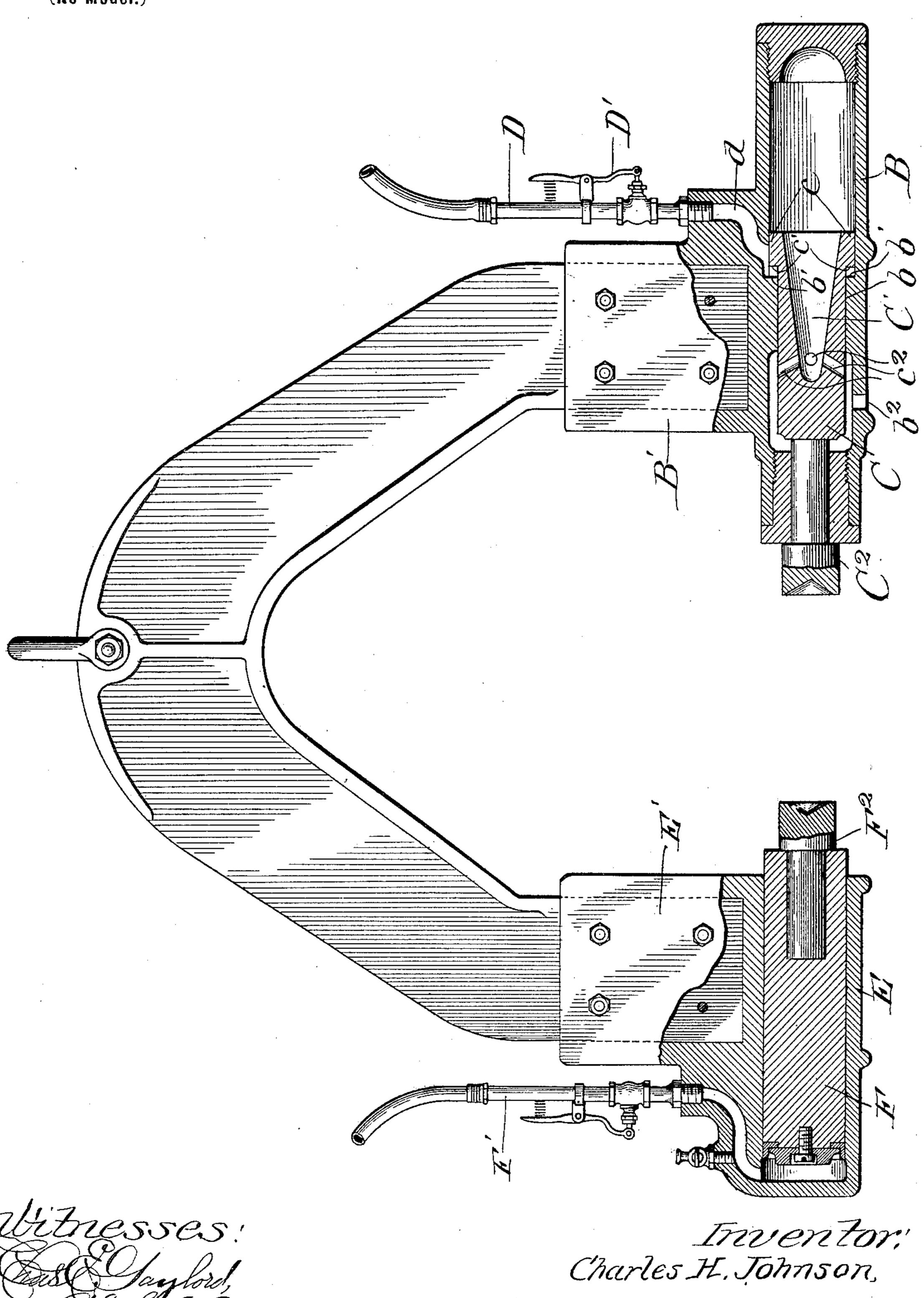
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES HARRIS JOHNson, a citizen of the United States, residing at Springfield, Illinois, have invented certain 5 new and useful Improvements in Riveting-Machines, of which the following is a specification.

