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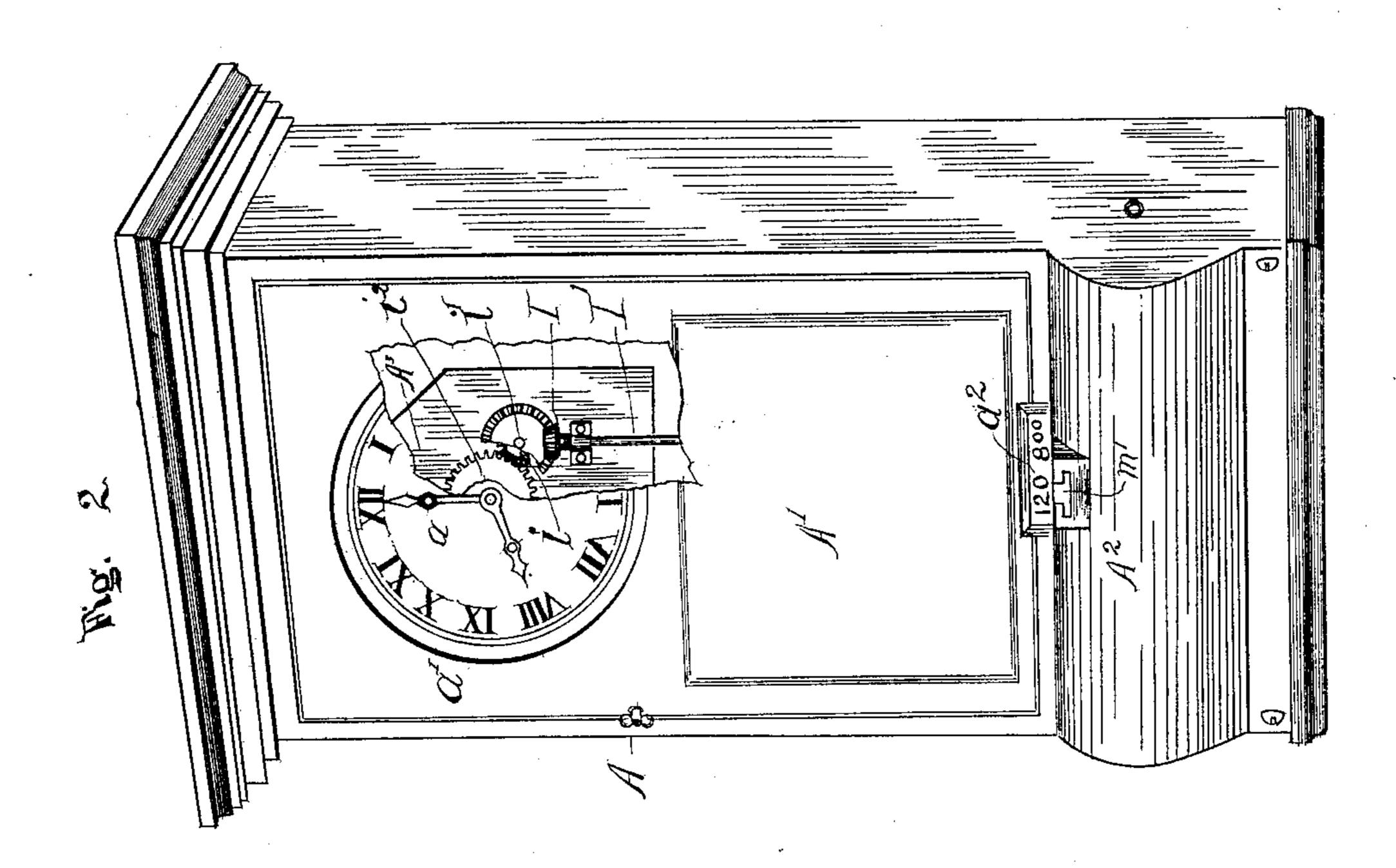
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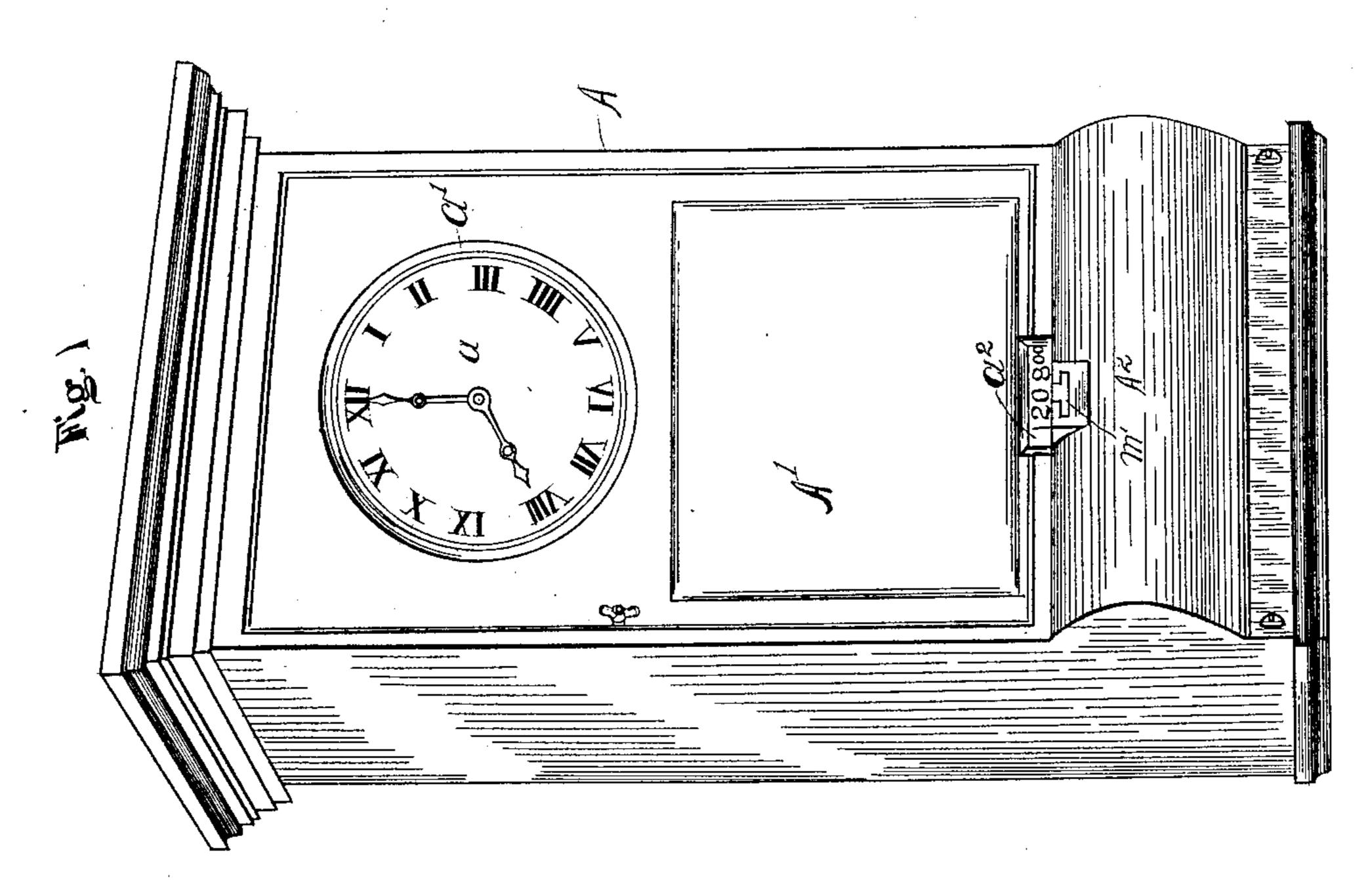
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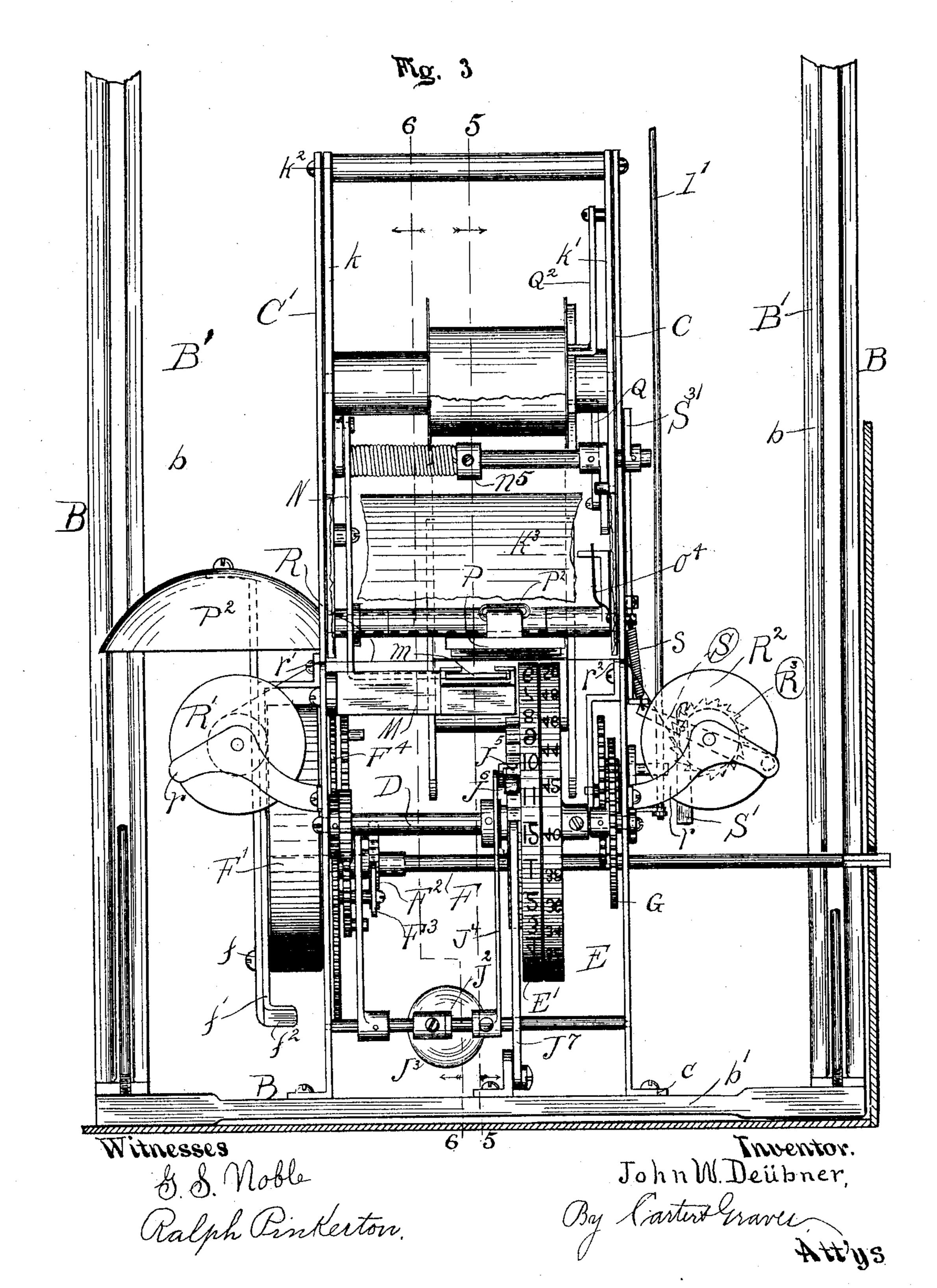
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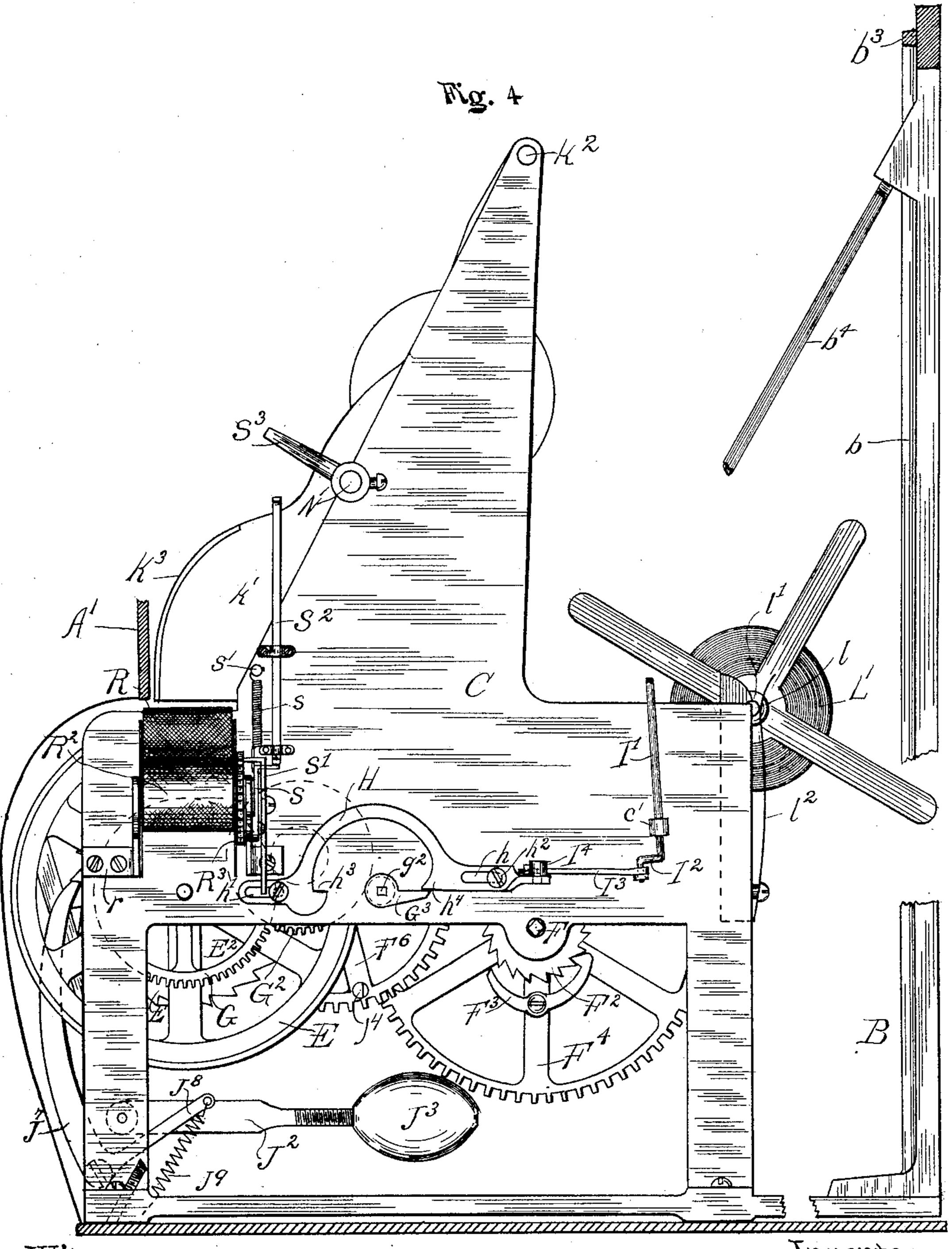
