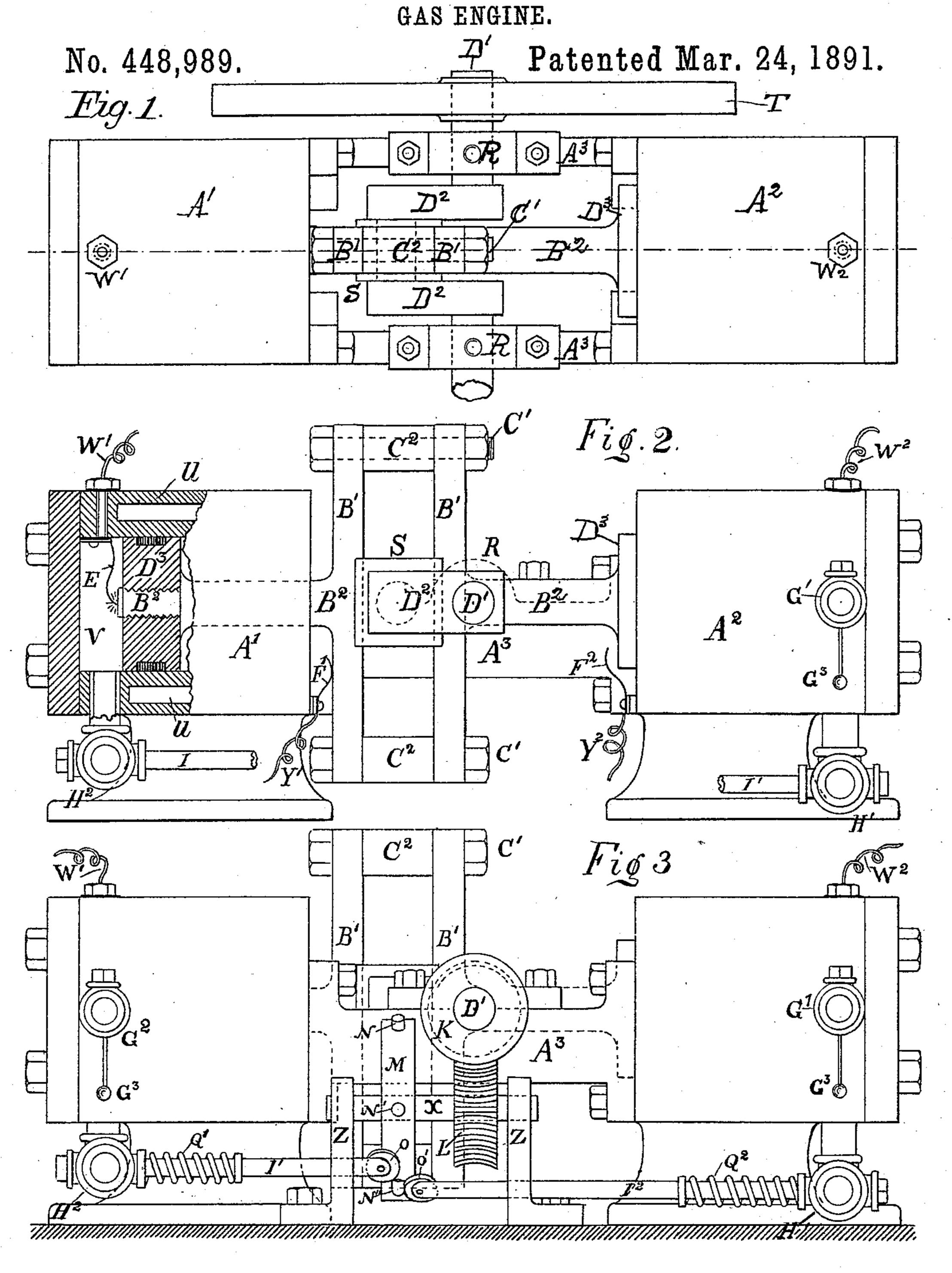
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GAS-ENGINE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ERNEST NARJOT, of the city and county of San Francisco, State of California, have invented certain new and useful 5 Improvements in Gas-Engines; and I hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, such as will enable others to make and use my improvements.

My invention relates to what are called "gasengines," deriving their force from the combustion of gas mingled with air in such proportion as to produce the best effect and utilize the greatest expansive force, and espe-15 cially to means for distributing the power thus derived within a small space and with short intermission between the impulses given to the pistons; also to an improved method of ignition by means of an electric spark.

My invention consists in the employment of two open-ended cylinders, two shortly-connected pistons with a driving-yoke between to communicate rotary motion to a crankshaft in the center; also the employment of 25 tangent gearing connected with the crankshaft, operating a rotary disk or wheel provided with tappets to open the exhaust-valves in such time and relation as is required.

Referring to the drawings, Figure 1 is a par-30 tial plan view taken on top of my improved engine, showing the crank, fly-wheel, and other details in a horizontal plane. Fig. 2 is a side view of the same, partially in section, and with the exhaust-valve gearing 35 omitted; and Fig. 3 is another side view showing the exhaust-valve gearing in front.

Similar letters of reference on the different figures indicate corresponding parts of the en-

gine.

The operation of my improved gas-engine is the same as others of its class, an impulse being given to the pistons at alternate backward strokes, every other forward stroke being employed to expel the vapor and residuum of the 45 burned gases and the next backward stroke to draw in the required charge of gas and air.

