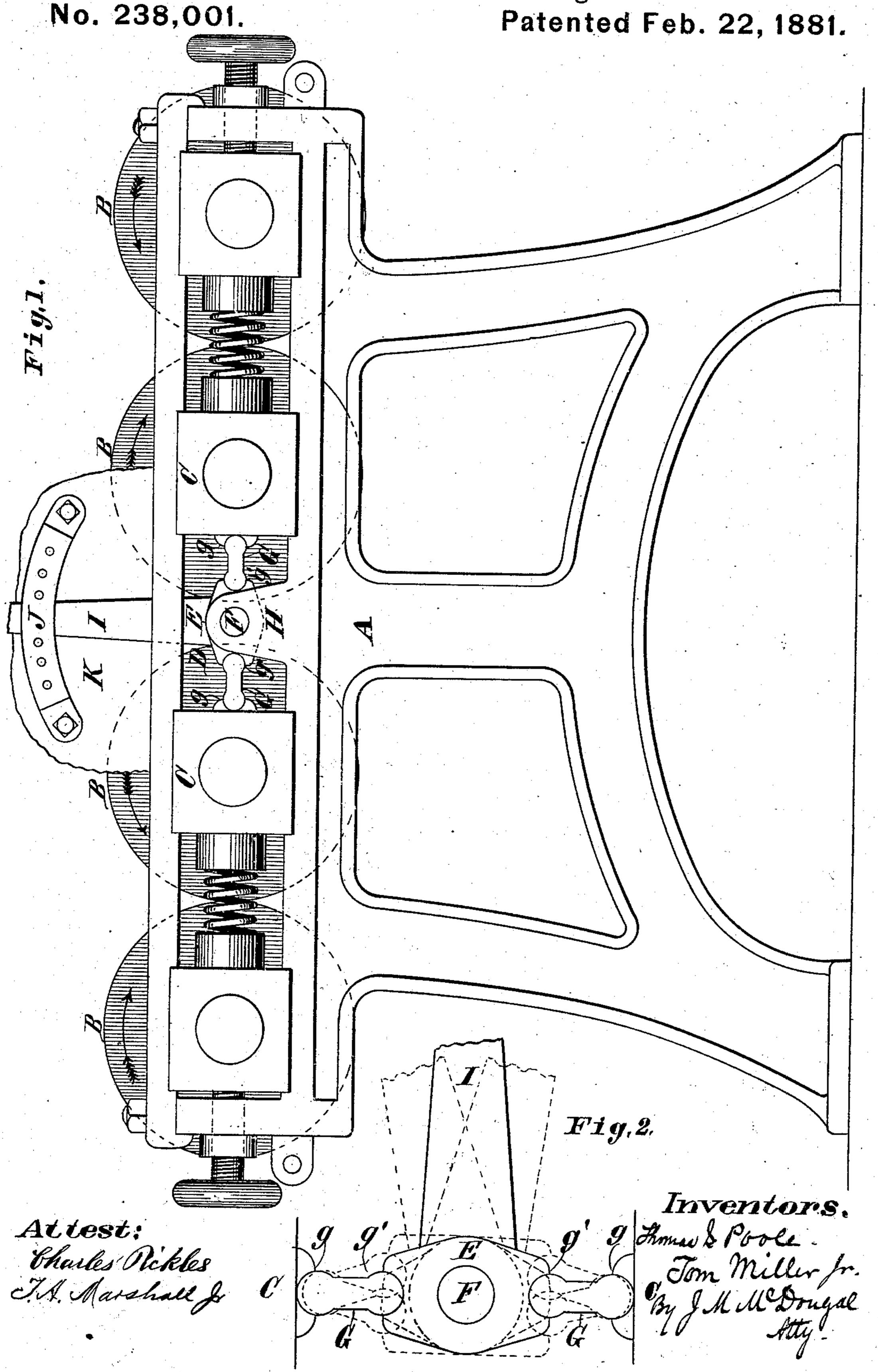
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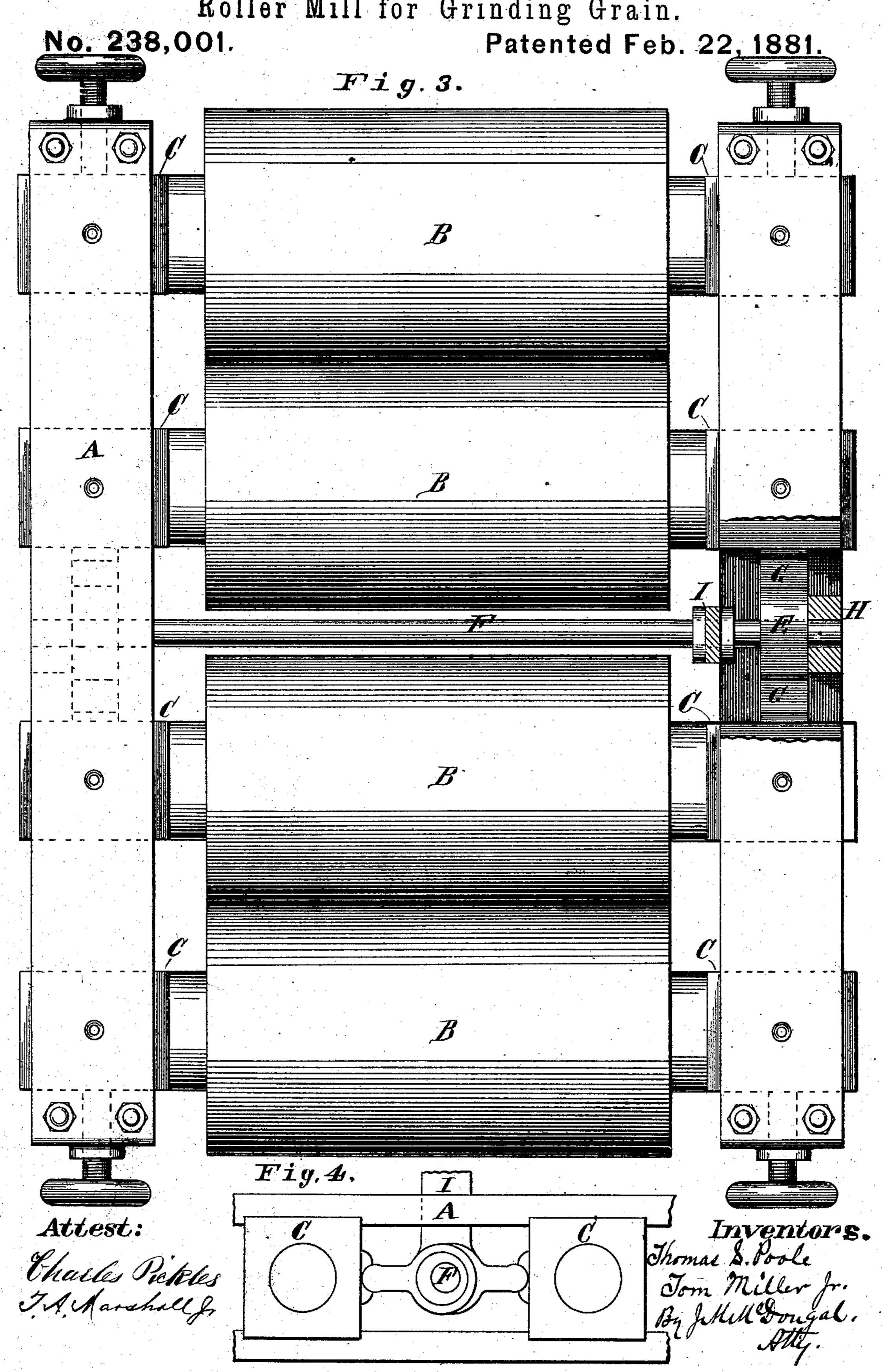
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## ROLLER-MILL FOR GRINDING GRAIN.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, Thomas S. Poole, of Wilmington, county of New Castle, State of Delaware, and Tom Miller, Jr., of city of St. Louis, State of Missouri, have invented certain Improvements in Adjusting Roller Grinding-Mills, of which the following is a specification.