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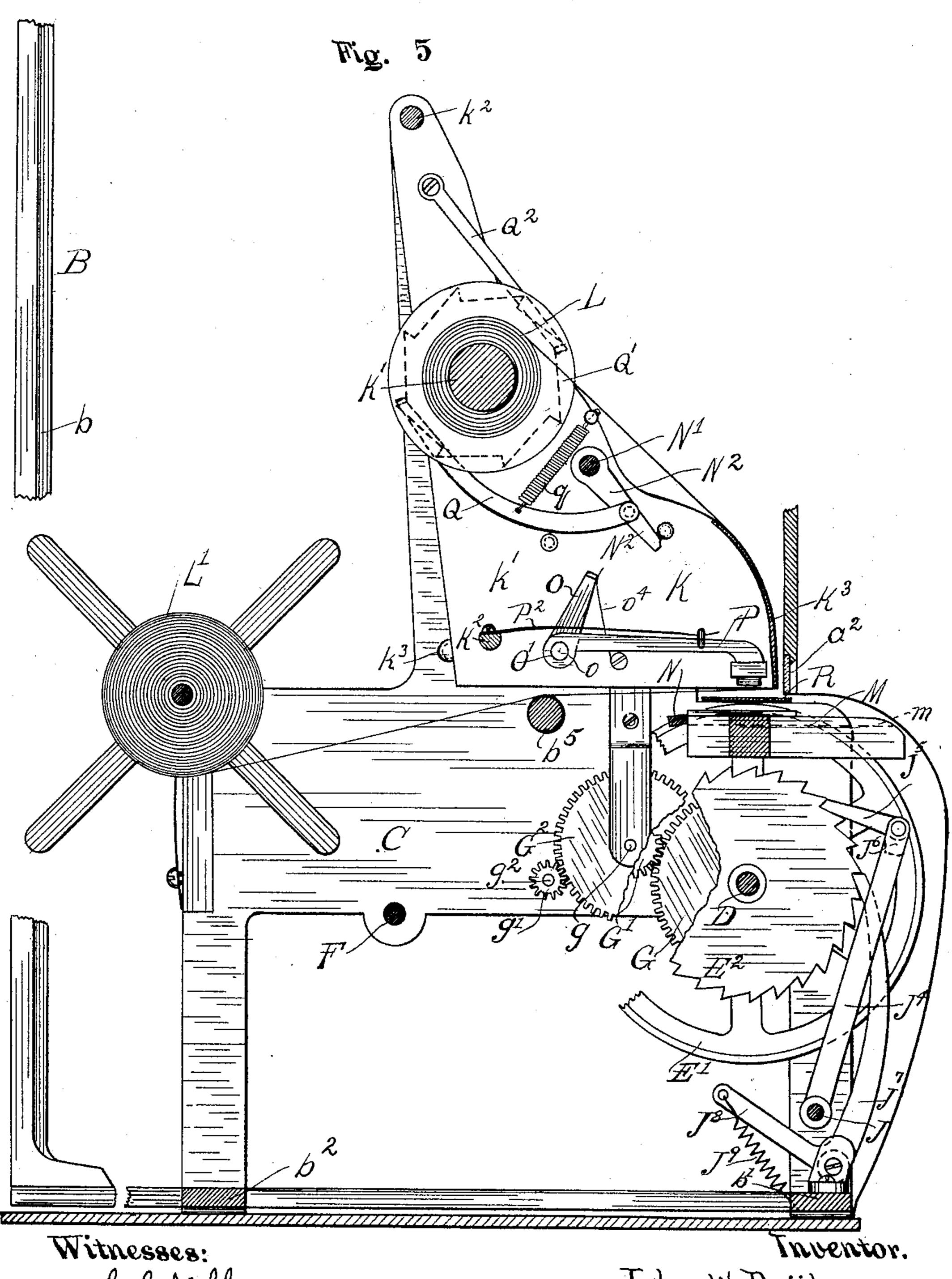
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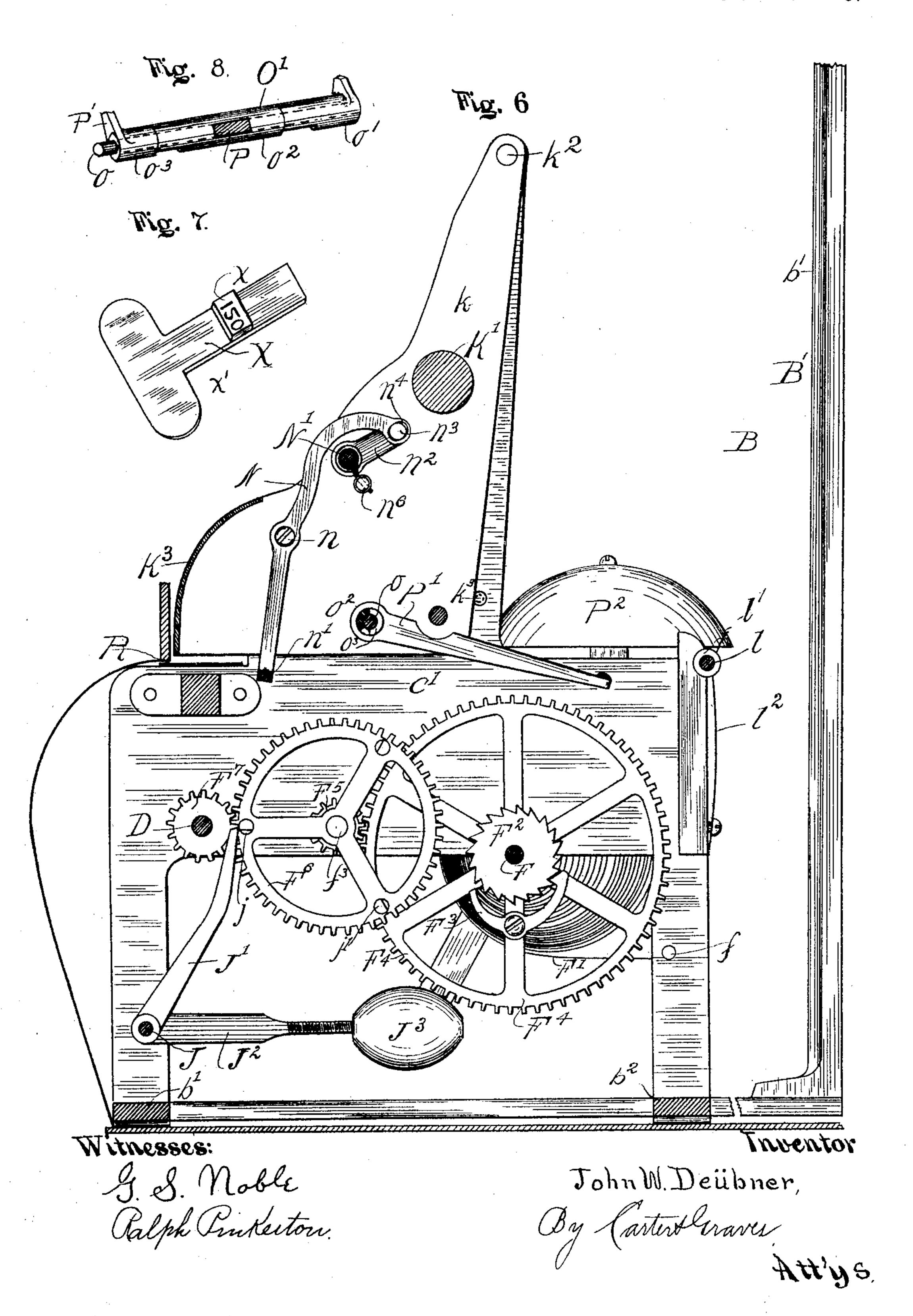
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, John W. Deübner, of Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Workmen's Time-Recorders, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in time-recorders for recording the time of workmen and analogous purposes, and relates more specifically to improvements in machines of that class commonly designated as "key-machines," in the use of which each workman is provided with an individual key bearing identifying characters, and which keys are used to effect the printing of the individual time-records of the several workmen and the identification of the same.

