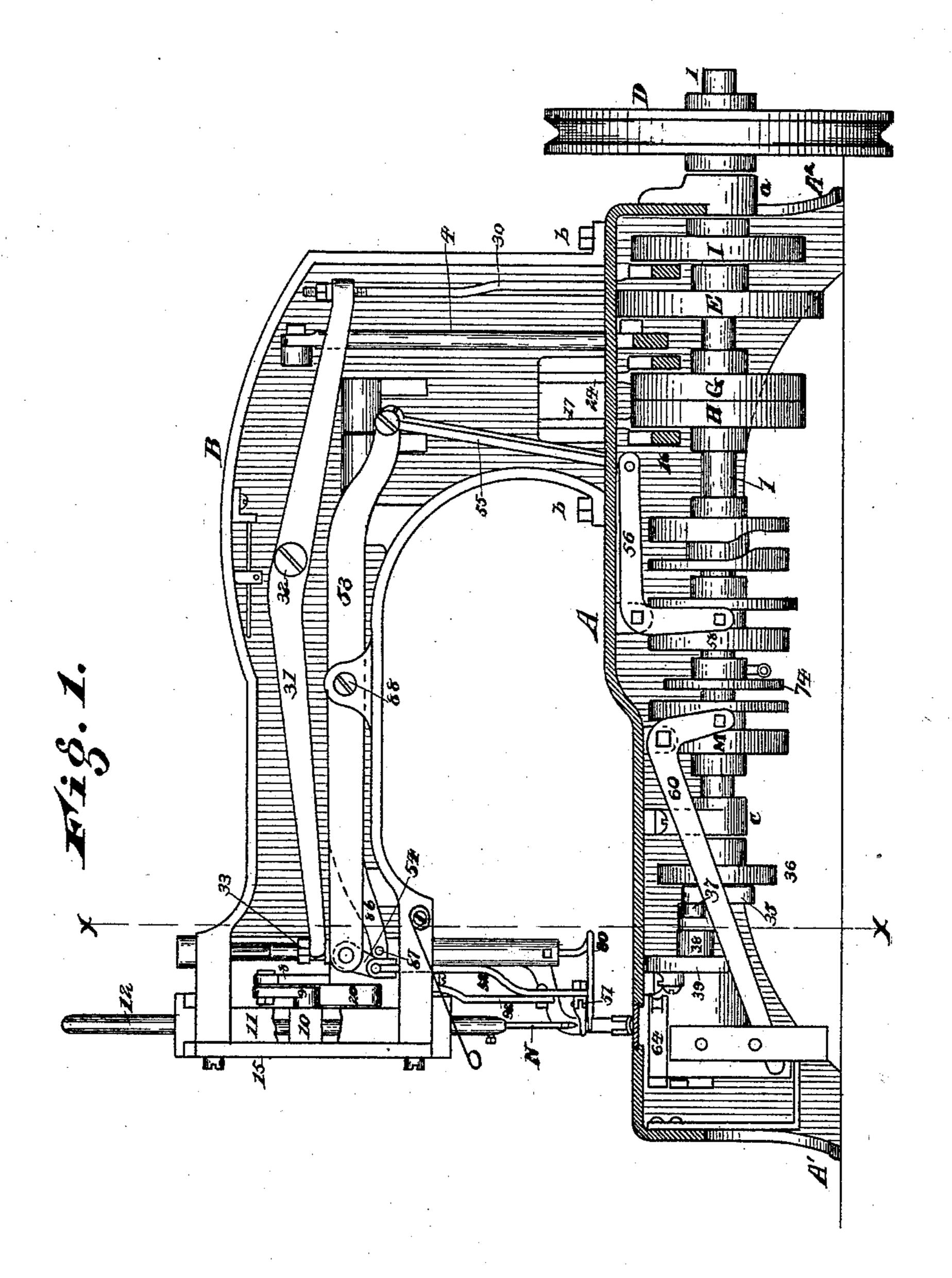
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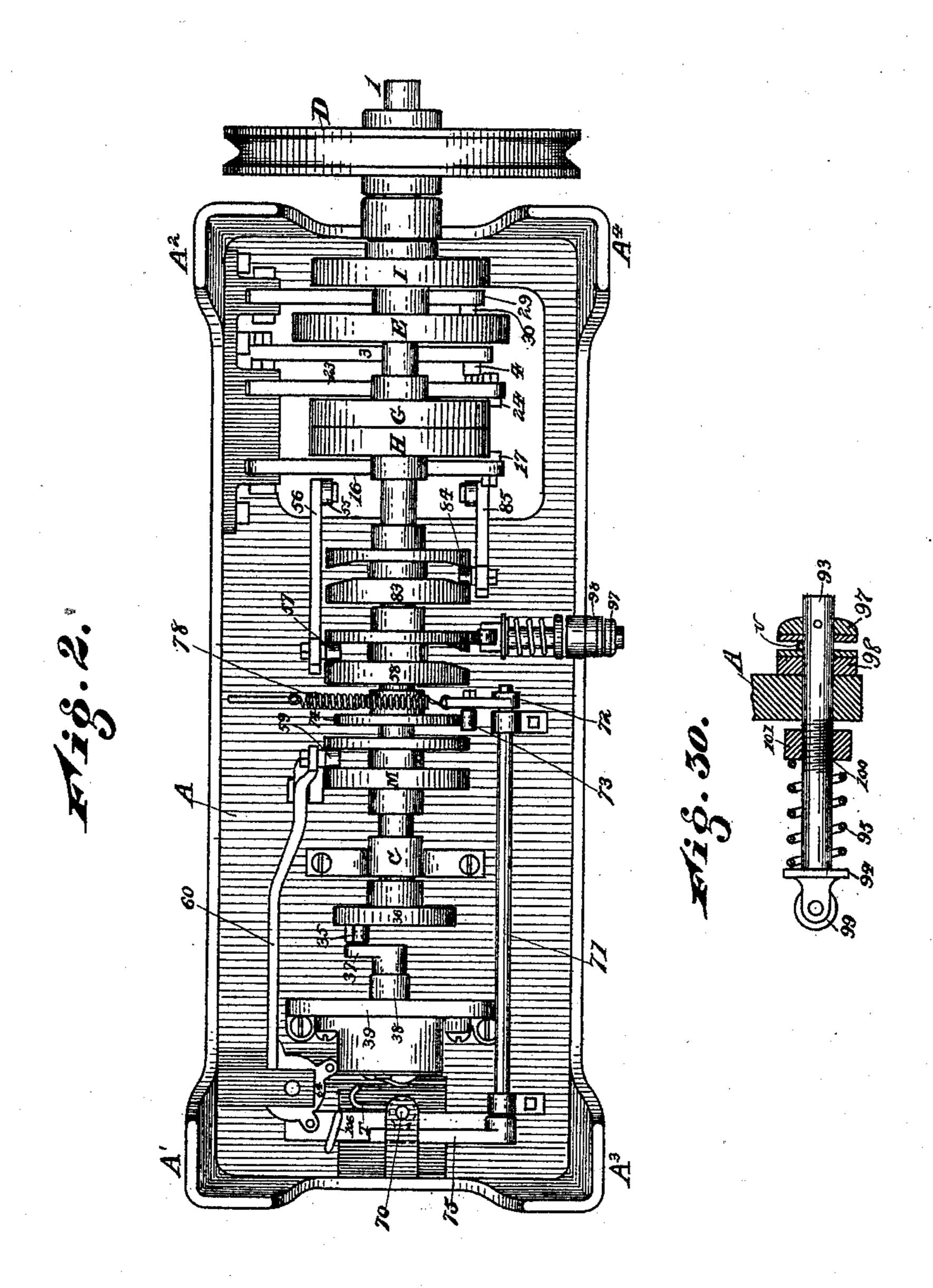
