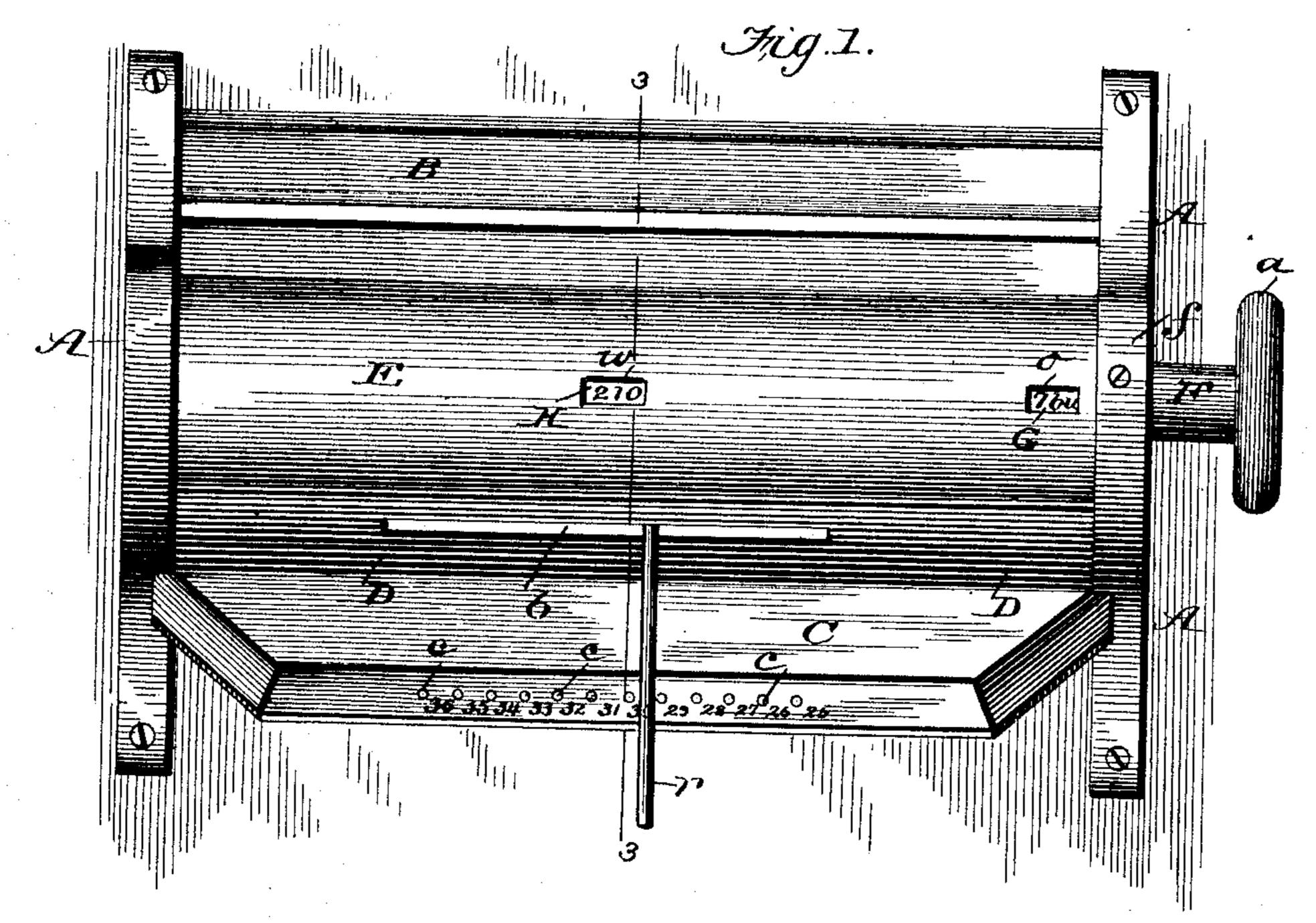
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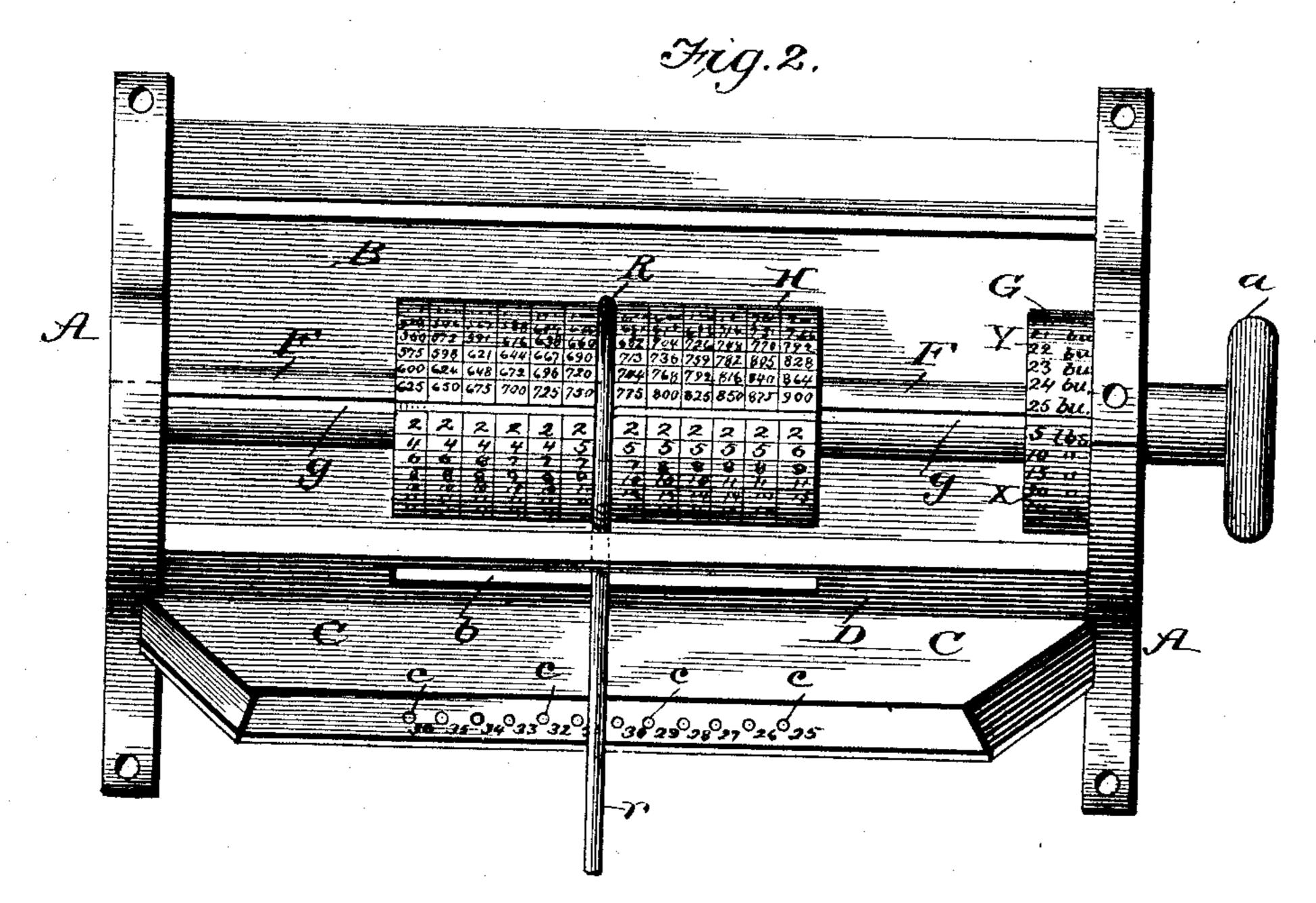
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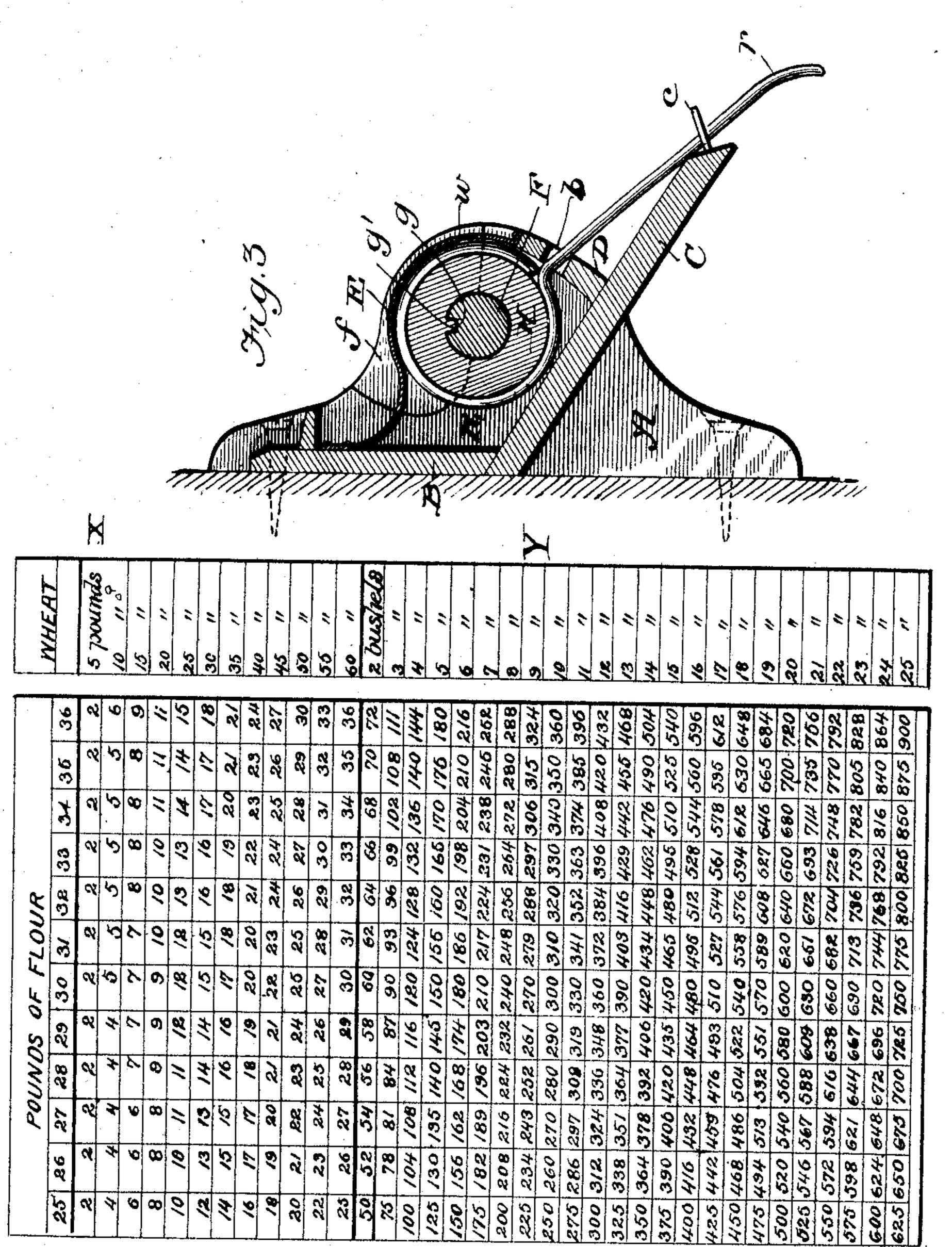
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, JOHN J. WALL and HERMAN ROGALSKY, of Buhler, in the county of Reno and State of Kansas, have invented 5 a new and useful Improvement in Computing-Machines, of which the following is a specification.