Our invention relates to the separating of 10 the rollers in roller grinding-mills after they have been adjusted; and it consists in a peculiar construction and arrangement of devices for separating the shifting roll after the adjustable roll has been set in working posi-15 tion and bringing it back again, so that the rolls will have their former adjusted relation. One of the great difficulties has been, in using roller-mills, that the miller had to adjust or set the adjustable roll every time the mill 20 starts up. This is owing to the fact that meal will not pass between the rollers while adjusting with the proper effect until the mill is under headway, and the belts will not stay upon the roller-pulleys when the mill is start-25 ing, the power required being too great. So it necessitates resetting the adjustable roller every time the mill starts up, which requires much skill and time. To obviate this difficulty I use a rod or shaft between the two in-30 side or shifting rollers of a double-roller machine, said shaft running parallel with the rollers from end to end and journaled in the main frame. This shaft has on each end a double cam, also a lever at either or both ends. 35 The double cam is horizontal and has in each end a socket, in which is fitted a link or bar, which links, at their other end, fit into a socket in the side of the boxes, said links and cam

thereby forming a toggle-joint.

By reference to the drawings herewith filed as a part of this specification, the improved device will be easily understood.

F represents the shaft; E, the double cam; D, the toggle-joint, consisting of the cam E and links G G; C C, the boxes; I, the lever.

Figure 1 is a side elevation, showing the end of the shaft F and the construction of the toggle D and its connection with the boxes C C and lever I. Fig. 2 is a side view of the toggle, the dotted lines showing the two posi-

tions the toggle takes as the lever I is moved forward or backward.

The mode of operation can be easily understood by referring to the drawings. The lever I, as it is moved forward or backward, will 55 throw the toggle into a zigzag position, as indicated by the dotted lines in Fig. 2, thus allowing the shifting rollers to retire from their working position, being forced back by means of suitable springs, the boxes of said rollers 60 being fitted in the frame in a similar manner to the adjustable rollers, so as to slide forward and back as the position of the toggle is changed. After the adjustable rollers have been set up to their working position, then, 65 by this improved device, the shifting rollers can be separated from them and brought back exactly to their working position, at the pleasure of the miller, by simply working the lever with the hand.

Instead of the toggle-joint at each end of the shaft F, an equivalent may be used—namely, an eccentric cam, as shown in Fig. 4; or, instead of the lever, a hand-wheel may be used. This same device may be applied to a single 75 or two roller mill, the shaft F extending the full length of the adjustable roller with a single instead of double toggle, the lever I being the same.

What we claim is—
In a grinding-mill provided with duplicate sets of rolls, the outermost rolls of each set being adjustable in the supporting-frame, the combination, with the two inner rolls forced together by a spring-pressure against their 85 journal-boxes C C, of the double cams E E and connecting-links G G, mounted upon the intermediately-journaled shaft F, provided with operating-lever I and means for holding the same in fixed position, substantially as 90 shown and described.

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