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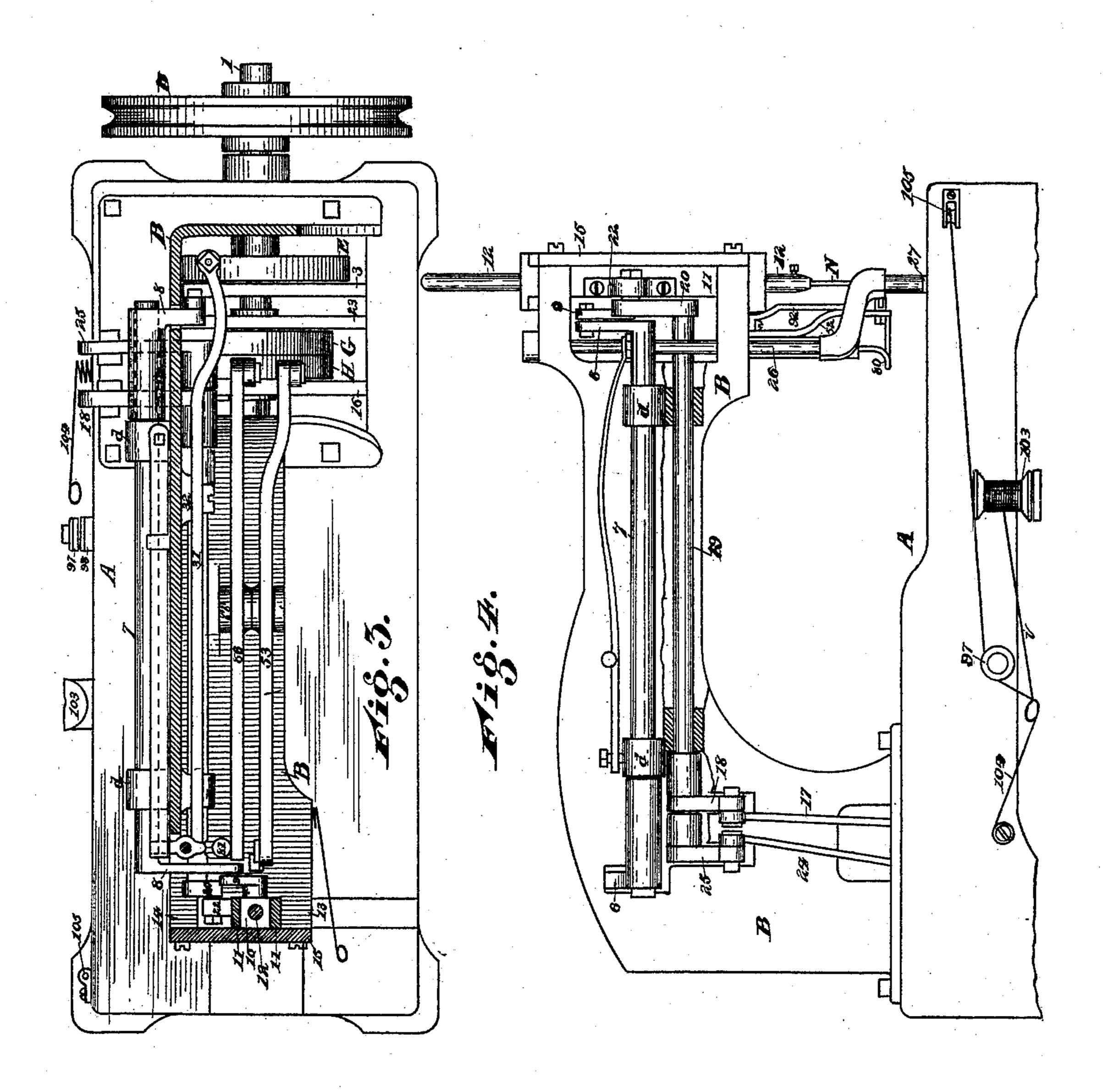


