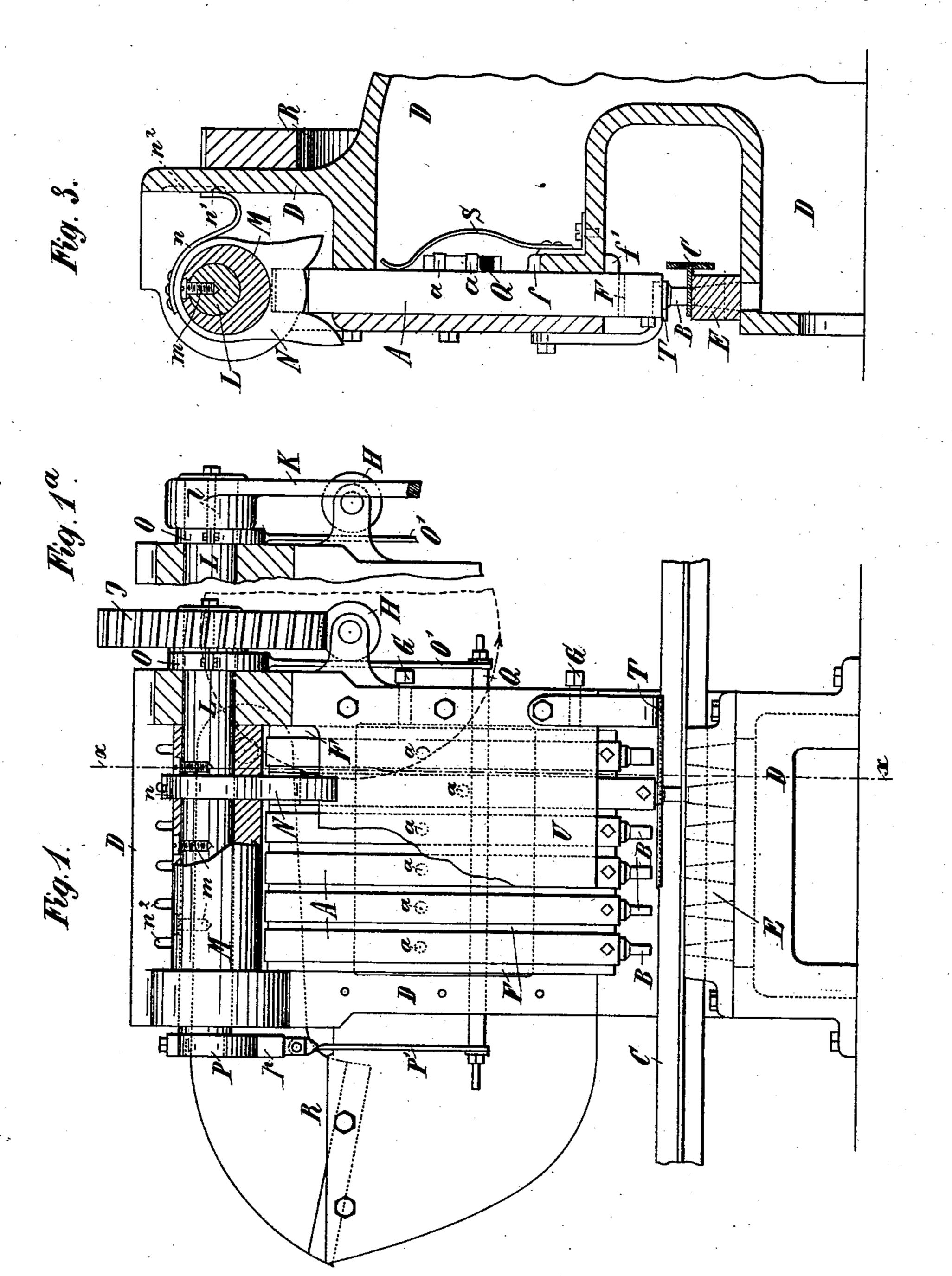
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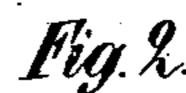
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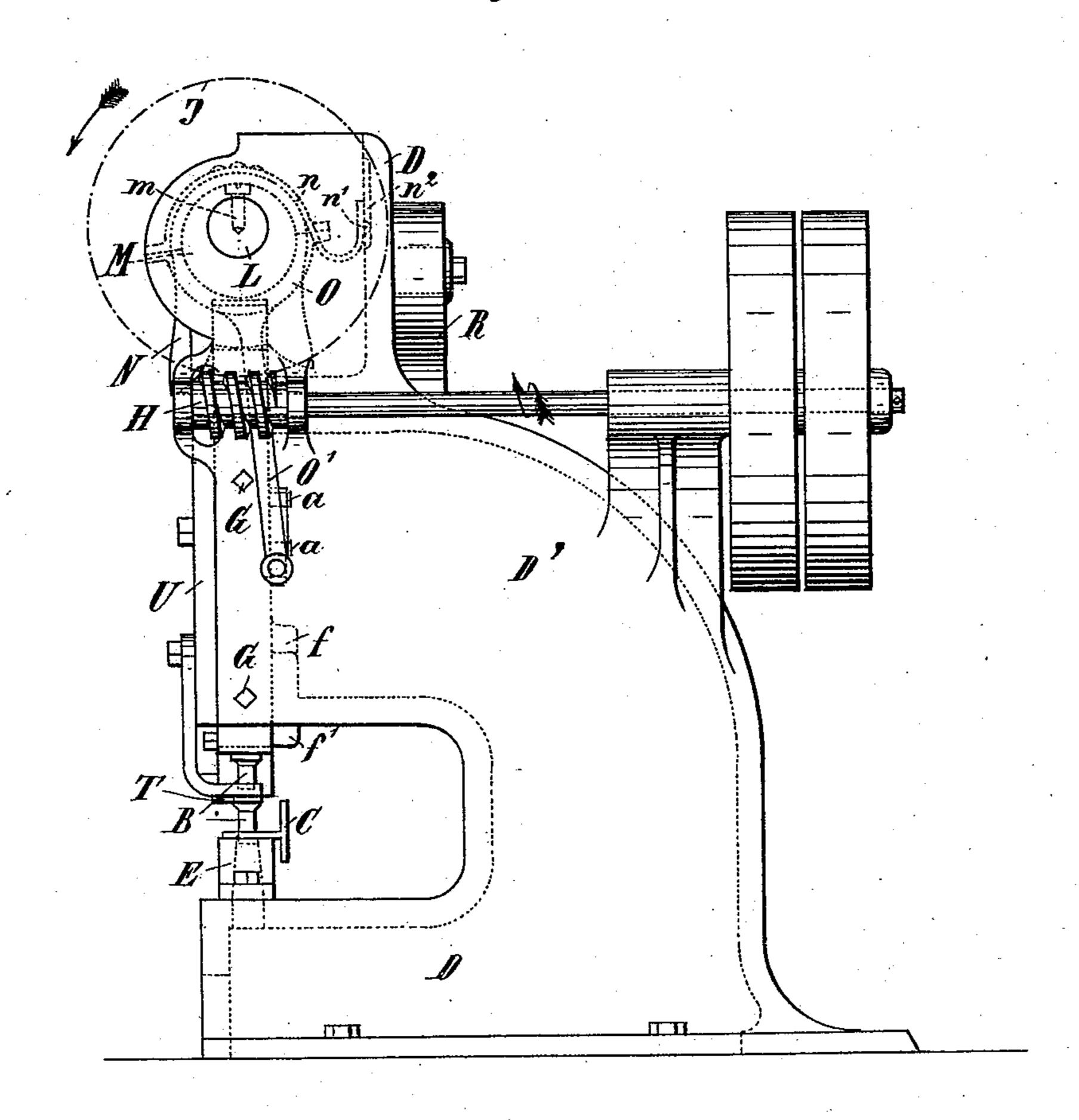
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALBERT MEYER, a citizen of Switzerland, residing at Aussersihl-Zurich, in the canton of Zurich, Switzerland, have in-5 vented certain new and useful Improvements in Multiple Punching or Perforating Apparatus, (for which patents have been granted in Switzerland, No. 5,317, dated July 27, 1892; in Germany, No. 68,072, dated August 5, 1892; ro in France, No. 223,512, dated August 5, 1892; in Belgium, No. 102,592, dated December 17, 1892; in Italy, Vol. XXVII, No. 33,214, and Vol. LXV, No. 197, dated December 31, 1892, and in England, No. 22,579, dated December 15 8, 1892;) 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 appertains to make and use the same.

