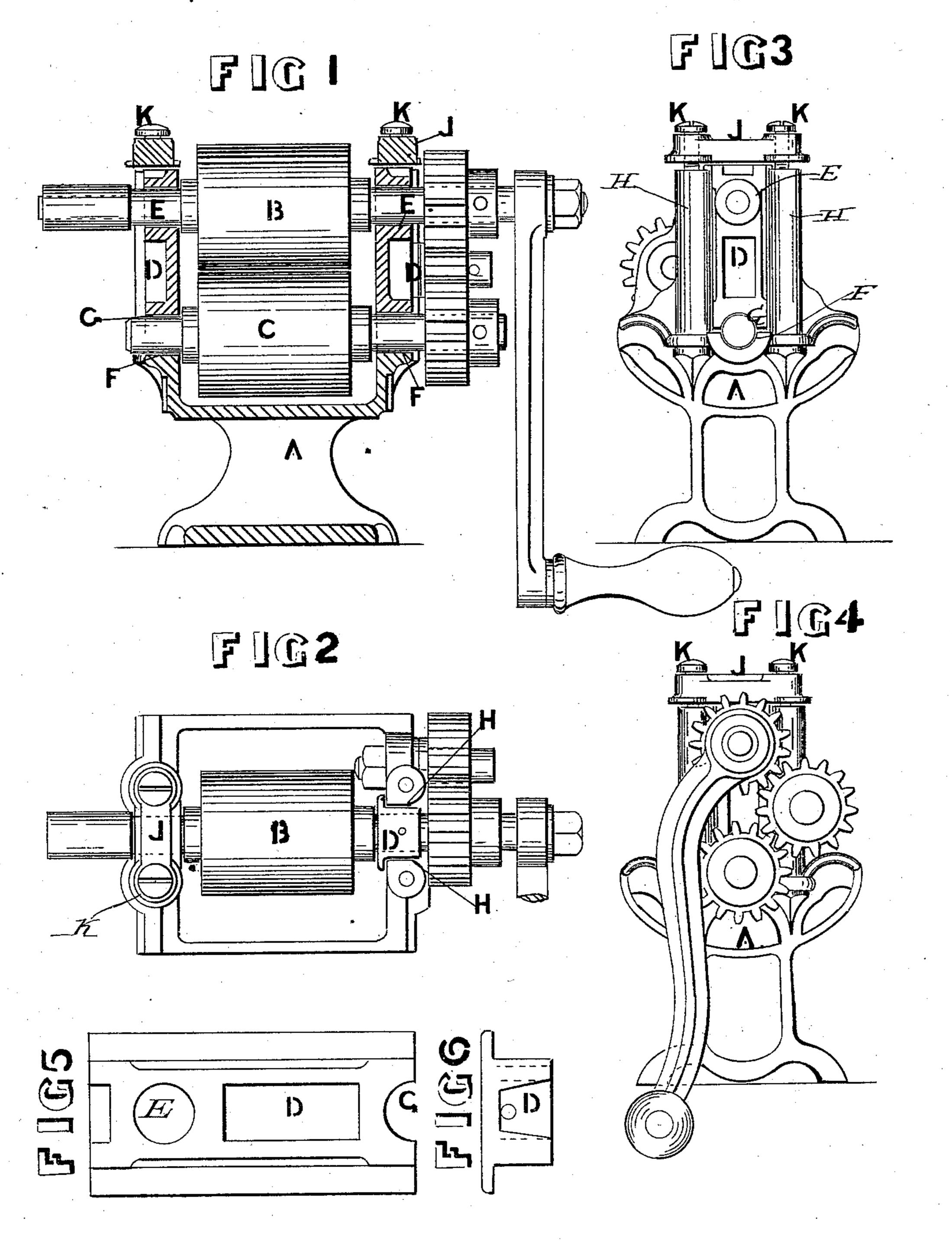
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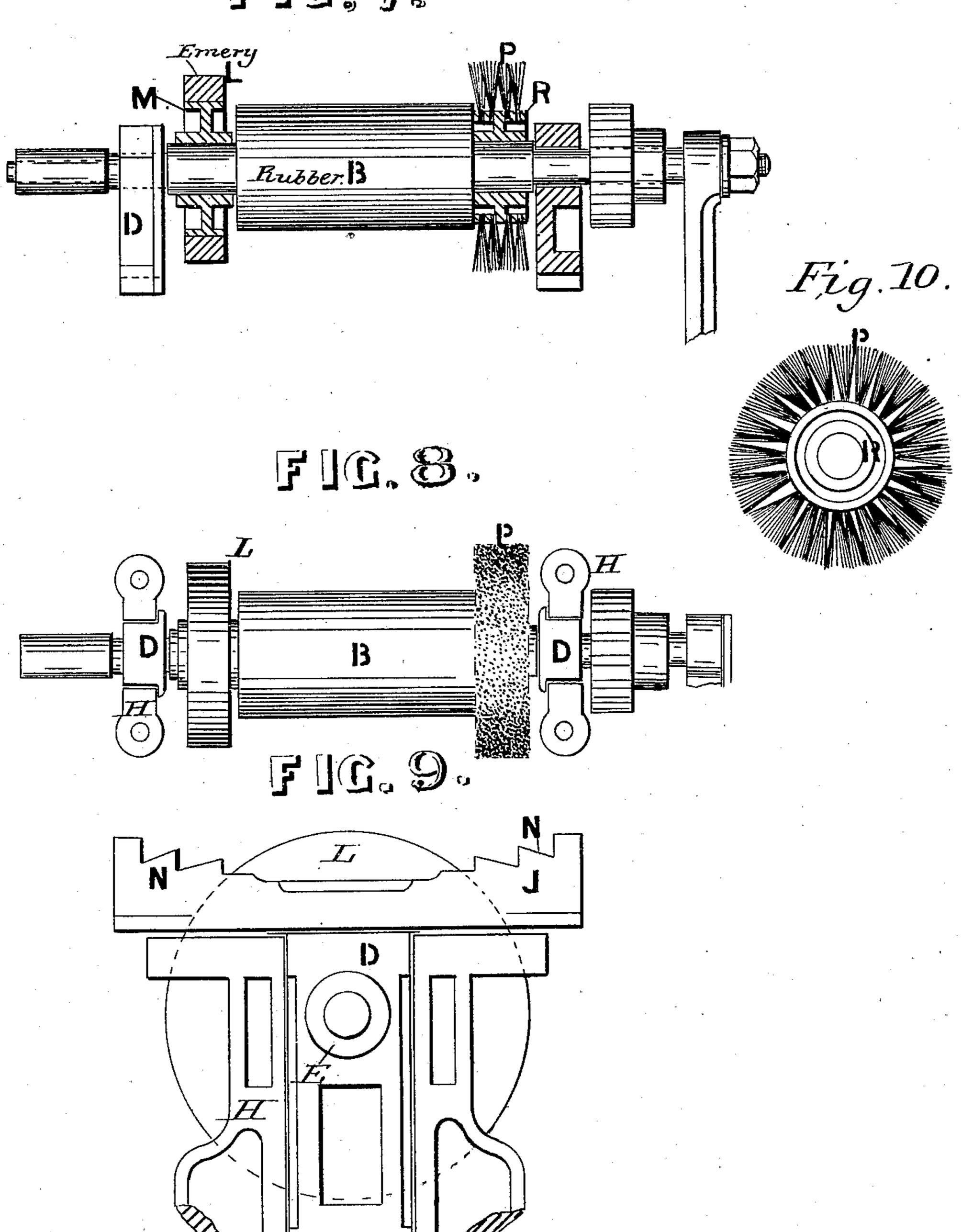
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWARD MARTIN KNIGHT, a subject of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, residing at Liverpool, in the county of Lancaster, England, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Knife-Cleaning Machines, (for which I obtained patent in Great Britain, No. 116, bearing date January 9, 1882,) of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to knife-cleaning machines in which india-rubber rollers are employed; and the objects of my improvements are, first, to provide improved bearing-blocks or end frames for the axles of the rollers, whereby all springs and screw adjustments are dispensed with; secondly, to apply an improved emery-wheel, polishing-roller, and cleaning-brush on one axle. I attain these objects by mechanism illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is an elevation, the framing and roller-bearing blocks being in section. Fig. 2 is a plan view with right-hand cap of bearing removed. Fig. 3 is a left-hand end elevation, 25 showing bearing-blocks and axles of rollers therein. Fig. 4 is an opposite end elevation, showing gearing. Figs. 5 and 6 are elevations and plan of bearing-block detached. Fig. 7 is an elevation of top polishing-roller, the em-30 ery-wheel and cleaning-brush being in section, and the right-hand bearing in section, that at the left in elevation. Fig. 8 is a plan view of Fig. 7; Fig. 9, an enlarged view, about full size, of emery-wheel and part of end of ma-35 chine. Fig. 10 is an end view of the brush.