A principal object of the present invention is to provide a machine of such construction that when the workman has operated the machine by means of his key the time-record thus printed, together with the identification-marks of his individual key, will immediately be exposed to view through a sight-opening, so that the workman may verify the accuracy of the record at a glance and without waste of time.

Other objects of the invention are to provide such a construction that the operation of recording and bringing the printed record to view will be accomplished by simply pushing a key directly into the keyhole of the machine and instantly withdrawing it, no time being lost in turning the key, in waiting for recording mechanism to act within the casing, or otherwise, and to provide a machine having relatively few parts and of generally simplified and improved construction which is at the same time durable and reliable, of compact form, and extremely convenient in use.

The invention consists in the matters here-inafter described, and more particularly pointed out in the appended claims, and will be more readily understood by reference to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view showing the outward appearance of a machine embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a similar view, parts

of the front of the casing being broken away 50 to show the operative connections between the clock mechanism and recording mechanism. Fig. 3 is a front elevation of the recording mechanism with the front casing removed. Fig. 4 is a side elevation of the same with the 55 side casing removed. Figs. 5 and 6 are transverse vertical sectional views taken on lines 5 5 and 6 6, respectively, of Fig. 3 and looking in the directions of the arrows. Fig. 7 is a perspective view of one of the keys. Fig. 8 is 60 a perspective view of the sectional rock-bar.

Referring to said drawings, A designates as a whole the casing of the machine, herein shown as having the general form of an ordinary clock-case, the front upper portion of 65 said casing being made in the form of a door A', adapted to swing open in the usual manner, and the lower outwardly-curved part A² of said front being also made removable in order to afford access when desired to the re- 70 cording mechanism located therein.

In the upper part of the casing is arranged a clock-movement, (designated as a whole by A^3 ,) which may be of any suitable or usual construction so far as its general features are 75 concerned, and the dial a of which is exposed through a suitable glass-covered opening a' in the front of the casing.

