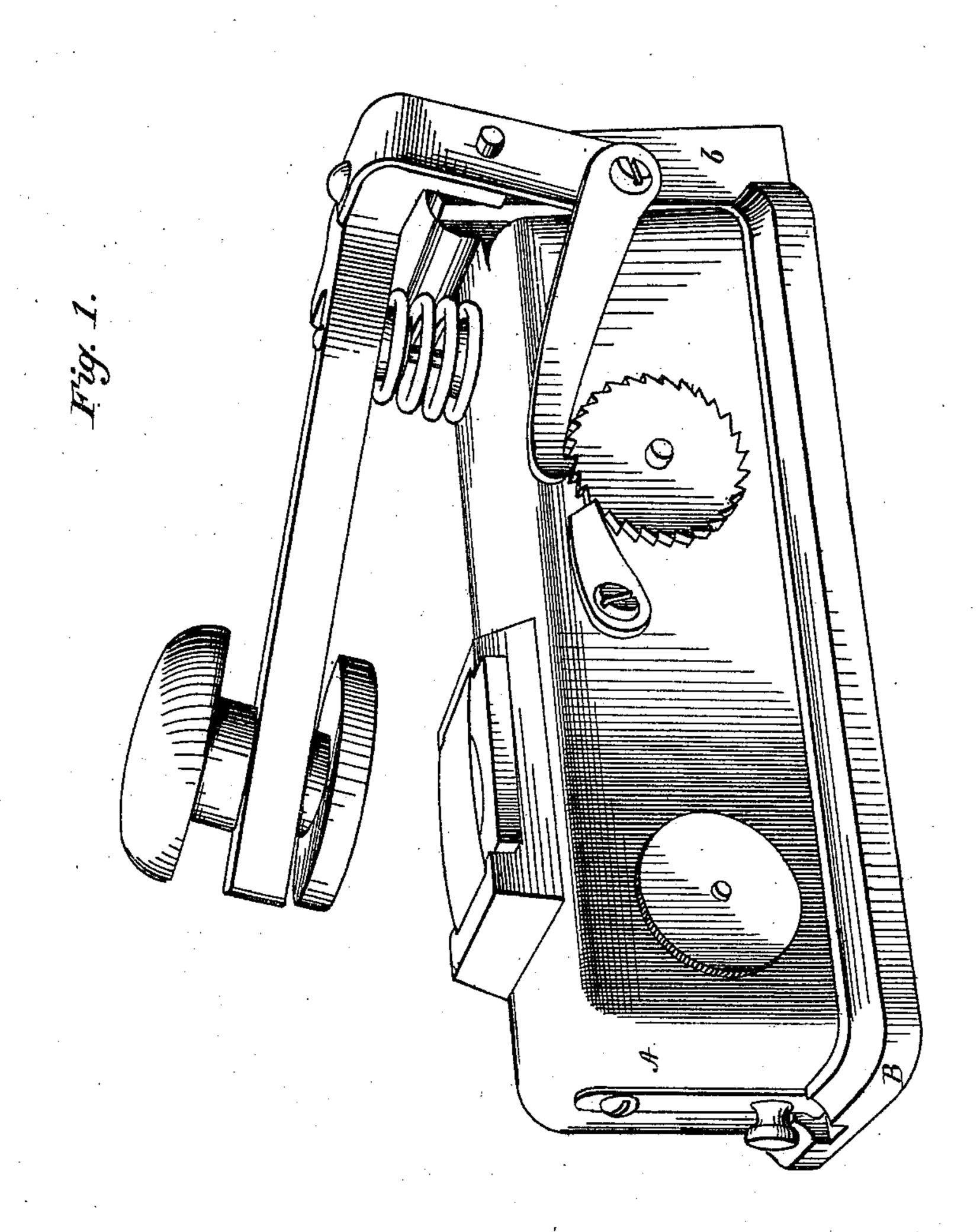
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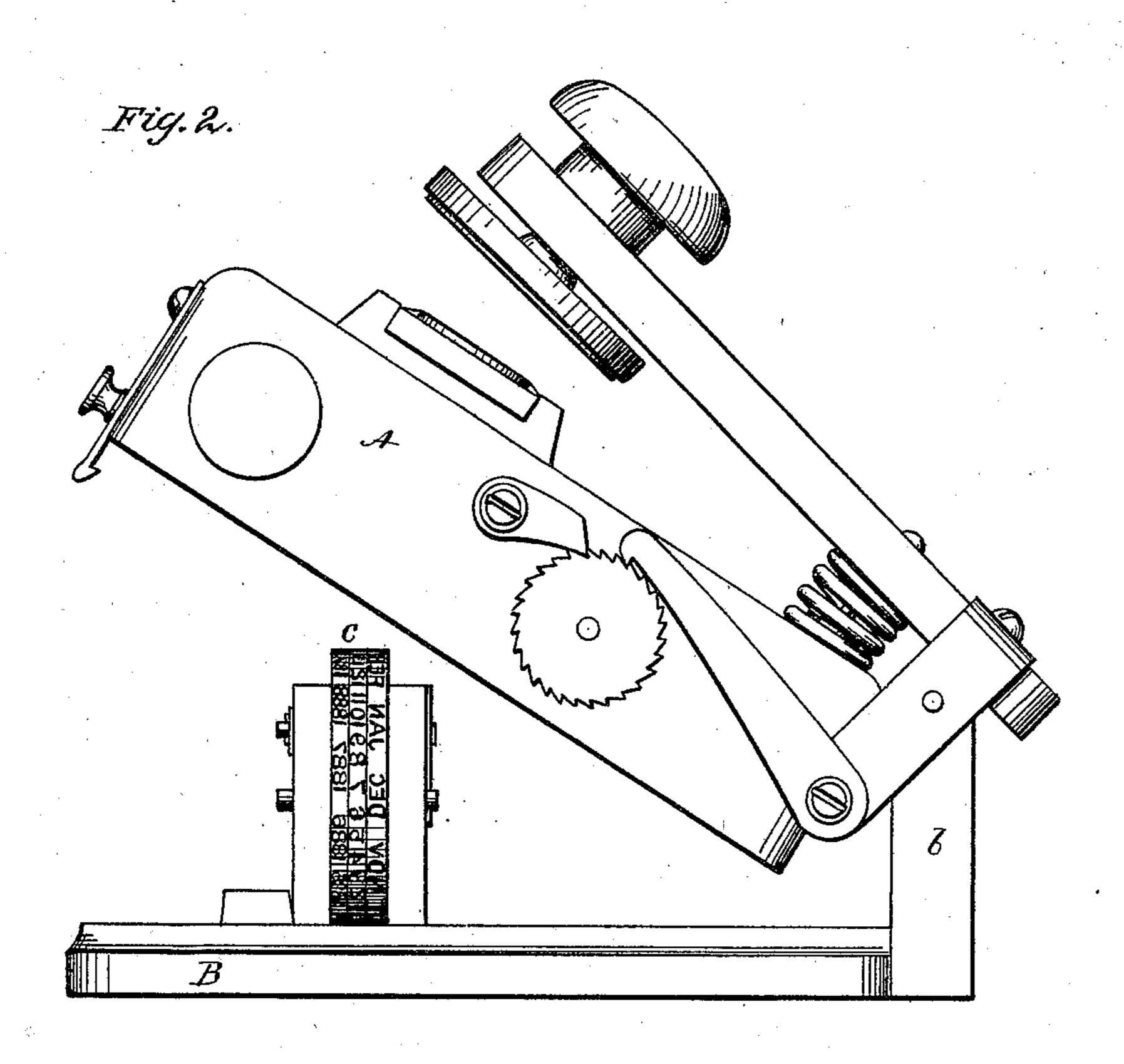
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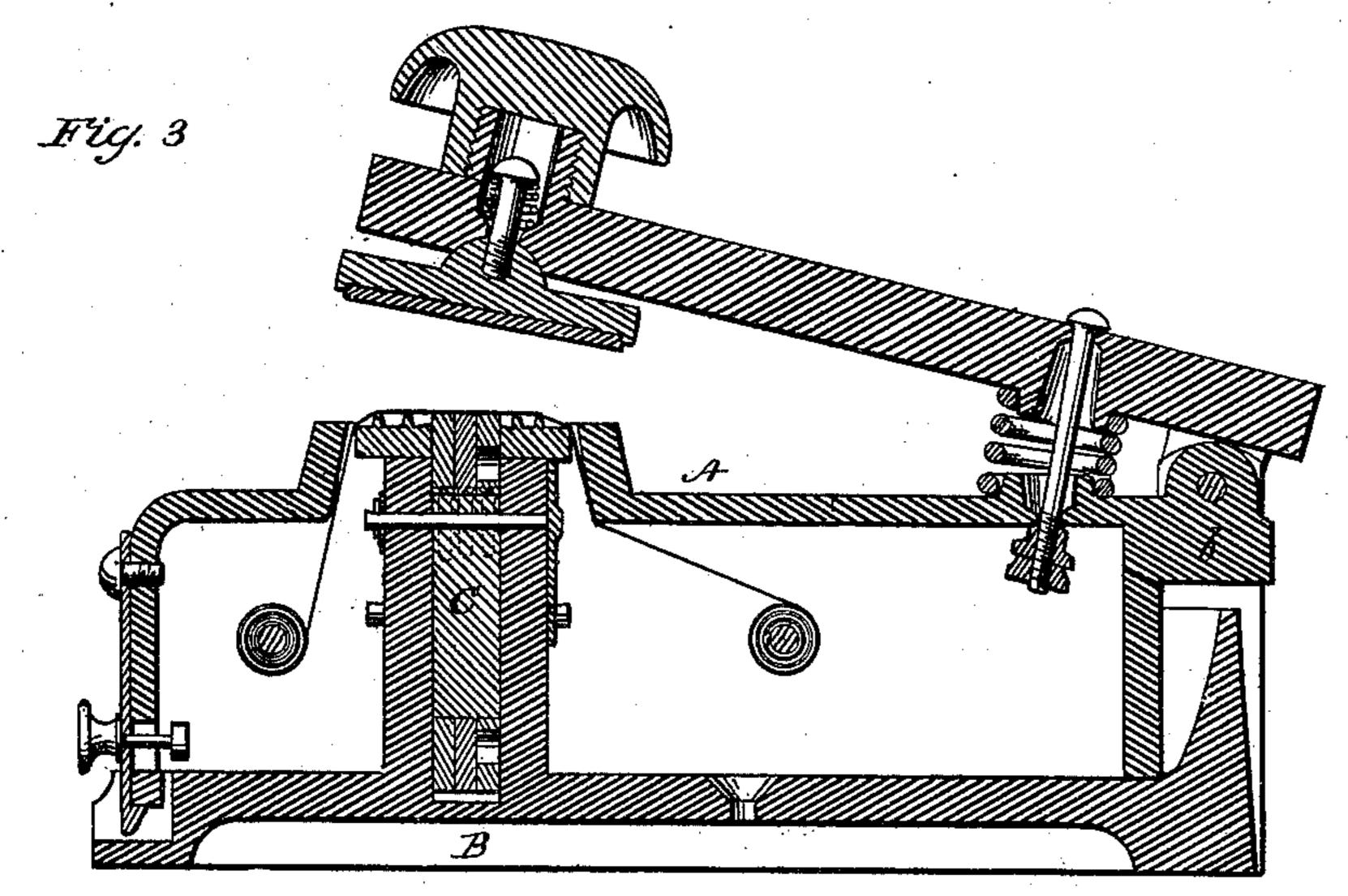
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## IMPROVEMENT IN HAND-STAMPS.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 176,837, dated May 2, 1876; application filed March 21, 1876.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Dexter H. Chamber-Lain, of West Roxbury, Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hand-Stamps, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my new stamp. Fig. 2 is a side elevation with the cap raised. Fig. 3 is a longitudinal vertical

