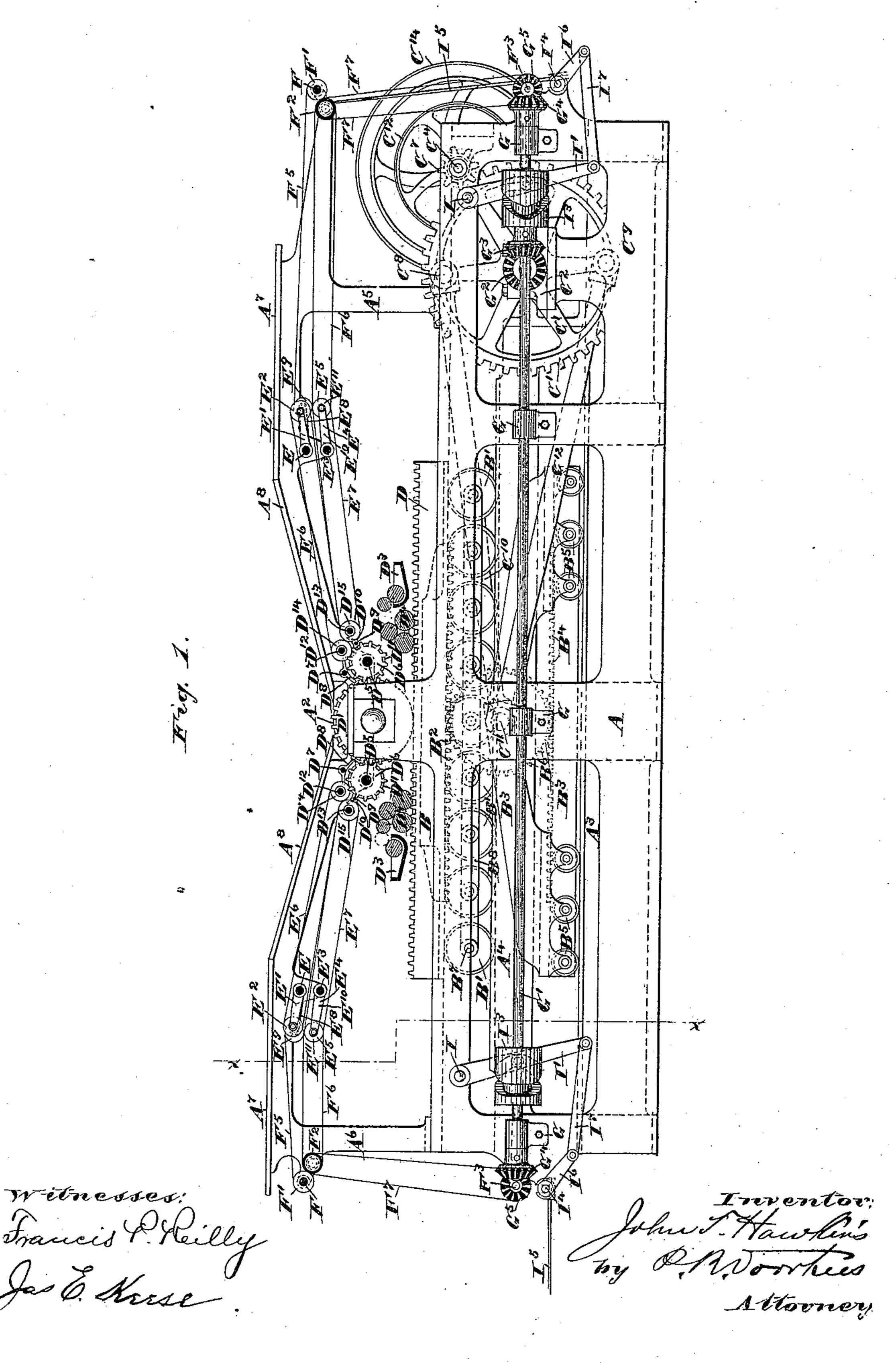
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