The multiple punching device forming the subject of this invention offers the advantage over similar apparatus hitherto employed, that it enables perforations of any size or shape to be stamped out without the necessity of removing and replacing either the die or matrix or the punch, the operation of exchanging these being a well known and much complained of cause of loss of time and frequently of deterioration of mechanism through repeated handling.

The invention will be best understood by reference to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a front view of the novel device; Fig. 2 a side view thereof, and Fig. 3 a section on line x x Fig. 1. Fig. 1<sup>a</sup> is a detail view of the operation device and hand-lever.

A are stamp or punch heads of which there may be any suitable number in juxtaposition, to each containing or holding a punch B of suitable size and shape in section. In Fig. 1 for example, a series of punches gradually increasing in size are shown, the smallest being at one end and the largest at the other. The article C to be perforated is placed upon the die or matrix E arranged on a suitable supporting table D. Between the various punchheads A, as also between the side walls of the standard D' and the adjacent heads A stationary bars or plates F provided with pro-

jections ff' are arranged, the one situated at the extreme end on the right sustaining the pressure of the screw G. In the standard D', above the punch-holders A, is arranged a shaft L adapted to receive rotary motion 55 either through the medium of worm-gearing H J (Figs. 1 and 2) or from the hand-lever K (Fig 1a). On this shaft is mounted an eccentric hollow shaft M secured thereto by screws or other suitable means. To the end of the 60 shaft L, which carries the wedge or key 1 is fitted either the worm-wheel J (if motive power be used) or a hand-lever K (if the apparatus is to be operated by hand). Upon the eccentric hollow shaft M, the presser N 65 is loosely and adjustably arranged so that it may be set over each or any of the punchholders or heads A. When therefore it is desired to make a perforation, the presser is brought over the punch-head holding the 70 punch of the size corresponding to the diameter of the desired perforation, after which it is only necessary either to set in motion the worm-gearing H J or to lower the hand-lever K, as the case may be. The eccentric hollow 75 shaft M exerts its pressure upon the presser N, and through it upon the punch-head and punch, which being thus driven downward punches out a hole of the required size. To raise the punch-heads and punches again 80 after they have thus been forced down the following arrangement is employed: Upon the solid shaft L are mounted two eccentrics O and P, the relative position of which to the shaft L, and the strokes of which are exactly 85 similar to the position and extent of motion of the hollow eccentric shaft M. The rod O' of the eccentric O is at one end connected with the bar Q passing under the pins a of all punch-holders A, while to its other end there 90 is pivoted another bar P' connected with a cross-arm p integral with the shear-like blades R one of which is pivoted at R' to the back of the standard as seen in Fig. 2, and is actuated by the eccentric P. As the shaft L con- 95 tinues to revolve, or the hand-lever to be raised, the bar Q and also consequently the lowered punch-head are raised to their upper positions by the said eccentrics O and P. Thus it will be seen that the eccentric P bears 100 against the rod p on the upper pivoted shear blade R and actuates the same and to said rod p is pivoted the connecting rod or bar P'. Should the machine be unprovided with shear-blades R, the rod P' is operated from the ec-

centric P direct.

In Fig. 3 S designate the springs intended to retain the punch-holders in the raised position. Besides, to facilitate a ready adjust-10 ment of the driver or presser N upon the hollow shaft M, a spring n is provided upon N the stud n' which this spring carries being exactly co-axial with the vertical punchholder over which it is placed, in which posi-15 tion it will engage in a guide-groove n2 formed in the standard D' thereby retaining the presser in position and protecting it from displacement. T is a stripper and V a guardplate secured to the standard D' and retain-20 ing the punch-heads in the machine so that they cannot drop out of it. R designates the shears already mentioned before, and operated by the eccentric P, which bears on the rod p connected to one of said shear blades R 25 as above described, but forming no part of this invention, as it may if preferred be omitted.

Having now particularly described and ascertained the nature of my said invention and in what manner the same is to be performed,

30 I declare that what I claim is—

1. The combination with a frame, of a shaft

journaled therein, an eccentric shaft mounted on said shaft, a series of punch holders longitudinally movable in said frame, a driver loosely mounted on said eccentric shaft and adapted to be adjusted into position over either of the punch holders, whereby the movement of said eccentric is communicated to said punch holders, eccentrics mounted on said shaft on opposite sides of said eccentric shaft, a rod Q, arranged across said frame and connected at its ends to said eccentrics, and stops on said punch holders adapted to engage said rod Q, whereby said punch holders are retracted after each operation, substantially 45 as set forth.

2. The combination with a frame, of a shaft, journaled therein, an eccentric shaft mounted on said shaft, a series of punch holders longitudinally movable in said frame, and a driver 50 loosely mounted on said eccentric shaft and adapted to be adjusted into position over either of the punch holders whereby the movement of said eccentric shaft is communicated to said punch holder, substantially as set forth. 55

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in

presence of two witnesses.

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