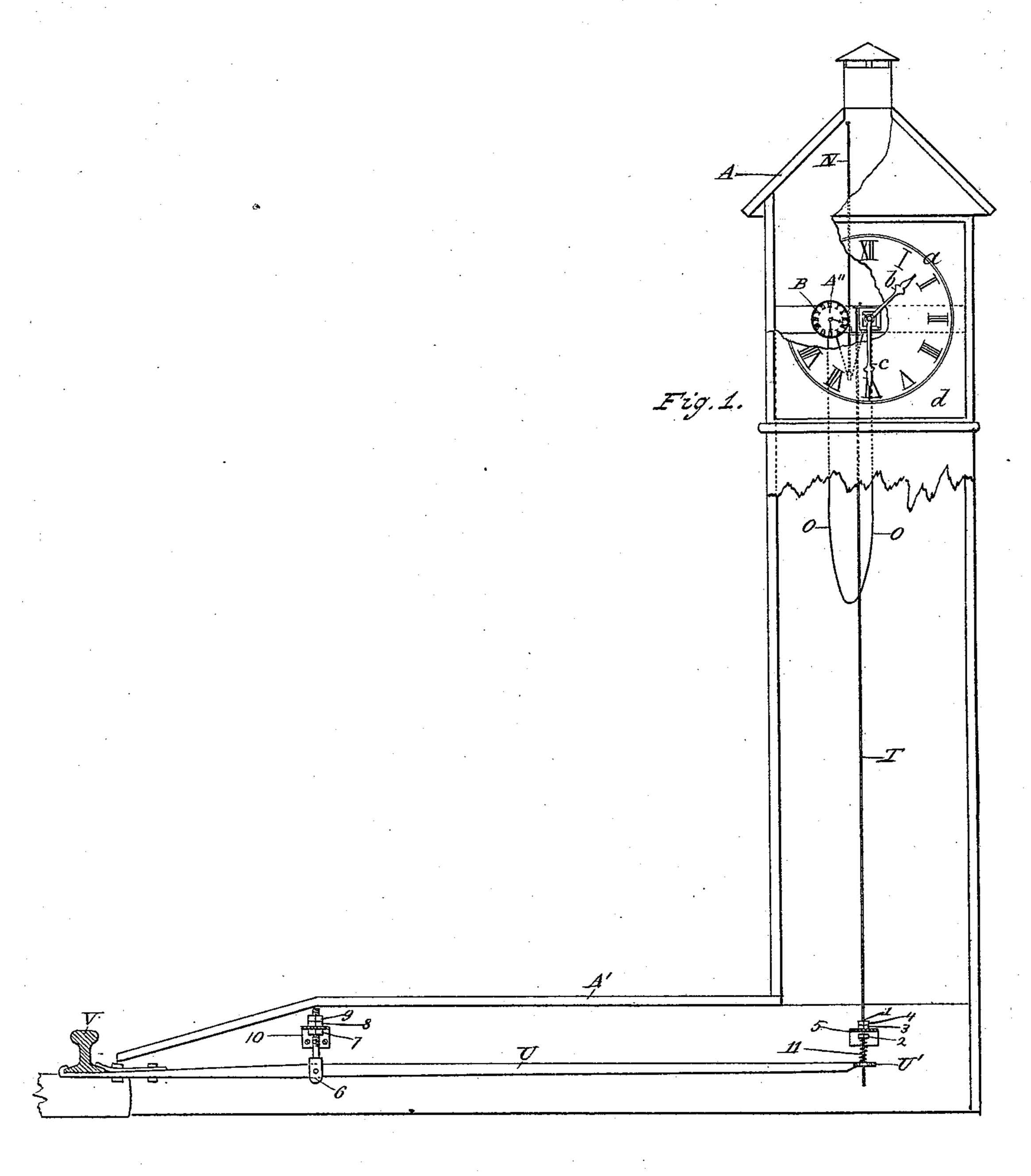
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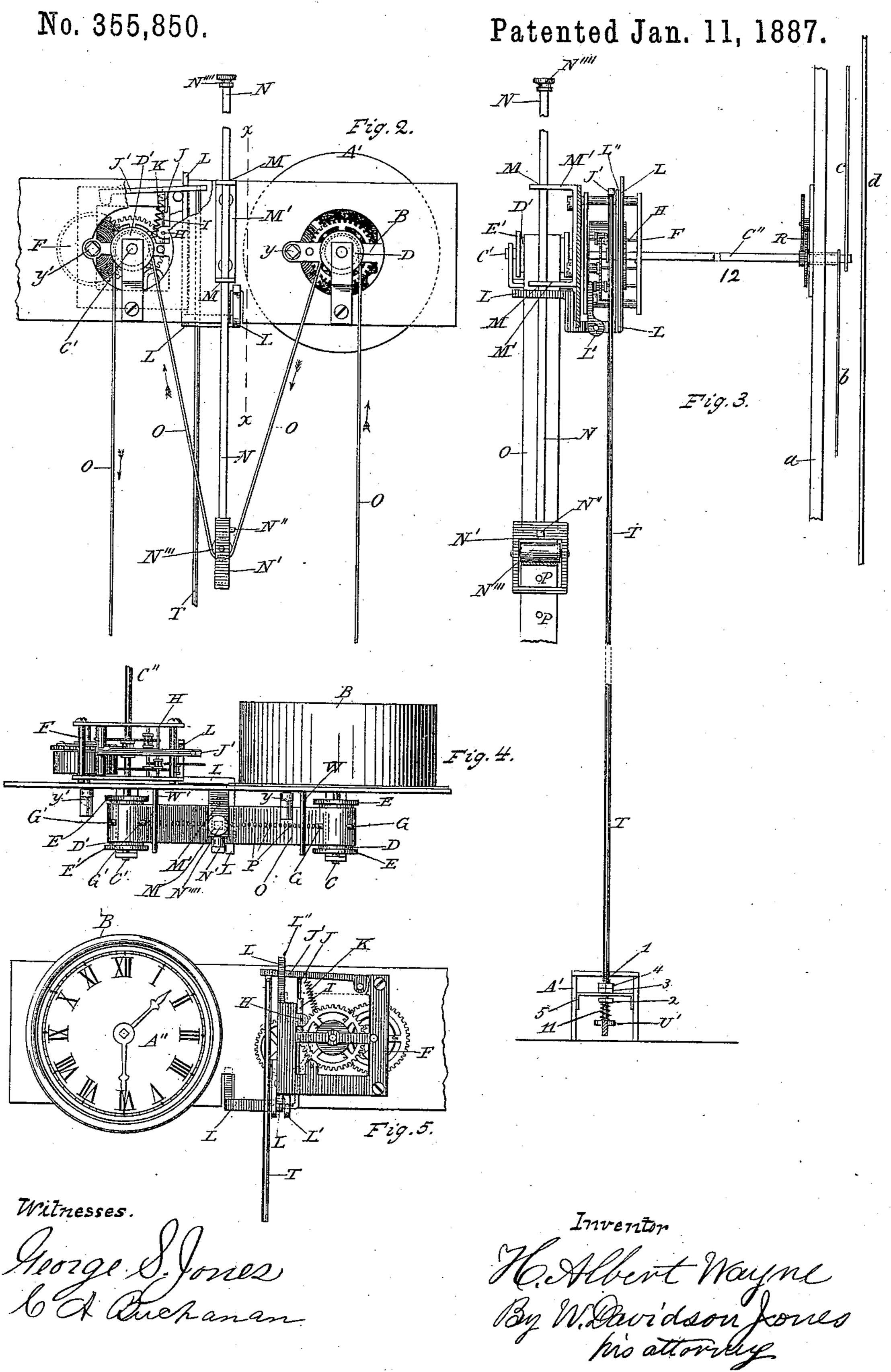
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