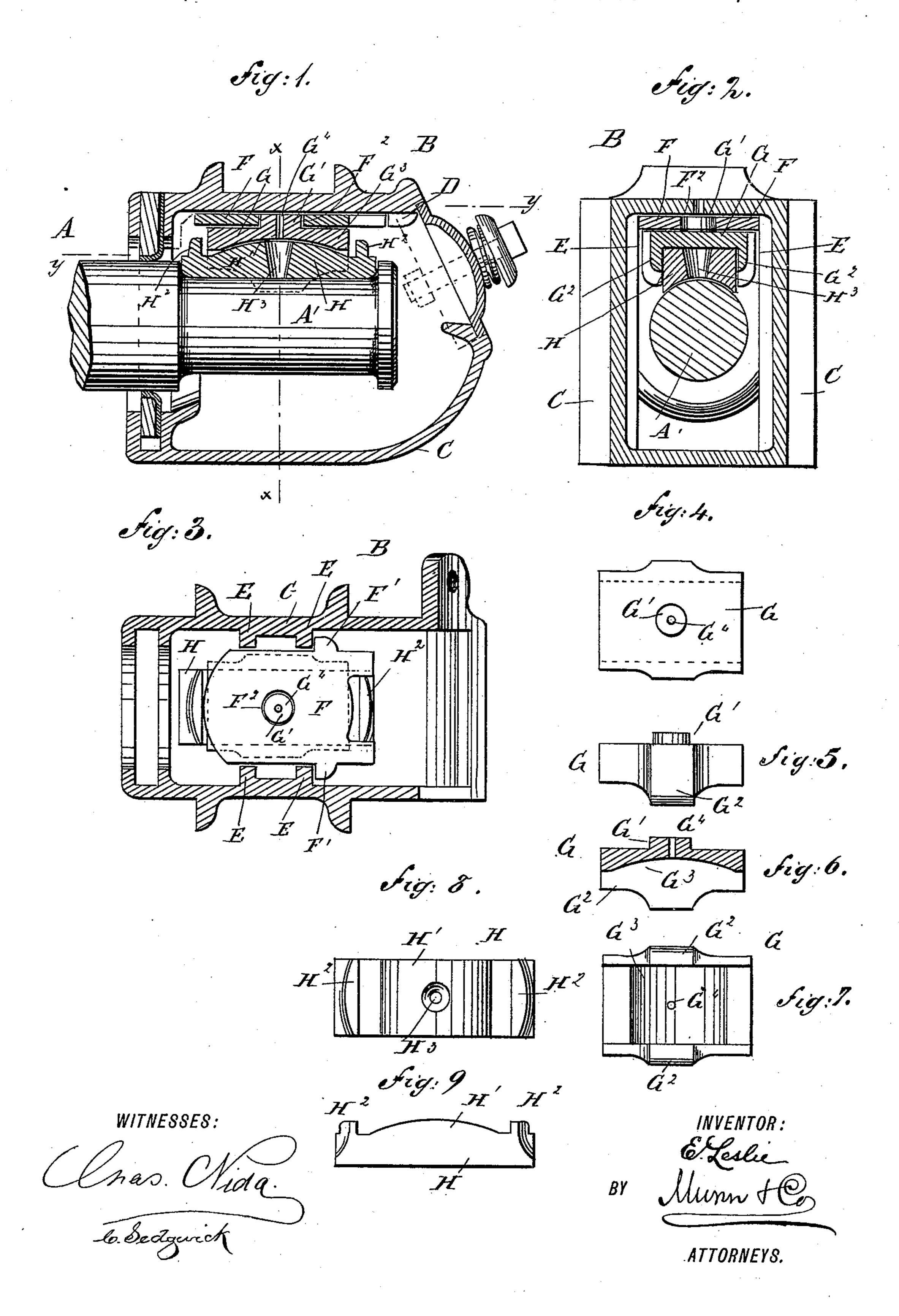
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWARD LESLIE, of Orangeville, county of Dufferin, Province of Ontario, and Dominion of Canada, have in-5 vented a new and Improved Bearing for Car-Axles, of which the following is a specification, which, when taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, will enable oth-

ers to practice my invention.

The object of my invention is to provide an improved car-axle bearing adapted for the standard-box, and in which the angular motion of the axle is allowed for, while at the same time a narrow bearing-brass can be used, 15 which is properly supported at the upper part.

The accompanying drawings represent the

parts as follows:

Figure 1 is a sectional side elevation of the improvement. Fig. 2 is a sectional end view 20 of the same on the line x x of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a sectional plan view of the same on the line y y of Fig. 1. Fig. 4 is a plan view of the keeper. Fig. 5 is a side elevation of the same. Fig. 6 is a sectional side elevation of 25 the same. Fig. 7 is an inverted plan view of the same. Fig. 8 is a plan view of the axlebrass, and Fig. 9 is a side elevation of the same.