My invention has more particular reference to what are known as "yoke riveting-10 machines," where the riveting is done with a reciprocating or percussion hammer; and it has for its object to relieve the yoke from the strain and jar given by the blows of the hammer; and my invention consists in the fea-15 tures and details of construction hereinafter described and claimed.

In the drawing I have represented a broken longitudinal sectional elevation of my im-

proved riveting-machine.

I make a yoke A, which may be made of the desired size and material. I make a cylinder B, provided with a laterally-extending socket B', adapted to fit over one end of the 25 yoke and to be riveted or otherwise attached thereto, as shown in the drawing. I reduce the interior diameter of the cylinder B a desired distance, as at b, providing a shoulder b'. I arrange in the cylinder a hammer-pis-30 ton C of a diameter to fit within the reduced diameter of the cylinder B, but provided with an enlarged head c, having a shoulder c'. The hammer-piston C is provided with an interior recess C' at what I term its "outer 35 end," into which ports c^2 lead. The cylinder B is also provided with a discharge-port b^2 , as shown in the drawing. When the piston is in its in or advanced position, the shoulders b' and c' are in proximity to each other. A 40 pipe D leads from a source of fluid-supply, as steam or compressed air, and opens into cylinder B between the shoulders b' and c'through a port d. Valve mechanism, as D', may be employed for admitting or excluding 45 the air or other motive fluid. In operation the compressed air or other motive fluid in the cylinder B between the shoulders b' and c' forces the hammer-piston back or out until the ports c^2 pass the shoulder b', when the 50 air or other motive fluid that has been operating between the shoulders b' and c' passes through the ports c^2 into recess C', so as to op-

erate between the outer end of the cylinder and the outer end of the piston and cause the piston to again be advanced or moved 55 in. As the hammer-piston moves in the ports c^2 discharge into the inner space leading to the exhaust-port b^2 and allow the air that had passed in behind the outer end of the piston to escape. At the other end of the yoke I ar- 60 range another cylinder E, provided with a lateral socket E', permitting it to be attached by riveting or in any other desirable way to the end of the yoke to which it belongs. I arrange a hold-on piston F in the cylinder and 65 lead a pipe F' from a source of compressed air or other motive fluid into the cylinder behind the hold-on piston, so that by admitting the motive fluid the hold-on piston can be advanced a desired distance and held in its ad-70 vanced position by the compressed air be-In making my improved riveting-machine | hind it. Of course it will be understood that the front end of the hammer-cylinder carries a rivet-die C² and that the hold-on piston F carries a second rivet-die F², as shown in the 75 drawing.

> In operation the plates intended to be riveted are placed between the rivet-dies with the rivet in place and its head toward the rivet-die F². The compressed air or other 80 motive fluid is now admitted through the pipe F' and the hold-on piston F advanced until its rivet-die rests against the head of the rivet. The air or other motive fluid is then introduced through the pipe D into the cyl- 85 inder B, so that the hammer-piston is reciprocated, as already described, so as to administer a series of rapid and sharp blows on the end of the rivet-die C². As these blows are administered the hold-on piston F, with its go rivet-die, is allowed to give or yield on its cushion of compressed air sufficiently to relieve the yoke from the jar and strain that it would be subjected to were not the yielding cushion provided behind the hold-on piston 95 F to receive the impact of the blows administered by the hammer.

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

1. In a portable riveter, the combination of 100 a bifurcated yoke, one end of which has a fluid-pressure cylinder in which a clampingpiston is reciprocatingly mounted and the other end with a cylinder having a percus-

sion-hammer arranged therein and a die interposed between the hammer and rivet to be operated on and held in position by the percussion-hammer cylinder, substantially as de-5 scribed.

2. In a pneumatic riveter, the combination with a yoke, of a hold-on having a rivet-die, a pneumatic hammer comprising a hammer-cylinder and a hammer-piston, a rivet-die supported by the cylinder of the hammer-

piston, and fluid-pressure means for causing the said hammer and hold-on to automatically clamp and hold the rivet between the rivetdies during the operation of the pneumatic hammer.

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