The two cylinders A' and A² are joined by a strong strut A³, on which is mounted the crank-shaft D', supported in bearings R. The 50 crank D² is formed solid with the shaft D', and is driven by a yoke and sliding bearing, as shown in Figs. 2 and 3. This yoke is formed I into the tangent wheel L on the shaft or

of the members B', formed integrally with the piston-rods B², and connected together by bolts C' and distance-pieces C². The bearing- 55 block S slides up and down in the yoke, permitting reciprocation in a straight line of the piston-rods B², and produces rotative movement of the crank-shaft D' in the usual manner of such gearing. A fly-wheel T is em- 60 ployed to equalize the motion and provide for the irregularity of the explosive force on

the pistons and crank.

The cylinders A' and A² are open at one end and surrounded by an annular chamber 65 U, Fig. 2, through which water is circulated to prevent the heat from rising to an injurious point. At alternate back-strokes of the piston D³ gas and air are drawn in through the inlets at G' and G², which on return of 70 the piston is compressed in the chamber V, Fig. 2, at the end of the cylinder A', and is there ignited by an electric spark generated in the following manner: W' and W² are conducting-wires connected to the negative 75 pole of a galvanic battery. Y' and Y² are wires connecting to positive poles of the same battery. These wires W' and W² are led into the cylinder by insulated pins or screws X' and X², connecting to a deflecting spring 8c or electrode E. The other wires Y' and Y2 are connected to two similar electrodes F' and F^2 at the inner ends of the cylinders. When the piston D³ moves forward, the member B' comes in contact with the electrode F, 85 as shown in Fig. 2, at the same time the end of the piston-rod B² comes in contact with the electrode E, and a current is established through this circuit, the electrical current following the shortest line, and no insulation 90 being required for the piston-rod B². When the piston D³ moves back, there is caused an electrical spark which fires the mingled gas and air contained in the chamber V, giving a powerful force on the piston D³. This cycle 95 of operations is the same in each cylinder, so that the crank-shaft D' receives an impulse at each alternate half of its revolution. The burned gases are exhausted through the valves H' and H2, which are opened positively 100 at each alternate stroke of the piston in the following manner: On the crank-shaft D' is fastened a worm or screw pinion K, meshing

spindle X, supported in bearings Z. On this shaft X is fastened a disk M, having in its periphery pins or tappets N, that engage alternately the rollers O and O' on the ends of 5 the rods I' and I². These rods, when moved endwise by the tappets N, open the exhaustvalves H' and H2, permitting the escape of the burned gases from the cylinders A' and A² in regular sequence of the explosions and to rotation of the shaft D'. When the tappets N pass or disengage the rollers O and O', the valves H' and H² are closed by the action of the springs Q' and Q².

The inlet-valves G' and G2 for air and gas 15 act automatically, but are provided with small weights G³, that assist in closing when press-

ure is removed.

The object of my invention and the arrangement of my engine, as shown, is to provide 20 a more regular application of power, by reason of two cylinders, and to reduce the dimensions of the engine by bringing these cylinders as near together as possible by means of a slotted yoke applied to the crank, 25 as shown; also to simplify the electrical igniting apparatus by electrodes touched by the yoke at its extreme movement each way, as shown in Fig. 2.

In some cases I substitute a pump for one 30 of the cylinders, employing the other one for generating power, the mechanism and operation otherwise remaining the same as shown in the drawings, and hereinbefore described.

Having thus explained the nature and ob-35 jects of my invention and the manner of constructing the same, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is-

1. In a gas-engine, the combination of the open-ended cylinders A' and A2, the shaft D', 40 the yoke, and the sliding bearing S, together with the worm-pinion K and tangent wheel L, substantially as described.

2. In a gas-engine, the two open-ended cylinders A'and A², connected by the struts A³, the 45 latter forming bearings for the crank-shaft D,

a crank and yoke to produce rotary motion of the shaft, a worm-pinion K and tangent wheel L to operate the exhaust-valves of both cylinders, operating in the manner and for the purposes substantially as herein set forth.

3. In a gas-engine, the worm-pinion K, tangent wheel L, shaft X, and disk wheel M, the latter provided with tappets N for opening the exhaust-valves H' and H2, in positive and proper sequence for the two engines, con- 55 structed and operating substantially as shown and described.

4. In a gas-engine, the disk M, provided

with tappets N, the rollers O and O', and reciprocating rods I' and I2, provided with coil- 60 springs Q' and Q2, so arranged that the exhaust-valves H' and H2 are opened at the proper point and closed automatically, in the manner substantially as set forth and described.

5. In a gas-engine, the combination of the open-ended cylinders A' and A2, connected by the struts A³, the latter forming bearings for the crank-shaft D, a worm-pinion K, tangent wheel L, disk M, and tappets N, together with 70 the yoke-pieces B', electrodes F' and F², and the electrodes E within the cylinder, arranged to make and break the electric circuit at each forward stroke of the piston D³, substantially as described.

6. In a gas-engine, the two open-ended cylinders A' and A², connecting-struts A³, a cranked shaft D' between, a worm-pinion K, and tangent wheel L, the disk M, and tappets N, the whole combined and operating in the 80 manner substantially as shown and specified herein.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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