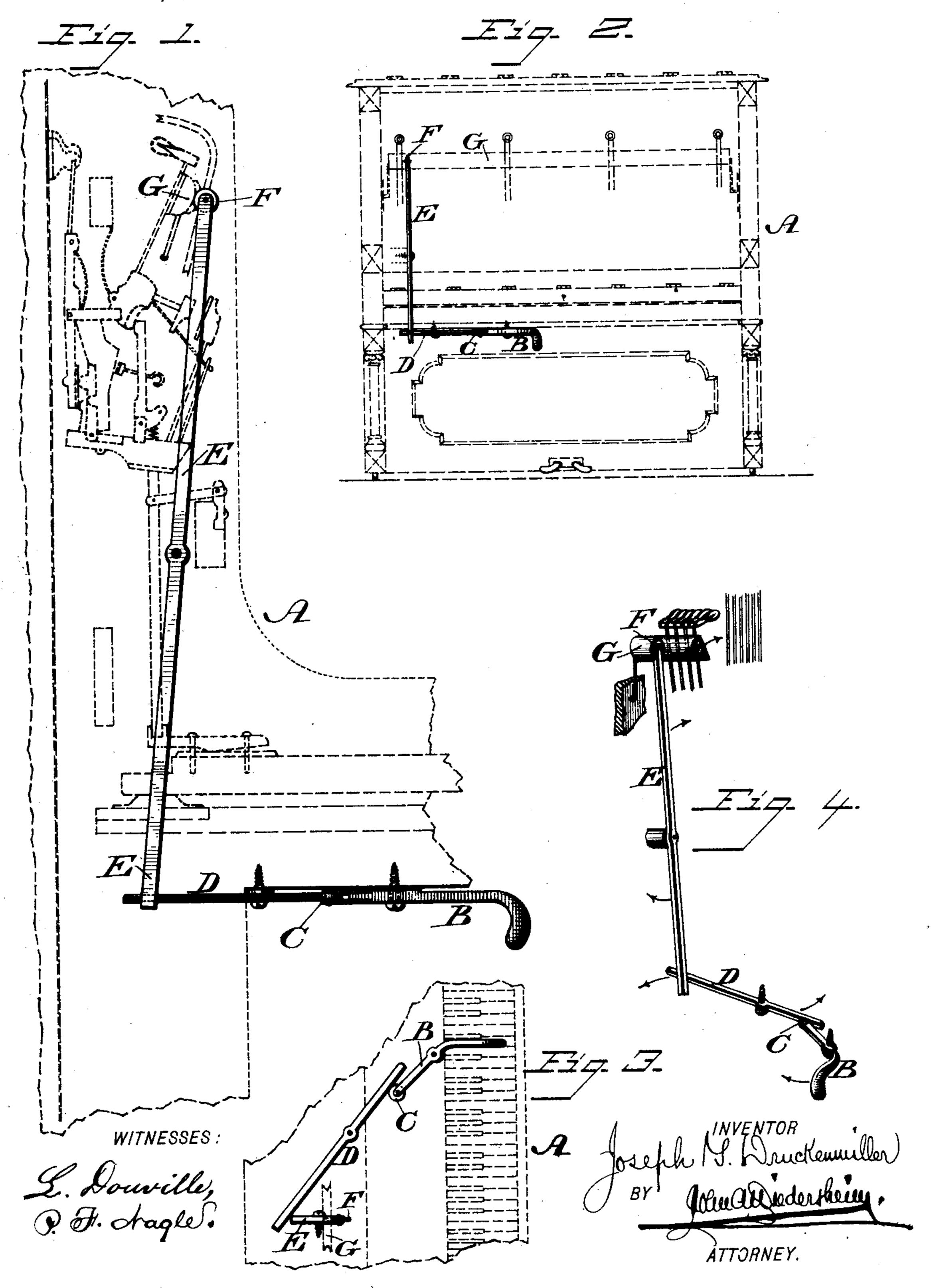
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EXPRESSION-REGULATOR FOR PIANOS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Joseph Y. Drucken-MILLER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Jenkintown, county of Montgomery, 5 and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Expression-Regulators for Pianos, which improvement is fully set forth in the following specification and accompanying drawings.

My invention consists of an attachment to a piano, constructed substantially as hereinafter described, whereby the character of the music that is performed may be expressed or regulated.

Figure 1 represents a side elevation of a piano expression-regulator embodying my invention. Fig. 2 represents a front view thereof on a reduced scale. Fig. 3 represents a bottom plan view thereof. Fig. 4 represents a 20 perspective view thereof.

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ponding parts in the several figures.

Referring to the drawings, A designates a piano, which, excepting the features of my in-25 vention applied thereto, is of usual construction.

To a portion of the case of the instrument beneath the keyboard is pivoted the kneepiece B, whose inner end is provided with a 30 roller C, which latter bears against a lever D, which is pivoted adjacent to said knee-piece.

E designates a vertically-arranged lever, which is mounted within the body or case of I

the instrument and having its lower end engaged by the lever D and its upper end pro- 35 vided with a roller F, which bears against the hammer rest rail or head G, it being seen that by the proper operation of the knee-piece B the lever E may be caused to set the hammer nearer to the strings, thus expressing or regu- 40 lating the character of the music that is performed.

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

1. An expression-regulator for a piano, consisting of a pivoted knee-piece and two pivoted levers adapted to be attached to the casing of the piano, said parts being combined substantially as described.

2. An expression-regulator for a piano, consisting of a knee-piece adapted to be pivoted to the casing of a piano and having a roller journaled on one end, a pivoted lever having one end in contact with said roller, a verti- 55 cally-pivoted lever within the piano-casing, having its lower end in contact with one end of said first-mentioned levers and its upper end adapted to contact with the hammer rest rail or head of the piano, said parts being com- 60 bined substantially as described.

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