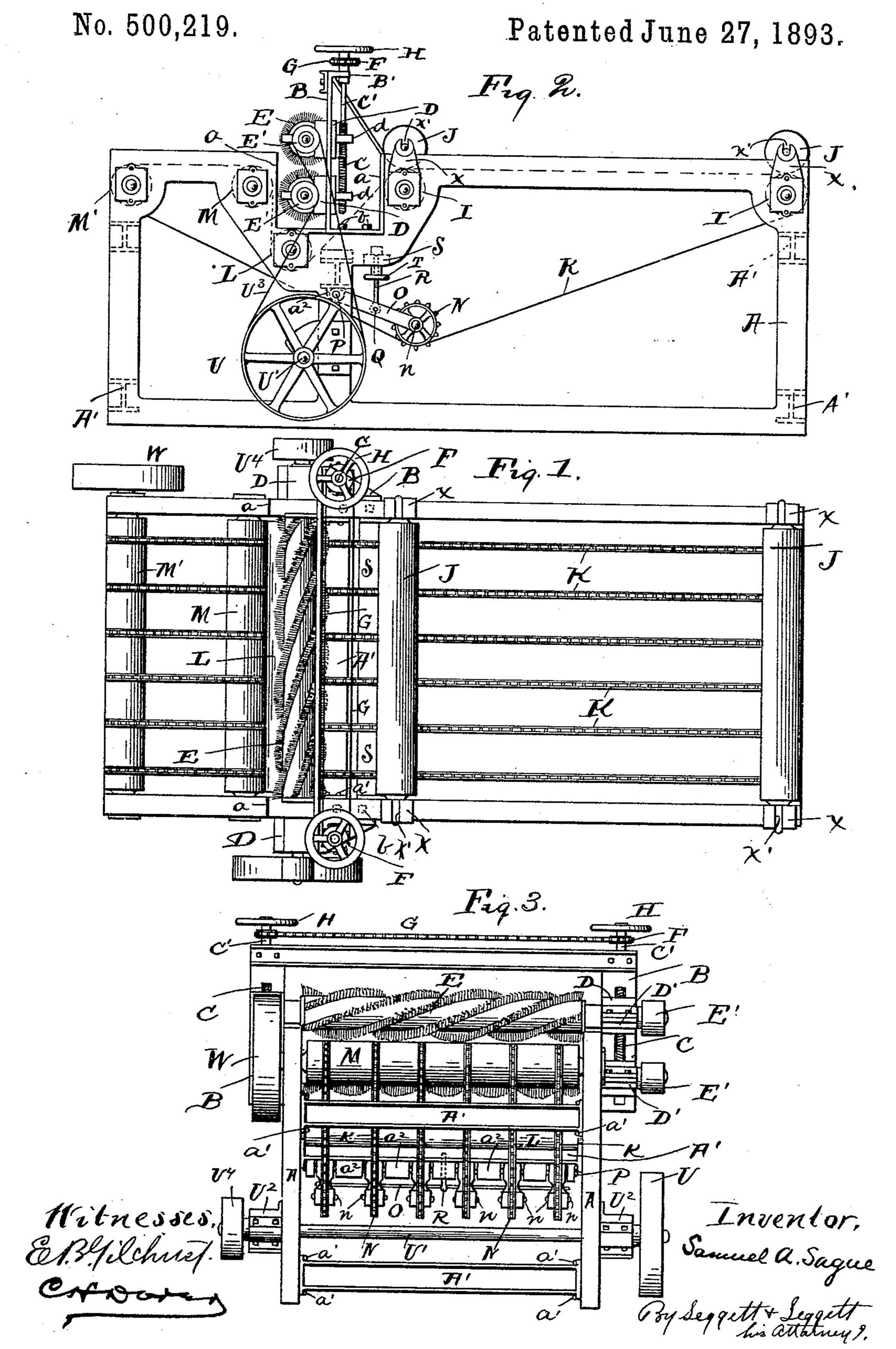
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SAMUEL A. SAGUE, of Cleveland, in the county of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and 5 useful Improvements in Brushing-Machines; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it pertains to make and use the 10 same.