The recording mechanism proper is located in the lower part of the casing, being for con-80 venience of removal and in order to facilitate its attachment to the case mounted upon an independent framework, (designated as a whole by B.) Said framework, as shown, consists of two L-shaped side frame members B', 85 arranged at a suitable distance apart parallel with each other and with the upright portions thereof b resting against the rear wall of the casing and secured rigidly together by means of front and rear lower cross members b' b^2 , 90 respectively, and an upper cross member b^3 . In order to render the framework thus formed more rigid, so that it may be removed from the clock-casing bodily, together with the recording mechanism mounted thereon, brace- 95 rods b^4 are arranged to extend diagonally downward and forwardly from the upper part of each side frame member B' to the front end

of the lower horizontal portion thereof. Upon the frame thus constructed is mounted the framework of the recording mechanism proper, consisting of two side frame-plates C 5 C', arranged parallel with each other and rigidly secured to the cross frame members $b'\,b^2$ conveniently by means of screws inserted

through horizontal outturned feet c. D designates the main shaft, upon which is 10 mounted the recording type-wheels E E', respectively, said shaft being mounted in suitable bearings, so as to extend horizontally and transversely between the side frameplates, near the front portions of the latter. 15 The minute-wheel E is keyed or otherwise made rigid with the shaft D, and in order to impart movement to the latter a spring-motor is provided, consisting in the present instance of a motor-shaft F, arranged to extend 20 transversely through suitable bearings in the side frame-plates parallel with the main shaft D, but some distance in rear of the latter, a spiral steel spring F', mounted upon the outside of the frame-plate C' concentrically with 25 the motor-shaft F and arranged to act upon the latter, and a train of gears communicating motion from the motor-shaft to the main shaft D. As shown in the present instance, the motor-shaft is extended through the side 30 frame-plate C', the motor-spring arranged concentrically thereof and attached at its inner end to the shaft, while the outer end of said spring is secured to a suitable stud f, (see Fig. 6,) mounted upon the side frame-35 plate. In order to prevent the motor-spring from unwinding or uncoiling beyond a certain extent, a guard-bar f', provided with inturned ends f^2 , is mounted upon the side frame, so as to overlie said spring, the in-40 turned ends thereof acting to limit the expansion of the spring beyond a certain point. The opposite end of the motor-shaft is extended out through the side frame-plate C and through the side wall of the casing and pro-45 vided with a suitably-squared shank end

adapted to be engaged by a winding-key. F² designates a ratchet-wheel rigidly secured upon the motor-shaft, and F³ a pawl mounted upon a gear-wheel F4 in such posi-50 tion as to engage the ratchet-wheel and impart the motion of the motor-shaft in one direction to said gear-wheel, said gear-wheel being mounted loosely upon the shaft. The gear F4 is arranged to intermesh with a pin-55 ion \mathbb{F}^5 , mounted upon a stub-shaft f^3 , projecting inwardly from the side frame-plate. (See Fig. 6.) F⁶ designates a second large. gear secured rigidly to the pinion F⁵ concentrically with the latter, which gear inter-60 meshes with and in turn communicates motion to a second pinion F7, mounted rigidly | upon the main shaft D.

In order to hold the main shaft and typewheels mounted thereon from rotation under 65 the action of the frame-motor, except when

escapement operated or controlled by the clock-movement is provided, arranged as follows:

G designates a gear secured rigidly to the 70 main shaft D, adjacent to the side frameplate C and intermeshing with a pinion G', (see Fig. 5,) mounted upon a suitable stubshaft g, carried by the side frame-plate at a point in rear of the main shaft. With this 75 pinion G' is rigidly connected a larger gear G^2 , which in turn meshes with a pinion g', mounted upon a short shaft g^2 , which extends through the side frame-plate and carries at its outer end a trip arm or detent (33, (see 80

Fig. 4,) made rigid with the shaft.

H designates an escapement-bar suitably slotted at each end, as indicated at h h', and mounted upon fixed studs h^2 on the frameplate, so as to reciprocate adjacent to the trip-85 arm, said escapement-bar being arranged in the same plane with the plane of movement of the trip-arm and being curved to avoid interference with the latter, except as to those parts which form the stops of the escapement, 90 as now to be described. At one end, in this instance the front end, the escapement-bar is provided with a shoulder h^3 , which is so arranged as to project within the path of the end of the trip-arm when the escapement-bar 95 is shifted to its rearmost position and at its opposite end located at a point in a right line passing from the shoulder h^3 through the pivotal axis of the trip-arm, and is provided with a second projection or shoulder h^4 , which is car- 100 ried into the path of the end of the trip-arm when the escapement-bar is shifted to its forward limit, or that indicated in the drawings, the faces of the shoulders $h^3 h^4$ being oppositely disposed, so as to engage the front side 105 of the trip-arm as the latter is rotated. The intermediate gearing between the main shaft, which carries the minute-wheel, and the shaft upon which the trip-arm is mounted is such that the type-wheel will be carried forward 110 one-thirtieth of a revolution for each halfrevolution of the trip-arm, or a distance corresponding to two minutes.

In order to operate the escapement-bar so as to permit the trip-arm to make a half-revo- 115 lution at the end of each two minutes, the clock-movement is provided with a pair of gears i i', (see Fig. 2,) the first member of which, i, intermeshes with a gear i^2 , mounted upon the minute-shaft of the movement, while 120 the latter, i', communicates motion to a bevelgear I, mounted upon the upper end of a rod I', which extends downwardly from the clockmovement through a suitable bearing c', mounted upon the side frame-plate C in rear 125 of the escapement-bar and provided with a erank portion I². With the erank I² is connected a pitman I3, which is suitably connected at its opposite end by means of a flexible joint I4 with the rear end of the escape- 130 ment-bar. The relative sizes of the several permitted at suitable regular intervals, an I gears of the train which communicate motion

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from the minute-shaft of the clock-movement to the rod I' are such that said rod will perform a revolution once in four minutes, thus permitting the minute-wheel to be moved forward by the spring-motor a step at the end of each two minutes and to perform a complete revolution once each hour.