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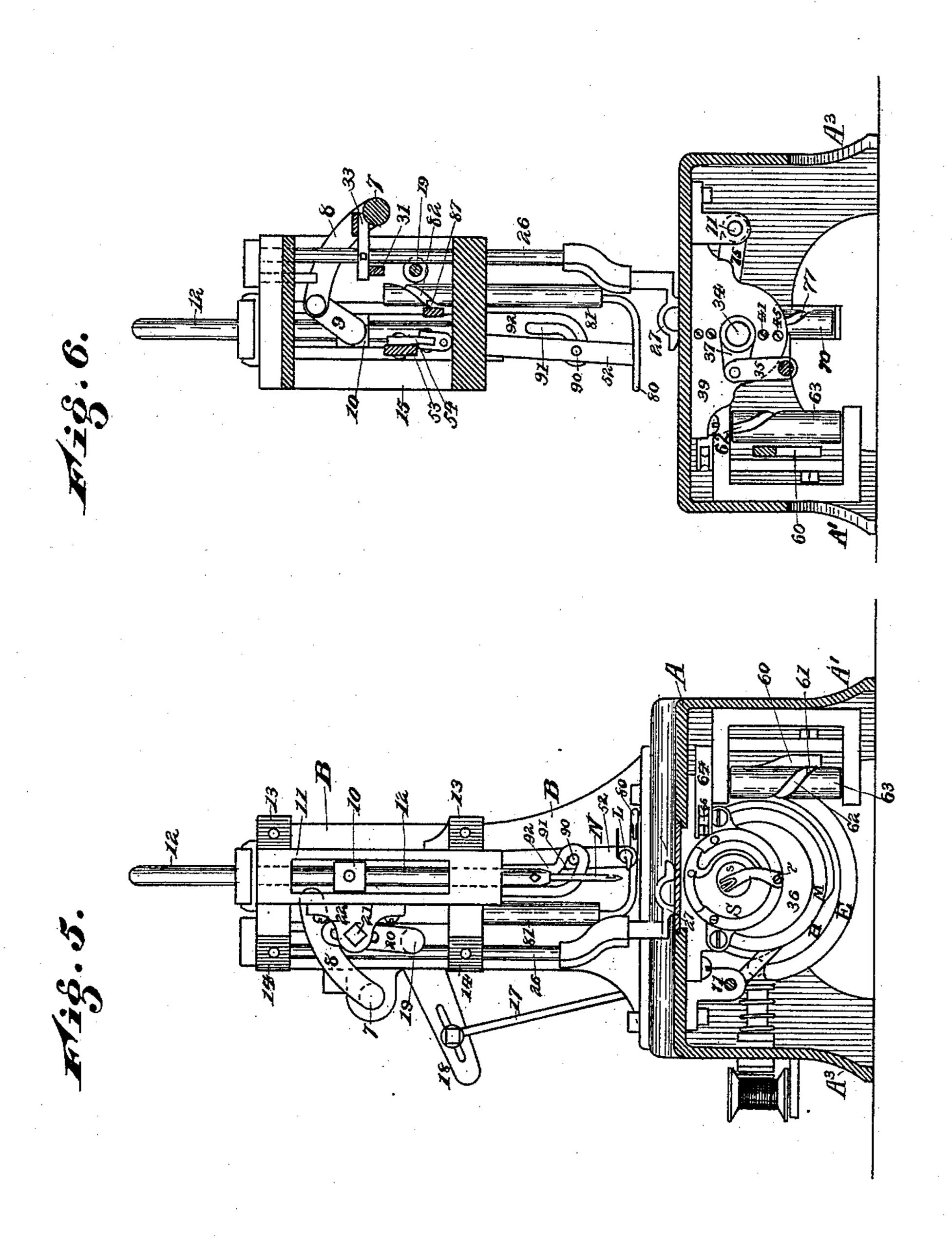
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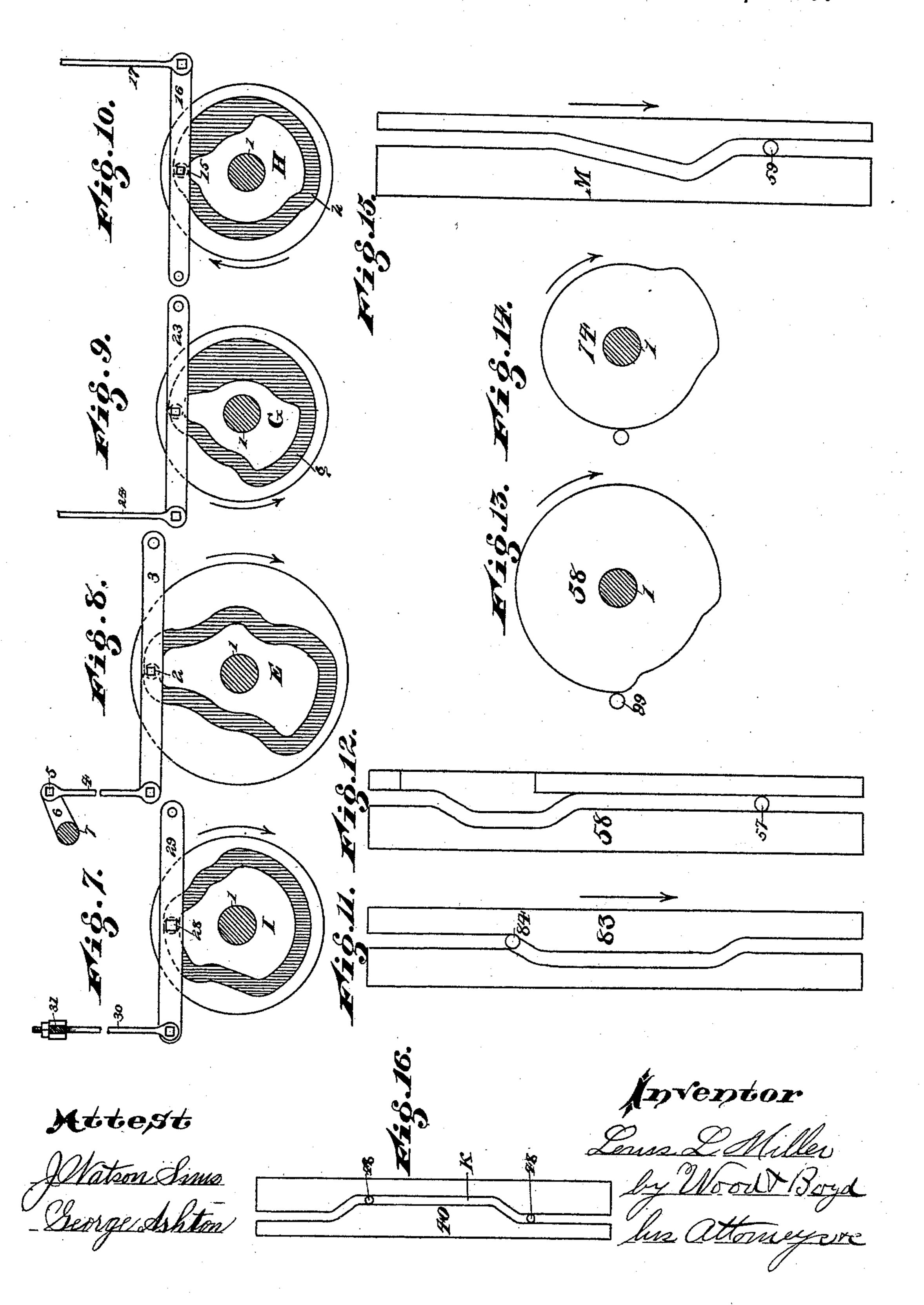
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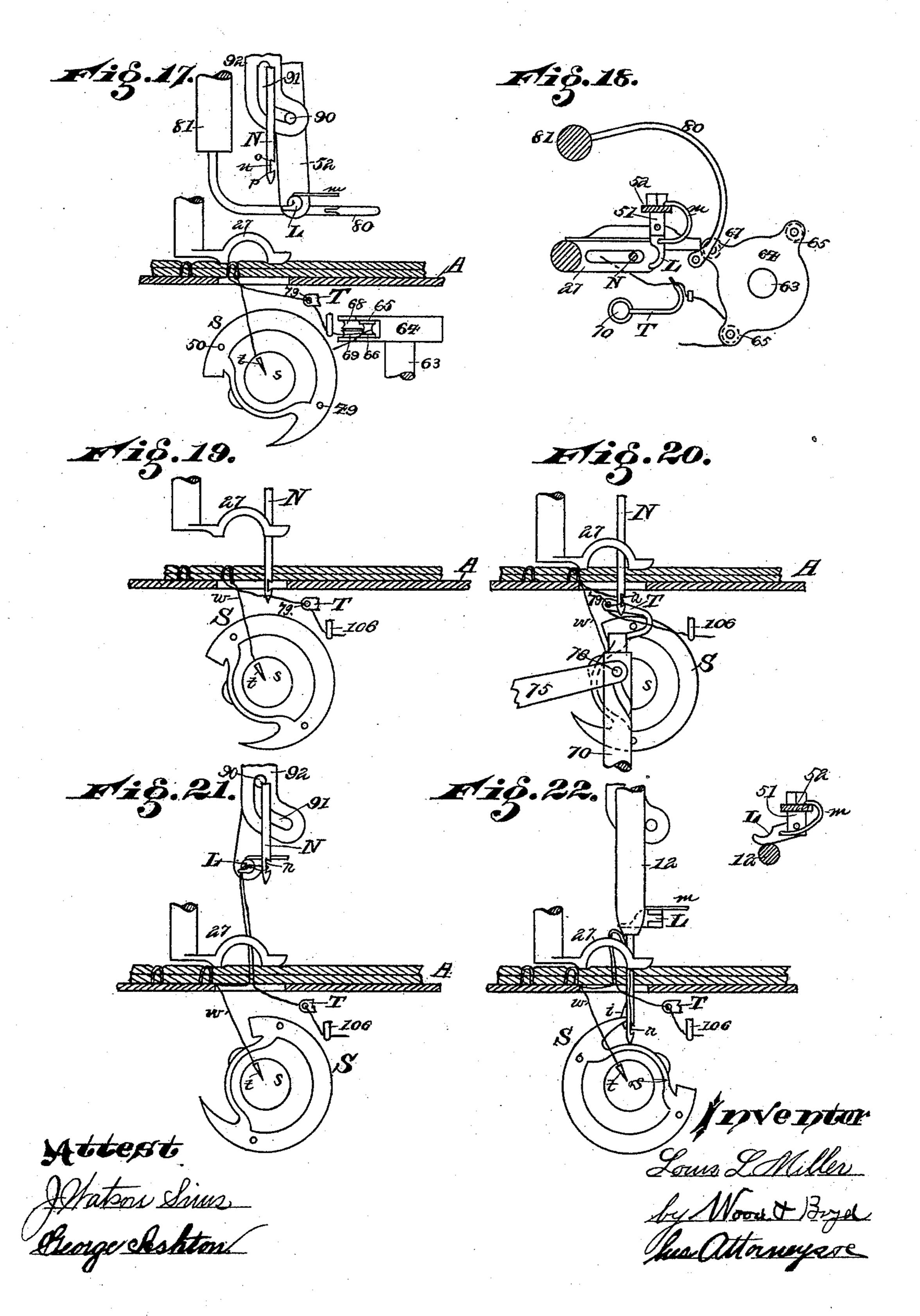
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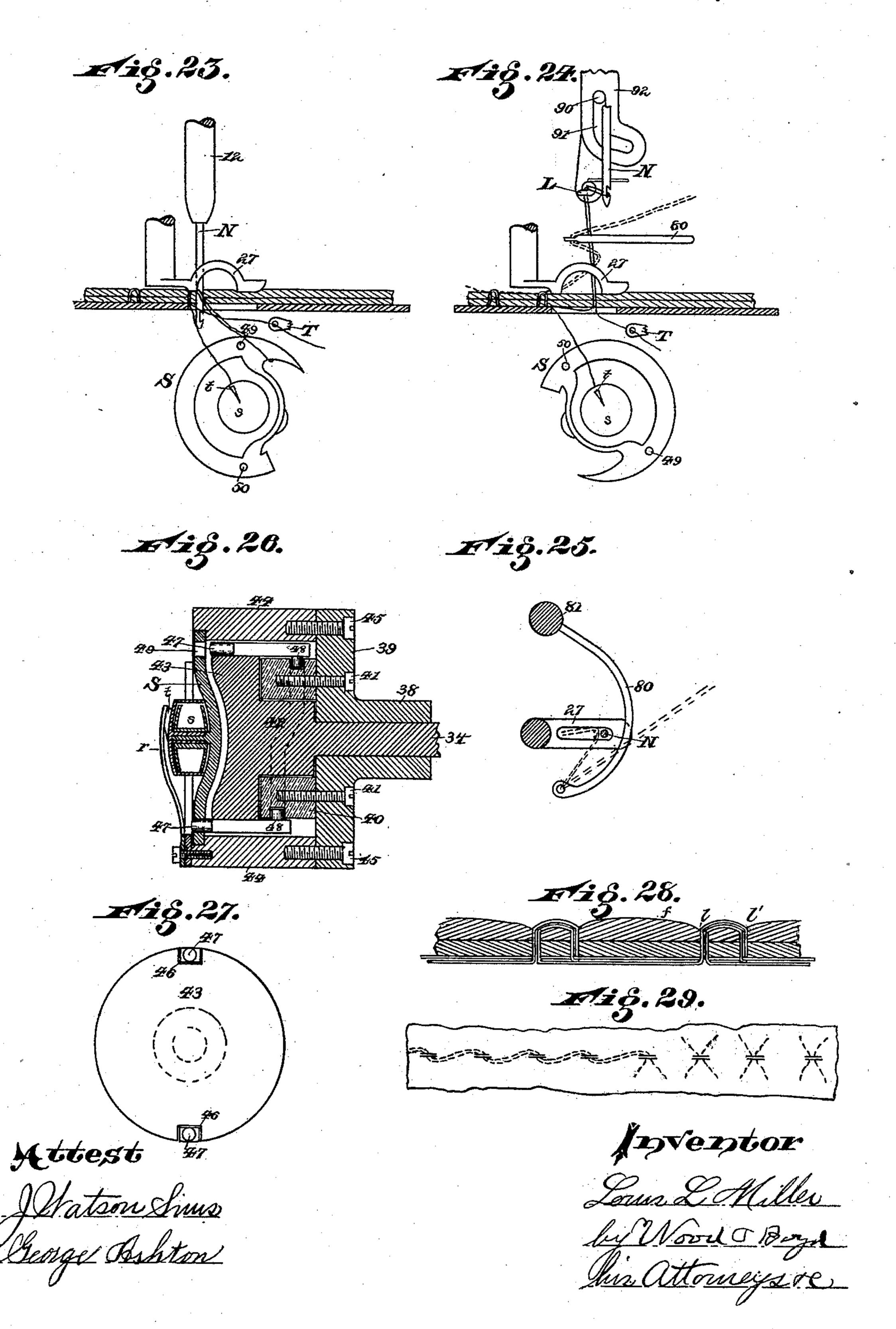
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#### SEWING-MACHINE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Louis L. Miller, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Newport, in the county of Campbell and State of Kentucky, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Sewing-Machines, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to a new machine adapted to making a new kind of stitch for quilting, which I term a "skip-and-lock

