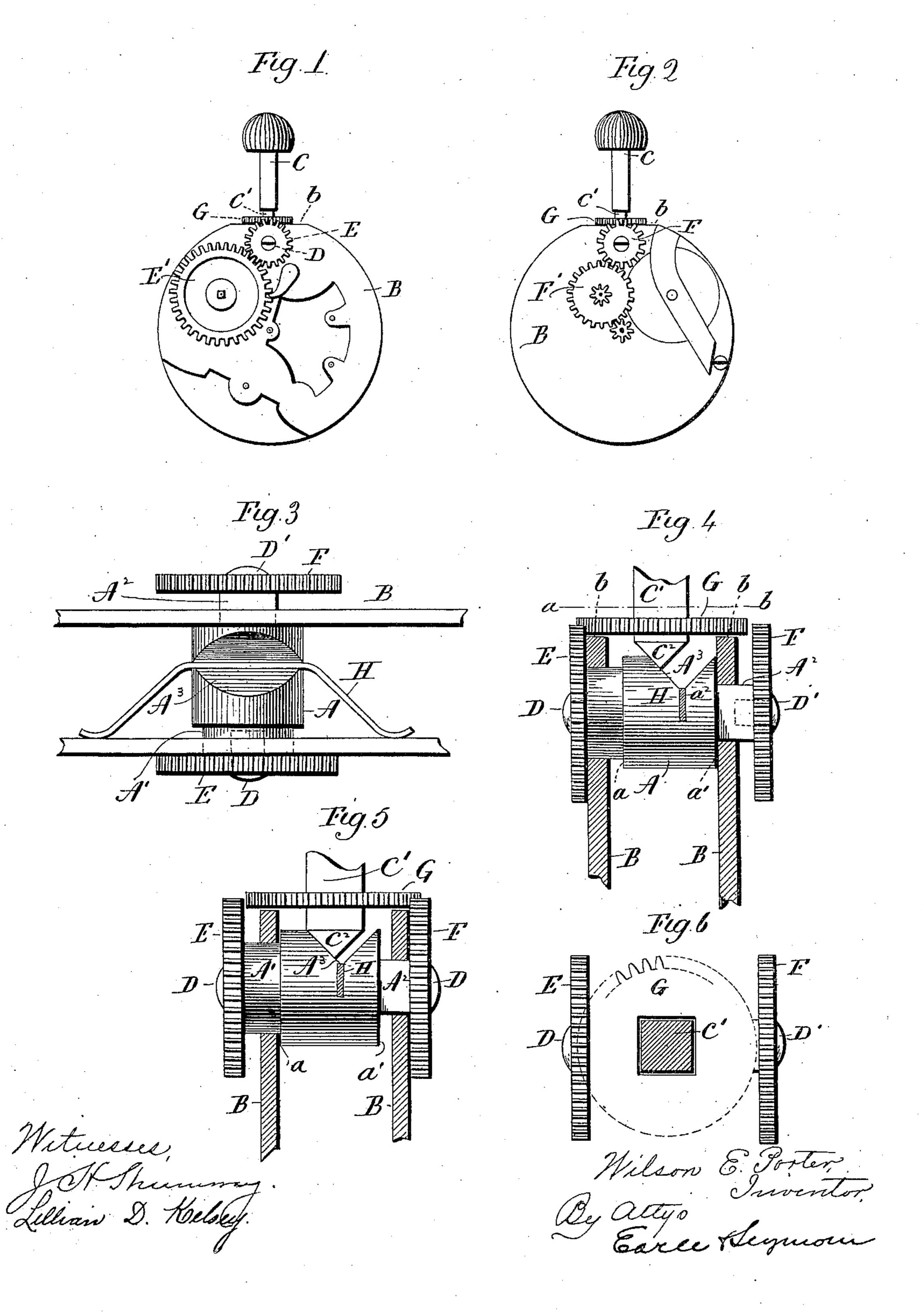
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILSON E. PORTER, of New Haven, in the county of New Haven and State of Connecticut, have invented a new 5 Improvement in Stem-Winding and Stem-Setting Watches; and I do hereby declare the following, when taken in connection with the accompanying drawings and the letters of reference marked thereon, to be a full, clear, 10 and exact description of the same, and which said drawings constitute part of this specifi-

cation, and represent, in— Figure 1, a view in side elevation of a watchmovement constructed in accordance with my 15 invention, and showing the main and intermediate winding-wheels; Fig. 2, a similar reverse view showing the minute-wheel and the intermediate setting-wheel; Fig. 3, an enlarged broken plan view showing the move-20 ment-plates and the longitudinally-movable arbor mounted therein and carrying the intermediate winding and setting wheels; Fig. 4, a view in vertical section showing the said arbor and wheels and showing also the wind-25 ing and setting wheel and arbor, the parts being in their normal positions, in which the watch is adjusted for winding; Fig. 5, a similar view showing the conversion of the watch for setting by the inward movement of the 30 winding and setting arbor and the consequent movement of the arbor carrying the intermediate winding and setting wheels; Fig.

