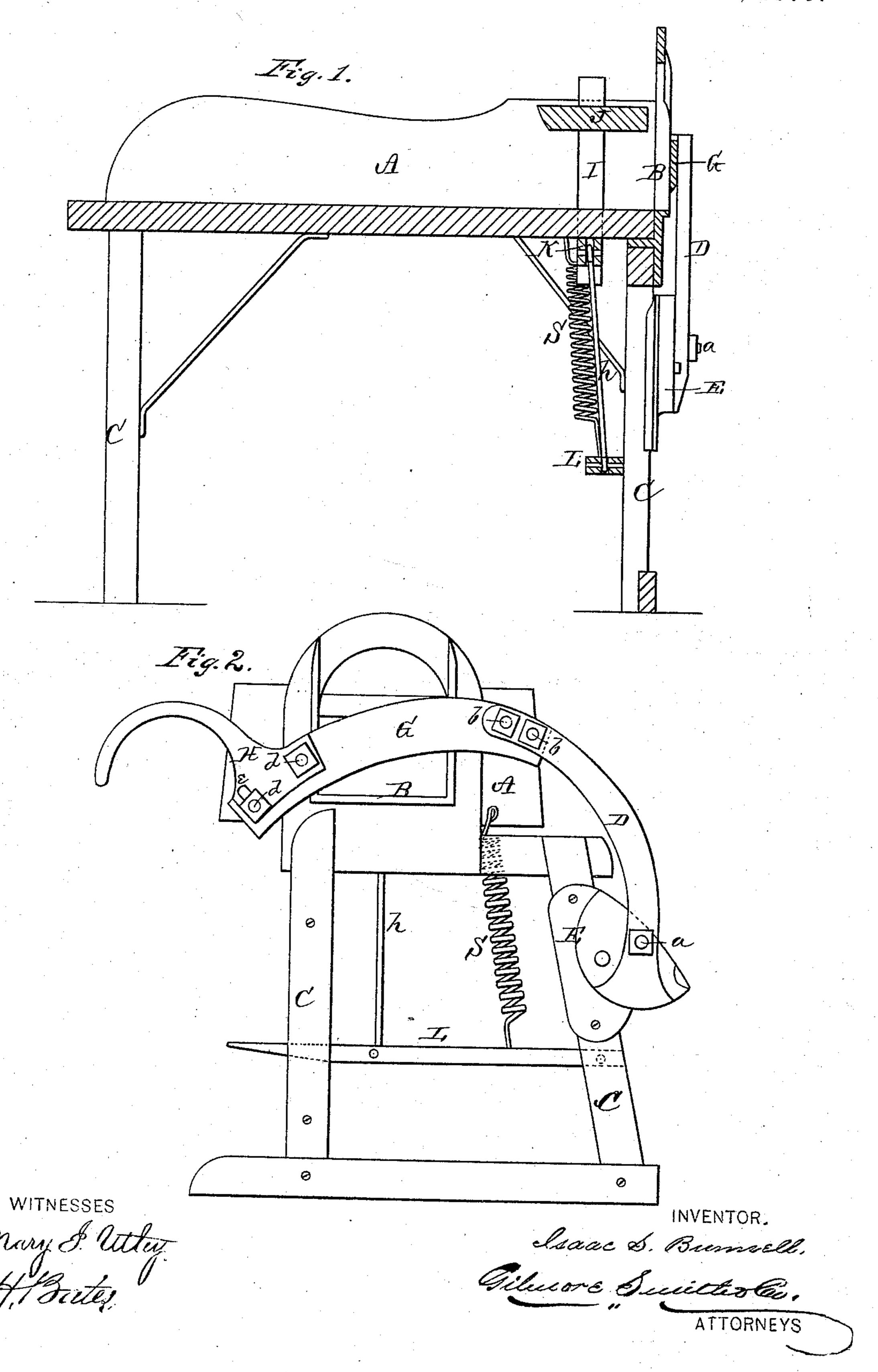
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IMPROVEMENT IN STRAW-CUTTERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ISAAC S. BUNNELL, of Carbondale, in the county of Luzerne and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and valuable Improvement in Stalk and Hay Cutters; 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, and to the letters and figures of reference marked thereon.

Figure 1 of the drawings is a representation of a longitudinal vertical section of my cutter, and Fig. 2 is an end view thereof.

The nature of my invention consists in the construction and arrangement of a feed-cutter, as will be hereinafter more fully set forth.

In the annexed drawing, A represents the ordinary feed box, provided at its front end with the mouth-piece B, and the box supported upon suitable legs C. To one of the front legs is secured a face-plate, E, and to this plate is pivoted a lever, D, by means of a pivot-bolt, a. This pivot-bolt is made adjustable up and down, whereby the length of the draw-cut is easily regulated. The lever D is curved, as shown, and to its upper end is fastened one end of the knife G, by two bolts, b, and to the other end of the knife is fastened the handle H, by two bolts, d d. One

of these latter bolts passes through a slot, e, in the handle, so that the handle can be adjusted up or down, to suit the convenience of a tall or short person using it. At the front end of the box A is a movable presser board, J, secured to two vertical bars I I, sliding in grooves in the sides of the box A. These bars extend down through the bottom of the box, and are connected below the same by a crossbar, K, which is connected by a rod, h, with a pivoted treadle, L. This treadle is raised by means of a coiled-spring, S, which thus also raises the presser-board J, and keeps the same in an elevated position. By the operator pressing down on the treadle L, the board J is pulled down, compressing the feed while the same is being cut by the knife G.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure

by Letters Patent, is—

In a lever feed-cutter, the combination of the adjustable lever D, the knife G secured thereto, and the handle H adjustably secured to the other end of the knife, for the purpose herein set forth.

In testimony that I claim the above I have hereunto subscribed my name in the presence of two witnesses.

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