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CLOTH SHEARING MACHINE.

No. 183,897.

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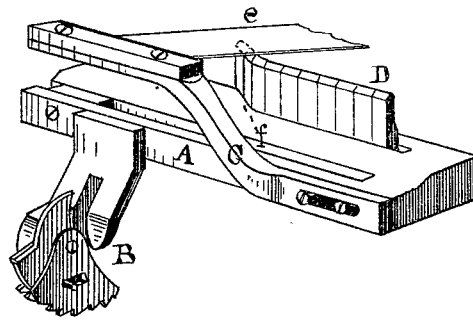


Fig. 1.

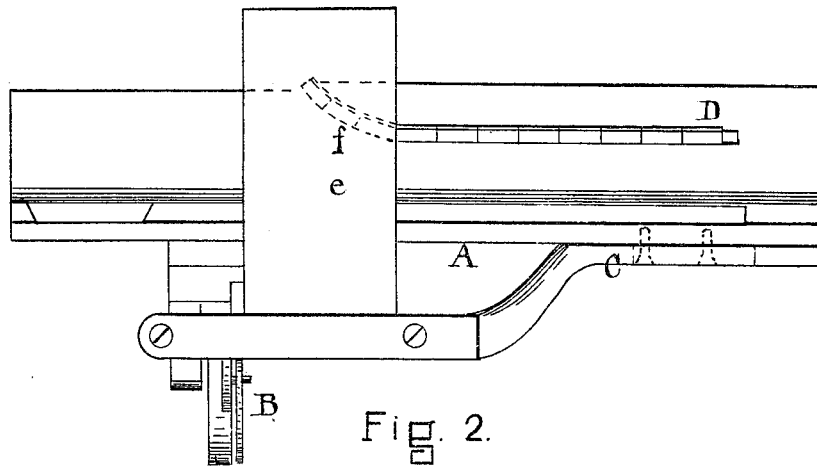


Fig. 2.

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IMPROVEMENT IN CLOTH-SHEARING MACHINES.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. **183,897**, dated October 31, 1876; application filed August 5, 1876.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ISAAC BROOKS, of Dover, New Hampshire, have invented an Improvement in Cloth-Shearing Machine, of which the following is a specification:

This invention relates to an attachment for cloth-shearing machines to protect the selvage from the action of the shearing-knife.

It is here described as applied to the cloth-shearing machines of Woolson, patented August 16, 1864.

In the drawing, Figure 1 is an illustration, in perspective, of the gage-bar, feelers, and rest with this attachment applied.

A is the gage-bar. B represents the feelers, and D is the movable rest, upon which the cloth is sheared. At *f* is the angle over which the selvage runs. All these parts are similar to the parts in the Woolson machine.

In shearing cloth with a long-fibered selvage, the fibers are very apt to be cut, and my invention is to attach to the gage-bar A a bracket, C, carrying a strip of paper, thin smooth cloth, or other suitable fabric, *e*, which covers the selvage in the operation of shearing, and protects the fibers from destruction.

I claim—

In combination with the rest D of a cloth-shearing machine, the strip of thin smooth fabric *e*, extended over the selvage of the cloth at the angle of the rest, and protecting the fibers of the selvage in the operation of shearing, substantially as described.

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