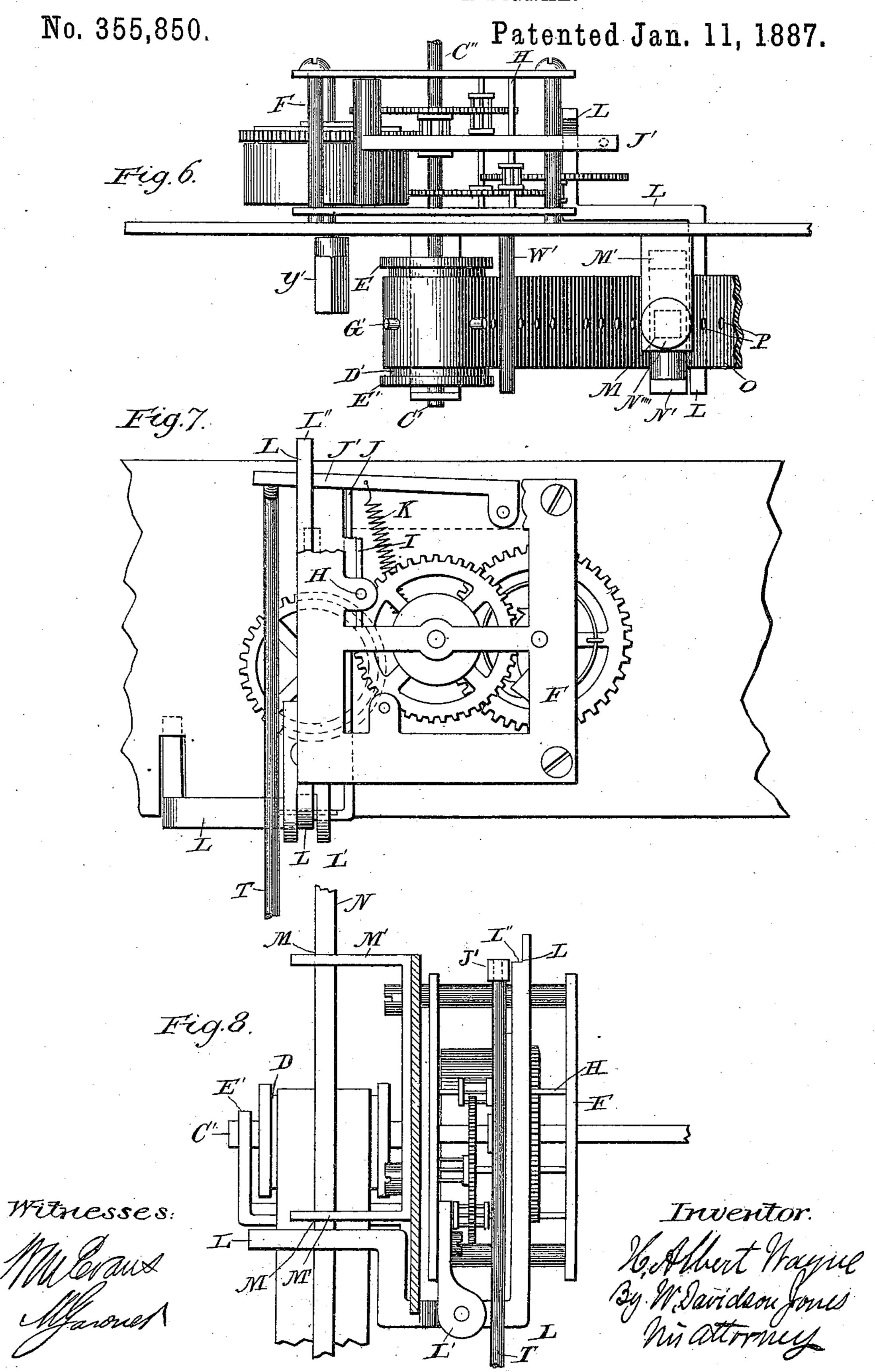
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, H. ALBERT WAYNE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Fort Plain, in the county of Montgomery and State 5 of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Railway Time-Signals, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