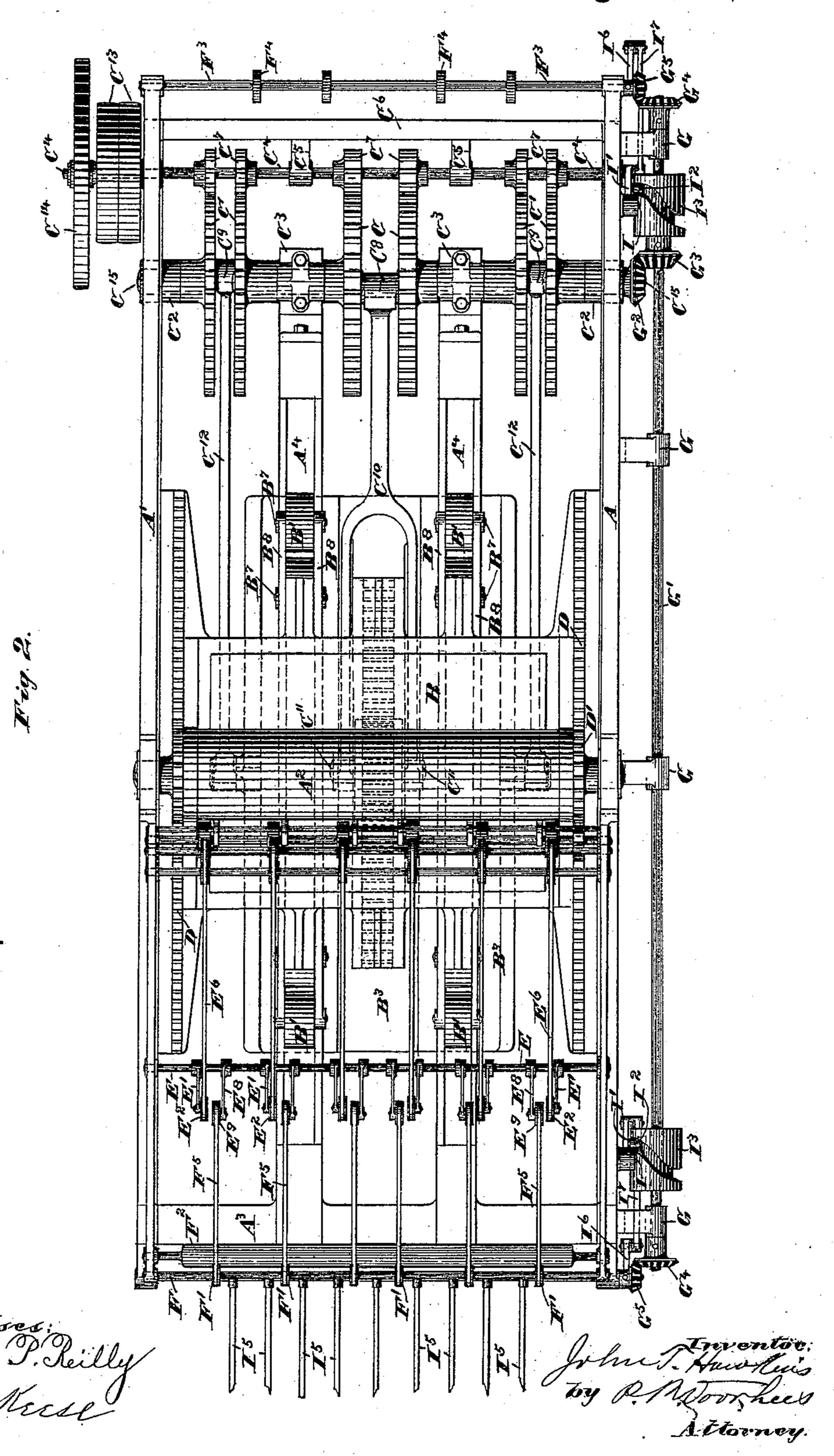
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