My invention relates to improvements in brushing-machines more especially designed for use in a plant for the manufacture of socalled "galvanized" sheet iron and steel; and 15 my invention consists in certain novel features of construction and combinations of parts which will be hereinafter described and pointed out in the claims.

A preferable construction of brushing ma-20 chinery suitable for the purpose is illustrated in the accompanying drawings, wherein—

Figure 1 is a plan view of the same. Fig. 2 is a side elevation and Fig. 3 is a rear end elevation.

The supporting-frame of the machine comprises side-frames or members A and transverse bars or members A' that are bolted, as at a', to the side-members. The top of side-frames A are offset downward as at a, 30 and within said offsets are supported standards B that are rigidly secured to the sideframes, for instance, by means of bolts b, and at the upper end terminate, respectively, in a forwardly-projecting vertically-perforated 35 lug or member B' through which passes the stem C' of a right and left-handed screw, C, that engages correspondingly internally screwthreaded forwardly-projecting ears dof sleeves D that are adapted to slide endwise up and 40 down the respective standards B. Rigid with sleeves D are boxes, D', (see Fig. 3) that afford bearing for the trunnions of the pair of rotating brushes, E.

F represents sprocket-wheels operatively 45 mounted preferably at or near the upper ends of the stems of screws C, the two sprocketwheels being operatively connected with each other by an endless chain G. The stems of screws C, preferably at the upper extremity I thumb-nut T mounted thereon just below

thereof, have also operatively mounted there- 50 on respectively a crank or hand-wheel, H. By manipulating the crank or hand-wheel of either screw C, the brushes of the pair of rotating brushes may be adjusted apart according to the thickness of the sheets or plates to 55 be brushed and may be adjusted from time to time as required to accommodate the wear of the brushes.

At opposite ends of that portion of sideframes A that is forward of offsets a, is pro- 60 vided a pair of rollers I.J. The lower rollers I of said pairs of rollers have bearing in suitable boxes provided in the respective sidemembers A and are connected by endlesschains K, said rollers being provided with 65 grooves and sprockets or projections adapted to receive said chains flush with the outer peripheral surface of the rollers.

Rollers I are located in the same or approximately the same horizontal plane with the 70 lower rotating brush, and from the roller immediately forward of the lower rotating brush, chains K lead under a corresponding roller, L, that has bearing in side-frames A below the rotating brushes. From roller L 75 the chains lead over a corresponding roller M immediately at the rear of the lower rotating brush. Thence chains K lead over a corresponding roller M' at the extreme rearward end of the supporting-frame whence the chains 80 lead over tightening sprocket-wheels N, and thence back to roller I at the forward end of the supporting-frame. Tightening sprocket-wheels N are suitably mounted upon pins n that have bearing in the forward bifurcated 85 ends of bars O that are pivotally connected with a rod P in common, said rod having bearing in lugs a^2 of a transverse member of the supporting frame.

Bars O are operatively connected with each 90 other by a rod or bar Q that is adapted to be elevated or lowered, by means of a screw R, that is suitably connected with said rod or bar, preferably at the central portion of the latter, and extends upward into a cross-piece 95 S (see Fig. 2) rigidly secured to the side-members of the supporting-frame and has a

said cross-piece, by manipulating which nut in the one direction or the other, sprocketwheels N are elevated or lowered to tighten

or loosen chains K as required.

U represents a driving-pulley that is operatively mounted upon a shaft U' that extends transversely of the supporting-frame near the lower end thereof and has bearing in suitable boxes U² rigid with said supporting-frame, 10 said pulley being operatively connected with rotating brushes E by means of belt U³ and pulleys E' operatively mounted on the trunnions of said rotating brushes. Shaft U'preferably at its opposite end, has operatively 15 mounted thereon a pulley U4 to which power is communicated, for instance, from a counter-shaft overhead (not shown).