The object of my invention is to furnish an apparatus fitted for automatic operation by passing trains, to indicate the time of passage, for the information of the engineer and train-

men of a following train.

The invention consists of certain new and useful improvements upon those secured to me by Letters Patent dated November 16, 1880, and numbered 234,634, for time-signals for railways, and embodies the combination 20 of a usual and ordinary clock with hands and a dial and a clock-movement without an escapement, that moves the hands of the indicating-dial, and having a stop-lever that is released by the passing train, the two clock- | the ordinary and usual make—as an illustra-25 movements being so connected together by suitable mechanism that the indicator-clock remains immovable until a train passes, when

it is released by an actuating lever and moves until its indicating-hands catch up with and 30 indicate the clock-time, when it is stopped, thereby indicating to the engineer and trainmen of the succeeding train the time its predecessor has passed.

The construction and operation will be de-35 scribed in reference to the accompanying draw-

ings, wherein—

Figure 1 is a general front elevation of my apparatus and the connections with one of the rails of the track. Fig. 2 is a rear elevation 40 of the clock-movements and a portion of their connecting mechanism. Fig. 3 is a cross-section on the broken line x in Fig. 2, showing the indicating-clock movement and details of its general construction. Fig. 4 is a plan of 45 the clock-movements and a part of the conelevation of the time-clock and indicatingclock movement with the hands and dial removed.

Similar letters and figures of reference indicate corresponding parts in each figure and the arrows the direction of motion; and Figs. 6, 7, and 8 are enlarged views of portions of Figs. 3, 4, and 5, respectively.

Referring to the drawings, A is the housing 55 containing the mechanism, and A' is the boxing or casing to protect the lever connecting with the rail V. The upper front portion of the housing A is fitted with a semi-transparent clock-dial, a, over which the hour-hand b and 60 minute-hand c traverse. The hands b and cmay be protected from injury by a glass, d, contained in a suitable frame.

The figures and graduations on the semitransparent clock-dial a, I preferably make or 65. color black, and the interior of the case I illuminate at night by placing a lamp between the dial a and the clock-movement F, substan-

tially as indicated by 12 in Fig. 3.

There is a door at the rear or back of the 70 housing A, to allow access to the mechanism contained therein, and I also provide a small door at one side of the upper portion of the housing, (which is not shown,) to insert a lamp to illuminate the dial a at night.

Within the housing A is a clock-movement, B, of which A" is the dial. This clock is of tion, one of Seth Thomas' manufacture—with the central shaft, C', which operates the hands, 80 lengthened out through the back, (see Fig.4,) so as to receive the barrel D. (See Figs. 2 and 4.) This barrel D, I provide with flanges E and short pins G, set at equal distances apart. I also place within the housing A, and upon 85 the same plane with the clock-movement B, a clock-movement, F. (See Figs. 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5.) This clock-movement F has no escapement; but in lieu thereof it is provided with (and upon the shaft H, that carries the es. 90) capement) a fly-wheel, I. This fly-wheel I (see Figs. 2 and 5) is held in position and prevented from revolving, when the clockmovement is wound up, by the pawl J on the trip-lever J'. The lever J' and pawl J are held 95 in position so as to engage the fly-wheel I, by the spiral spring K, all substantially as shown.

L is an angular lever pivoted upon the necting mechanism. Fig. 5 is a front or face | bracket L', (see Figs. 2, 3, 4, and 5,) to sup-roo port and hold in position in the rabbet L' of the lever L the outward end of the retaininglever J', thereby allowing the clock-movement to move forward by the elevation of the said lever J', and consequent disengagement of the 105 pawl J from the arm I, which will hereinafter be more fully described.

The central shaft, C', of the clock-movement

F, I extend to the rear a sufficient distance, substantially as shown, (see Figs. 3 and 4,) to receive the barrel D', provided with the flanges E" and the pins G'. It will be well here to observe that the barrels D and D' are of the same diameter, and the short pins G and G' are of the same size and are placed the same distance apart in each barrel. I usually place four of these pins G and G' at quarters in the barrels; but this number may be increased or decreased without changing the nature of my invention.

The central shaft, C', of the clock-movement F, I extend or lengthen out forward of the movement, substantially as shown in Fig. 3, and secure it to the rear of the semi-transparent dial-plate a, with the hour and minute gearwheels R to operate the indicating-hands b and c. The shaft C' may be of any desired length, to give ample room between the semi-transparent dial a and the movement F, to insert a lamp and to obtain access to the operating parts.