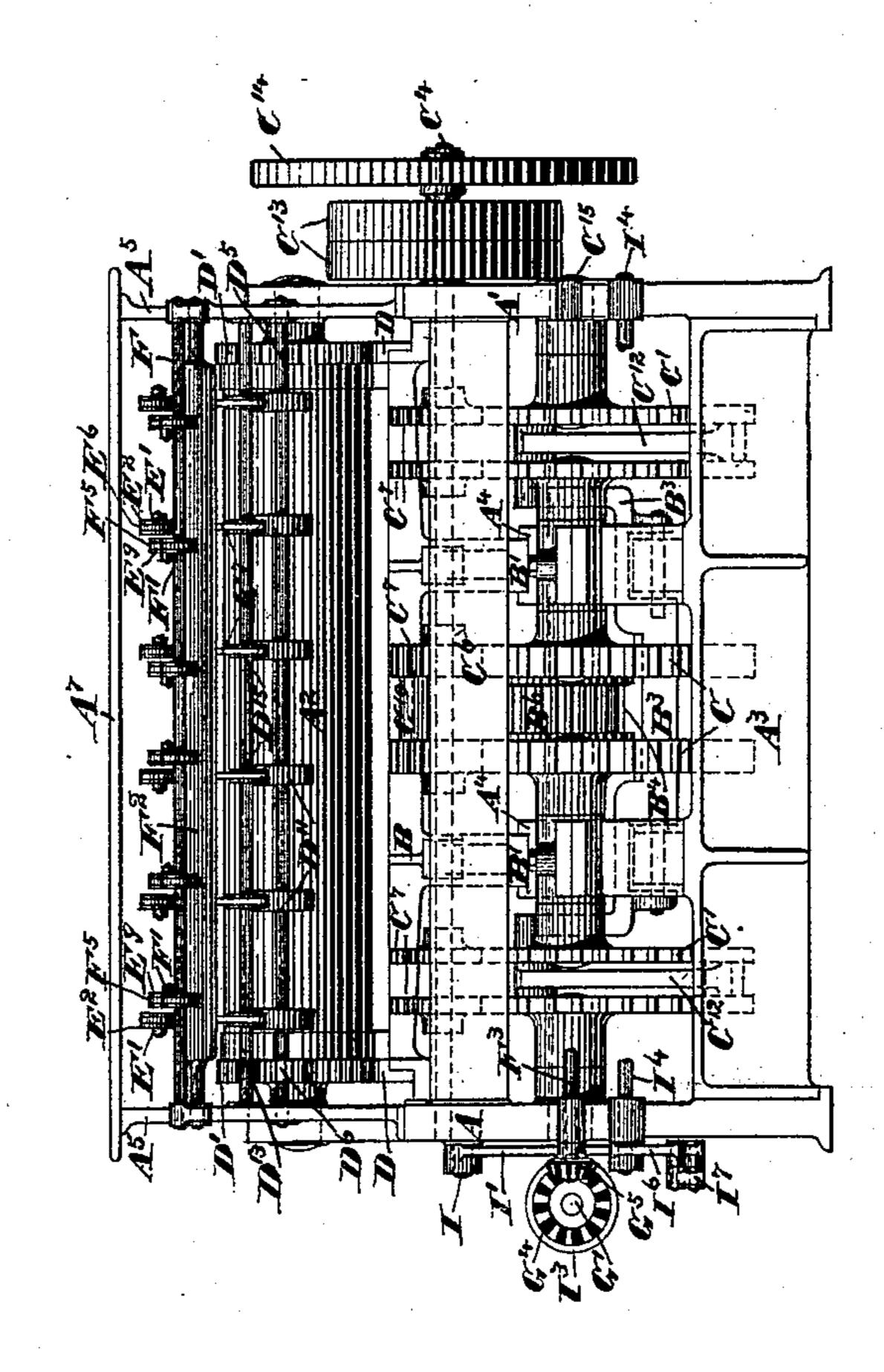