stitch."

In quilting various kinds of materials it is desired to have the thread principally upon one side of the goods and still have the goods 15 or material suitably stitched or fastened together by proper threads at intervals. This is essentially the case with sweat-collars for harness, saddle-pads, and other parts of harness where the presence of the thread upon one 20 side of the material would rub the horse. By sewing these parts with my improved stitch the thread is principally on one side of the pad, and securely tied or quilted together at intervals. I have therefore invented a new 25 machine as well as a new stitch for accomplishing these objects, also a new form of needle.

The various features of my invention will be fully set forth in the description of the accompanying drawings, making a part of

this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of my improvement with one side of the frame removed. Fig. 2 is a bottom plan view. Fig. 3 is a top 35 plan view of the working parts with the top of the frame removed. Fig. 4 is an elevation of the rear side of the machine opposite that shown in Fig. 1. Fig. 5 is a front elevation with the front portion of the frame removed. 40 Fig. 6 is a section on line xx, Fig. 1. Figs. 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16 are detail views of several driving-cams. Figs. 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, and 25 are sectional diagrams of the stitching mechanism representing the parts in different positions in making the stitch. Fig. 26 is a central vertical cross-section of the rotating shuttle and its driving mechanism. Fig. 27 is a front elevation with the shuttle removed. Fig. 28 is an enlarged sectional view of the stitch. Fig. 29 is a top plan 50 view of the stitch, showing the floss under the stitch. Fig. 30 is a central section of thread-grip.

A represents the base of the frame. It is of shell form and provided with feet A' A<sup>2</sup> A<sup>3</sup> A<sup>4</sup>. 55

Brepresents the upper portion of the frame, which is rigidly connected by bolts b to the base. It is also made of shell form and of suitable shape to protect the operating parts, which are journaled within the overhanging 60 frame.

1 represents the main driving-shaft, supported by journal-brackets ac in the base of the frame. D represents the driving-wheel keyed upon said shaft. The several motions 65 of the machine are communicated from this main shaft to the operating parts by cams.

E represents the needle-cam. (Shown in plan, Fig. 8.) This cam is preferably a groove cut in the face of the disk mounted on said 70

main shaft.

2, Fig. 8, represents a friction-roller traveling in said cam-groove E. It is supported upon a lever 3, which is journaled upon the rear side of the frame at one end and the 75 other pivoted to the pitman 4. Said pitman is pivoted to the crank-rod 5 of the crank 6, which is attached to the oscillating shaft 7, that is journaled upon the outside of the frame, as shown in Fig. 3, by bearings d. 8 80 represents a crank at the front end of said oscillating shaft 7.

9 represents a secondary crank pivoted to crank 8 at one end, the opposite end of which is pivoted to the head 10. Said head travels 85 in a slot or way provided in the slide 11, which is moved laterally by the needle at the front end of the machine, as shown in Fig. 5.

12 represents the needle-bar, which is journaled in the said slide 11 at the top and botom thereof. Said slide is in turn supported between the frame-pieces 13 14 and the front plate 15, as shown in Fig. 3, so as to reciprocate backward and forward between the arms or frames 13 and 14. The motions of the 95 needle-bar are conveyed from the cam E through the crank-connections, oscillating shaft 7, cranks 8 and 9, and head 10, rigidly

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secured to the needle-bar, while the reciprocating motion of the needle-bar slide 11 is obtained by other suitable mechanism. As the quilting is performed by this machine 5 making one short stitch, then unthreading the needle, and making a long feeding movement, which would make a stitch were the needle threaded, it is necessary that this needlearm slide 11 have two motions, one to make 10 the short stitch and the other to make the long-space motion by reciprocation of the needle-bar.

GH represent cam-disks mounted upon shaft 1, each provided with cam-grooves g h. 15 The working portion of one groove is set opposite the idle portion of the other, and vice versa. They are constructed so that during one revolution of said shaft 1 one of said cams h has reciprocated the needle-bar 7 a 20 short distance after the needle has descended and passed through the cloth, and then the eam h moves slide 11 a short distance with the needle in the cloth. Then it stops, and the needle is retracted, when it is by the same 25 cam moved back to its original position, and during the remaining portion of one revolution the other cam g operates the needle-bar. The needle descends through the cloth, and then the cam g moves the needle in the goods 30 the long distance. Then the needle is retracted, is operated, preferably, by means of the secto its original position, thus making the nee-35 means of the studs or rolls traveling in cam- shaft 34, which crank and link connections 40 rock-shaft 19, journaled upon the top of the of the bracket 39. frame B. The other end of the rock-shaft 45 tached to said slide 11. Now, the short lat-lis attached a disk 43. The shaft, boss, and eral movement of the needle and needle-disk are shown integral. bar is made by means of this cam h and its connections to the rock-shaft 19 during so shaft 1, and during the remaining portion of his provided with notches 46, which form ways roller supported on lever 23, operating connecting-rod 24, and crank 25, connected to 55 space movement of the slide 11, carrying the | figuration of this cam-groove K is such that cam E and connecting mechanism.