My invention relates to that class of handstamps known as dating-stamps; and it consists in a construction by which the top of the stamp, ribbon, ribbon-boxes, and die may be readily removed, so as to expose the printingwheels, and allow them to be readily handled and adjusted.

To enable others skilled in the art to make and use my invention, I will proceed to describe the exact manner in which I have car-

ried it out.

In the drawings, A represents the boxing or cap of my improved stamp; B, the base-plate, provided with the rear wall b, to which is hinged or pivoted the cap A, as shown in Fig. 2. The cap is made of sufficient depth to cover the printing-wheels and rest on the base-plate B. Within the cap are journaled

the spindles for holding the ribbon, so that when the cap is raised, as shown in Fig. 2, the top of the stamp, ribbon, ribbon-boxes, and die are all raised with it, and the printing-wheels C, secured to the base-plate B, are left entirely exposed, so that the wheels can be readily handled, and the operator can see exactly what he is doing when adjusting his dates.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. In a hand-stamp, printing-wheels C, in combination with a hinged or removable cap, for the purpose described.

2. The hinged cap A, containing the ribbon and ribbon-spindles, in combination with the printing-wheels attached to the base-plate of

a stamp, for the purpose described.

3. The hinged cap A, constructed as described, and carrying the top of the stamp, ribbon, ribbon-spindles, and die, in combination with the printing-wheels C, attached to the base-plate of a hand-stamp, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

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