Rollers IILMM' are operatively connected by means of endless chains K, and a trun-20 nion of one of said rollers extends preferably outside the supporting-frame and has mounted thereon a driving-pulley, W. The zinccoated or "galvanized" sheet or plate is fed between rollers I J at the forward end of the 25 machine; thence conveyed by means of endless chains K to and between rollers I J next forward of the rotating brushes, and thence to and between the latter and over rollers MM' preferably to and between a pair of calender-30 ing or smoothing rolls (not shown). The trunnions of upper rollers J J have bearing in uprights or standards X secured at the top of the side-members of the supporting-frames, said trunnions resting in the bottom of slots 35 X' in said posts or standards, by which con-

struction they are movable vertically to accommodate themselves to the variations in thickness of the sheets or plates, their principal function, however being to hold the 40 sheet or plate in place and guide the same in its passage to the rotating-brushes, roller J that is located next forward of the upper rotating brush being adapted to prevent the rear end of the sheet or plate from being lifted

45 or bent upward during the passage of the sheet or plate between the brushes. The two pairs of rollers I J are preferably located such a distance apart that the sheet or plate will be received by the second pair of rollers be-50 fore it has become disengaged by the first

pair of rollers.

The brushing machine hereinbefore described, it will be observed, is exceedingly

simple in construction.

Chains K leading over rollers I flush with the peripheral surface of the same, there is no liability of injury to the surface of the sheet or plate in its passage between rollers I and J.

What I claim is— 1. In a machine for brushing metallic sheets or plates, the combination with a pair of rotating brushes adjustable apart, of rollers and endless-chains leading over said rollers for conveying the sheet or plate to said brushes, 65 and rollers for guiding the sheet or plate in

its passage to said brushes, said guiding-roll-

ers being movable vertically, substantially as

and for the purpose set forth.

2. In a machine for brushing metallic sheets or plates, the combination with rotating 70 brushes, of rollers, and endless chains leading over said rollers for conveying the sheet or plate to and from said rotating brushes, of suitable means whereby said endless chains may be tightened or loosened simultaneously, 75 substantially as set forth.

3. In a machine for brushing metallic sheets or plates, the combination with rotating brushes and rollers and endless chains operatively connecting said rollers and adapted 80 to convey the sheet or plate to and from said rotating brushes, of mechanism for simultaneously tightening and loosening said endless-chains, the same comprising a sprocketwheel for each chain, a rod or bar operatively 85 connecting said sprocket-wheels and means for elevating and lowering said rod or bar,

substantially as set forth.

4. In a machine for brushing metallic sheets or plates, the combination with a pair of ro- 90 tating-brushes, of rollers, as at I I, located forward of the lower rotating brush, and rollers, as at M M' located rearward of said brush, a roller, as at L, located below said brush, and endless-chains operatively con- 95 necting said rollers, rollers I I and M M' being located in the same or approximately the same plane with the lower rotating brush, substantially as shown and described.

5. In a machine for brushing metallic sheets 100 or plates, the combination with a pair of rotating brushes, of rollers, as at I I, located forward of the lower rotating brush, and rollers as at M M' located rearward of said brush, a roller, as at L, located below said 105 brush, and endless-chains operatively connecting said rollers, rollers I I and M M' being located in the same or approximately the same plane with the lower rotating brush, and rollers, as at J J, located above rollers I 110 I, and adapted to engage the upper surface of the sheet or plate in its passage to the rotating-brushes, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

6. In a machine for brushing metallic sheets 115 or plates, the combination with standards, as at B, and sleeves, as at D, movable up and down said standards, of a pair of rotating brushes, the bearings of the trunnions whereof are rigid with said sliding-sleeves, and 120 suitable mechanism connected with said sleeves whereby the latter may be adjusted apart, substantially as and for the purpose

set forth.

7. In a machine for brushing metallic sheets 125 or plates, the combination with standards, as at B, and sleeves, as at D, adapted to be slid endwise of said standards, of a pair of rotating-brushes, the trunnions whereof have bearing in boxes rigid with said sliding- 130 sleeves, and suitable mechanism whereby sleeve D at each side of the machine may be

adjusted apart simultaneously, said mechanism comprising screws, C C, operatively connected with the respective sleeves, a sprocket-wheel, F, mounted on each screw, and an endless chain operatively connecting said sprocket-wheels with each other, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony whereof I sign this specification, in the presence of two witnesses, this 21st day of April, 1892.

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