60 the presser-foot attached thereto. Said foot is provided with a slot, as shown in Figs. 18 and 25, through which the needle passes, and which is long enough to make the longest feed movement of the needle. I have shown 65 said foot curved or hollowed out upon its un- tion and engaged during the lower part of

tion, although it allows the goods to full up a little in said recess, which is sometimes desirable in quilting. It is necessary to have the said foot press upon the goods when the 70 needle is withdrawn and to be raised when the needle is moved longitudinally with the goods for the two feeds, and these two vertical motions are made at the appropriate time during one revolution of the main shaft by 75 means of the cam I, which is shown in plan, Fig. 7, 28 representing a stud journaled in the groove of cam I, supported by lever 29, hinged to the connecting-rod 30, which is loosely hinged at the other end to the oscil- 80 lating lever 31, which is journaled with the frame by center 32, the forward end of which is supported in a wrist 33, which is rigidly connected to the foot-bar 26, so as to raise and lower said foot-bar by the oscillation or 85 rocking of the lever 31. The cam-slot I is of suitable shape and adjustment so as to bring the foot down just before the needle is retracted or pulled out of the goods and held up during both the short and long longitudi- 90 nal movements of the needle while in the goods.

The stitch is made by means of two threads, one of which is looped round the other by means of the revolving shuttle S. This shuttle 95 when the cam h moves the said slide 11 back | fondary shaft 34, which is driven from shaft 11 by means of link 35, which is hinged to the dle-feed for both long and short spaces. This disk 36 on the main shaft at one end, and to compound movement is accomplished by the other end is hinged to the crank 37 on too grooves gh. The roller 15 in groove h is sup- | with the two shafts are such that the shuttle ported upon the lever 16, which is hinged to lis revolved at the appropriate variable speed connecting-rod 17, the other end of which is | during the parts of the said revolution. Shaft hinged to crank 18, which is keyed to the 34 journals in the sleeve 38, which is a part 105

40 represents a disk rigidly attached to the 19 is provided with slotted crank 20, (see | bracket 39 by screws 41. The forward end Fig. 5,) that engages with the stud-pin 21, of shaft 34 is provided with a boss 42, which projecting through the ear 22, which is at-| journals in said disk 40, and to this boss 42 rro

44 represents a cylinder secured to the bracket 39 by screws 45, which cylinder forms one portion of the revolution of the main a journal-support for the disk 43. Said disk 115 said revolution the cam g, by means of the || for the driving-pins 47. Said pins 47 are provided with friction-rollers 48, which engage in the cam-groove K, cut in the disk 40, a said rock-shaft 19, makes the long lateral or | plan of which is shown in Fig. 16. The con-120 needle and needle-bar, the appropriate mo-| during half of a revolution one of said pins tions of the needle-bar being given by its own | 47 is projected outward and engages with the orifice pierced in the shuttle S, and the oppo-26 represents the presser-foot bar, and 27 | site pin is retracted during said portion, and 125 | vice versa, so that one pin is alternately engaged with the shuttle S while the other is retracted. This cam is so adjusted that each pin is disengaged from connection with the shuttle during the upper half of its revolu- 130 der side, which is not essential to the opera-the revolution, and allows the thread to be

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drawn off from the shuttle S, so as to allow said shuttle to revolve and lock a stitch each revolution.

The proper form of shuttle is shown in ele-5 vations, Figs. 17 to 24.

s represents the bobbin-case, with a threadorifice on the outer side.

t represents a lug projecting from the bobbin-case.

10 r, Fig. 5, represents an arm attached to the case, the upper end being forked, engaging with a lug t, so as to hold the bobbin-case from turning.

49 and 50 represent orifices in the shuttle 15 for the pins 47 to engage with alternately, so as to drive said shuttle by the revolution of the shaft 34.

L represents a looping-finger, which is pivoted to the bracket 51, which is attached upon 20 the vertically-moving arm 52. This arm is operated by means of the rock-lever 53 and connected to said arm 52 by means of link 54, and the pitman 55, pivoted to the bellcrank arm 56, which is provided with stud 57, 25 traveling in the cam-groove 58. In order that this looping-finger may be moved longitudinally in front and behind the needle, the arm 52 is provided with the stud 90, engaging with slot 91 of stationary arm 92. The shape 30 of the slot is such that as said arm 52 is moved backward it is raised up by the incline of the slot for a purpose which will be hereinafter explained. This looping-finger is operated in time-movements with the needle. 35 It is hinged so that it will swing horizontally spring m bringing it back into position. (See Fig. 22.)

In the operation of this machine the needle 40 is unthreaded for making the skip movement; and to take up the slack and also to provide sufficient thread to make the stitch I have provided the following devices: M represents a cam operating the stud 59, traveling in said 45 groove, supported by the bell-crank lever 60. The forward end of said lever carries a pin 61, which travels in the spiral groove 62, formed in the periphery of the shaft 63. On the top of said shaft 63 is mounted a disk 64, 50 carrying forked arms 65, in which are journaled anti-friction rollers 66. 67 represents another arm carrying two thread-rollers 68 and 69, journaled between the forks of said arms 67. (See Fig. 17.) This disk 64 is ro-55 tated by its spiral shaft to move the arms and thread-carrying rollers to and from the needle. N represents the needle. It is shown having an open eye n and two barbs op, one the top and the other the bottom of said eye. 60 The thread is placed in this small groove nto make the stitch after the needle has been passed through the goods. T represents the threader. It is mounted upon the top of the shaft 70, which is provided with a spiral

65 groove and driven by means of the crank-

shaft 71, (see Fig. 2,) operated by crank 72,

which is provided with roller 73, engaging I

with the cam 74, which is shown in plan, Fig. 14, which cam is mounted on shaft 1, and the forward end of crank-shaft 71 is provided 70 with a crank-arm 75 and crank-pin 76, which travels in spiral groove 77. (See Fig. 20.) This spiral and the crank and link connections with the main shaft are so arranged that the threader T (the forward end of which 75 is provided with an eye 79, carrying the thread) is thrown round so as to place the thread into the eye n of the needle at the appropriate time for making the stitch.

78 represents a coil-spring for holding the 80

stud against the cam.