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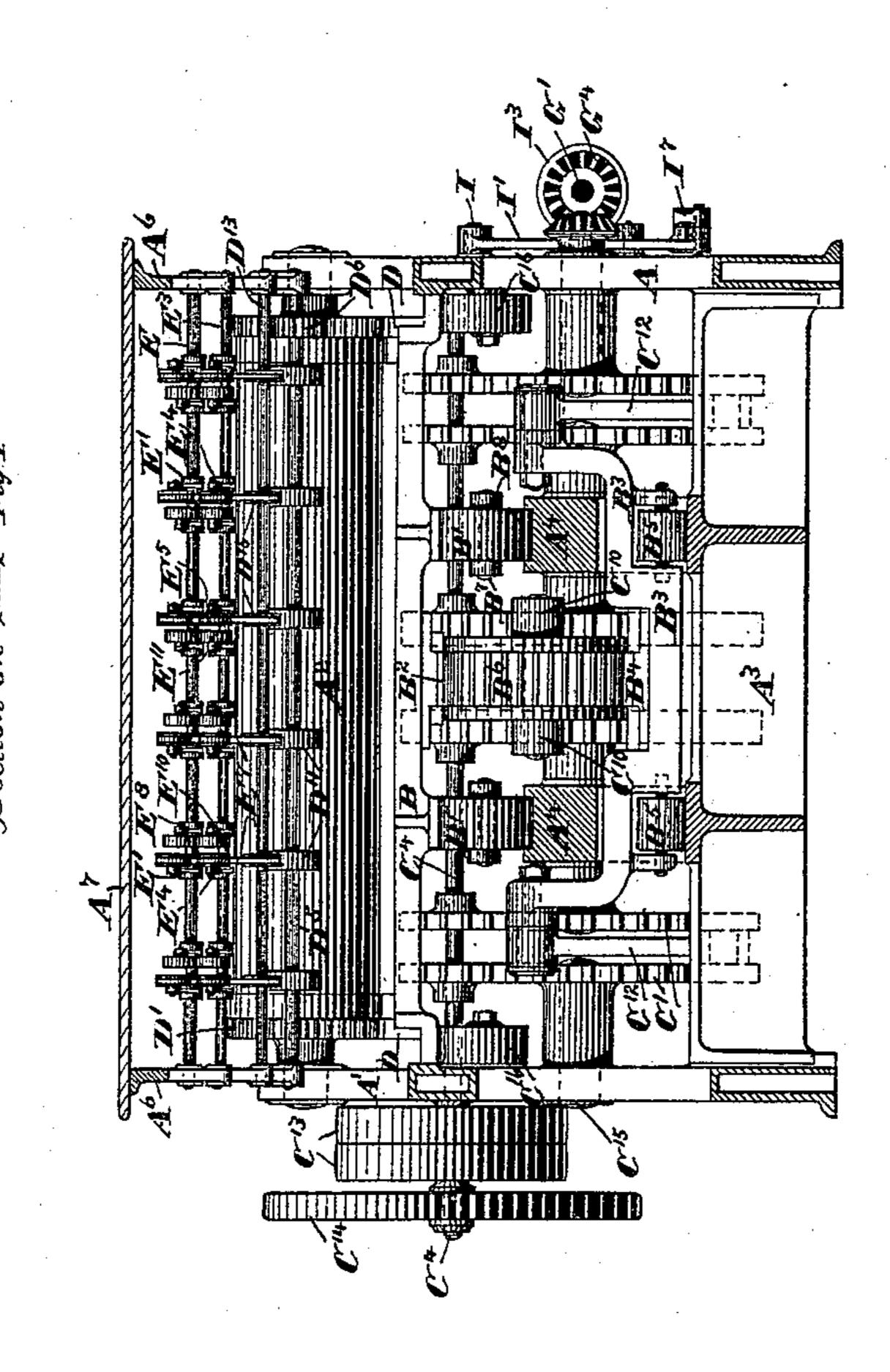


