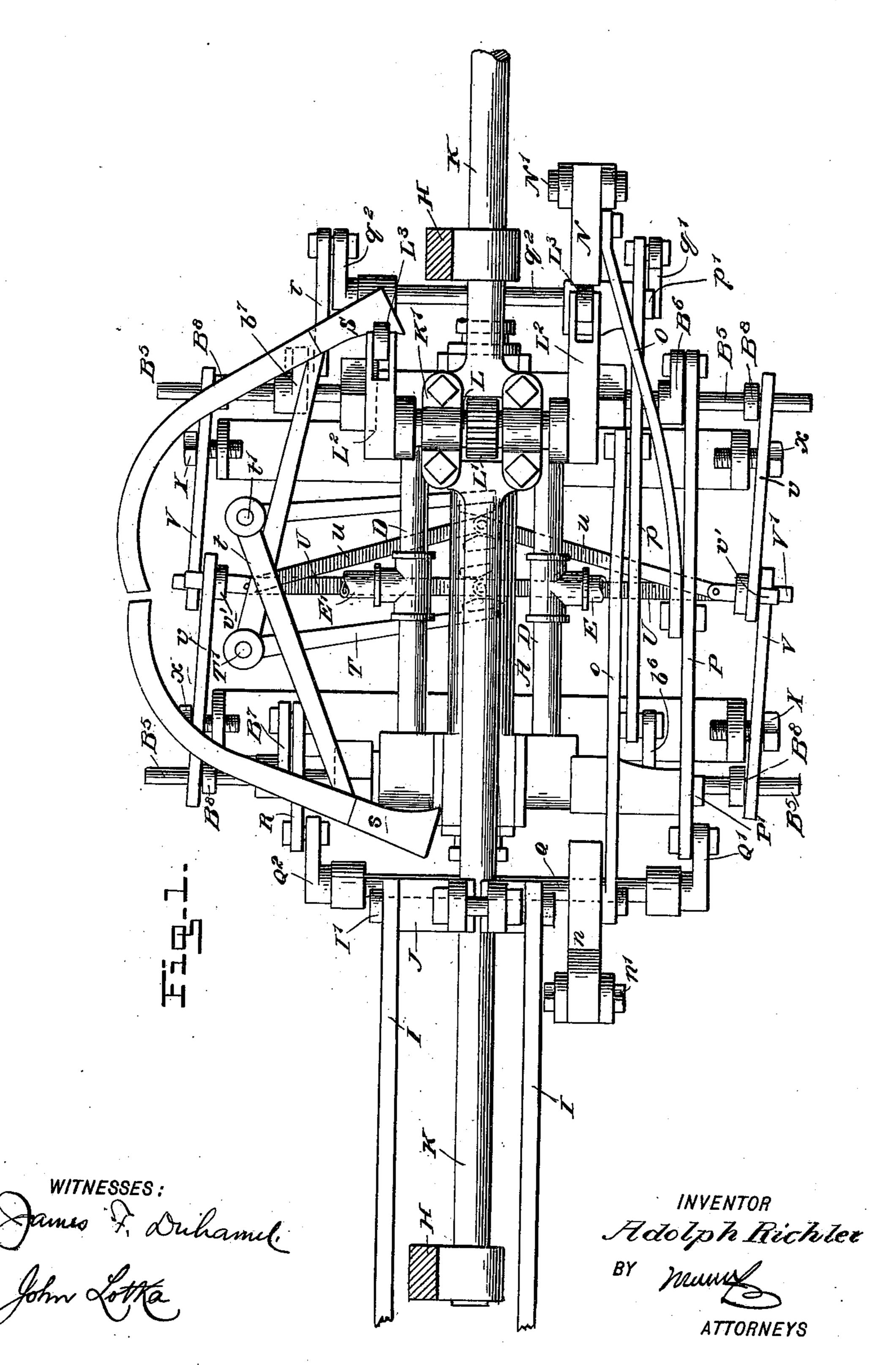
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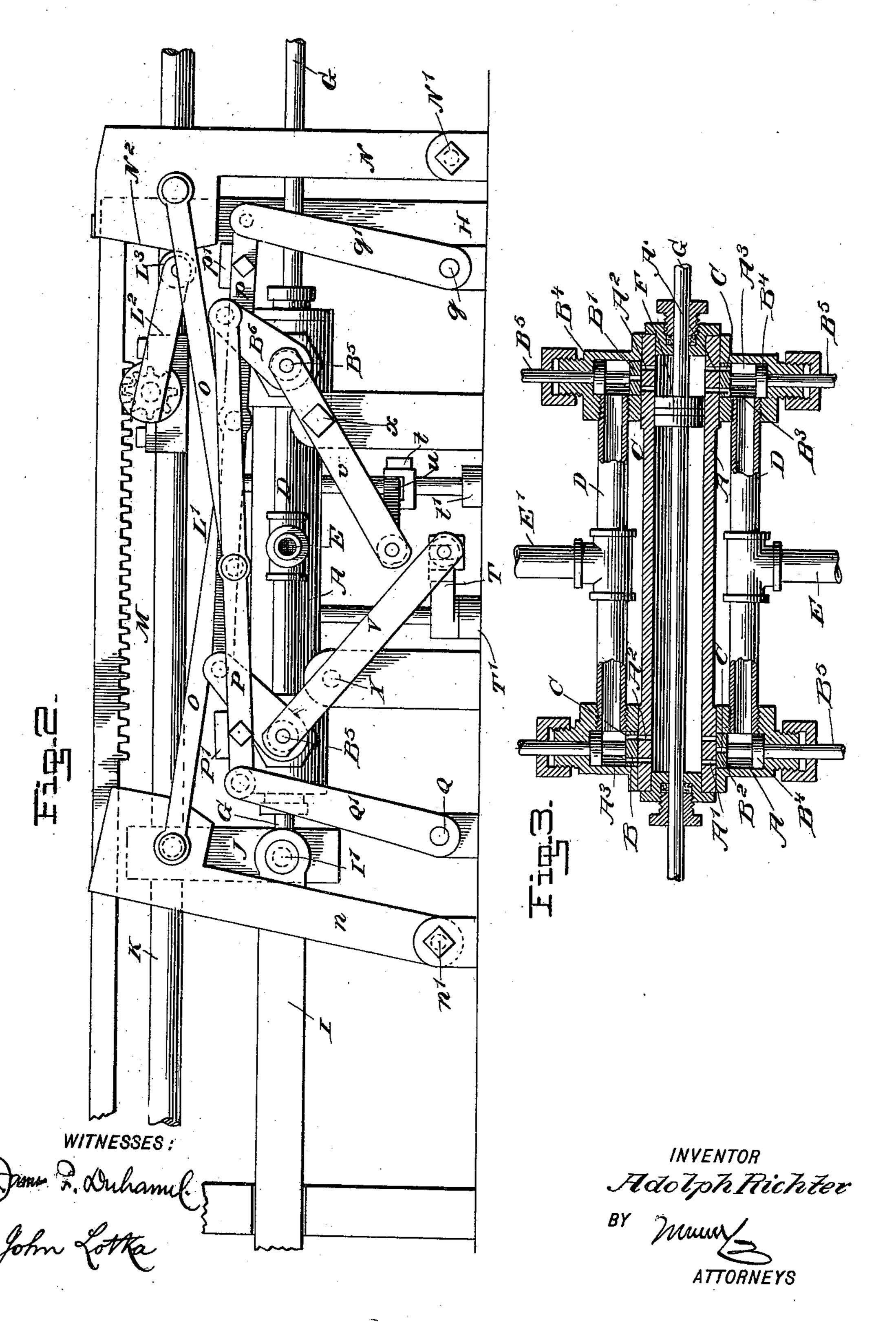
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ADOLPH RICHTER, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of New York, borough of Manhattan, county and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Valve-Motion for Pumps, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to pumps, and has for to its object to enable a high pressure to be exerted with a pump having a relatively small