ating parts. Within square perforations M in the 25 bracket M', I place the guide-rod N, provided at its lower end with a suitable box, N', (see Figs. 2 and 3,) to carry and hold the frictionroller N'''. (See Figs. 2 and 3.) The upper end of the guide-rod N is provided with a 30 nut, N"", to prevent the rod N from passing through the perforations M when not supported in its place by the endless belt O. The endless belt O, I make of ordinary light rubber belting, or any other suitable material, 35 having perforations to exactly correspond with and to receive the pins G G' on the barrels D and D'; or the belt O may be constructed of a linked metal chain having links of uniform length to correspond with and engage to the pins G and G' on the barrels D and D'. This endless belt (to illustrate, commencing at the right in Fig. 2) extends up over the barrel D, then extending diagonally down to and

through the box N' and under the friction-

over the barrel D', and then extending down

in a loop-like form (see Fig. 1) and up to the

place of beginning, thereby forming an endless

belt, as above described, all substantially as

15 roller N", and then diagonally upward and

so shown in Figs. 1, 2, 3, and 4. I construct the tripping stem F from a light ordinary rod of iron, and provide its lower end with a thread, 1, and nuts 2, 3, and 4, (see Figs. 1 and 2,) and place it in position, as 55 shown, with the upper end supported in a suitable bearing, so located that the upper end of the rod or stem T will come in contact with the under side of the extreme outer end of the lever J', and with the lower end passing through 50 the bracket 5, secured to the casing A', which forms a bearing or guide for the stem T, and with the extreme lower end of the stem T passing through the eye U' of the lever U. (See Figs. 1 and 3.) I secure this lever U to the 55 rail V by clamping or bolting, substantially as shown, and adjust it upon the bearing or fulcrum 6 with the nuts 7, 8, and 9. The bracket |

10, that supports the fulcrum 6, I secure to the casing A' with bolts, all substantially as shown.

The stem T is adjusted with the nuts 2, 3, 70 and 4, to give the stem T sufficient end or longitudinal movement to elevate the lever J' into the rabbet L" of the angular lever L. Between the eye U' of lever U and the nut 2 I interpose a spiral spring 11. This spring 11 relieves the 75 stem T from violent concussions, and consequent injury to the clock-movement by the passing of trains at high speed.

The stumps W and W' prevent the endless belt O from becoming disengaged from the 80 barrels D and D', and the clock-movements B and F are wound up with a key applied to the stumps u and a'

stumps y and y'. The operation of my invention is as follows: The time-clock B and indicating-clock F are 85 wound up, and the time-clock is set at correct time. The hands of the dial a (see Figs. 1 and 3) are set to correspond with the hands of the time clock B. The pawl J on the lever J' engages and retains the fly-wheel I on the shaft 90 H of the clock-movement F, thereby causing the clock-movement F to remain stationary or at rest. The endless belt O is adjusted on the barrels D and D', so as to cause the rod N, with the box N', roller N", and lug N" to be ele- 95 vated sufficiently to cause the lug N" to engage or contact with the angular lever L when the lever L is in the position shown in Figs. 2 and 3. The lever U is adjusted with the nuts 7, 8, and 9 upon the bracket 10, so as to cause the 100 stem T to remain at the lowest position, with the nut 3 resting on the bracket 5. The clockmovement F is thereby held at rest while the time-clock runs, thereby gradually running over, with the barrel D, the endless belt O; and 105 consequently, as the inner loop of the belt increases in length, thereby allowing the rod N, with box N' and roller N", to gradually descend by their specific gravity, the lug N" recedes away from the lever L. As a train 110 passes the indicator the rail V is depressed at the point where the lever U is connected. thereby elevating the opposite or long end of the lever U, which, through the medium of the spiral spring 11 and nut 2, the stem 115 T is elevated, so that the nut 2 engages the bracket 5 and the extreme upper end of the stem T presses up the lever J, and consequently carries with it the pawl J', and is held in this position by the rabbet L'', of the lever 120 L moving under the end of the lever J by the specific gravity of the opposite end of the angular lever L. This movement of the lever J' and pawl J releases the fly-wheel I on the shaft H, and thereby permits the clock-move 125 ment F to revolve the hands b and c of the dial a, which will continue until the slack of the endless belt O between the barrels D and D' is taken up by the barrel D' and the rod N is elevated sufficiently to cause the lug N" to 130 engage and elevate the lever L, thereby throwing back the rabbet L" from under the end of the lever J, thereby allowing the said lever, through the medium of the spiral spring K, to

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fall and cause the pawl J' on said lever to engage the fly-wheel I and thereby stop the movement F, with the hands b and c indicating the same time on the dial a as the true 5 time or the time indicated by the time-clock on the dial A"; or, to be more specific, as the slack of the endless belt O between the barrels D and D' is run over the barrel D' and taken up to the same extent as it was run over 10 by the barrel D, the hands b and c of the indicating-clock dial a will correspond with the hands of the time-clock B, so that at a subsequent time, when another train passes, the hands b and c will indicate on the dial a the 15 time of the passage of the previous train, and is again brought into operation to indicate the time the second train passes. By these operations the time of passage of the last train is always shown on the dial a, and may be seen 20 by the engineer and trainmen of an approaching train, and the apparatus requires no attention, except to wind up the clock-movements from time to time, as may be necessary.