In order to move the hour-wheel E', which is mounted loosely upon the main shaft D adto jacent to the minute-wheel, forward a step at the end of each hour, means are provided, arranged, and constructed in the present in-

stance as follows:

Referring to Figs. 3, 4, 5, and 6, J desig-15 nates a rock-shaft mounted in suitable bearings in the side frame-plates, so as to extend transversely of the machine beneath the typewheels, and provided near one end with a rigid arm or wiper J', which projects up-20 wardly adjacent to the gear F⁶ in position to be acted upon and oscillated by a series of studs j, mounted upon said gear at equidistant intervals apart, said series comprising in the present instance three, the gear F⁶ be-25 ing three times as large as the pinion F7, mounted upon the main shaft, so that one stud will be carried past the end of the arm J' upon each revolution of the main shaft. J² designates a second arm rigidly connected 30 with the rock-shaft J, arranged to project horizontally therefrom and provided with an adjustable weight J³, which tends to hold the free end of the arm J' projected into the path of the studs j and oscillates the rock-shaft 35 suddenly a limited distance each time one of the studs passes the end of the wiper-arm. The extent of the oscillation of the rock-shaft is determined in the present instance by means of a stop J⁶, as hereinafter described. 40 J⁴ (see Figs. 3 and 5) designates a pawl-arm mounted rigidly upon the rock-shaft J, arranged to project upwardly adjacent to a ratchet-wheel E², which is secured to the hourwheel E' concentrically with the latter, the up-45 per end of the pawl-arm being provided with a pawl J⁵, pivoted thereto and arranged to engage said ratchet-wheel and push it forward a notch upon each oscillation of the rock-shaft J. In order that the hour-wheel may not be car-50 ried too far by the momentum imparted thereto by the sudden thrust of the push-pawl, the upper end of the pawl-arm is provided with a rigid projection J⁶, suitably formed and located to engage with the teeth of the ratchet-55 wheel and arrest the latter as the pawl-arm reaches the forward limit of its stroke. In order that the hour-wheel may be held immovable during the retraction of the pushpawl, a spring-pawl J⁷ is arranged to act upon 60 said ratchet-wheel, said pawl or detent being in the present instance pivotally mounted upon a suitable bracket on the lower front cross-frame member and provided with an angular arm J^s, which is acted upon by a 65 coiled spring J⁹ to hold the detent in yield-

ing engagement with the ratchet-wheel.

To next describe the paper-carriage and the

paperfeeding and printing devices, whereby impressions are taken from the type-wheels upon a continuous ribbon of paper, K desig- 70 nates as a whole a swinging carriage consisting of two side frame-plates k k', respectively, in the present instance of substantially triangular form and connected by means of cross-bars K' K² and a front plate K³. The 75 frame K as a whole is of suitable width to fit easily between two upward extensions of the side frame-plates C C' and is pivotally connected so as to swing between the latter by means of a pivot-rod k^2 , extending through 80 the upper angles of its side plates and engaging the side frame-plates CC'. The carriage K is free to swing forwardly, but is limited in its backward movement and held in a position with its front part vertically above the 85 axis of the type-wheels and with its lower side substantially horizontal by means of stop-studs k^3 , mounted in the side frameplates C C'.

The cross-bar K' of the carriage is made to 90 serve as a bearing, upon which is mounted a

spool or receiving-roll L.

L' designates a supply-roll mounted upon a suitable spindle l, journaled in the side frame-plates adjacent to the rear upper an- 95 gles of the latter, said spindle being conveniently made removable from its bearings by forming the latter open at their rear sides, as indicated at l', and arranging plate-springs l² to bear against the trunnion portions of the 100 spindle and hold the same within its bearings, as indicated clearly in Figs. 4 and 6. From the supply-roll the paper ribbon passes forwardly over a cross-bar b^5 , thence between the upper peripheries of the recording-wheels 105 and the lower side of the carriage, around the lower front angle of the latter, and up over the front plate K³ to the receiving-roll L, said front plate K3 being curved at its upper portion, so as to facilitate the passage of 110 the paper over the same, but arranged to stand in a vertical plane throughout its lower half, so as to hold that part of the recordingstrip resting thereon upright opposite a sightaperture a^2 , formed in the front wall of the 115 casing.

M designates a guide-bar rigidly secured to the side frame-plate C' and arranged to project horizontally across the machine and terminate at its free end adjacent to the side 120 face of the hour-wheel, the upper edge of said guide - bar being approximately on a level with the upper periphery of said type-wheel.

m designates a keyway cut transversely in the upper portion of said guide-bar adjacent 125 to the hour-wheel and in alinement with a corresponding keyhole m', formed through the outer casing, said keyhole and keyway being in the present instance of rectangular form and adapted to receive a flat rectangular form and adapted to receive a flat rectangular trated in Fig. 7. Each individual key is provided upon one side at a distance from its end with a series of raised characters x, arranged

transversely of the key and adapted to be brought into the same plane and in transverse alinement with the characters of the two typewheels presented at the printing-point verti-5 cally above the axis of said type-wheels when the key is inserted within the keyway to the full extent permitted by the shoulder x' at the inner end of its shank.

N designates an oscillatory lever suitably 10 pivoted at a point between its ends, as at n, to the inner surface of the side frame-plate C', (see Fig. 6,) one end n' of the said lever being bent at right angles to the main portion thereof and arranged to extend hori-15 zontally across the machine immediately in rear of the keyway m in position to be engaged by the inner end of the key and swung backwardly as the key is inserted through

the keyway.

N' designates a rock-bar mounted in suitable bearings in the side plates of the carriage, so as to extend transversely of the latter and adjacent to the upper end of the oscillatory lever N. The rock-bar N' is provided with a 25 rigid arm n², having at its outer end a wrist-pin n^3 , which engages an elongated slot n^4 , formed in the upper end of the oscillatory lever. The rock-bar is normally held in a position to carry the lower end of the oscillatory lever

30 forwardly as far as permitted by means of a coiled spring mounted upon said rock-shaft, one end of which is connected with a fixed collar n^5 , while the opposite end is connected with a suitable stud n^6 upon the side frame-35 plate k. N^2 designates a second arm rigidly

connected with the rock-shaft N', (see Fig. 5,) so as to project downwardly therefrom in position to engage with its lower end the upstanding end of a trip-arm O, mounted upon 40 a rock-shaft O', extending between the side

frame-plates of the carriage parallel with the rock-shaft N' and below the latter. Said rock-shaft O'is of tubular form, consisting of three separate sections mounted upon a fixed

45 rod o, one of said sections o' carrying the triparm O, made rigid therewith, the next section o² (see detail Fig. 8) carrying a printinghammer P, and the third section o³ carrying a bell-hammer P'. (See Fig. 6.) The con-

50 nections between the several sections o' o² o³ are in the form of couplings which permit a certain amount of lost motion between each of the connections, but cause them to move positively together when oscillated beyond a

55 certain extent. To this end the meeting ends are formed so as to overlap each other, and the width of said overlapping portions measured circumferentially is less than the full circumference of the rock-shaft, so as to pro-

60 vide the lost motion referred to, as indicated clearly in detail Fig. 8. By means of this construction when the arm N² engages the upper end of the trip-arm O the printinghammer will be lifted positively until the

65 said arm N² is carried entirely past and out of engagement with the trip-arm, whereupon the printing-hammer will be thrown down | the said frame-plates C' C, respectively. In

forcibly by means of a plate-spring P2, one end of which is secured to the cross-bar K² and the opposite end of which bears upon the 70 printing-hammer at a point adjacent to its free end. When, however, the swinging arm N² returns, it will engage and sweep past the trip-arm O without oscillating the printinghammer in the opposite direction, this move- 75 ment being permitted by the lost motion in the coupling between said parts. In order to hold said trip-arm upright in position to be reëngaged by the swinging arm, a spring is mounted upon the side frame-plate k' and 80 arranged to bear at its free end against the front side of said trip-arm near the free end of the latter. At the same time that the printing-hammer is being lifted by the swinging arm the bell-hammer P' will be swung 85 downwardly and upon the sudden release of the trip-hammer will be thrown upwardly, its momentum carrying it beyond its normal position and causing it to strike and ring the bell P2, which latter is mounted upon an ex- 90 tension of the guard-bar f', this movement being permitted by the lost motion provided in the coupling between the printing-hammer section and bell-hammer section, as hereinbefore described.

