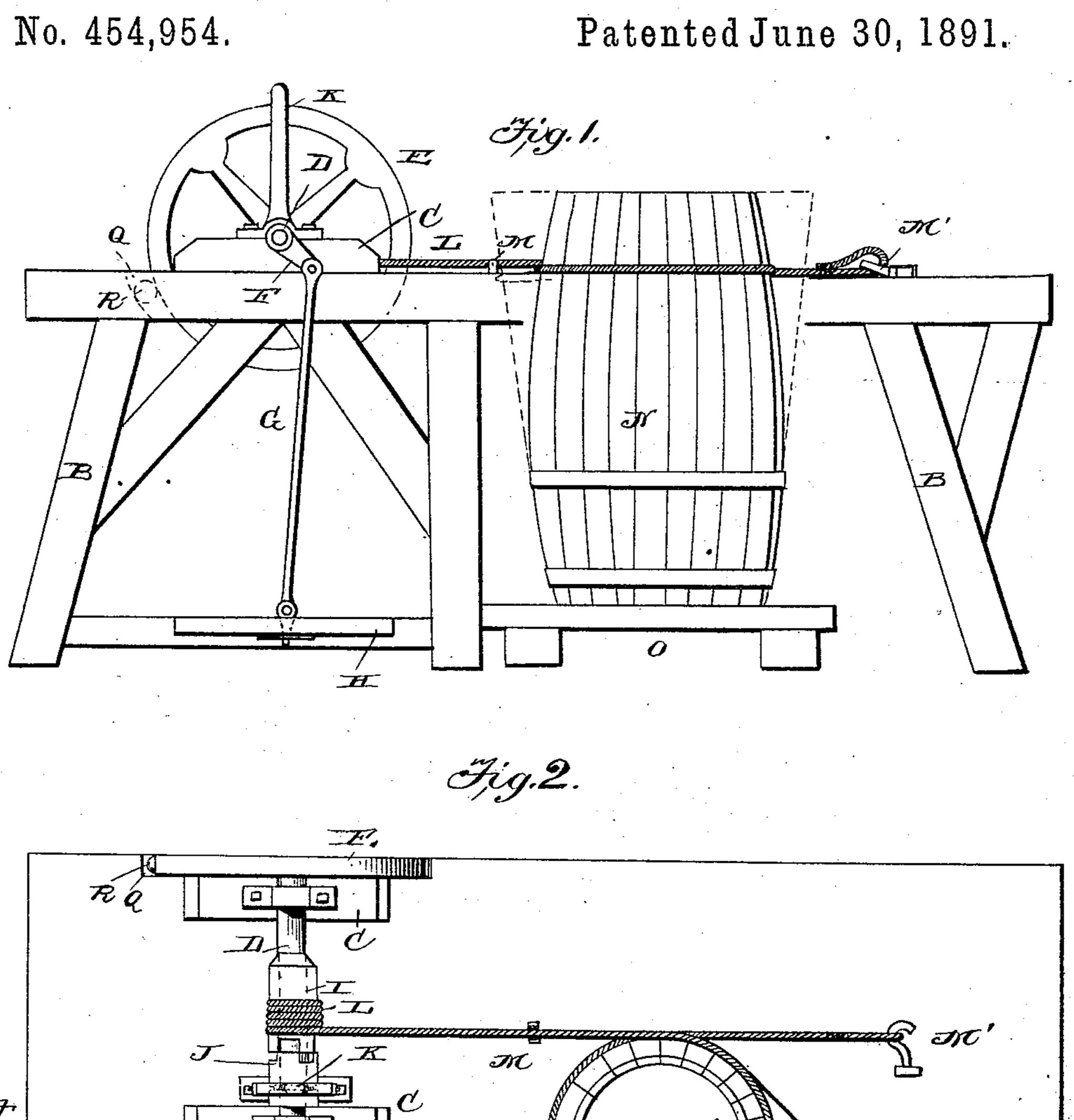
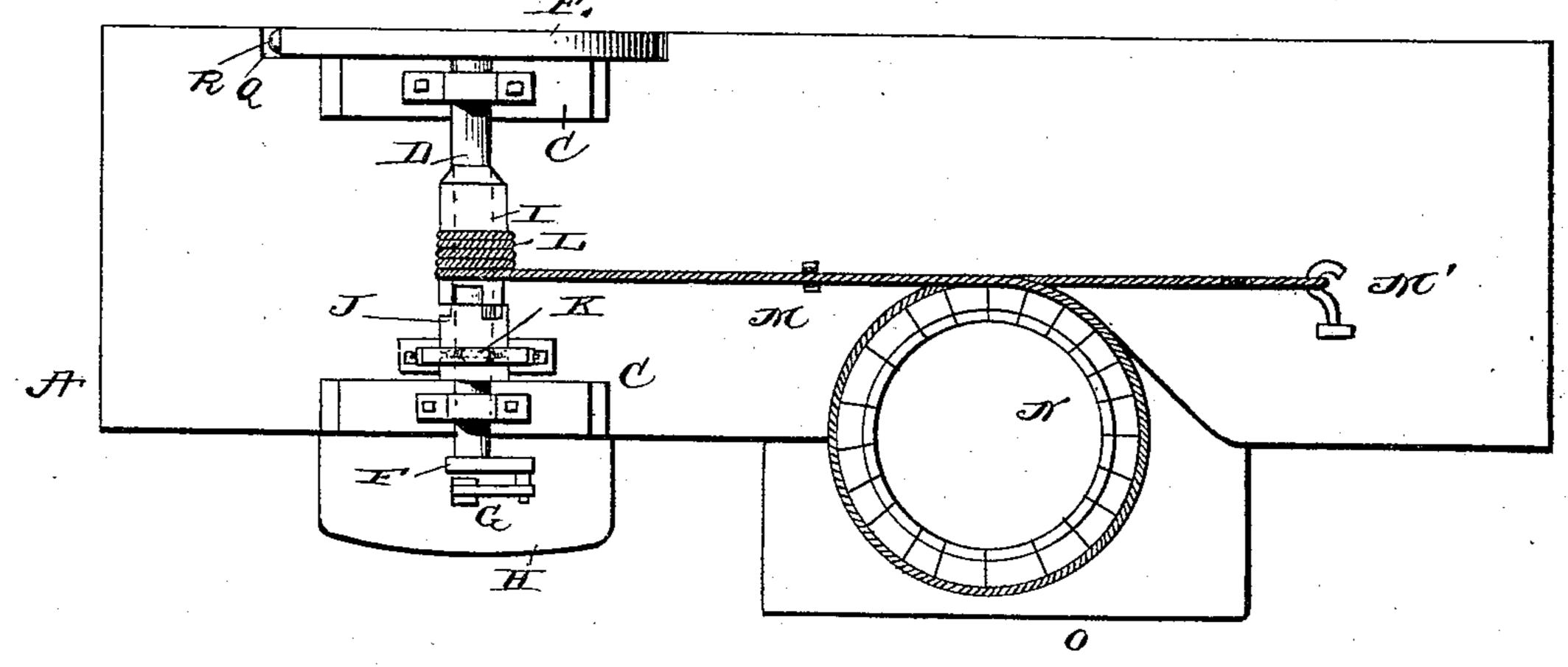
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## BARREL-MAKING MACHINERY.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Frank L. Gordon, of New Orleans, in the parish of Orleans and State of Louisiana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Barrel-Making Machinery; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form part of this specification.