cylinder.

To this end I provide means for periodically pressing the valves against their seats tightly and relieving the pressure temporarily to allow the position of the valves to be changed, as will be fully described hereinafter, and particularly pointed out in the appended claims.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures.

Figure 1 is a plan of a pump provided with my improvement. Fig. 2 is a front elevation thereof, and Fig. 3 is a sectional plan showing only the cylinder with its valves and suc-

tion and delivery connections.

The cylinder A has inlet-ports A' and out-30 let-ports A². These are adapted to be alternately opened and closed by valves B B' B² B³, mounted to turn or to oscillate, said valves having eccentric ports C, which in one position (see valves B B³) register with the respec-35 tive ports A' A^2 , while in the other position, as shown for valves B' B2, the ports A' A2 are closed. The valves are located in chambers A³, communicating by pipes D with the inlet or suction pipe E and the outlet or delivery 40 pipe E'. The valves are capable of a very slight endwise play in the chambers A³, their outward movement being limited by collars B⁴ on rods B⁵, to which the valves are secured, and the play is just sufficient to allow the 45 valves to turn readily when they are not pressed inward against their seats. Within the cylinder A moves the piston F, secured to the reciprocating piston-rod G, which is guided in the frame-posts H and is connected 50 by a pin I' with connecting-rods I, receiving motion from an engine in any suitable manner. The pin I' also connects the piston-rod |