Next describing the means whereby the recording-strip is fed forward a step each time a key is inserted and an impression thereby effected, Q designates a pawl pivotally attached to the swinging arm N² at one end and 100 held in yielding engagement with a ratchetwheel Q', mounted upon one end of the receiving-roll L by means of a coiled contractile spring q, the arrangement being such that as the swinging arm is oscillated rearwardly by 105 the insertion of a key the pawl will be carried over the periphery of the ratchet-wheel a distance sufficient to cause it to engage a succeeding notch, and upon the return movement of the swinging arm as the key is with- 110 drawn the receiving-roll will be rotated one step, thereby carrying the impression, which has just been made during the insertion of the key, up upon the front face of the plate or apron K³ into position to be viewed through 115 the sight-aperture of the outer casing. In order to hold the receiving-roll from movement during the travel of the pawl Q over the ratchet-wheel, a gravity-detent Q² is pivotally mounted to the side frame-plate k'above 120 the ratchet-wheel and arranged to act upon the latter, as best indicated in Fig. 5.

R designates an inking-ribbon which is arranged to travel transversely across the machine between the upper peripheries of the 125 type-wheels and the recording-sheet immediately beneath the printing-hammer, a supply roll or spool R' being mounted in suitable brackets r upon the outside of the frameplate C' and a similar receiving-roll R² simi- 130 larly mounted upon the frame-plate C in position to permit the inking-ribbon to pass readily over guide-shoulders r' r^2 , formed in

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order that the ribbon may be automatically fed forward a step each time an impression is taken, a pawl-carrying arm S is pivotally mounted to the outer end of one of the brack-5 ets r of the receiving-roll ${
m R}^2$ and provided with a gravity-pawl S', arranged to act upon a ratchet-wheel R³, mounted upon the proximate end of the said spool R². The free end of the pawl-carrying arm S is arranged to proro ject obliquely upward and toward the frameplate C in position to be acted upon by the lower end of a plunger-rod S², (see Fig. 4,) which is in turn acted upon by an arm S³, mounted upon the outer end of the rock-bar 15 N', which is extended through the said frameplate for this purpose. A coiled spring s, connected at one end with the free end of the arm S and at its opposite end with a stud s'upon the frame-plate, serves to return the 20 pawl-arm and plunger S2 to their normal position when permitted by the return of the arm S³.

The operation of the machine has been already indicated in connection with the de-25 scription of the several features of mechanism, but may be briefly recounted as follows: Both the clock-movement proper and the recording mechanism having been properly wound and the latter mechanism set as to pre-30 sent at the printing-point the time of day indicated by the clock, the recording mechanism will thereafter move synchronously with the clock-movement, presenting at the end of each two minutes a new set of characters at 35 the printing-point. The machine being thus in operation and the recording-strip properly adjusted, the workman passing in to his work simply inserts his key in the keyhole with the identifying characters thereon uppermost and 40 pushes the key inwardly as far as permitted. As the key reaches the inward limit of its movement the printing-hammer will be tripped and an impression thereby taken of the combination of characters presented by the 45 two type-wheels and the identifying characters upon the key. Upon the withdrawal of the key from the machine the oscillatory lever will be permitted to resume its normal position under the action, the coiled spring acting 50 upon the rock-bar N', and simultaneously therewith the recording-strip will be fed forward a step, so as to bring the impression just made up over the front side of the plate K³ in position to be viewed through the sight-55 aperture in the front of the casing. It will thus be seen that one workman after another can make their records by simply pushing in their individual key, instantly withdrawing it, and passing on, meantime glancing at bo the record made in order to verify its accuracy. Upon the return of the workman in passing out from his work he will simply repeat the recording operation, and inasmuch as each workman's record of time also con-

65 tains the identifying characters of his key the

workman may be readily ascertained from the strip.

The swinging forwardly of the carriage K, as hereinbefore described, enables the receiv- 70 ing-roll to be placed therein and the recording-strip arranged to pass around the front of the carriage and beneath the same back to the supply-roll with great facility and without interfering with the ink-ribbon or soiling 75 the hands of the operator by the same, while the readiness with which the spindle of the supply-roll may be inserted or removed from its bearings enables said roll to be adjusted most readily.

From the foregoing description it will be seen that I have provided a machine which is at once simple in construction and effective in operation. Owing to the time required for workmen to write their names and in 85 many cases their inability to do this, the present machine is much more expeditious than an autograph-machine, while the records made by the several workmen are each properly identified. At the same time the distrust 90 with which key-machines of this type have heretofore been regarded is entirely obviated, since each workman is enabled to see his record as soon as made, and thus to determine to a certainty that the correct time properly 95 identified has been printed upon the recording-sheet, thus leaving nothing to the uncertainties of the operation of the machine. If the record made be not correct, the workman will detect it instantly and may call the at- 100 tention of the proper authority thereto and have it corrected.

The construction of the machine which provides for the operation of the printing and sheet-feeding mechanisms by force directly 105 applied through the key is of importance both because it requires less mechanism than when these operations are performed by a motor and is more positive, and, further, because the recording operation can be effected 110 more rapidly.

While I have herein shown a practical and, what I deem, a preferred construction, yet it will be obvious that the details of construction may be varied without departing from 115 the spirit of the invention and without involving more than ordinary mechanical skill.