Having thus described my invention, what 25 I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. In railway indicators, the combination, with the indicating-clock movement F, with its central shaft, C', extending to the rear and 30 provided with a barrel, D', and extending forward from the said movement a suitable distance to and through the illuminated dial a, and having connected thereto and adapted to be operated thereby the indicating - hands b 35 and c, of the time-clock B, having its central shaft, C, extending rearward and provided with a barrel, D, the rod N, the lug N", friction-roller N", the lever J', having attached thereto the pawl J, the retaining angular le-40 ver L, and the perforated endless belt O, all adapted to be operated by the stem T and the lever U by passing trains, all substantially as described, shown, and set forth.

2. In railway-indicators, the combination, 45 with the time-clock B, with its central shaft, C', extending rearward and provided with a barrel, D, having retaining-pins G, of the indicating-clock movement F, with its central shaft, C', extending rearward to receive the 50 barrel D', provided with the retaining-pins G', and forward through the semi-transparent dial a, and provided with the indicating-hands band c, the arm I, the lever J', with the pawl J attached, the angular lever L, containing the 55 rabbet L'', the box N', having permanently attached the lug N", the friction-roller N", the guide-rod N, the endless perforated belt O, engaging the pins G and G' in passing over the barrels D and D', and supporting the fric-60 tion-roller N", the stem T, provided with the thread 1 and the adjustable nuts 2, 3, and 4 and spiral spring 11, and the lever U, connected to the rail V, all adapted to be operated substantially as shown and described.

3. The time-clock B, with its central shaft, C, extended to the rear, and the indicating-

clock movement F, with its central shaft, C', extending to the front and rear, combined with the dial a, hands b and c, barrels D and D', retaining-pins G and G', endless perforated 70 belt O, fly-wheel I, pawl J, lever J', angular lever L, friction-roller N", lug N", guide-rod N, stem T, and lever U, connected to the rail V, and adjustable support 6, all constructed and operating substantially as and for the pur-75 poses described and set forth.

4. The bracket 5, combined with the stem T, provided with the thread 1, nuts 2, 3, and 4, spiral spring 11, and lever U, pivoted upon the fulcrum 6, and provided with an eye, U', 80 to receive the lower end of the stem T, with the opposite end of the lever connected to the rail V, all substantially as described and shown.

5. The bracket 10, secured to the casing A', 85 combined with the adjustable fulcrum 6, rail V, lever U, provided with the eye U', spring 11, nuts 2 and 3, bracket 5, and the stem T, provided with the screw-thread 1, all substantially as and for the purposes shown, described, 90 and set forth.

6. The time-clock B, provided with the barrel D, containing retaining pins G, on the central shaft, C, in combination with the indicating-clock movement F, constructed and 95 operating as described, and provided with a barrel, D', on the central shaft, C', containing the retaining-pins G', and the endless belt O. provided with perforations P, to engage and receive the retaining-pins G and G', and the 100 friction roller N", all constructed and operating so as to indicate to the engineer of an approaching train the time of passage of the preceding train, all substantially as specified and described.

7. The time-clock B, provided with the barrel D, and the indicating-clock movement F, constructed as described, and provided with the barrel D', and the pins G and G', in combination with the endless belt O, having the 110. perforations P, the rod N, box N', frictionroller N''', and lug N'', all constructed to operate as set forth, and for the purposes described.

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8. The time-clock B, provided with the bar-115 rel D, and the indicating-clock movement F, constructed as described, and provided with the barrel D', the retaining-pins G and G', in combination with the endless belt O, having the perforations P, the rod N, box N', lug N", 120 friction-roller N", the lever J', pawl J, flywheel I, and angular lever L, all constructed to operate as described, and for the purposes set forth.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto sub- 125 scribed my name, this the 22d day of May, in the year 1886.

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In presence of—

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