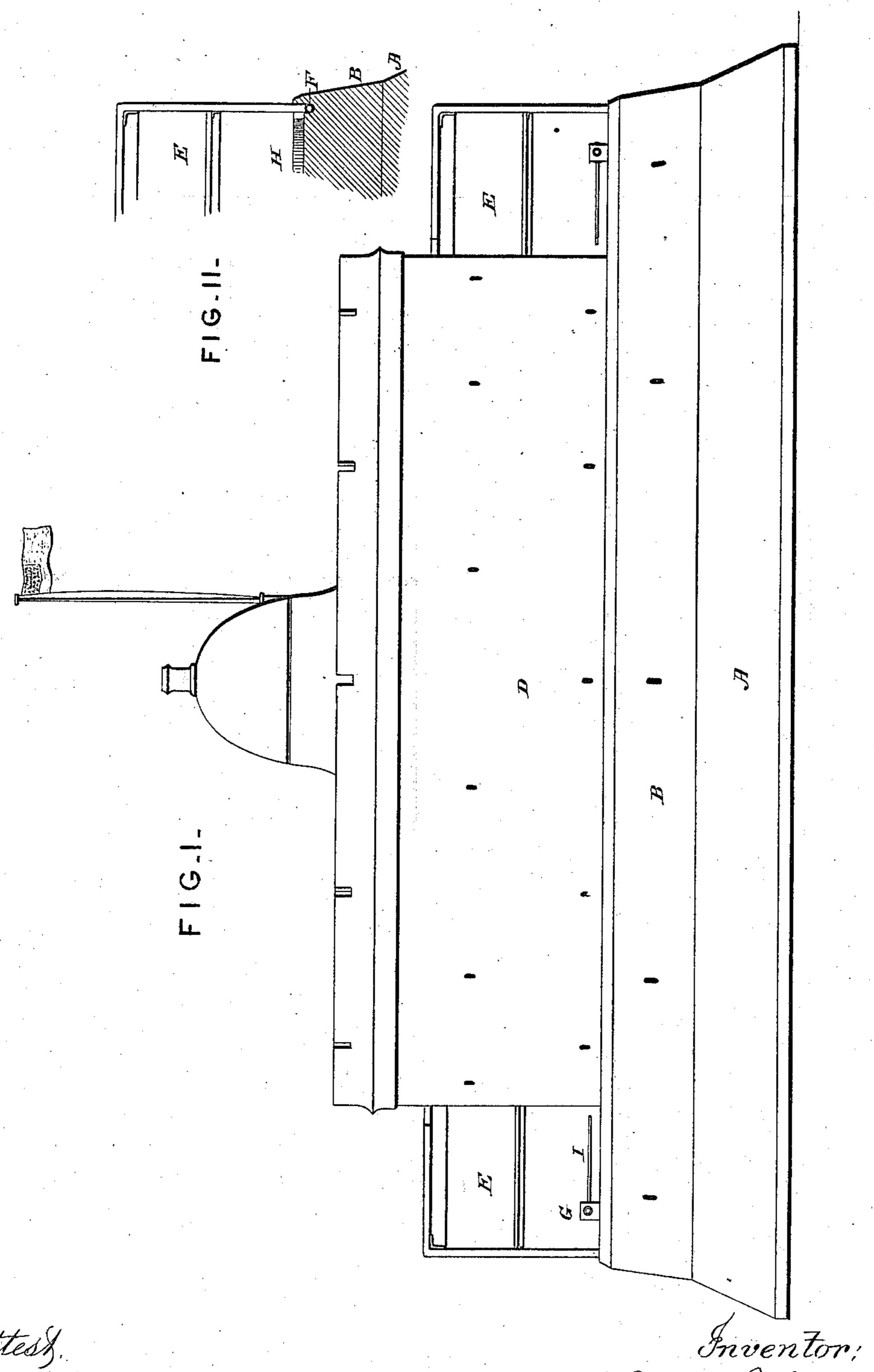
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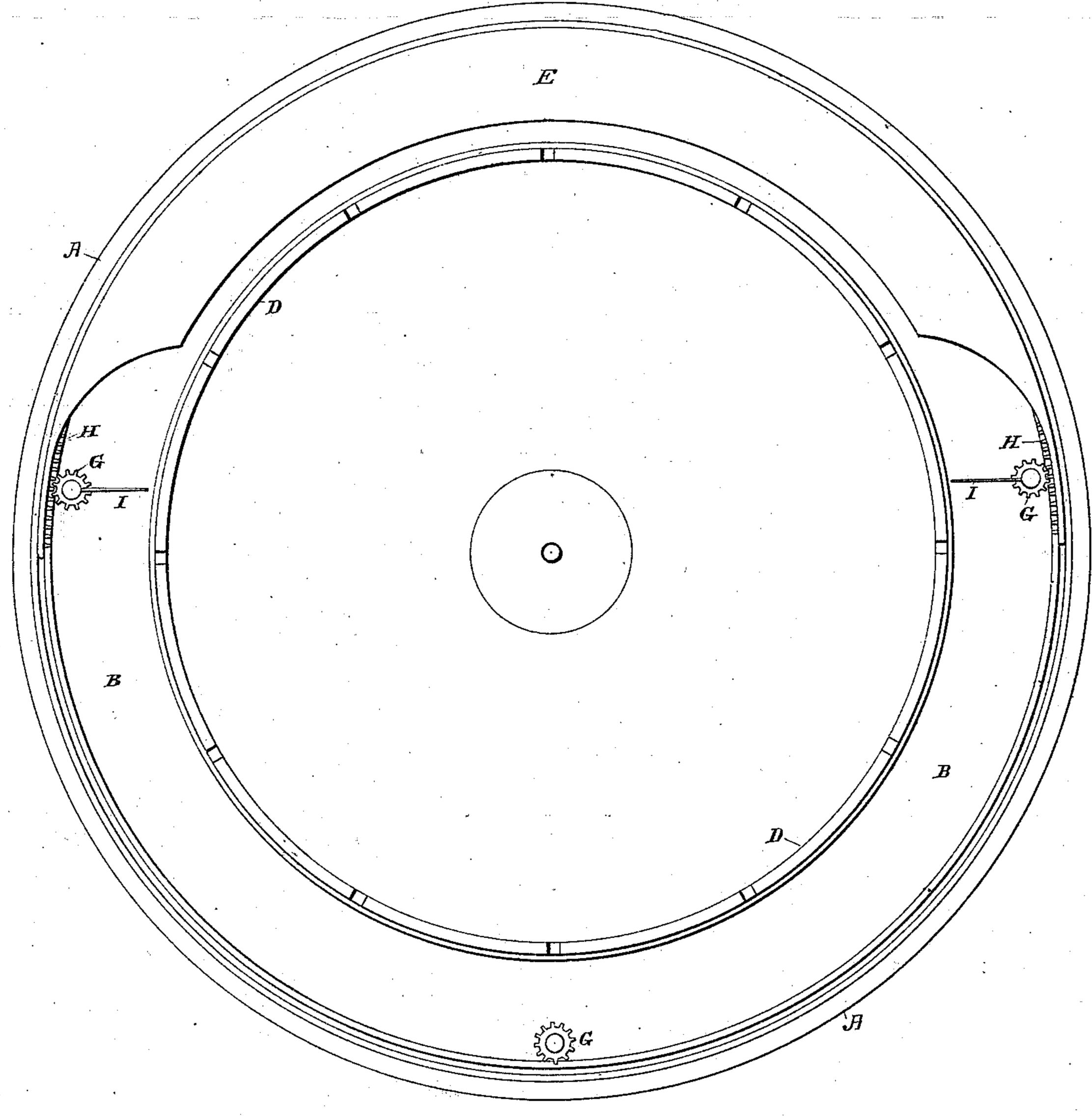


