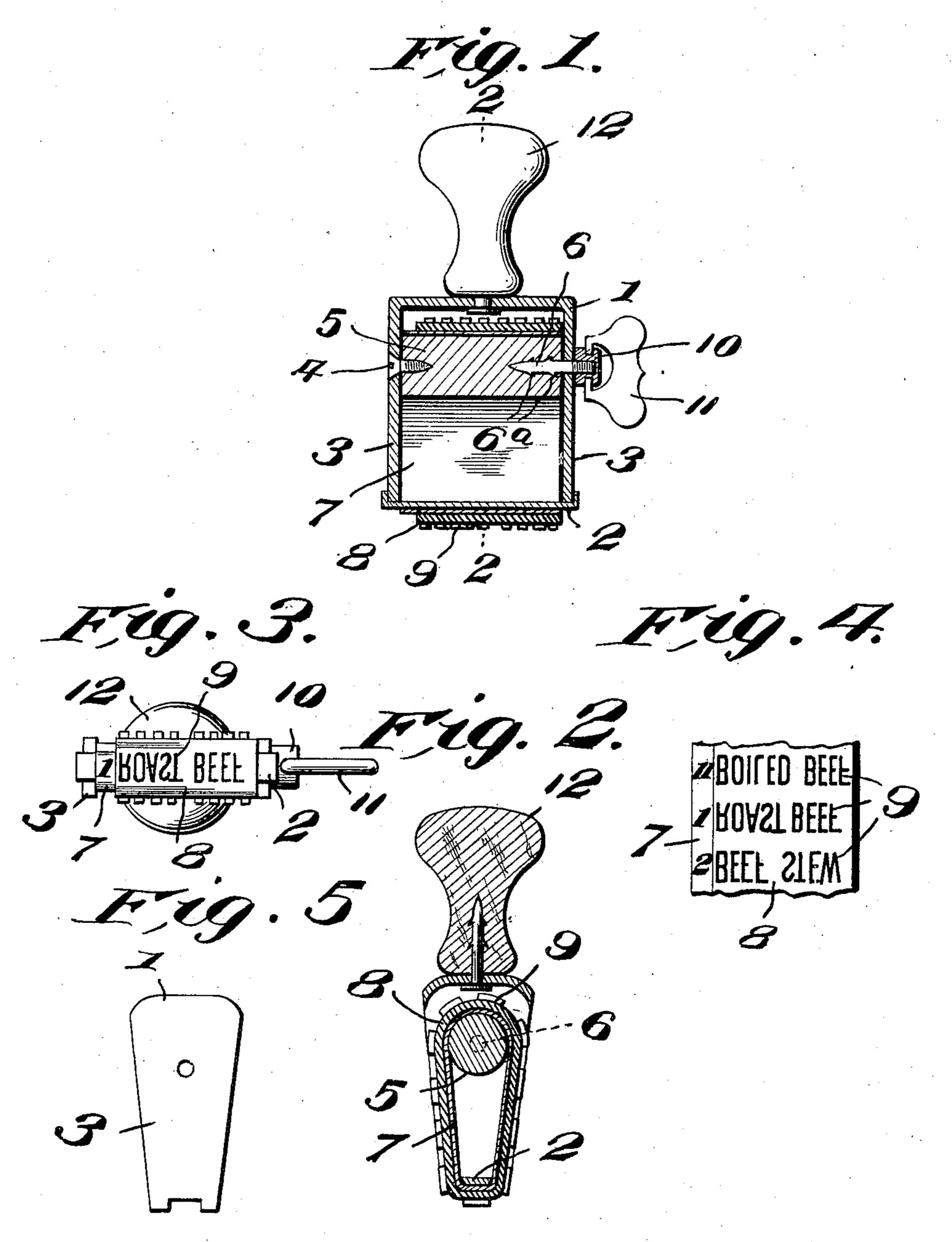
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Abraham Heller, a citizen of the United States, residing at New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Stamps; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to new and useful improvements in stamps and more particularly to that class adapted to be used for printing signs, menu cards, etc., and my object is to provide means for securing a plurality of different names to an endless belt.

15 A further object is to provide means for securing the belt within the frame of the stamp, and a still further object is to provide means for rotating the belt so that any name desired may be brought to the lower end of the stamp where the same may be printed upon an object.

Other objects and advantages will be hereinafter referred to and more particularly pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings which are made a part of this application, Figure 1 is a central, vertical, sectional view of my improved form of stamp. Fig. 2 is a sectional view as seen on line 2—2, Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a bottom plan view thereof. Fig. 4 is a plan view of a portion of the endless belt showing a plurality of names printed thereon, and, Fig. 5 is a detail side elevation of the frame with parts carried thereby, removed.

Referring to the drawings in which similar reference numerals designate corresponding parts throughout the several views, 1 indicates the frame of my improved 35 stamp which is preferably U-shaped and is provided at its lower end with a bar 2, said bar engaging the free ends of the depending arms 3 of the frame. Extending between the upper ends of the arms 3 is a drum 5, said drum being held in position between the arms by di-40 recting a screw 4 through an opening in one of the arms 3 and into the end of the drum, while the opposite end of the drum is supported upon a shaft 6, one end of which is pointed and provided with prongs 6a, the prongs serving to hold the shaft in a fixed position when 45 the pointed end of the shaft is driven into the drum. Extending around the drum 5 and bar 2 is an endless belt 7, over the outer surface of which is disposed a coating of rubber, or like yielding substance 8, on the outer surface of which is formed a plurality of letters 9, said 50 letters forming different names, so that when one of the

names is disposed directly below the bar 2, the name so disposed may be printed by first placing ink upon the letters and then resting the bottom of the stamp upon an object.

In order to readily rotate the endless belt so that any 55 one of the names upon the outer surface thereof may be disposed below the bar 2, the shaft 6 is extended beyond the outer face of its respective arm 3 and threaded to receive a nut 10, to which is pivotally secured a wing 11, and it will be readily seen that by grasping the wing 60 and rotating the drum, the belt will move around the drum until the proper name is disposed below the bar 2.

As the names upon the belt are arranged to read negatively when looking at the stamp, I provide a number for each of the names and by placing the same on a projecting edge of the belt immediately before a name, said numbers being so arranged that they will read positively when looking at the stamp, and learning to what particular name each number alludes, the operator is enabled to quickly place the name desired below the 70 bar by rotating the drum and said result can be accomplished without stopping to read the name. These numbers are placed directly upon the face of the belt and below the plane of the letters forming the names so that said numbers will not be printed when the stamp 75 is used.

The frame 1 is provided with the usual form of knob 12, by which means the stamp may be grasped and readily placed in position to imprint the character on an object.

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It will thus be seen that I have provided a very cheap and economical form of stamp for the purpose intended and by forming the belt in one piece, the entire name may be moved in position to be printed at one rotating of the drum.

What I claim is:

A stamp of the class described, comprising the combination with a frame, a bar at the lower end of said frame, a drum adjacent the upper end of the frame and means to rotate said drum; of an endless belt extending around said drum and bar and of a width equal to the length of the drum, a coating of yielding substance on the outer surface of said belt and of less width than the belt, a plurality of letters formed from said yielding substance, said letters forming names, and means on that portion of the belt not 95 covered by the yielding substance to readily ascertain the names upon the belt.

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

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