G and the connecting-rods I with a cross-head J, the upper portion of which is secured to a reciprocating rod K, guided in the frame and 55 carrying bearings K', in which is journaled a shaft L. The central portion of this shaft carries a pinion L', arranged in engagement with a stationary rack M. The ends of the shaft carry arms L², provided with rollers L³ 60 at their ends. It will be understood that as this rod K reciprocates the arms L² will be swung first in one direction and then in the other. The arm L² on one side of the pump (the suction side, as shown) is adapted to op- 65 erate the mechanism for turning the valves to change their position. This mechanism comprises a lever N, fulcrumed at N' and having a surface N², adapted to be engaged by a roller L³, as shown in Fig. 2. By a link 70 O this arm is connected with a rod P, one end of which operates a crank-arm B⁶ on the rod B⁵ of the suction-valve B³ to turn said valve. The other end of the rod P is secured to a crank-arm Q' on a cross-shaft Q, extending 75 to the other or delivery side of the pump and there carrying another crank-arm Q2, connected by a rod R with a crank-arm B⁷ on the rod B⁵ of the delivery-valve B. The valves B B³ are therefore turned by the arm L² when 80 it reaches its extreme position toward the right. When it moves toward the left, said arm is adapted to engage an arm n, fulcrumed at n', connected with the suction-valve B^2 and the delivery-valve B', having crank-arms 85 b^6 and b^7 , respectively, in the same manner as described with reference to the other valves, as will be obvious from the similar referenceletters indicating corresponding parts.

Each of the rods P and p carries adjacent 90 to the levers or arms Q' and q', respectively, a block P' or p', against which the roller L^3 is adapted to abut after engaging the adjacent lever n or N, respectively, to change the position first of the valves operated by the 95 lever n or N and immediately thereafter that of the valves connected with the lever or arm

Q' or q'.

The mechanism for pressing the valves tightly against their seats and for relieving 100 the pressure is operated by the arm L² on the delivery side of the pump and is constructed as follows: Into the path of the arm L², at the right-hand side, extends an operating-bar S, se-

cured rigidly to an elbow-lever T, fulcrumed at T'. The other arm of the elbow-lever engages toggle-links U, pivotally connected therewith and connected at their free ends 5 with studs V', secured to spring-arms V, which are supported adjustably by screws X and engage collars B⁸ upon the rods B⁵ of the valves B' and B². On the left-hand side the same mechanism is duplicated, its parts be-10 ing designated by similar letters. The valves B and B³ are operatively connected with the arms v. The ends of the operating bars Ss are adapted to engage each other. The springarms V v when forced outward by the tog-15 gle-links U u press the valves tightly against their seats. When the links U u are moved to form an angle, they allow the arms V v to relax, so as to relieve the valves of pressure.

It will be seen by reference to Fig. 1 that 20 the arms L² on the same shaft are not parallel, but form an angle with each other.

In operation the parts are so timed that the pressure on the valves is relieved before they are turned, and after they have been turned 25 they are pressed against their seats tightly, thus allowing high pressures to be obtained without danger of leakage. The arms ∇v by their engagement cause the valves B B³ to be tightened at about the same time the valves 30 B' B² are freed, and vice versa. The screws X afford a means of varying the tension of the spring-arms ∇v .

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters 35 Patent—

1. In a pump, the combination with the pump casing or barrel, and the movable fluidpropelling member, of valves mounted to turn and controlling the inlet and the outlet 40 of the pump-casing respectively, means for turning said valves about their axes, a holding device for pressing the valves axially against their seats when the valves are stationary, and means for throwing said holding 45 device momentarily out of action when the valves are to be turned.

2. In a pump, the combination, with the

pump casing or barrel, and the movable fluidpropelling member, of valves controlling the inlet and the outlet of the pump-casing re- 50 spectively, means for moving said valves, and a locking or holding device for pressing the valves tightly against their seats when the valves are stationary, said device consisting of spring-arms arranged to press the valves 55 axially, toggle-levers connected with said arms, and means for operating the togglelevers.

3. In a pump, the combination, with the pump casing or barrel, and the movable fluid- 60 propelling member, of valves controlling the inlet and the outlet of the pump-casing respectively, means for moving said valves, a slide held to move in unison with the fluidpropelling member, a shaft journaled in said 65 slide, and provided with a projection, means for turning the shaft by the reciprocating movement of the slide, and a device for pressing the valves tightly against their seats, said device being adapted for operation by the pro- 70 jection on the said shaft.

4. In a pump, the combination, with the pump casing or barrel, and the movable fluidpropelling member, of valves controlling the inlet and the outlet of the pump-casing re- 75 spectively, means for moving said valves, a slide held to move in unison with the fluidpropelling member, a shaft journaled in said slide, and provided with a projection, means for turning the shaft by the reciprocating 80 movement of the slide, levers adapted to engage one another and extending into the path of said projection to be operated thereby, toggle-levers connected with said levers, and a pressure device connected with the toggle-85 levers for pressing the valves against their seats.

In witness whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

ADOLPH RICHTER.

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