It is sometimes desirable to use a finishing tuft formed from yarn laid over the goods just before the stitch is made, so as to form a tuft when the loops of the yarn are cut 85 away between the stitches. In order to lay in this yarn, I provide an oscillating arm 80, which is provided with an eye at its front end, through which is passed the tuftingthread. This arm is of such shape and lo- 9c cated with reference to the needle that the arm 80 is oscillated round, passing yarn under the needle, and it is held in that position until the stitch has been made which binds the yarn, when the arm slides back ready for 95 a second operation. This arm is shown in Figs. 24 and 25. This arm 80 is mounted upon the oscillating shaft 81, which is driven intermittently by means of the spiral groove 82, operated by means of the cam-groove 83, stud 100 84, suspended upon bell-crank lever 85, which bell-crank is placed opposite the bell-crank as it moves forward past the needle, the | 56, as shown in bottom plan view, Fig. 2, and by connecting-rod connecting it to the oscillating arm 86, which is shown in top plan 105 view, Fig. 3. To the forward end of said arm 86 is attached a stud 87, that travels in the spiral 82. (See Figs. 1 and 6.)

> 88 represents the center of oscillating arm 86.

In order that the thread may be held by appropriate tension when the needle is unthreaded, I have provided an automatic griptension device, which is constructed as follows: 93 represents a shaft carrying a spiral 115 spring-seat 94. Said shaft journals in the frame A, so as to slide in or out. 95 represents a coil-spring, normally holding the pulling-disk 97 against disk 98, so as to form a tension for the thread v, which is compressed 120 between them. 99 represents a roller journaled in the end of shaft 93, and it bears against the periphery of the cam 58, which is shown in elevation, Fig. 13. The shape of the cam is such as to open the tension-disks 125 so as to allow the thread to pass through loosely when the needle is pulling the thread through the goods, and to close when the take-up is drawing the thread to tighten the stitch, forming an automatic friction clutch 130 and release. 100 represents screw-threads on shaft 93, engaging with nut 101, for regulating the tension of spring 95.

The machine is threaded as follows: A bob-

bin of thread is inserted into shuttle S. The thread w, wound on said bobbin, is pulled through the orifice of the case up through the throat of the machine. Thread v passes from 5 spool 103 through the loop of the take-up spring 104; thence through the tension 97 98; thence along the back of the machine over roller 105; thence through guide 106, under the base of the machine, (see Figs. 4, 17 to 24;) to thence through the eye of the threader T; then up through the throat of the machine.

The skip-and-lock stitch is shown complete in Fig. 28, which is enlarged to show the position of the thread to the goods, the loop of 15 the thread being embedded slightly in the face of the goods, and the line of stitches being maintained by thread on the back side of the goods. This skip-and-lock stitch is formed as follows: Fig. 17 represents the position of 20 the parts when a stitch has been completed ready to form another. The foot 27 rests on the goods; the needle descends through the goods; then the foot rises when the parts are in position shown in Fig. 19, the stitch or line-25 thread v being in front of the needle when the needle moves with the goods a short distance in slot of the foot; when the threader T moves around the needle, placing the thread in the slot of the needle, as shown in Fig. 20; when the needle rises and pulls the thread up through the goods, making the part of the stitch indicated at l, Fig. 28. The threader meantime moving back to position, the needle is moved by the needle-arm forward to its 35 original position, (shown in Fig. 17,) when the looper-finger L moves back, catches the thread v, and holds it, as shown in Fig. 21;

in the path l', Fig. 28, and occupies the posi-40 tion more fully shown in Fig. 22. The needle rises slightly and pauses momentarily to form a slack i, when the hook of the shuttle engages this loop and moves rapidly, pulling thread v, as shown in Fig. 28, out of the nee-45 dle-eye when the needle moves its long distance backward, making the long space f, Fig. 28, the shuttle S passing around till the heel or notch has passed the center of its axis, (see

when the needle descends through the goods

Fig. 24,) when the take-up arm 65 (see Fig. 50 18) pulls the thread v off the shuttle S and draws the stitch tight, the tension-grip 97 98 grasping the thread v to hold it against the pull of take-up arm 65. During the movement of shuttle S, pulling the thread v, the 55 needle, which has moved backward, carrying

the goods the long or skip space, rises and moves forward into position over the goods, and then descends to receive the thread, which has been pulled to draw the stitch which fur-

60 nishes slack for the threader T to carry into the notch of the needle after it descends in the path l, as above stated, and shown by Fig. 17.

In Figs. 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, and 23 I have shown 65 the different positions of the stitch mechanism according to the successive steps. The

tufting apparatus is omitted in these figures, as it may or may not be used, as desired.

In the plans, Figs. 24 and 25, I have shown the yarn or tufting-arm with the dotted lines 70 indicating the yarn, which is brought round by said arm 80 under the needle, so as to be caught by the stitching-thread, the needle passing up one side of said yarn and descending on the opposite side, tying it down, as 75 shown in Fig. 29, part of the yarn being shown continuous and the stitch cut away to show the tufted ends.

The machine and devices herein shown operate on the same general principles as shown 80. in my application filed May 29, 1888, No. 275,452; but I have shown herein the most approved form of mechanism.

The method of making the skip-and-lock stitch forms the subject of a separate ap- 85 plication filed by me April 19, 1889, No. 307,676, and the needle is embraced in another application, No. 307,677, filed April 19, 1889.

Having described my invention, what I claim is—

1. In combination with the needle-bar carrying the open-eyed needle N, the threader T, oscillating to and from said needle at each alternate movement thereof, the revolving shuttle S, provided with a hook for engaging the 95 thread passing through the loop and unthreading the needle and pulling the shuttle-thread through said loop to draw the stitch, and mechanism for operating the parts, substantially as specified.

2. In combination with the needle-bar and the open-eye needle, the threader T, for placing the thread in the eye of the needle, the revolving shuttle S, rotated close to said needle and provided with hook for engaging and 105 unthreading the same, and mechanism for operating the threader and shuttle intermittently at each alternate movement of the needle, substantially as specified.

3. In a sewing-machine, the combination of 110 the needle-bar carrying the needle N, having the open eye n, and driven by mechanism for stopping the needle on each alternate upward movement to form the slack i, and the shuttle S, carrying a thread and engaging with 115 said slack to unthread the needle and pull the shuttle-thread through said loop and make a skip-stitch, substantially as described.