The object of our invention is to provide, for the use of merchant and custom millers to and others, a convenient computing-machine for the purpose of finding out at a glance how many pounds of flour or feed are to be given in exchange for a certain amount of bushels or pounds of wheat at a certain number of 15 pounds to the bushel, thus saving much valuable time in computing and also avoiding the possibility of error in separately figuring the amounts.

It consists in a simple and convenient me-20 chanical apparatus provided with suitable tables and arranged to be quickly adjusted to give the desired result, as will be hereinafter more fully described with reference to the drawings, in which-

25 Figure 1 is a front elevation of the machine. Fig. 2 is a front view with the casing removed. Fig. 3 is a vertical cross-section on line 3 3 of Fig. 1, and Fig. 4 shows the tables which are fixed upon the periphery of 30 the cylinders in the machines, which tables are in this figure displayed as laid out flat.

A A represent two end brackets which are secured to a back board B and an inclined shelf C, which, together with a slotted front 35 board D and sheet-metal cover E, form the case of the machine. As shown, all the parts except the front cover E are made of wood; but they may be made of metal or any other suitable material. The brackets are provided 40 with screw-holes or other means for hanging the machine against a vertical wall, or the framework may be constructed with a base, so as to stand alone.

Within the hollow chamber of the case 45 there is arranged a horizontal shaft F, jourwhich is formed with a detachable upper section F to permit the shaft to be inserted or removed. On the outer end of this shaft 50 there is a hand-wheel a or other suitable device for turning the shaft, and within the inclosure of the case the shaft carries a rigid |

short cylinder Gand a loose long cylinder H. The rigid short cylinder G is near the end of the shaft inside one of the brackets, and the 55 loose cylinder H slides longitudinally on the shaft, but revolves with it, such connection being secured by means of a groove g and feather g' or by an angular shaft in a manner well known. Loosely connected to this cyl- 60 inder and swiveling in a peripheral groove there is a ring or yoke R, which has a rigidlyattached arm r, which protrudes through the horizontal slot b in the front board. This ring allows the cylinder to turn within it; but 65 when the ring is moved laterally by means of the arm r the cylinder is shifted longitudinally on the shaft. On the lower edge of the shelf C there are a series of pins c, marking subdivisions into which the arm r is dropped 70 according as the cylinder is shifted one way or the other.