My invention relates to an improvement in stem-winding and stem-setting watches, the object being to provide a simple, compact, and convenient construction adapted to be produced at a low cost for manufacture, con-40 taining few parts, and not liable to derangement.

6, a view, partly in plan and partly in trans-

verse section, on the line a b of Fig. 4.

sists in a stem-winding and stem-setting watch having certain details of construction 45 and combinations of parts, as will be hereinafter described, and pointed out in the claims.

In carrying out my invention I mount a longitudinally-movable or sliding non-rotatable arbor A transversely between the upper edges 50 of the movement-plates BB of the watch, and

in line with but at a right angle to the inner end of the winding and setting arbor C thereof. One end of this arbor is reduced to form a cylindrical hub or bearing A' and a shoulder a, while the other end is reduced to form a 55 flattened bearing or hub A² and a shoulder a'. The central portion of the arbor is thus virtually enlarged. The flattened hub A^2 prevents the arbor from rotating, for which purpose the said hub may have any irregu- 60 lar form instead of the form shown. The same effect will be accomplished by flattening the hub A' or making it otherwise irregular in form, and if desired both hubs may be adapted to resist the rotation of the arbor. 65 The shoulders α and α' engage with the inner faces of the movement-plates and limit the reciprocating movement of the arbor.

The hub A', as herein shown, has secured to it by means of a screw D the intermediate 70 winding-wheel E, which meshes into the main winding-wheel E', the same being of any ordinary construction. On the other hand, the hub A^2 has secured to it by means of a screw D' the intermediate setting-wheel F, which 75 meshes into the minute or dial wheel F', which may be of any approved construction. Both of the intermediate wheels are engaged, though not at the same time, with the main winding and setting wheel G, the lower face 80 of which rests upon the edges of the movement-plates BB, which are thereto cut away to form bearing-surfaces b b. It will be seen that the wheel G is located in a horizontal plane, and therefore at a right angle to the 85 wheels E and F. The said wheel G has a square central opening receiving the squared lower end C' of the rotatable and longitudinally-movable winding and setting arbor C, which is mounted in the usual manner in the 90 watch-pendant (not shown herein) and which With these ends in view my invention con- is thus coupled for rotation with the said wheel, of which, however, it is free as to longitudinal movement.

> For the purpose of moving the arbor A lon- 95 gitudinally to throw the intermediate winding-wheel out of engagement with the main winding and setting wheel and to move the intermediate setting-wheel into engagement with the said main winding and setting wheel 100

I construct the arbor with a transverse wedgeshaped notch A^3 , one inclined face of which forms an inclined operating-face and is engaged by a bevel-point C2, forming the termi-5 nation of the squared portion C' of the winding and setting arbor. A spring II, fitting into a slot a^2 , formed transversely in the arbor at the bottom of the wedge-shaped notch therein, and bearing at its ends upon one of 10 the movement-plates B, holds the arbor in position for maintaining the intermediate winding-wheel E in engagement with the main winding and setting wheel G and the intermediate setting-wheel F out of engagement 15 with the said winding and setting wheel G, as clearly shown in Fig. 4 of the drawings. When, however, the winding and setting arbor is pushed inward, its tapered point C² coacts with the adjacent beveled face of the 20 notch A^3 and overcomes the tension of the spring H and causes the arbor to be moved out of its normal position and so as to throw the intermediate winding-wheel E out of engagement with the main winding and setting wheel G and the intermediate setting-wheel F into engagement with the said wheel G, in which adjustment of the watch it may be set so long as the inward pressure upon the winding and setting arbor is maintained; but the 30 moment this pressure is relieved the arbor C moves outward and permits the spring H to reassert itself in moving the arbor A transversely and reëngaging the intermediate winding-wheel with the main winding-wheel 35 and disconnecting the intermediate settingwheel from the main winding and setting wheel, leaving the watch normally in condition for winding. Inasmuch, therefore, as the intermediate setting-wheel is normally out of 40 action there is no chance of accidentally changing the set of the watch.