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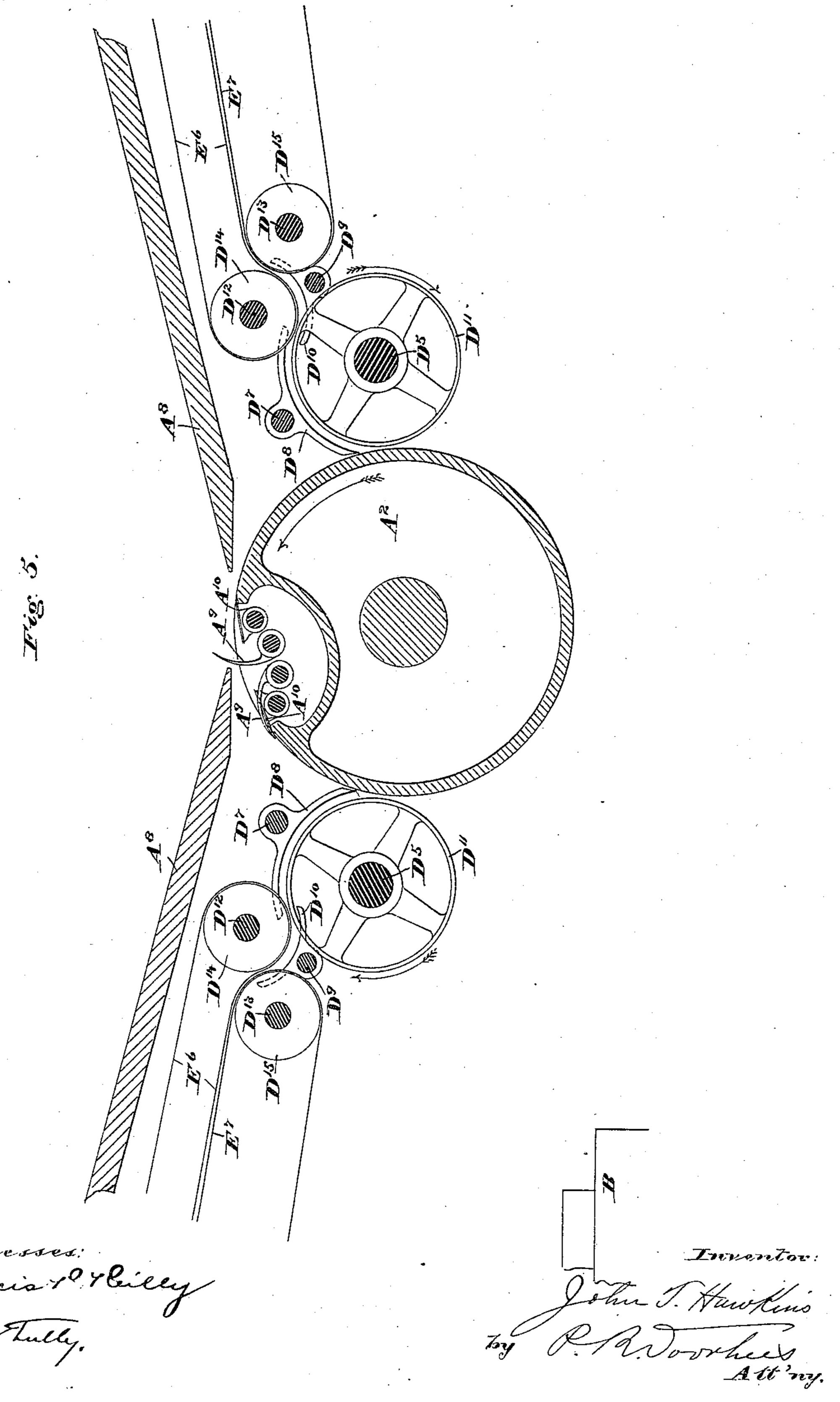
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, John T. Hawkins, of Taunton, in the county of Bristol and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and 5 useful Improvements in Sheet-Deliveries for Oscillating-Cylinder Printing-Machines, which invention or improvements are fully set forth and illustrated in the following specification and accompanying drawings.

