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Printing Checks.

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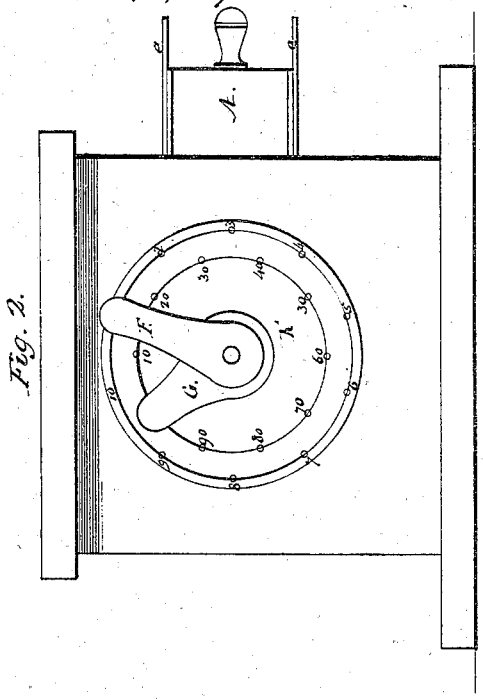

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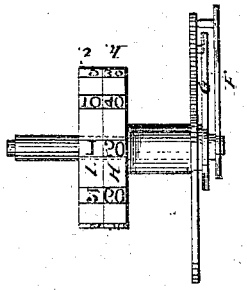

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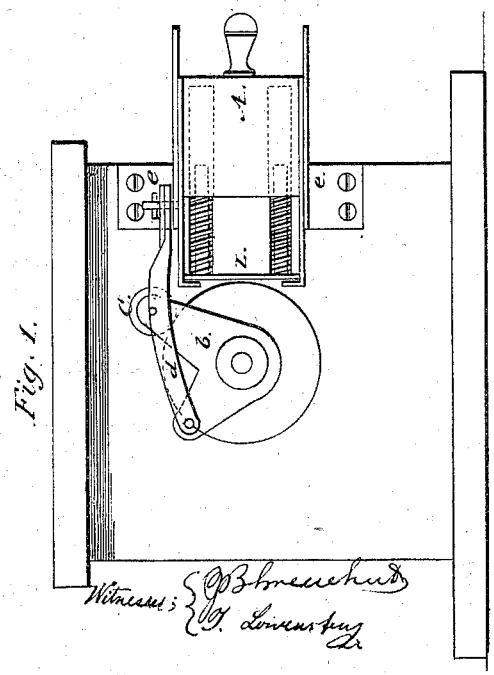
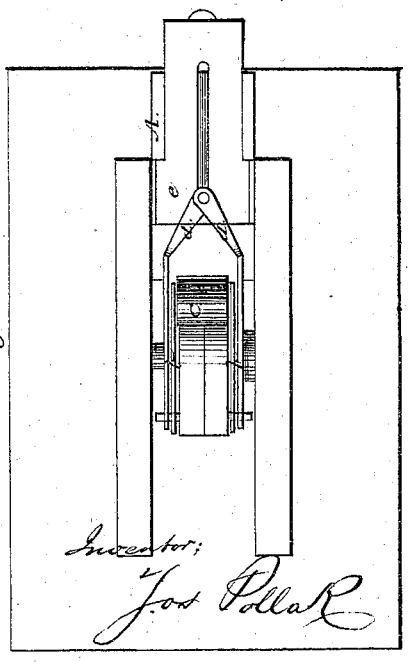


Fig. 1.



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MACHINE FOR PRINTING CHECKS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSEPH POLLAK, of the city of Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented a new and useful Machine for the Use of Printing Checks; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the construction and operation of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawings, making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 2 is a perspective view; Fig. 1, a lateral and Fig. 3 an upper inside view, and Fig. 4 a lateral view, of the printing-wheels with plate and hands attached.

To enable others skilled in the art to make and use my invention, I will proceed to describe its construction and operation.

I construct two or more metal wheels, on the circumference of which I engrave figures, as shown at *h* and *i*, and these wheels, being placed side by side, form units, tens, hundreds, and thousands, for the use of printing. Each of the printing-wheels H and I is attached to a different axle, which slide within each other, and on the end of each axle a hand is attached, F and G. In the end of each hand a pin is fastened, the point of which fits into a socket which is opposite each number. On the plate K the figures correspond with the figures of the printing-wheels H and I, so that by moving the hands F and G on the plate K the same number will be produced on the printing-wheels H and I as shown on the plate K. I then construct a check-holder, A. The end board, L, is pressed forward by the springs *m m*. By pressing back the board L the checks upon which the numbers are to be printed are deposited in the space previously occupied by the board L, the checks being thus continually held forward by the springs *m m*. The check-holder A has a pin on the top and bottom attached, both of which slide in grooves cut in the projecting-plate *e*. On the upper pin of the check-holder A the rods *d d* are attached, which are connected with the arm *b*, which revolves on the same axle with the printing-wheels H and I. The ink-roller C presses closely on the printing-wheels H and I, and is attached to the arm *b*. By drawing out the check-holder A to the end of the groove in the projecting plates *e e* it will swing around, so that the check printed can be readily taken from the holder. The drawing out of the check-holder will cause the ink-roller C to be brought down and dip into a cup fastened underneath, and for this purpose containing printer's ink.

To operate this machine is simply to move the hands F and G to any desired number of the plate K, the checks being deposited in the holder A, as before described. The check-holder A is then pressed in against the printing-wheels H and I. In pressing in the check-holder A the ink-roller C is brought up, and thereby inking the number which is to be printed. The check-holder is then drawn out and the printed check taken from the same, as above described.

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

The device for printing numbers on checks, as herein described, which can be constructed so that it may be attached to scales or otherwise where such printing is required.

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