4. In a sewing-machine, the combination of a vertically-reciprocating needle, a needle- 120 bar, a horizontally-reciprocating slide in which said bar is mounted, and mechanism, substantially as described, for imparting an alternate long and short movement to said slide in the line of the feed, substantially as 125 set forth.

5. In a sewing-machine, the combination of the elongated slotted presser-foot, a verticallyreciprocating needle-bar and needle, a horizontally-reciprocating slide in which said nee- 130 dle-bar is mounted, mechanism for imparting an alternate long and short movement to said

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slide in the line of the feed, mechanism for moving the needle-bar vertically between each horizontal movement of the slide, and mechanism for moving the presser-foot up and down al-5 ternately with the horizontal movement of the needle, substantially as described.

6. In a sewing-machine, the combination, with the needle and needle-bar, of the horizontally-reciprocating slide 11, forming a sup-10 port for the needle-bar, mechanism for moving the said slide alternately a long and short step in the line of the feed, and mechanism for vertically reciprocating the needle-bar between each movement of the slide, substan-

15 tially as described.

7. In a sewing-machine, the combination of a vertically-reciprocating needle-bar, a horizontally-reciprocating slide in which said needle-bar is mounted, a rock-shaft connected 20 with said slide, and a driving-shaft provided with cams connected with said rock-shaft and adapted to impart an alternate long and short movement to the slide in the line of the feed at each revolution of the driving-shaft, sub-

25 stantially as described.

8. In a sewing-machine, the combination of an open-eyed needle, a vertically-reciprocating needle-bar, a horizontally-reciprocating slide in which said needle-bar is mounted, mechan-30 ism for imparting an alternate long and short movement of said slide in the line of the feed, a revolving shuttle, and means, substantially as described, for imparting a vertical movement to the needle-bar twice during each revolu-35 tion of the shuttle and to stop said bar when rising in one of said movements to permit the unthreading of the needle, substantially as described.

9. In a sewing-machine, the combination of 40 an open-eyed needle, a vertically and horizontally reciprocating needle-bar, the oscillatory threader T, a revolving shuttle, and mechanism for oscilliating the threader to and from the needle at each alternate move-45 ment thereof, substantially as described.

10. In a sewing-machine, the combination, with the vertically-reciprocating open-eyed needle carried by a needle-bar supported in a horizontally-reciprocating slide 11, having 50 an alternate long and short movement, of the threader T, and mechanism for oscillating the same to thread the needle before the short movement, and the revolving shuttle S, provided with a mechanism for unthreading the 55 needle at the end of each short movement,

substantially as described.

11 In a sewing-machine, the combination of the open-eyed needle N, the needle-bar 12, journaled in a horizontally-reciprocating slide 60 11, mechanism for reciprocating the needle vertically and moving it in the line of the feed while in the cloth alternately along and short distance, the oscillatory threader T, the looping-finger L, and the revolving shuttle S, sub-65 stantially as described.

12. In a sewing-machine, the combination

of the open-eyed needle N, mechanism for reciprocating the needle vertically and horizontally, the looping-finger L, mounted upon the reciprocating arm 52, mechanism for mov- 70 ing said looping-finger around the needle at each alternate vertical movement of the needle, the threader T, and the revolving shuttle S, substantially as described.

13. In a sewing-machine, in combination 75 with a needle-bar carrying an open-eyed needle and mechanism for threading and unthreading the needle at each alternate needle movement, the looper-finger L, pivoted to arm 52, held normally in position by a retractile 80 spring, which is moved by a cam at each alternate movement of the needle to allow the looping-finger L to cross the path of the needle, substantially as specified.

14. In a sewing-machine, the combination, 85 with the open-eyed needle N, of the threader T, and mechanism for operating the same alternately to the reciprocating movement of the needle, the take-up arm 64, and mechanism for operating said arm to take up the 90 slack at the end of the unthreading shuttle

movement, substantially as specified.

15. The combination, with an open-eyed needle and a stitch-forming mechanism, of the hinged and horizontally - swinging looper- 95 finger L, the vertically-movable arm 52 supporting said finger, and the bar 92, provided with a slot 91, serving as a guide to direct the movement of the arm 52, substantially as described.

16. The combination, with the looping-finger, an open-eye needle, and a revolving shuttle, of the spirally-grooved shaft 63, the disk 64, mounted on the upper end of said shaft and carrying forked arms 65 and anti-friction 105 rollers 66, the lever 60, having a pin 61, engaging the spirally-grooved shaft, and mechanism connecting said lever with the main shaft,

substantially as described.

17. The combination, with the open-eyed 110 needle N and mechanism for imparting thereto a vertical movement and for moving it alternately a long and short distance in the cloth to form a skip-and-lock stitch, of the oscillatory threader T, having an eye 79, the 115 looping finger L, and the revolving shuttle S, provided with an unthreading-hook, substantially as described.

18. In combination with the open-eyed needle N and mechanism for operating the 120 same to form a skip-and-lock stitch, the oscillating arm 80, provided with an eye, and mechanism for oscillating it across the path of the needle at each alternate movement of the needle, whereby the yarn is laid across and 125 bound under the stitch-thread, substantially as herein specified.

19. In combination with the vertically and horizontally reciprocating needle of a sewingmachine and mechanism for operating the 130 same to form a skip-and-lock stitch, the oscillating arm 80, provided with an eye for carry-

ing a third thread, and mechanism for oscillating the same in time movements with the needle, so as to carry the said thread across the path of the needle, which moves up on one 5 side and passes down upon the other side of said thread, substantially as specified.

20. In a sewing-machine, the combination, with the needle, the needle-bar 12, and the horizontally-reciprocating slide 11, in which ro the needle-bar is mounted, of the shaft 1, provided with a cam E, and connecting mechanism for reciprocating the needle-bar vertically, and with grooved cam-disks G H, and connecting mechanism for imparting an alternate long and short movement to the horizontally-reciprocating slide, substantially as described.

21. In a sewing-machine, the combination, with the vertically and horizontally recipro-20 cating needle N, the threader T, the revolving

shuttle S, the looping-finger L, and a take-up mechanism, of the main driving-shaft 1, provided with cams and connecting mechanism, whereby said parts are operated in time movements, substantially as described.

22. In a sewing-machine, the combination, with a vertically and horizontally reciprocating open-eyed needle and a revolving shuttle having an unthreading-hook, of an automatic grip tension comprising the shaft 93, having 30 a spring-seat 94, the spring 95, the disks 97 and 98, the roller 99, and the cam 58 on the main driving-shaft, substantially as described.

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