The object of the invention is to provide a delivery apparatus for the continuous delivery of sheets from an oscillating impression-cylinder, and to adapt said apparatus in duplicate to a double-acting machine printing a sheet 15 for each single oscillation of the impression.

cylinder.

The invention consists of the parts and combinations of parts as hereinafter described, and

particularly set forth in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a side elevation of the machine with the feedboard stands removed on the sight side, the more clearly to show inner parts. Fig. 2 is a plan with both feed-boards omitted in order 25 to show the parts beneath, the delivery apparatus also being omitted from the drivinggear end of the machine in order the more clearly to exhibit said driving-gear. Fig. 3 is an end elevation from the driving-gear end 30 with the sheet-flier and down-tapes removed. Fig. 4 is an end elevation, in section, on line x x, Fig. 1, viewed from the left hand of Figs. 1 and 2. Fig. 5 is an elevation, partly in section, on an enlarged scale, of details herein-35 after described.

In said figures the several parts are indi-

cated by letters, as follows:

A A' are the main frames; A2, the impression-cylinder; A3, the bed-plate, and A4 a rib-40 girder upon which the bed-rollers run.

A⁵ A⁶ are frame-standards for carrying the feed-boards and delivery apparatus, and are secured to the top of the frames A A'.

A⁷ A⁸ are the feed-boards.

B is the type-bed, B' the bed-rollers.

B² is a toothed rack secured to the under side of the bed B.

B³ is a weighted carriage carrying a toothed rack, B.

B⁵ are rollers supporting the carriage B³ and running on suitable ways on the bed-plates A3.

B⁶ is a rolling gear-wheel engaging both of the racks B² B⁴.

CC' are pairs of spur-gears secured to short shafts C15, journaled in suitable bearings, C2, 55 secured to the frames A A', and in similar bearings, C3, secured to the rib-girder A4.

C' is a shaft journaled in the frames A A', and in suitable brackets, C5, secured to a crossgirt, C⁶, connecting the frames A A'. The 60 shaft C4 has secured to it a series of spur-pinions, C', engaging the spur-gears C C'.

In the pair of spur-gears C is secured a crank-pin, C⁸, and similarly in each pair of gears C' a crank-pin, C9.

C10 is a forked connecting-rod, articulated at the single end to the crank-pin Cs of the gears C and at the forked end to a shaft, C", secured in the rolling wheel B6.

C12 are connecting-rods articulated at one 70 end to the crank-pins C9 and at the other to

the carriage B³.

Outside of the frame A' tight and loose pulleys C¹³ and a fly-wheel, C¹⁴, are mounted on the shaft C4, by means of which power is ap- 75 plied to operate the whole machine.

C¹⁶, Fig. 4, are rollers for the support of the outer edges of the type-bed immediately under the impression-cylinder, which rollers run upon studs secured in the frames A A'.

The bed-rollers B' are run loosely upon pins

B', carried in frames B's.

To the upper side of the type-bed B are secured two racks, D, which engage two corresponding gear-wheels, D', secured to the ends 85 of the impression-cylinder A².

D³ are the ink-fountains, and D⁴ the usual inking-rollers.

In the upper frames, A⁵ A⁶, are journaled two shafts, D5, each carrying a gear-wheel, D6, 90 engaging one of the cylinder-gears D'.

Upon two shafts, D7, secured in the frames A⁵ A⁶, are mounted a series of curved strippers, D⁸. Upon two similar shafts, D⁹, are secured a series of curved strippers, D10.

