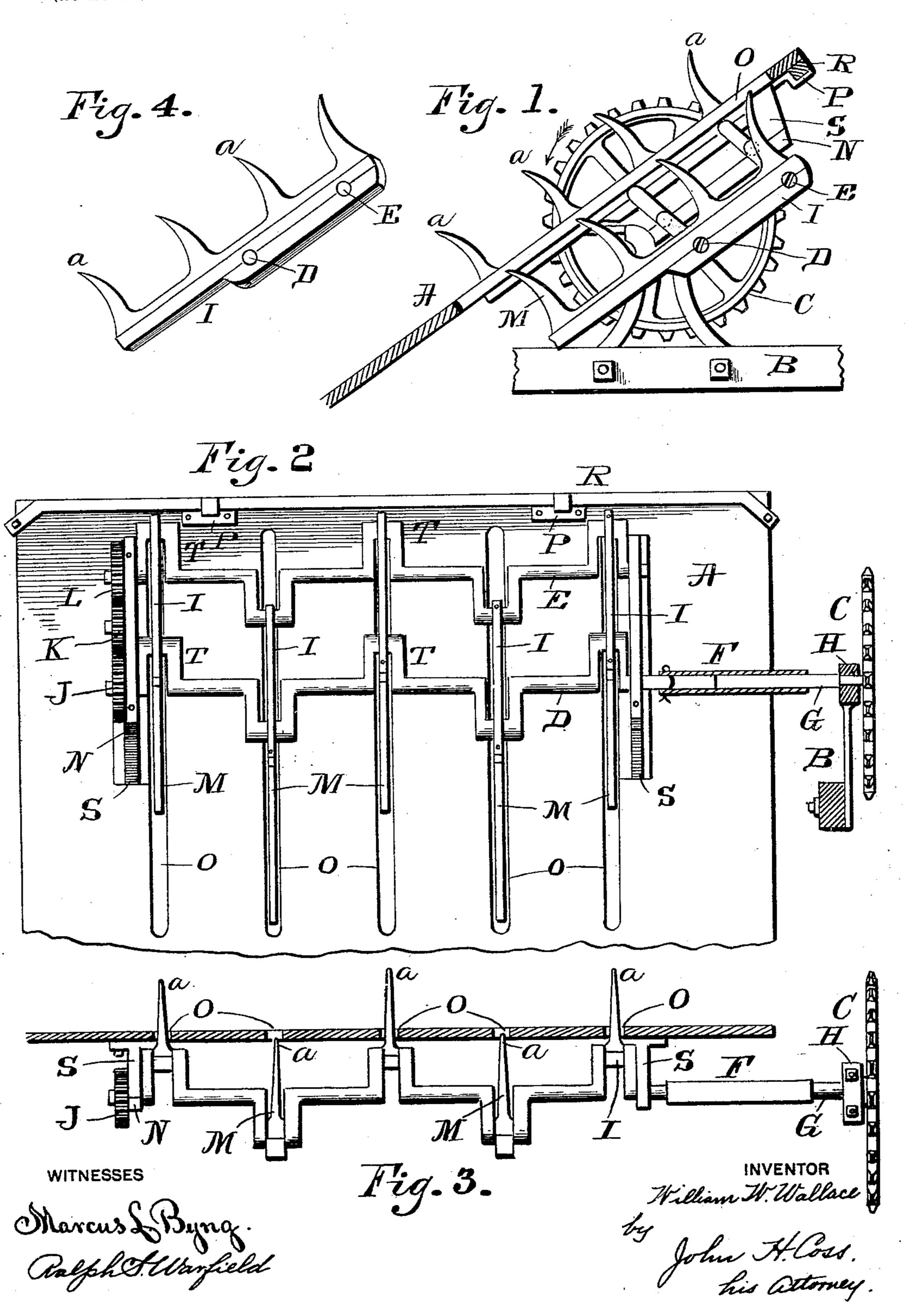
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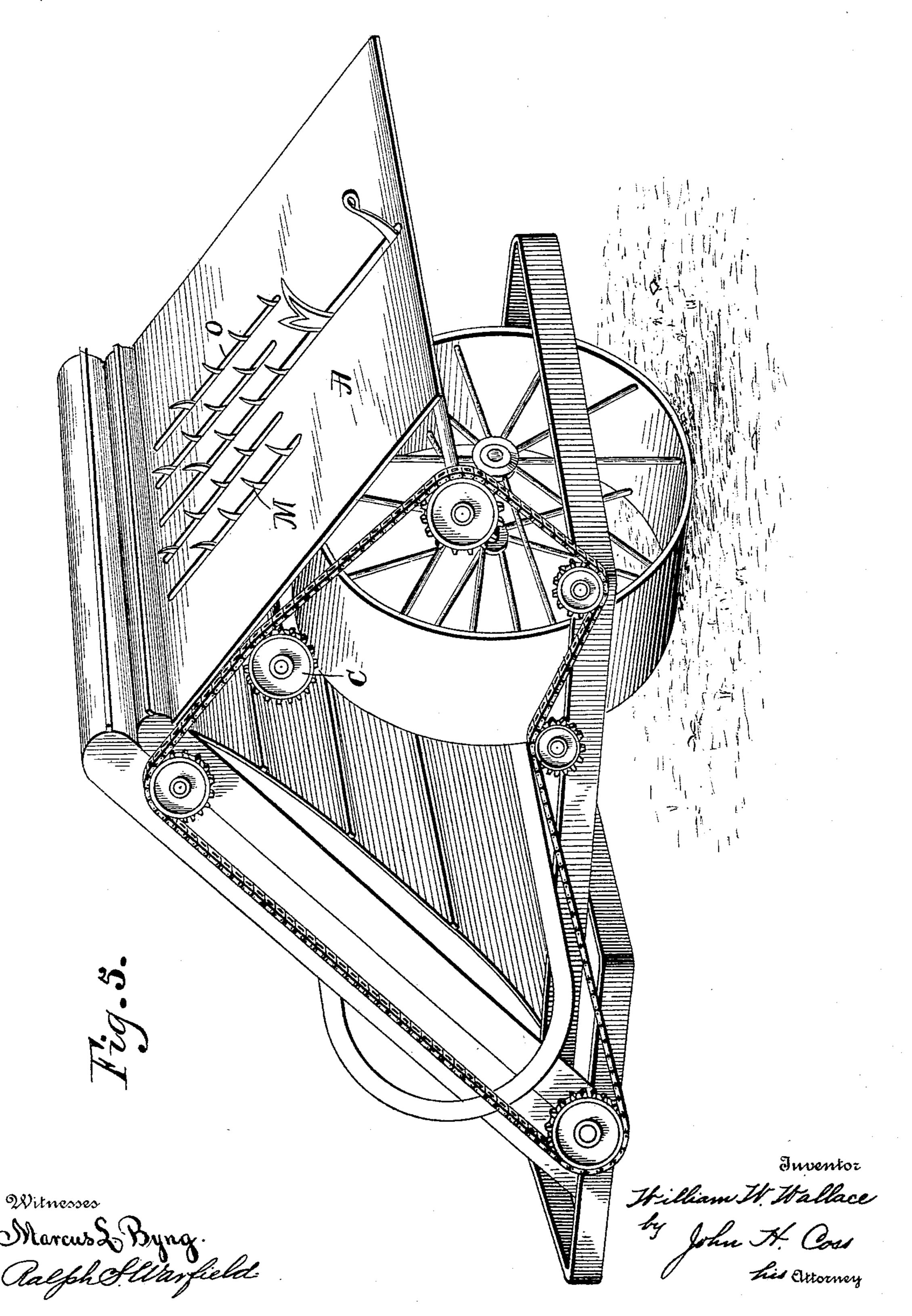
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## FEEDING DEVICE FOR SELF-BINDERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Beitknown that I, WILLIAM WILSON WALLACE, a citizen of the United States of America, and a resident of Mansfield, county of Richland, State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Feeding Devices for Self-Binders, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a new and useful 10 improved feeding device for self-binders.

