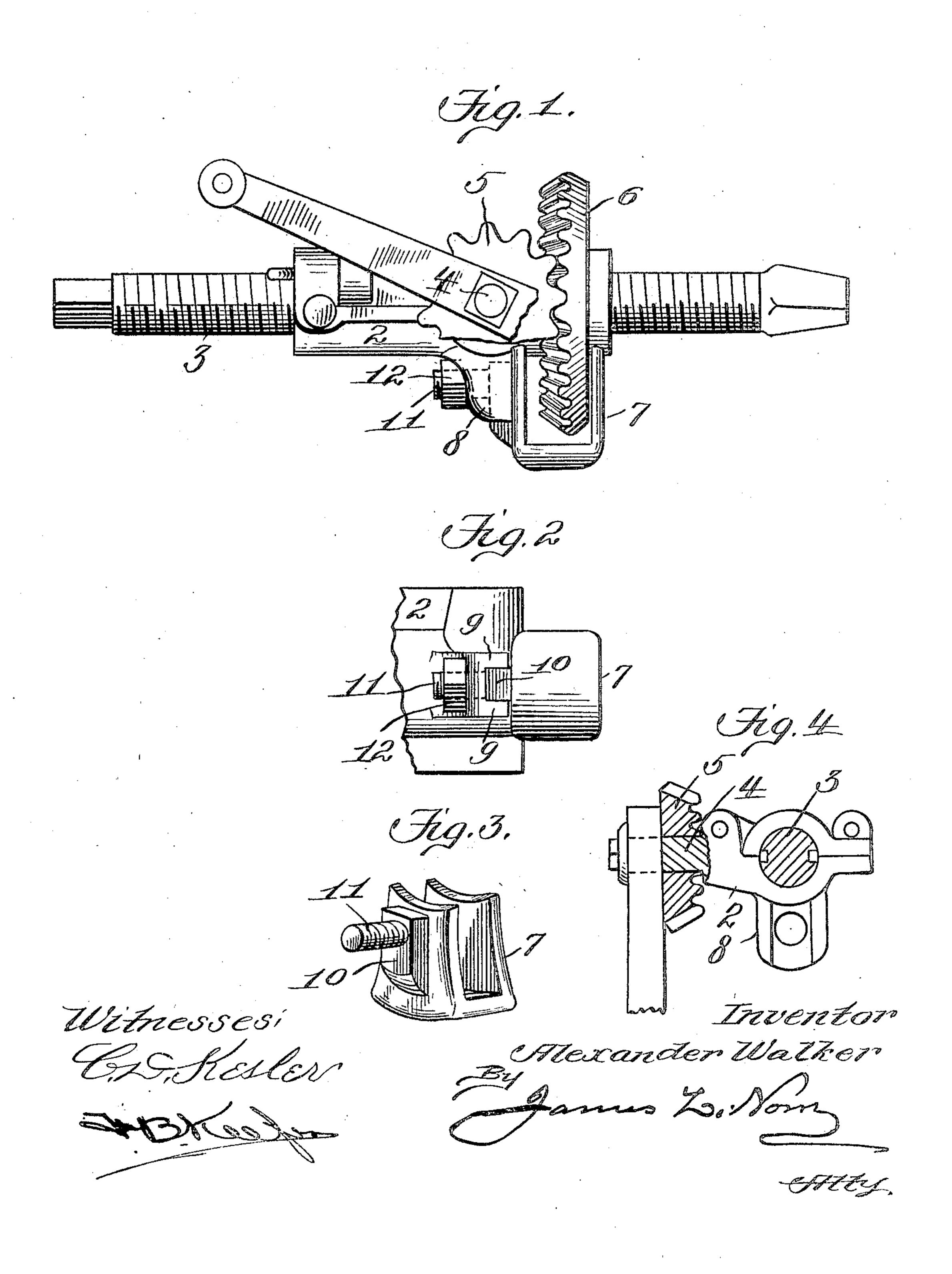
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DRILLING-MACHINE.

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To all whom it may concern:

a citizen of the United States, residing at 5 State of Iowa, have invented new and useful Improvements in Drilling-Machines, of which

the following is a specification.

