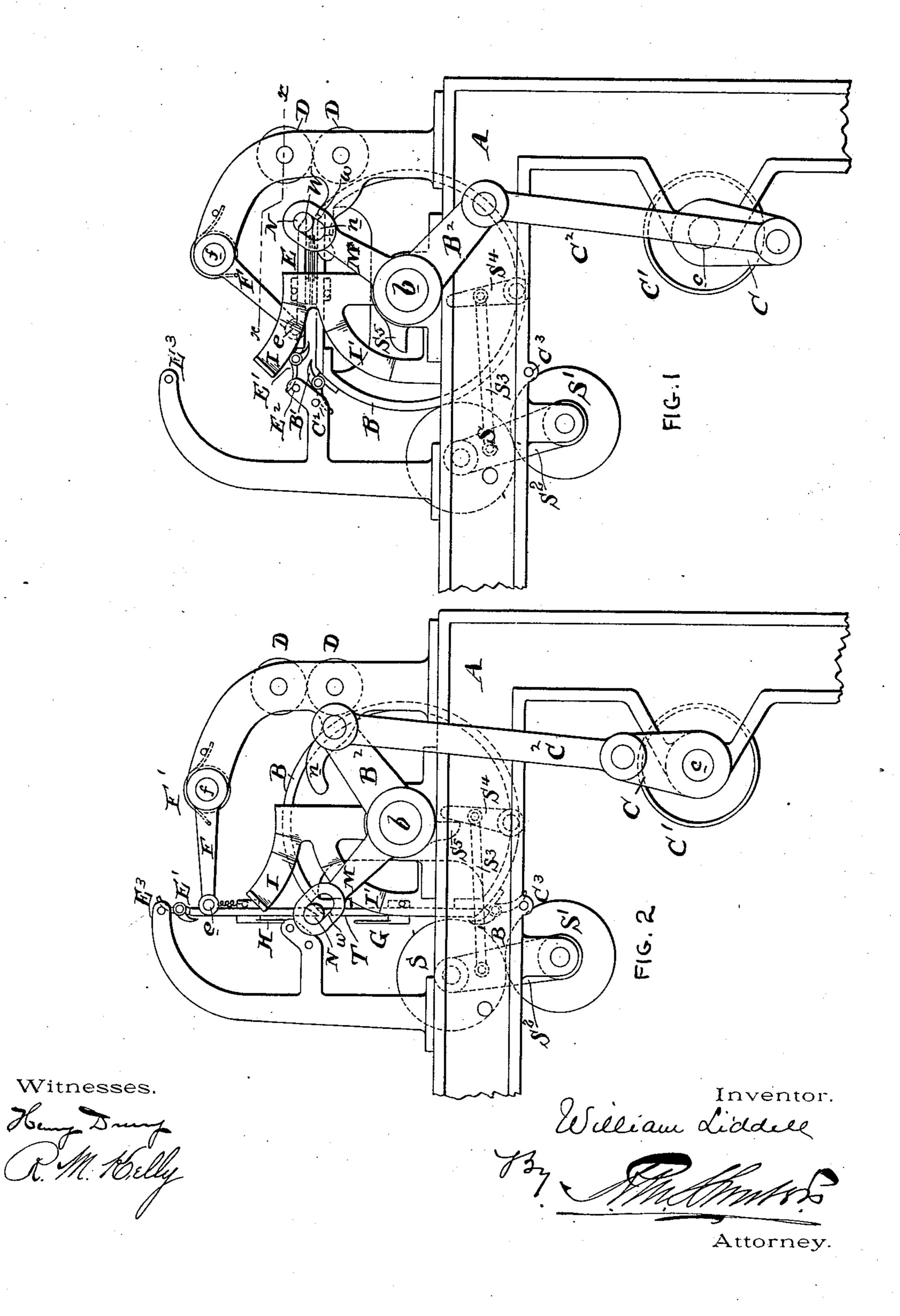
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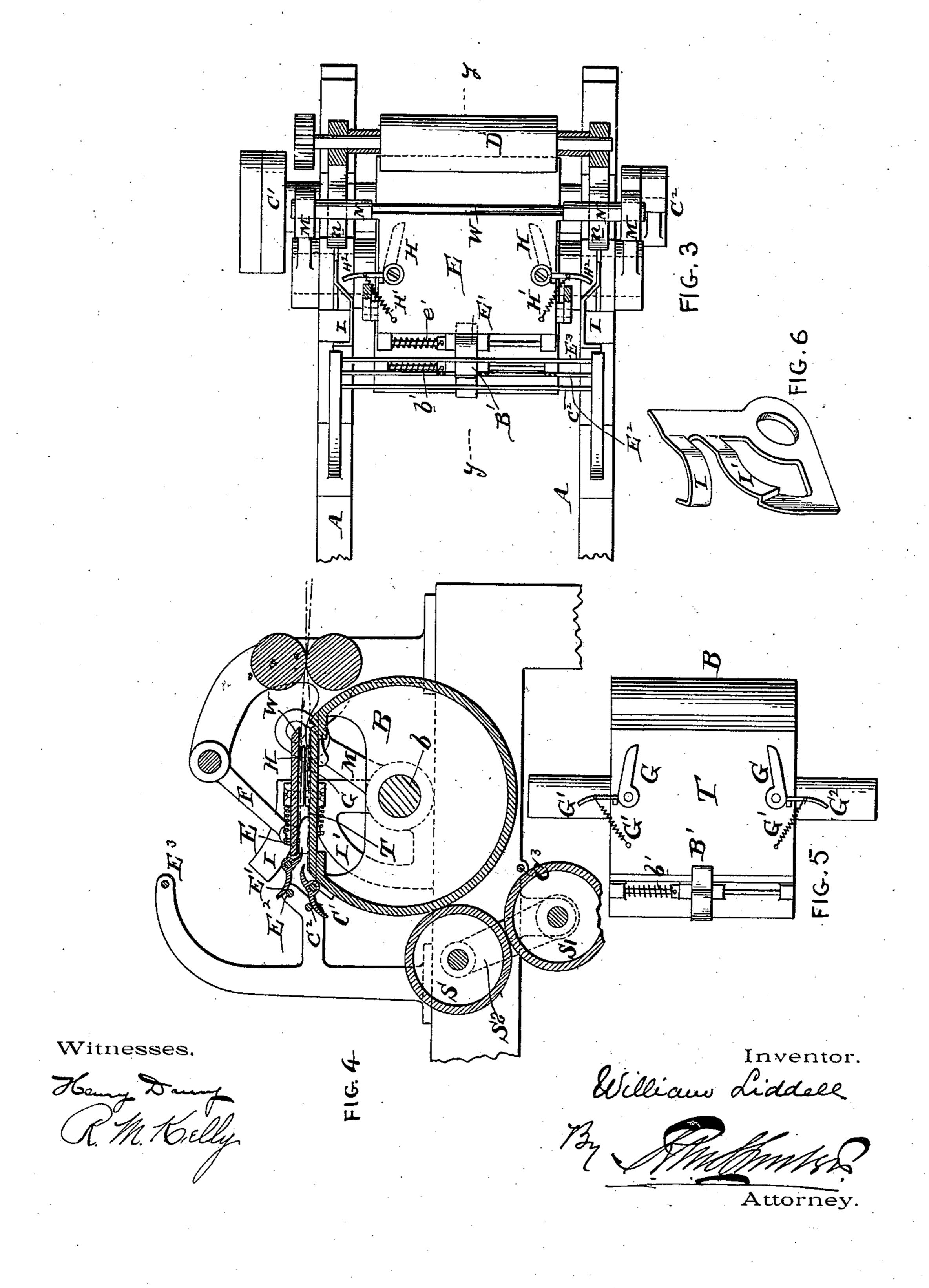
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## PAPER-BAG MACHINE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM LIDDELL, of the city of Brooklyn, county of Kings, and State of New York, have invented an Im-5 provement in Paper-Bag Machines, of which the following is a specification.