If desired, the parts may be constructed so that when the intermediate winding-wheel is disengaged from the winding and setting 45 wheel it will also be disengaged from the main winding-wheel, but that construction is not at all essential, inasmuch as the main winding-wheel revolves only when the watch is being wound. On the other hand, it is desir-50 able that when the intermediate setting-wheel is disengaged from the winding and setting wheel it should also be disengaged from the minute-wheel, for otherwise the watch would be under the necessity of normally driving the 55 intermediate setting-wheel, which it would do,

but the load is unnecessary. As herein shown, as before stated, the watch is normally adjusted for winding, and shifted from that into adjustment for setting.

It is apparent that in carrying out my invention some changes in the construction herein shown and described may be made, and I would therefore have it understood that I do not limit myself thereto, but hold myself 65 at liberty to make such changes and alterations as fairly fall within the spirit and scope of my invention.

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

1. In a stem-winding and stem-setting watch, the combination with the movementplates thereof, of a non-rotatable sliding arbor mounted therein, an intermediate winding-wheel loosely mounted upon one end of 75 the said sliding arbor adjacent to the outer face of one of the said movement-plates and normally meshing into the main windingwheel of the watch, an intermediate settingwheel loosely mounted upon the other end of 80 the said sliding arbor adjacent to the outer face of the other movement-plate, and adapted to mesh into the minute-wheel of the watch, a winding and setting wheel, and means for shifting the said sliding arbor so as to throw 85 the wheels loosely mounted upon it into and out of engagement with the said winding and setting wheel.

2. In a stem-winding and stem-setting watch, the combination with the movement- 90 plates thereof, of a non-rotatable sliding arbor arranged therein and having its central portion formed with an inclined operatingface, an intermediate winding-wheel loosely mounted upon one end of the said arbor ad- 95 jacent to the outer face of one of the said movement-plates, and normally meshing into the main winding-wheel of the watch, an intermediate setting-wheel loosely mounted upon the other end of the said arbor adjacent 100 to the outer face of the other movement-plate, and adapted to mesh into the minute-wheel of the watch, a winding and setting wheel located in position to be alternately meshed into by the said intermediate winding and 105 setting wheels carried by the said sliding arbor, a winding and setting arbor passing through the winding and setting wheel with which it is coupled for rotation, and having its inner end adapted, when it is pushed in- 110 ward, to engage directly with the said inclined operating-face of the sliding arbor for sliding the same in one direction, and a spring for sliding the arbor in the opposite direction when the winding and setting arbor is drawn 115 longitudinally outward.

3. In a stem-winding and stem-setting watch, the combination with the movementplates thereof, of a non-rotatable, sliding arbor mounted therein and having its central 120 portion formed with a transverse notch having an inclined operating-face, an intermediate winding-wheel loosely mounted upon one end of the arbor adjacent to the outer face of one of the movement-plates, and nor- 125 mally meshing into the winding-wheel of the watch, an intermediate setting-wheel loosely mounted on the other end of the arbor adjacent to the outer face of the other movementplate, and adapted to mesh into the minute- 130 wheel of the watch, a winding and setting wheel located in position to be alternately meshed into by the said intermediate winding and setting wheels carried by the said ar-

bor, a longitudinally-movable and rotatable winding and setting arbor passing through the winding and setting wheel with which it is coupled for rotation, and having its inner 5 end adapted to enter the said notch and engage with the said inclined operating-face for sliding the sliding arbor in one direction, and a spring for sliding the said arbor in the op-

posite direction.

4. In a stem-winding and stem-setting watch, the combination with the movementplates thereof, of a non-rotatable, sliding arbor mounted therein, of an intermediate winding-wheel loosely mounted upon one end 15 of the arbor, and normally meshing into the winding-wheel of the watch, an intermediate setting-wheel loosely mounted upon the other end of the arbor and adapted to mesh into the minute-wheel of the watch, a winding and 20 setting wheel located in position to be alter-

nately meshed into by the said intermediate winding and setting wheels, a longitudinallymovable winding and setting arbor coupled with the said winding and setting wheel for rotating the same and coacting with the said 25 sliding arbor for sliding the same in one direction, and a spring connected directly with the said sliding arbor at a point between the movement-plates and engaging with the inner face of one of the same for sliding the 30 sliding arbor in the opposite direction from that in which it is moved by the winding and setting arbor.

In testimony whereof I have signed this specification in the presence of two subscrib- 35

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