, for the purpose set forth.

2. In combination with said slots, the radial rotary arms d, caps e, and supports i, arranged as and for the purpose set forth.

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