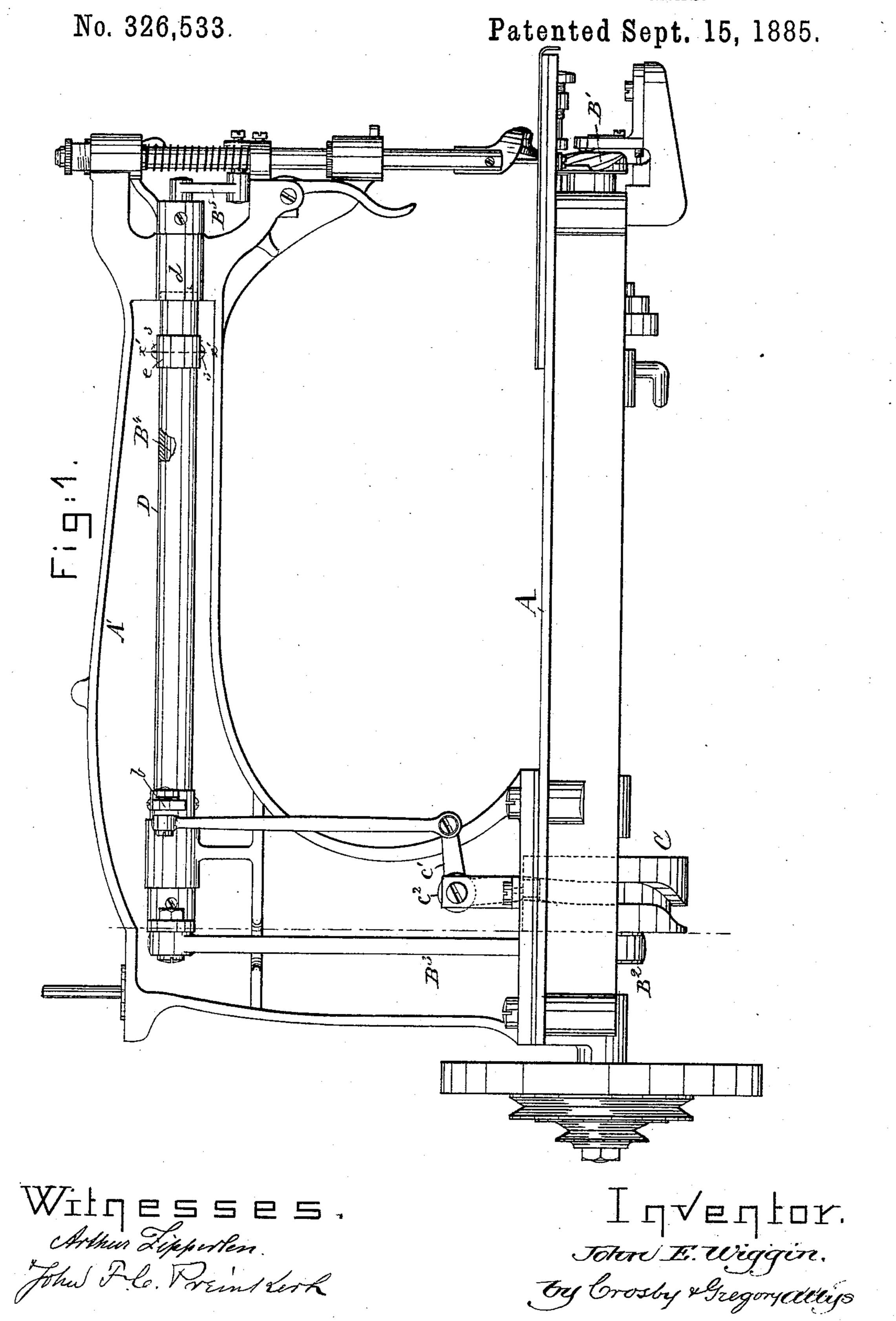
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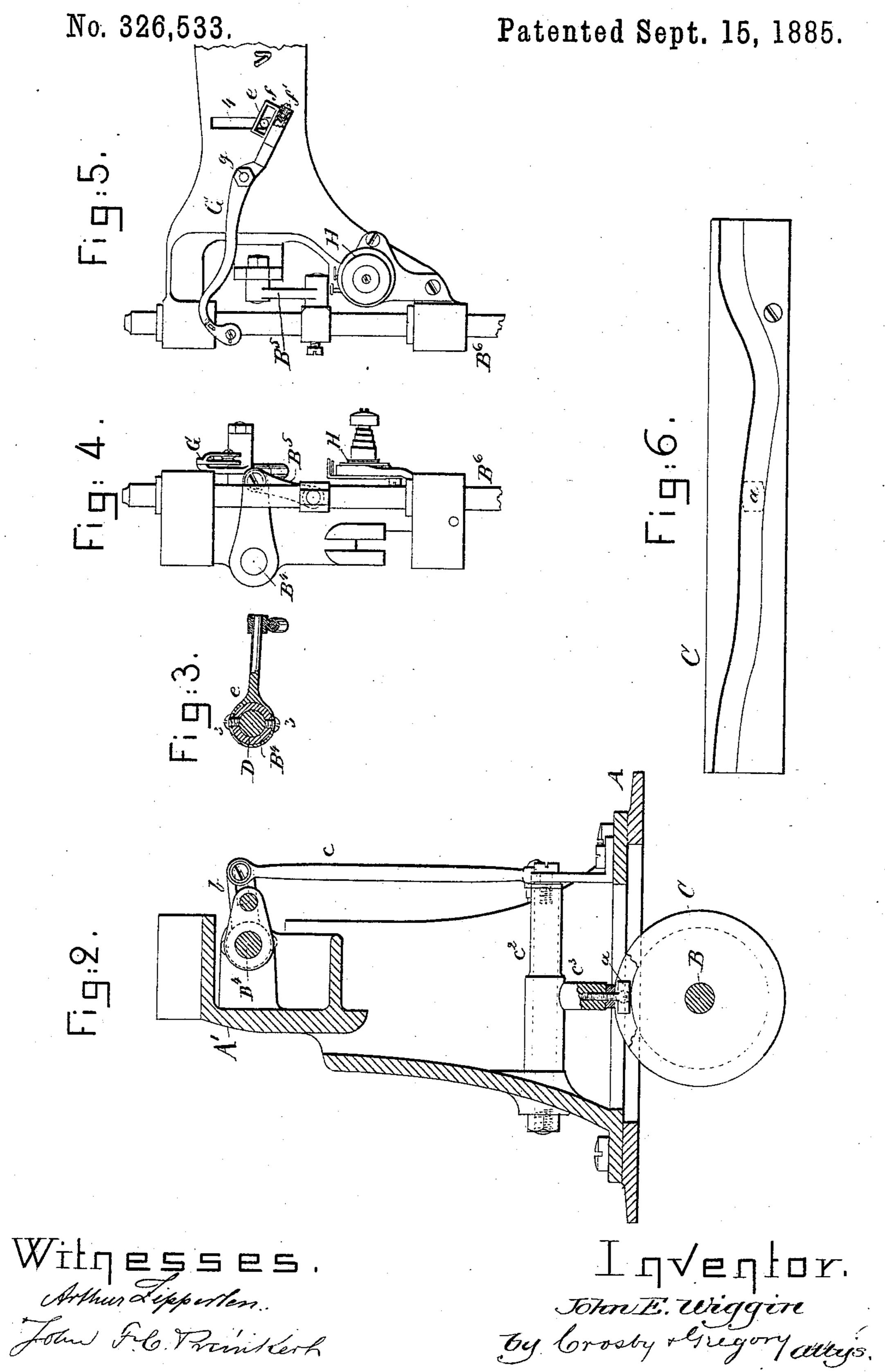
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## TAKE-UP MECHANISM FOR SEWING-MACHINES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, John E. Wiggin, of Stoneham, county of Middlesex, State of Massachusetts, have invented an Improvement in 5 Take-Up Mechanisms for Sewing-Machines, of which the following description, in connection with the accompanying drawings, is a specification, like letters on the drawings representing like parts.