A is the frame-work of the machine; B, the top polishing-roller; C, the bottom polishing-roller. D D are bearing-blocks. The axle of the top roller is passed through the holes E E.

40 The axle of the bottom roller rests in the hollows F F of the frame, and is held down by the concave parts G G of the blocks D. The bearing-blocks are filed, so as to fit between the upright parts H H of frame A. Over the whole is the cap J J, having holding-screws K K. The cavity G and bottom of bearing-

blocks are filed until the top roller, B, touches and slightly bears on the lower roller, C, the cap J securing the whole. In practice it is found that elasticity of the india-rubber 50 rollers is sufficient to compensate for variation in thickness of knife-blades without any screw adjustment or springs applied to the bearing-blocks.

In Figs. 1 and 2 I have only given an indi- 55 cation of the position of the roller B. Its construction is shown in Figs. 7 and 8—that is to say, it carries near one end the emery-wheel L, mounted on a cast-iron pulley, M, on the axle of the roller B. At N N are notches 60 formed in the cap J, which form a rest for the back of blade when sharpening the blade on the emery-wheel. At or near the other end of the roller B is mounted upon it the brush P, for cleaning grooves or ornamental part of 65 the bolster or shoulder of a knife. The bristles of the brush P are affixed in the circular wooden block R, Fig. 10, the latter being fixed or driven tight upon the axle of the roller. Figs. 7 and 8 illustrate apparatus, as aforesaid, suit-70 able for larger and wider machines.

I am aware that prior to my invention knifecleaning machines have been made having india-rubber rollers and the same system of gearing as illustrated by the drawings annexed 75 thereto, to which I make no claim.

What I do claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. The combination of bearing-blocks D, having aperture E and cavities G, with the 80 frame A, having recesses F F, with the caps J J, and two rollers, B C, substantially as herein shown and described.

2. The combination of india-rubber roller B, emery-wheel L, and cleaning-brush P, on 85 one shaft, with the counter-roller C, as and for the purpose herein shown and described.

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