Before describing the operation of this machine it will first be necessary to understand the tables and their use, reference being had 75 to Fig. 4.

In the vertical columns the heading row of figures "25" to "36" represent the number of pounds of flour per bushel. The side row X of figures at the top represent fractional 80 parts of a bushel or pounds of wheat from five to sixty and the side row Y of figures below it represent bushels of wheat from one to twenty-five. The intersection of the horizontal readings in the upper section with the 85 vertical readings of that section will give the pounds of flour or fractions of a bushel, and the intersection of the horizontal readings of the lower section with the vertical readings will give the pounds of flour in bushels. To 90 illustrate, let us suppose that a customer brings in wheat to be exchanged for flour on a basis of thirty pounds to the bushel and he has seven bushels and fifteen pounds of wheat. Looking down in the lower section of 95 figures in the column Y we find seven bushels, and running this horizontally to the headnaled in bearings within the brackets, one of | ing of the vertical column indicating thirty pounds to the bushel we find the amount in pounds is two hundred and ten pounds. Then 100 finding in the column X above the fifteen pounds of wheat and running it to the vertical column indicating thirty pounds to the bushel we find it is seven, which added to

two hundred and ten makes two hundred and seventeen pounds of flour to be given the customer for his seven bushels and fifteen pounds of wheat. Now applying these tables to the 5 cylinder of the machine the column of figures X and Y, indicating bushels of wheat and pounds of wheat or fractions of a bushel, is applied to the short cylinder G, so as to completely cover its periphery and form a rotary 10 index. The main tables, Fig. 4, are applied to the periphery of the long cylinder H, so as to completely cover its surface, care being taken that the horizontal readings on the two cylinders are exactly opposite each other, as 15 they are in Fig. 4. Now in the sheet-metal case there are two openings or windows o and w, of which o is opposite the periphery of the short cylinder G and w opposite the long movable cylinder. The spacing-pins c are 20 numbered with the pounds per bushel from "25" to "36" in opposite progression to the table-readings of Fig. 4, so that when the arm r is shifted to the extreme left to the space 36 then the column-spacing on the cylinder on 25 the extreme right will come opposite to the window w.

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To operate the machine, all that is necessary to do is to turn the cylinder by the external hand-wheel until the number of bush30 els of wheat to be exchanged is observed through the opening o on the rotary index, and then the arm r being already adjusted to the number of pounds to the bushel on the scale c the operator reads off at the opening 35 w the number of pounds of flour. If fractions of a bushel in pounds are to be considered, the hand-wheel is turned until the portion of the table X of the rotary index comes around and the readings are taken from this 40 in the same way.

It will be understood that the machine may be made of any size and its tables adapted to any range of use.

Having thus described our invention, what

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we claim as new, and desire to secure by Let- 45 ters Patent, is—

1. A computing-machine comprising an inclosing casing, a rotary shaft, a loose cylinder bearing tables on its periphery and connected to the shaft so as to slide longitudi- 50 nally thereon but revolve with it, means for adjusting it longitudinally, and a rotary index fixed rigidly to the shaft and related in its position to the longitudinal readings of the sliding cylinder substantially as and for 55 the runness described.

2. A computing-machine comprising an inclosing casing, a rotary shaft with means for turning it, a loose cylinder sliding on the shaft but turning with it and bearing tables 60 as described, an arm loosely connected to the cylinder so as to move it without interfering with its rotation, an external set of seats or subdivisions numbered as described and adapted to receive the arm, a rotary index fixed to the 65 shaft rigidly and related to the longitudinal readings of the cylinder tables, and an external case with openings or windows o w sub-

3. A computing-machine comprising an 70 outer case having end brackets with journal-bearings, and a front part with a longitudinal slot and two windows o and w, a horizontal shaft F bearing rigid index-cylinder G, and a sliding table-cylinder arranged to revolve with the shaft, an arm having a swiveling connection with the sliding cylinder and protruding through the horizontal slot, numbered subdivisions c arranged to receive the arm and locate the figures on the cylinder in 80 relation to the window o, and means for turning the shaft substantially as and for the purpose described.

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