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THEODORE R. TIMBY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Nyack, in the county of Rockland and State 5 of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Tower and Shield Systems of Fortifications, of which the following is a specification.

My present invention relates to a movable ro protecting-shield flanking a revolving or oscillating battery tower so as to protect the

said tower in any desired direction.

In another application for Letters Patent filed December 5, 1884, I described and claimed 15 a revolving battery-tower mounted on a revolving or oscillating base and a protectingshield, also mounted on said revolving or oscillating base, so as to be adjustable relatively to the tower by the movement of the base. 20 Under my present invention I dispense with the revolving or oscillating base and employ a shield mounted on a stationary foundation independently of the revolving or oscillating tower and adjustable relatively thereto in such 25 a manner as to protect or mask the tower in any direction.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure I is an elevation of a revolving tower and shield illustrating the invention. Fig. II is a detail 30 view showing the shield resting on balls and the fixed bed in section. Fig. III is a plan.

A represents a suitable foundation, on which is built a fixed bed, B, which may be pierced for guns, as shown in Fig. I.

On the bed B is mounted a tower, D, re- 35 volved or oscillated on a vertical axis by suita-

ble mechanism.

The adjustable shield E is supported upon balls or rollers I on the fixed bed B, and is moved around the tower to any desirable ex- 40 tent by suitable mechanism.

For the purpose of illustration, I have shown, for adjusting the shield, pinions G, gearing with a rack, H, on the shield and operated by movable handspikes I.

Having thus described my invention, the following is what I claim as new therein and desire to secure by Letters Patent:

1. The combination of a revolving or oscillating tower or battery and an independent 50 protecting-shield adjustable relatively to said tower, substantially as herein set forth.

2. A movable shield on a stationary bed or foundation, flanking or masking a revolving or oscillating tower in any direction, substan-55 tially as set forth.

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