This invention relates to drilling-machines, the improvements being directed particu-10 larly to that type of machines for drilling rock, coal, and the like. A drilling-machine of such character involves two meshing gears ordinarily of the bevel form. These gears wear in use, causing backlash and an imper-15 fect mesh. By virture of my invention I insure at all times a proper mesh of the gears, for I provide means of a simple and feasible nature for taking up all wear between them.

In the drawings accompanying and form-20 ing a part of this specification I show a simple form of embodiment of the invention which to enable those skilled in the art to practice said invention I will set forth in detail in the following description, while the 25 novelty of said invention will be included in the claims succeeding said description.

In said drawings, Figure 1 is a side elevation of a drilling-machine involving my invention. Fig. 2 is a detail view hereinafter 30 more particularly described. Fig. 3 is a detail view in perspective of a yoke. Fig. 4 is a cross-sectional elevation, the section being taken substantially centrally through the gear 5.

Like characters refer to like parts through-

out the several figures.

The machine illustrated involves in its construction a boxing, as 2, and a shaft, as 3, shown as extending through the boxing. 40 These two parts may be of the ordinary construction and therefore need no specific description. The shaft 3, as is the custom, is longitudinally threaded to fit corresponding threads on the boxing, by reason of which 45 when the shaft is turned it will be given an endwise movement. A stub-shaft, as 4, is carried by the boxing 2 and serves as a convenient support for a bevel-gear, as 5, the latter being adapted to mesh with a bevel-50 gear, as 6, splined to or feathered upon the shaft or threaded rod 3. In practice a manually-operable device is directly associated with the bevel pinion or gear 5, and when said device is actuated the bevel pinion or

gear 5 will be turned to effect the rotation of 55 Be it known that I, Alexander Walker, | the companion bevel-gear 6 and the consequent rotation of the shaft or threaded rod 3. What Cheer, in the county of Keokuk and | It should be understood that the bevel-gear 6, which directly rotates the shaft 3, is held against longitudinal movement with said 60 shaft, and for this purpose I show a yoke, as 7.

The yoke 7 is associated with the boxing in a novel manner, as will hereinafter appear. The bevel-gear 6 fits between the branches of the yoke 7, what might be considered the 65 outer branch of the yoke, bearing against the outer face of the body of said bevel-gear 6, while said inner branch is concaved to fit against the hub of the gear. The yoke serves as a holding device to positively hold the gear 7° 6 in mesh with the gear 5, and it is so mounted and related with the other parts of the machine that wear between these two gears can be taken up and the same applies to wear between the gear 6 and the boxing, by reason of 75 which I can assure a desirable mesh between the two gears. Upon the boxing is a bracket or projection 8, apertured to produce parallel side flanges or cheeks 9 to snugly receive between them the offstanding lug10 on the inner 80 branch of the yoke 7. The fit of the lug between these flanges prevents lateral motion of the voke, the latter bearing solidly against the edges of the flanges. From the lug 10 extends a screw 11, projecting through a per- 85 foration in the bracket or projection 8, and which is provided with a nut, as 12, to draw the yoke solidly against the lug, whereby the yoke in turn will press the gear 6 into accurate mesh with the gear 5. Should it be de- 9° sired to take up any wear between the two gears or between the gear 6 and the boxing, the nut 12 will be removed and the yoke taken from place, following which the edges of the flanges 9 will be filed away sufficient to 95 compensate for the wear, after which the yoke will be put in place and the nut 12 applied to its screw and then tightened. It requires but a very short space of time to remove the yoke and to file away the flanges 9.

Having described the invention, what I

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claim is—

1. The combination of a boxing, a shaft rotatably connected with the boxing, the latter having an apertured projection, a gear 105 for turning the shaft, a second gear in mesh with the first gear, a yoke to receive and to hold the second gear in mesh with the first

gear, said yoke having a lug to fit the aperture of said projection, and a screw extending from said lug, the projection being perforated to receive the screw, and a nut upon the screw to jam the yoke against the projection.

2. The combination of a boxing, a shaft rotatably connected with the boxing, the latter having a projection, a gear for turning the shaft, a second gear in mesh with the first gear, a yoke to receive and to hold the second gear in mesh with the first gear, said yoke

having a lug to engage against said projection, and a screw extending from the lug, the projection being perforated to receive the 15 screw, and a nut upon the screw to jam the yoke against the projection.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in presence of two subscribing wit-

nesses.

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