I claim as my invention—

1. In a time-recorder, the combination with a casing provided with a sight-opening, of a 120 clock-controlled record-printing mechanism within the casing, sheet-feeding mechanism adapted to feed forward a normally stationary recording-sheet, a manually-operable key provided with an identification character and 125 adapted to operate the record-printing mechanism and sheet-feeding mechanism to effect the taking of an impression upon the recording-sheet from both the clock-controlled printing mechanism and identification character 130 of the key and the feeding forward of the recording-sheet into position to bring the imlength of time worked by each individual

pression thus made opposite the sight-opening, whereby the individual registering is enabled to inspect for verification the record which he has made through the medium of

5 the key.

2. In a time-recorder, the combination with a casing, and a clock-controlled printing mechanism adapted to print upon a recording-sheet therein, of a spring-pressed printing-hammer, to a sheet-feeding mechanism, a push-key, keyoperable mechanism whereby the printinghammer will be operated upon the insertion of the key and key-controlled mechanism whereby the sheet-feeding mechanism will be 15 operated upon the withdrawal of the key whereby the record last made is immediately moved forward to a position where it may be inspected.

3. In a time-recorder, the combination with 20 a casing, and a clock-controlled printing mechanism adapted to print upon a recording-sheet therein, of a spring-pressed printing-hammer and a spring-actuated sheet-feeding mechanism, a push-key, and operative connections 25 whereby both the spring of the printing-hammer and of the sheet-feeding mechanism are charged and hammer operated by the insertion of the key and means whereby the sheetfeeding mechanism is held from action until, 30 and is caused to act upon, the withdrawal of

the key.

4. In a time-recorder, the combination with a casing, and a clock-controlled printing mechanism adapted to print upon a recording-sheet therein, of a spring-actuated sheet-feeding mechanism, a printing-hammer provided with an independent actuating-spring, a key, and mechanism operable by the key and by means of which the insertion and withdrawal of the to key charges the springs of both the sheetfeeding mechanism and printing-hammer and effects the release thereof, whereby the printing of a time-record and the feeding forward of the record-sheet are accomplished by the respective springs.

5. In a time-recorder, the combination with a casing and a clock-controlled printing mechanism adapted to print upon a recording-sheet therein, said casing being provided with a 50 sight-aperture, of a spring-actuated sheetfeeding mechanism, a spring-actuated printing-hammer, a key and operative connections whereby the insertion and withdrawal of the key charges the springs of both the sheet-feed-55 ing mechanism and printing-hammer effects the printing of a time-record, and the feeding forward of the recording-sheet into position to expose the time-record last printed there-

on through said sight-aperture.

6. In a time-recorder, the combination with a casing, clock-controlled type-wheels arranged therein and a key provided with a printing character, of a keyway formed through said casing so located as to permit the 65 insertion of the key adjacent to the printingpoint of the type-wheels, a movable member arranged in the path of the key so as to op- |

pose the endwise movement of the latter through the keyway, a printing-hammer and sheet-feeding mechanism both operatively 7c connected with the movable member, aspring acting upon said movable member in opposition to its movement by the key so as to be charged by the insertion of the latter and operative connections between the spring and 75 the sheet-feeding mechanism whereby the latter is operated upon the withdrawal of the

key.

7. In a time-recorder, the combination with the casing, and the clock-controlled type- 80 wheels arranged therein, of a keyway formed through the easing, a guide-support adapted to support a key adjacent to the type-wheels, a rock-bar, an oscillatory lever operatively connected with said rock-bar and having one 85 end arranged to depend within the path of the key in the endwise movement of the key through the keyway, a spring-pressed printing-hammer, a trip-arm carried by the rockbar arranged to operate said hammer, a sheet- 90 feeding mechanism, a spring arranged to act upon the rock-bar in opposition to its movement by the key, and operative connections between the rock-bar and sheet-feeding mechanism whereby the sheet is fed forward upon 95

the withdrawal of the key.

8. In a time-recorder, the combination with the casing, and the clock-controlled typewheels arranged therein, of a keyway formed through the casing, a guide-support adapted 100 to support a key adjacent to the type-wheels, a rock-bar, an oscillatory lever operatively connected with said rock-bar and having one end arranged to depend within the path of the key in the endwise movement of the lat- 105 ter through the keyway, a spring-pressed printing-hammer, a trip-arm carried by the rock-bar arranged to operate said hammer, a sheet-feeding mechanism comprising a receiving-roll provided with a ratchet and a pawl 110 operatively connected with the rock-bar and adapted to engage said ratchet, and a spring arranged to act upon the rock-bar in opposition to its movement by the key and adapted to effect the feeding forward of the record- 115 ing-sheet upon the withdrawal of the key, said casing being provided with a sight-aperture arranged to permit the inspection of the time-record last printed when the recordingsheet has been feed forward upon the with- 120 drawal of the key.

9. In a time-recorder, the combination, with the casing and the clock-controlled typewheels arranged therein, of a keyway formed through the casing, a guide-support adapted 125 to support a key adjacent to the type-wheels, a rock-bar, an oscillatory lever operatively connected with said rock-bar and having one end arranged to depend within the path of the key in the movement of the latter end- 130 wise through the keyway, a printing-hammer, a sheet-feeding mechanism, and inkingribbon and feed mechanism for moving the latter, and operative connections between

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said rock-bar and the printing-hammer, the sheet-feeding mechanism and the inking-ribbon-feeding mechanism, whereby all of said parts will be operated by the key, substan-

5 tially as described.

10. In a time-recorder comprising a casing and clock-controlled recording mechanism therein, the combination with the frame of the recording mechanism, of a swinging frame 10 of generally triangular form, suspended within said frame, and provided with a web-supporting plate over which the recording-web is drawn, a feed-roll, a spring-actuated paperfeeding mechanism and a spring-pressed 15 printing-hammer mounted upon said swinging frame, said casing being provided with a sight-aperture opposite the web-supporting plate.

11. In a time-recorder, the combination with 20 the clock-movement and the time-recording mechanism, of means for transmitting motion from the clock-movement to the recording mechanism, comprising a rotatable shaft, a gear upon said shaft intermeshing with one 25 of the gears of the clock-movement, a crank

carried by the shaft, and a pitman engaged with the crank and operatively connected with and arranged to control the movement

of the recording mechanism.

12. In a time-recorder, the combination with 30 the clock-movement and a motor-driven recording mechanism, of means for controlling the movement of the recording mechanism from the clock-movement, comprising a rotatable shaft, a gear upon said shaft inter- 35 meshing with one of the gears of the clockmovement, a crank carried by the shaft, a reciprocatory escapement forming a part of the recording mechanism, and a pitman operatively connecting said crank and escape- 40 ment.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention I affix my signature, in presence of two subscribing witnesses, this 25th day of

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