My invention relates to barrel-making machinery; and its objects are, first, to attain readily the automatic shaping of the top of the barrel; second, to engage and disengage the operative mechanism instantly; third, to obviate automatically the reverse movement of the fly-wheel; fourth, to adapt the parts to each other so as to produce a durable adjustment, and, fifth, to accomplish these ends with structural simplicity and economy. I attain these ends by the mechanism illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 represents a side elevation of my invention. Fig. 2 is a plan view of the same. Fig. 3 is a detail view of the shifting-lever and connections.

The same designations indicate correspond-30 ing parts in all the views.

A suitable work-table A, mounted on legs B, has journal-bearings C attached thereto. A shaft D is adjusted in said bearings, forwardly connected with the treadle H by rod 35 G and crank F. A fly-wheel E is located on the rear part of said shaft, revolving in contact with a friction-roller Q, held in a tapering

socket R, which serves instantly to lock said wheel upon reverse motion. The shaft D has attached thereto a clutch J, oscillated by a 40 lever K, fulcrumed on a plate K', attached to the table A, that serves to cause a sliding motion of said clutch (by reason of the lugs P fitting recesses therein) on the shaft D, whereby it alternately engages and disengages the 45 idler I. A rope L is wound on the idler I and is guided by the roller M to the location M', where it is secured to the table by looping over a hook M', leaving the central loop to encircle the head of the barrel N disposed on 50 the stand O. It will be understood that this loop tightens about the barrel-head upon starting the treadle and engaging the idler.

Having thus fully described my improvements, what I claim is—

In barrel-making machinery, the frame consisting of a stand O to support the barrel, the table A, having hook M', whereto one end of the rope L is secured, and the shaft D, suitably mounted and impelled, having terminally of a fly-wheel E, locking instantaneously upon reverse motion, in combination with the rope L, the inner end whereof is wound upon the idler I, concentrically adjusted on said shaft, the idler I engaging the clutch J upon confact, and the lever K for making and breaking such contact, for the purpose set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

FRANK L. GORDON.

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JOHN MILLER.