My invention has reference to paper-bag machines; and it consists of certain improvements which are fully set forth in the follow-10 ing specification and shown in the accompanying drawings, which form part thereof.

This application comprehends certain improvements in the class of machines adapted to the manufacture of bellows-side-fold paper 15 bags having satchel-bottoms. In another pending application (Case A) I have described certain improvements comprehending a rotating cylinder combined with an oscillating forming-plate and with the neces-20 sary folding-fingers and nippers for producing in a continuous manner satchel-bottoms to bellows-side-fold tubes.

My present improvements comprehend certain modifications of an apparatus of that 25 character. In this case I employ a rotary reciprocating cylinder having a flat bed combined with a rotary reciprocating formingplate, and nippers and folding-fingers upon both of said parts, whereby with each recip-30 rocation a paper tube shall be received and folded with the necessary folds to form a satchel-bottom upon the tube and then be delivered for subsequent pasting operation, which latter, however, forms no part of my 35 invention.

My invention will be better understood by reference to the accompanying drawings, in which-

Figure 1 is a side elevation of my improved 40 paper-bag machine in position adapted to receive the paper tube. Fig. 2 is a similar view showing the machine when the end of the tube has been opened and the necessary 45 of Fig. 1 with the portion above the dotted lines xx removed. Fig. 4 is a sectional elevation on line y y of Fig. 3. Fig. 5 is a plan view of the rotary reciprocating cylinder, and Fig. 6 is a perspective view of the cam-frame. A is the main frame of the machine. 50

b is a rocking shaft, upon which is firmly secured the rotary reciprocating cylinder B, which is provided with the falt-bed T. The shaft b is provided on the end with an arm B<sup>2</sup>, which connects by a link or connecting- 55 rod C<sup>2</sup> with a crank C, which latter is driven by the shaft c and power-wheel C'. By the rotation of the shaft c the shaft b is caused to rock in its bearings in the main frame A, and thereby produces a rotary reciprocating mo- to tion to the bed T of the cylinder B.

Arranged above the cylinder B and corresponding to the bed T thereof is a formerplate E, hinged at the rear end at e to the arms F, carried upon a shaft f, which is jour- 65 naled in the main frame A. The forward end of the said plate E has a creasing edge W, which, in the operation of forming the bottom, enters a small groove w in the bedplate T to impart a positive transverse crease 70 to the paper tube. The rear end is provided with journals N, which work in slotted bearings in the arm M.

When the parts are in the position shown in Fig. 1, the journals N rest upon cam sur- 75 faces n, and thus hold the rear end W clear of the bed T, so as to form a space between the parts T and E to permit the tube to pass as it is delivered thereto by the feeding-rolls D. The rear end of the former-plate E is 80 provided with a spring-actuated nipper E', which, when in the position shown in Fig. 1, is held open by the pin or rod E<sup>2</sup>. The rear end of the bed T is also provided with a similar spring-actuated nipper B', which, when in 85 the position shown in Fig. 1, is held open by the pin or rod  $c^2$ . When the tube is run in between the parts E and T, the nippers E' B' are brought into position to nip the part and also the sides of the tube, respectively, and 90 upon the parts being moved the nippers are liberated and close upon the paper, after which time they retain possession of the folds formed therein. Fig. 3 is a plan view | said ends of the tube and cause them to be opened as the position indicated in Fig. 2 is 95 approached.

Upon each side of the bed T is arranged a pivoted folding-finger G, having an arm G<sup>2</sup> to operate it, and combined with a spring G' to hold it normally out of action. The fingers 100

are forced inward against the action of the spring G' by the cam surfaces I' during the rotary reciprocation of the cylinder B. The plate E is also provided with similar folding-5 fingers HH, which are also actuated by means of arms H<sup>2</sup> and held out of operating position by springs H'. In the formation of the bottom of the tube the cams I operate upon the arms H<sup>2</sup> and throw the fingers inwardly, inso suring them securing such position as to pro-

duce the proper folding of the paper.

As the apparatus changes from the position of the parts shown in Fig. 1 to the position shown in Fig. 2, the nippers retain custody 15 of the ends of the paper tube. The foldingfingers G H are thrust into the bellows side folds at the proper angle, and as the parts reach the position shown in Fig. 2 the bottom of the tube will have one of its layers folded 20 backward, so that as the folded tube passes through the delivery-rolls S the diamond folds will have been formed and ready to receive the pasting and final folding operation, which may be performed in any of the usual 25 manners. Just prior to the parts reaching the position shown in Fig. 2 the fingers H and G are liberated from the control of the cams I and I', and this permits the springs H' and G' to throw the said fingers out of the way of 30 the tube, so that the latter may be readily withdrawn. Furthermore, it will be observed that the spring-nippers are brought into contact with pins or rods E<sup>3</sup> C<sup>3</sup>, insuring their being opened at the proper instant and after 35 they have performed their functions.

To insure the proper transverse creasing of the tube, I have before described that the rear edge W of the former-plate E creases the paper in the transverse groove w of the bed-plate 40 T, and this action remains during the folding operation, but the paper tube is released at the completion of the operation by the action of the spring F' lifting the plate E and its arm F vertically and sustaining it in the po-45 sition shown just at the completion of the reciprocation of the cylinder B. In this manner the transverse crease is positively formed and at the proper instant the tube is liberated for delivery. As soon as these actions 50 have taken place and the tube is delivered by the rotary delivery-roll S, which has pins s, and is moved by a frame S<sup>2</sup>, link S<sup>3</sup>, arm S<sup>4</sup>, and  $lug S^5$  on the shaft b. The lug b acts through said parts to draw the roller S for-55 ward when the bed T is fully lowered, so that the pins catch the tube and carry it off between rolls S and S to the pasting and folding devices. (Not shown.) When this is accomplished, the parts are returned to their

60 original position. (Shown in Fig. 1.) Any other form of feed and delivery for the

tube may be employed in lieu of that shown. I do not confine myself to the details of construction, as they may be modified in various 65 ways without departing from the principles of my invention.