Shafts D⁵ carry a series of pulleys, D¹¹. In the frames A⁵ A⁶ are journaled two pairs of shafts, D¹² D¹³, carrying, respectively, each a series of pulleys, D¹⁴ D¹⁵. The pulleys D¹⁴ are driven by frictional contact with the pulleys 100 D¹¹, and the pulleys D¹⁵ by frictional contact with the pulleys D14. The strippers D8 enter at

one end between the pulleys D¹⁴, and at the other end lie close to the surface of the impression cylinder A². The cylinder A² carries a series of sheet-lifter fingers, A¹⁰, and a series of grippers, A³, both operated in any well-known way, the lifter-fingers at the proper time elevating the head of the sheet from the surface of the impression-cylinder, so as to pass over pulleys D¹¹ and another the strippers D³

D¹¹ and under the strippers D⁸.

Upon two shafts, E, secured in the frames A⁵ A⁶, are adjustably secured a series of arms, E', each carrying a tape-pulley, E². Upon two similar shafts, E³, are adjustably secured a series of arms, E⁴, each carrying a tape-pulley, E⁵. A series of tapes, E⁷, run over pulleys D¹⁵ and E⁵, and a series of tapes, E⁶, run over, pulleys D¹⁴ and E². The tapes E⁶ and E⁷ are in contact where pulleys D¹⁴ and D¹⁵ meet, but diverge from that point toward pulleys E² E⁵.

Upon shaft E are adjustably secured another series of arms, E⁸, carrying a series of tape-pulleys, E⁹, and upon shafts E³ are adjustably secured a series of arms, E¹⁰, carrying a series

25 of tape-pulleys, E¹¹.

Journaled in the outer ends of the frames A⁵ A⁶ are two shafts, F—carrying a series of tape-pulleys, F'—and two rollers, F². (The rollers F² may be replaced by a shaft carrying

30 tape-pulleys, when desirable.)

Journaled in the frames A A' are two shafts, F³, each carrying a series of tape-pulleys, F⁴. A series of tapes, F⁵, run over pulleys F' and E⁹, a similar series, F⁶, run over pulleys E¹¹ and rollers F², and a third series of tapes, F⁷, run over rollers F² and pulleys F⁴.

Journaled in brackets G, secured to the frame A, is a shaft, G', extending from end to end of the machine. Upon one end of shaft to C¹⁵, is secured one of a pair of miter-wheels, G², the other of the pair, G³, being secured

upon the shaft G'.

Upon each extremity of shaft G' is secured a bevel-wheel, G⁴, engaging a similar bevelwheel, G⁵, secured to one end of each of the shafts F³. The shaft G', being continuously rotated, imparts continuous motion to the tapes F⁷, F⁵, and F⁶.

The shafts D⁵, being reversibly rotated simultaneously with the oscillating cylinder A², run alternately in the directions imparted to

them.

Fulcrumed upon two studs, I, secured to frame A, are two levers, I', carrying rollers I'. Secured to shaft G' are cams I's, the grooves

of which the rollers I² engage.

Journaled in the frames A A' are two rock-shafts, I⁴, to which are secured a series of fly-fingers, I⁵.

o Secured to one end of the rock-shafts I' are

lever-arms I⁶.

To the free ends of levers I' and I' are ar-

ticulated the connecting-rods I'.

By the rotation of the cams I³ the fly-fingers I⁵ are operated to deposit the sheets upon a suitable receiving-table. (Not shown.)

In Fig. 3 the tapes F' F' are omitted.

It is understood that there are two sets of grippers and two sets of sheet-lifter fingers in the cylinder A², so as to take a sheet from 70 each feed - board and deliver said sheets to each of the series of pulleys D¹¹ and strippers D⁸. It is not necessary to show said grippers and fingers, as they are well known in the art, and may be operated in divers well - known 75

ways.