The car-axle A projects with its journaled 30 ends A' into the car-axle box B, which box is of the usual standard type. The box B is provided on the under side of the stop with stops D and on the inner circle of its side with stops E. In between the stops is fitted 35 a flat key F, abutting at its front end against the stops D, and provided on each side with a lug F', abutting against the front of the outermost stops E, as is shown in Fig. 3. In the center of the key F is formed an aperture 40 F<sup>2</sup>, into which is fitted a hub or boss G', projecting from the top of the intermediate plate G. The intermediate plate G, besides being provided with a hub G', is also provided with two downwardly-extending side flanges G<sup>2</sup> G<sup>2</sup>, 45 and between these flanges, and parallel with the line of the axle, is formed a semi-cylindrical recess, as is shown in Fig. 1. This semi-cylindrical recess is a part of the cylinder, the axis of which lies at right angles with

50 the journal of the axle. This curved recess

is indicated in the drawings by the letter G<sup>3</sup>.

The axle-brass H is provided on the lower side

with a suitable semi-cylindrical recess to fit the axle, and on its upper side it is provided with a semi-cylindrical convex projection that 55 fits the curved recess in the intermediate plate G. In this way, when the axle moves so as to change its angle vertically in the box, the brass H can turn on the plate G, the two semicylindrical surfaces permitting this move- 6c ment, and when the axle moves in the box and its angle horizontally is changed the intermediate plate G can turn in the key which is fastened and held in the top of the box. I purposely make the brass H narrow and pro- 65 vide two downwardly-projecting side flanges G<sup>2</sup> G<sup>2</sup>, which hold the brass and force it in turning horizontally to carry with it the plate G. In this way I can make a narrow brass and support it firmly by the plate G.

In the middle of the axle-brass H is formed vertically a conical aperture H<sup>3</sup>, which permits the oil to pass from the journal A' to the bearing-surfaces G³ and H' of the keeper G and the axle-brass H, respectively. A small 75 cylindrical aperture G4 is formed in the middle of the keeper G, passing through the center of the offset G', and serving to deliver oil from the aperture H<sup>3</sup> to the offset G' and its seat

in the key F.

I am aware of the patent granted to Baker, No. 370,034, also patent of B. A. Hopkins, No. 216,517. In the patent of Baker a hemispherical projection is made from the brass, which slips into a like indentation in an intermediate 85 plate, while in the patent of Hopkins a short semi-cylindrical bearing is formed. Now my invention resides in forming on the upper part of the intermediate plate G a hub which penetrates the key, so that the movement of the 9c axle in horizontal angles may be allowed for, and in providing said intermediate plate with flanges, as before described, so that the narrow brasses which are used will be held firmly within the flanges and be caused to move in 95 horizontal angles with the plate as a single piece, while at the same time any movement in vertical angle will be allowed for by reason of the semi-cylindrical bearing formed between the brass and intermediate plate. In the 100 earlier patents this arrangement is not found, for in Hopkins and Baker the brass is practically the full width of the box, and in cases where a narrow brass has been employed the

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brass has not been held between downwardly-projecting flanges forming part of and intermediate plate placed between the key and the brass. It will be seen that the horizontal movements are all allowed for by the movement of the intermediate plate, while all vertical movements are allowed for between the brass and the intermediate plate.

I have found from the particular construction of my bearing that I get as much surface from two-thirds of the brass as can be obtained from the bearings of either of before-

mentioned patents.

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

1. In a car-axle bearing, the combination, with the flat key fitting into the casing provided with a central aperture, of an intermediate plate held on the under side of the said key and the circular offset fitting into the aperture formed in the said key, substantially as described.

2. In a car-axle bearing, the combination of a flat key fitting into the casing, a central aperture formed therein, an intermediate plate on the under side of the said flat key and with a semi-cylindrical concave bearing on the under side, and downwardly - extending flanges formed on the side of said plate, and an axle-brass fitted between said flanges and provided with a semi-cylindrical convex bearing on its upper side, substantially as described.

3. In a car-axle bearing, the combination of a flat key fitted in the casing, a central aperture formed therein, an intermediate 35 plate bearing against the under side of the key and provided with a circular offset fitting into the opening in the key, having on its under side a semi-cylindrical concave recess, downwardly-extending flanges, and an axle-brass having its bearing on the bottom of the intermediate plate and provided on its upper side with a semi-cylindrical convex surface and arranged within the downwardly-extending flanges, substantially as described.

4. In a car-axle bearing, the combination, with the box or easing, of a key fitted in the casing and provided with a central opening, an intermediate plate bearing against the bottom of the key and having a circular hub fitting 50 within the aperture formed in the key, the said intermediate plate being provided with an oil-hole and the semi-cylindrical concave under surface, and an axle-brass fitted to bear against the under side of the intermediate 55 plate and provided with a central conical oil-aperture, substantially as described.

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