The object of my improvement is to construct a feeding device for self-binders by means of which the straw, grain, &c., are uniformly and regularly and positively fed to the packer-arms, thereby obviating any clogging, choking, hanging, or backing up of the straw, grain, &c., against the web or elevator, making it necessary to remove the obstruction before the binder can be operated, thus adding to the expense and labor of operating the binder.

I overcome the above defects by means of my improved feeding device for self-binders by the mechanism illustrated in the accom-

25 panying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a sectional side view of a machine constructed in accordance with my invention. Fig. 2 is a bottom plan view of a machine constructed in accordance with my invention attached to the deck of the binder. Fig. 3 is a sectional end view showing position of feeder-teeth. Fig. 4 is a detached sectional view showing feeder-teeth and link for crank-shafts. Fig. 5 is a perspective view of a machine with my improvements attached.

Similar letters refer to similar parts through-

out the several views.

The table A is the deck of the binder to

which my improvement is attached.

B shows the standard, which is used as a bearing for the primary crank-shaft D. H shows the bearing in said standard B. The sprocket-wheel C is used to drive the primary crank-shaft D. The square sleeve F, into which is fitted the end of sprocket-shaft G, is for the purpose of keeping the sprocket-wheel and chain which passes over it in proper alinement and connect with the pri-

mary crank-shaft D. The primary crankshaft has a sprocket-wheel C thereon, by 50 means of which it is driven through a chain (shown in Fig. 5) from some moving part of the machine. A secondary crank-shaft E is parallel with shaft D and receives motion therefrom through a chain of gear-wheels J, 55 K, and L, which intermesh with one another. Motion is also communicated from one shaft to another through the links I I, connecting the opposite cranks of the two shafts, these links I I having the teeth M M thereon and 60 forming a part thereof. The teeth M M are formed and disposed substantially as shown, the upper one being bent or curved outwardly toward the elevators in order to take the straw at that point as fast as it is fed by the 65 elevators, and thereby prevent clogging of the feed, and the remaining three teeth curve or bend in the opposite direction to insure a positive downward feed of the grain toward the binder-needle. While one series of the 70 feeder-teeth is below the deck the other series is above, as shown on Fig. 3 at a, one series of feeder-teeth being in advance of the other series, as shown by the position of the feeder-teeth in slots O. The gears or cogs 75 LKJ are for the purpose of giving a uniform, positive, and regular motion to the crankshafts D and E.

It is important that the teeth M M should strike into the grain just as close to the ele-80 vator-belts as possible, and consequently the deck A must be shortened at the upper edge to bring about this result. To accomplish this, the reinforcing-strip R is secured beneath this upper shortened edge of the deck 85 by supports P P.

The hangers S are secured to the deck of the binder and supports the primary and secondary crank-shafts D and E. N designates the bearings for said crank-shafts. T shows 90 the relative position of the cranks on primary shaft D and secondary shaft E.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is--

The combination with a slotted inclining 95 deck, of a pair of parallel crank-shafts, links

extending from a crank on one shaft to an opposite crank on the other shaft, sets of teeth connected with said links, the upper tooth of each set bent or curved upward and backward to take the grain from the upper ends of the elevator-belts and the remaining teeth of each set curved or bent downwardly in the opposite direction to impart a positive

downward feed to the grain toward the needle and packer-arms.

Signed by me, at Mansfield, Ohio, this 30th

day of January, 1899.

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