The complete operation of the machine is as follows: Power being applied to shaft C', it is transmitted through the gears C' to the crank-gears C C'. The crank-pins C', being 80 placed opposite the crank-pin C8, the rollinggear B6 is moved in one direction, while the carriage B³ is moved in the opposite direction a like distance. If the carriage B3 and its rack B4 remained at rest, the bed B would have a 85 rectilinear motion equal to double the diameter of the circle described by the crank-pin C⁸. The rack B4 being, however, moved in the opposite direction, imparts one-half more motion to the bed in each direction. The car- 90 riage B³ is made of sufficient weight, as compared with the type-bed B, to have equal momentum with it, or sufficiently greater to also compensate for the rotary momentum of the cylinder A2 and other rotating parts driven 55 by it, this rotary momentum being imparted to and absorbed from the type-bed B. The effect of the above-described operation of the parts is therefore to equilibrate the momentum of the moving parts, transmitting the 100 strains to the crank-gears C C', and through them to the shaft C', while requiring a radius of crank but a small fraction of the travel of the type-bed. The impression-cylinder A2 is of such diameter as to make nearly two revo- 105 lutions in each direction, so that a sheet taken from either feed-board will be printed and its head end carried to the point of contact of the tapes F⁵ F⁶, where they run over the pulleys E⁹ E¹¹, and the distance between the cen- 110 ters of pulleys E9 and the point of contact of tapes E⁶ E⁷, where they run over the pulleys D¹⁴ D¹⁵, is made greater than the length of a sheet. The grippers of cylinder A2 release the sheet at the nearest point of ap-115 proach of pulleys D11 to cylinder A2, the lifterfingers causing it to pass under the strippers D⁸, over pulleys D¹¹, under pulleys D¹⁴, where it is deflected upward by strippers D¹⁰, over pulleys D¹⁵, and between tapes E⁶ E⁷. 120 The tapes E E diverging, will not hold the sheet after the head end has passed into the bite of tapes F⁵ F⁶, where they run over pulleys E^g Eⁿ; and at this point the bed B, cylinder A2, and all the reversibly-moving parts 125 will have reached the extremity of motion in one direction. From this point the tapes E E', move in a contrary direction to the sheet, but no longer holding it, the sheet being thereafter carried to the flier by the continuously- 130 moving tapes F⁵ F⁶ F⁷. The cams I³ are properly timed upon the shaft G', to cause the flyfingers I to lay the sheet down upon a receiving-board upon its arrival down in front of

said fly-fingers.

I do not claim the mechanism herein de-5 scribed for imparting reciprocating motion to the type-bed and oscillating motion to the impression-cylinder, having claimed the same in another application filed herewith, and numbered 195,400; but

As of my invention herein I claim— 1. In a sheet-delivery for an oscillating-cylinder printing-machine, the combination, with an oscillating cylinder carrying grippers and sheet-lifter fingers, of a series of pulleys, as 15 D^{II}, driven in unison with said impressioncylinder, a series of deflecting-strippers, as D^s, a second series of deflecting-strippers, as D10, two series of diverging tapes, as E⁶ E⁷, having alternating motion imparted to them in unison 20 with the impression-cylinder, and two series of continuously moved tapes, as F5 F6, in contact throughout their length, whereby a sheet, when released by the grippers and elevated by the lifter-fingers of said cylinder, is de-25 flected into and between said two series of diverging tapes, conveyed by them until held between said two series of continuously-moving tapes, and then conveyed away for final delivery by said continuously-moving tapes,

30 while said diverging tapes perform their retro-/

grade motion with the said impression-cylinder, substantially as and for the purposes set forth.

2. In a sheet-delivery for an oscillating-cylinder printing-machine, in combination with 35 two feed-boards, as A7 A8, an oscillating cylinder carrying two sets of grippers and two sets of sheet-lifter fingers, two series of pulleys, as D¹¹, driven in unison with said impression eylinder, two series of deflecting 40 strippers, as D⁸, two series of deflecting-strippers, as D¹⁰, four series of diverging tapes, as E⁶ E⁷, having alternating motions imparted to them in unison with the impression-cylinder, four series of continuously-moved tapes, as F⁵ 45 F⁶, in contact throughout their length, and two series of down-tapes, as F7, whereby a sheet, when released by the respective sets of cylinder-grippers, is deflected and delivered from said cylinder at each of its single oscilla-50 tions, and conveyed away by said tapes for final delivery upon opposite sides of the machine to or upon suitable tables or receptacles, substantially as and for the purposes set forth.

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