Having now described my invention, what

I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. In a paper-bag machine, the combination 70 of a rotary reciprocating bed, an oscillating reciprocating former-plate adapted to move simultaneously with the bed and operated therewith like a hinge, a stationary axis to which the former-plate is linked power de- 75 vices to simultaneously operate the said bed and also the said plate, and means upon both the bed and plate to hold and crease the bag-

tube during their movements.

2. In a paper-bag machine, the combination 80 of a rotary reciprocating bed, an oscillating reciprocating former-plate adapted to move simultaneously with the bed and operate therewith like a hinge, a pivoted link for sustaining the weight of the forward end of the 85 former-plate power devices to simultaneously operate the said bed and also the rear end of said plate, and means upon both the bed and plate to hold the ends of the tube-layers so as to open the end of the tube, and folding- 90 fingers to crease the bag-tube on diagonal lines during their movements.

3. In a paper-bag machine, the combination of a rotary reciprocating bed, an oscillating reciprocating former-plate adapted to move 95 simultaneously with the bed and operate therewith like a hinge, power devices to simultaneously operate both the said bed and former-plate, a cam device for holding the rear edge of the former-plate from the bed 100 when receiving the bag-tube, and clamps upon the forward edges of the bed and former-plate to hold the two layers of the tube and separate them during the operation of the said bed

and former-plate.

4. In a paper-bag machine, the combination of a rotary reciprocating bed, an oscillating reciprocating former-plate adapted to move simultaneously with the bed and operate therewith like a hinge, power devices to si- 110 multaneously operate both the said bed and former-plate, a cam device for holding the rear edge of the former-plate from the bed when receiving the bag-tube, folding or creasing fingers upon the former-plate and bed to 115 enter the bellows side folds of the tube to make the oblique creases or folds, and clamps upon the forward edges of the bed and formerplate to hold the two layers of the tube and separate them during the operation of the 120 said bed and former-plate.

5. In a paper-bag machine, the combination of a rotary reciprocating bed, an oscillating reciprocating former-plate adapted to move simultaneously with the bed and operate 125 therewith like a hinge, power devices to simultaneously operate both the said bed and former-plate, a cam device for holding the rear edge of the former-plate from the bed when receiving the bag-tube, clamps upon 130 the forward edges of the bed and former-plate to hold the two layers of the tube and separate them during the operation of the said bed and former-plate, and means for opening

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said clamps when the bed and former-plate reach the end of their extreme movements.

6. In a paper-bag machine, the combination of a rotary reciprocating bed, an oscillating 5 reciprocating former-plate adapted to move simultaneously with the bed and operate therewith like a hinge, power devices for reciprocating the bed and former-plate simultaneously, feeding devices for feeding the 10 bag-tubes between the bed and former-plate when at rest, cam devices for holding the bed and former-plate separated to permit the entrance of the tube, and means on the bed and former-plate to open the end of the bag-tube 15 and properly crease it to assist in forming a satchel-bottom bag.

7. In a paper-bag machine, the combination of a rotary reciprocating bed, an oscillating reciprocating former-plate adapted to move 20 simultaneously with the bed and operate therewith like a hinge, a stationary axis to which the former-plate is linked, power devices to simultaneously operate the said bed and also the said plate, means upon both the 25 bed and plate to hold and crease the bag-tube during their movements, and a cam device for temporarily holding the rear edge of the

former-plate from the bed when receiving the tube and at the time when the opening operation of the tube is not taking place.

8. In a paper-bag machine, the combination of a rotary reciprocating bed, an oscillating reciprocating former-plate adapted to move simultaneously with the bed and operate therewith like a hinge, a pivoted link for sus- 35 taining the weight of the forward end of the former-plate, power devices to simultaneously operate the said bed and also the rear end of said plate, means upon both the bed and plate to hold the ends of the tube-layers so as to 40 open the end of the tube, folding-fingers to crease the bag-tube on diagonal lines during their movements, and a cam device for temporarily holding the rear edge of the former-plate from the bed when receiving the tube and at 45 the time when the opening operation of the tube is not taking place.

In testimony of which invention I hereunto

set my hand.

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