This invention has for its object to simplify and improve the take up mechanism, to thereby enable it to more perfectly draw up and

tighten the stitch.

My invention is shown as applied to a Wheel-15 er & Wilson machine, style No. 10; and it consists, essentially, in a tubular or sleeve-like rock-shaft having as its fulcrum the needlebar-actuating rock-shaft of the said machine, the said tubular or sleeve like rock-shaft op-20 erating by a suitable arm on a vibrating takeup lever located at the front or head of the

machine, as will be described.

Figure 1, in side elevation, represents a Wheeler & Wilson machine with my improve-25 ments added; Fig. 2, a section thereof in the dotted line x x, Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a sectional detail in the line x'x', Fig. 1; Fig. 4, a partial front end elevation of Fig. 1; Fig. 5, a partial front side elevation of the head of the machine 30 with the take-up lever; and Fig. 6 is a detail showing the take-up cam developed.

The frame-work A A', main rotating shaft B, hook B', eccentric B<sup>2</sup>, link B<sup>3</sup>, needle-baroperating rock-shaft B4, link B5, needle-bar 35 B6, the take-up-moving cam C, and shoe or block a are all as common in the said Wheeler & Wilson machine, style No. 10, so need not

be herein further described.

In the said machine as now commonly built 40 the take-up lever is located in the standard of the upright arm, and a very long loop of thread is drawn out at the side of the overhanging arm. The nearer the take-up lever to the path of movement of the needle and to the stitchmaking point, the more positive the motion of the take-up and the better the stitch.

To enable the take-up lever to be placed in or near the head of the machine, I have provided a long tubular sleeve or rock-shaft, D, 50 which I have placed about the needle-bar-act-

the fulcrum for the said sleeve or shaft D. This sleeve D at its rear end has an arm, b, which by link c is joined to an arm, c', of a rock-shaft,  $c^2$ , (see Fig. 2,) provided with a 55 second arm,  $c^3$ , having at its lower end the shoe a referred to, which enters the groove in the cam C. The sleeve D at its front end enters the bearing d, as shown by dotted lines, Fig. 1; and at a short distance from its end, as 60 herein shown, the said sleeve D has attached to it firmly by screws 3 3 an arm, e, the outer end of which, extended through a slot, 4, enters an opening in a swivel-block, f, mounted loosely upon the reduced round end of the 65 take-up lever G, the said swivel-block being kept upon the end of the said take-up lever by means of a screw, f'.

The take-up lever has its fulcrum at g, and its forward end, provided with the usual 70. thread-pulley, is located close to the side of the needle bar and vibrates near the line of the center of the axis of the said needle-bar.

The tension device H, of usual construction, is connected with the head of the machine 75 close to the lower bearing for the needle-bar, and occupying such position the take-up, which receives the needle-thread between the said tension device and the eye of the needle, has but a comparatively short loop of thread 80 to act upon, and consequently the stitch may be better made and set.

The take-up herein shown, in the formation and completion of the stitch, is operated with relation to the needle and hook in the 85 time and order common to the said Wheeler & Wilson machine.

I claim—

1. The needle-bar, its operating rock-shaft, and means to actuate it, combined with the 90 sleeve D, surrounding the needle-bar-operating rock-shaft, and with the take-up lever actuated by the said sleeve, substantially as described.

2. The rocking sleeve and its attached arm 95 e, combined with the take-up lever fulcrumed on the head of the machine, and having the swivel-block mounted thereon loosely and engaged by the said arm e, substantially as described.

3. The stitch-forming mechanism contain: uating rock-shaft, so that the latter constitutes | ing as an element a rocking shaft to actuate

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the needle-bar, and the tension device H, located at the head of the overhanging arm of the machine, and the take-up lever fulcrumed on the head of the machine, combined with the rocking sleeve D and its arm e, and with means to rock the said sleeve, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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