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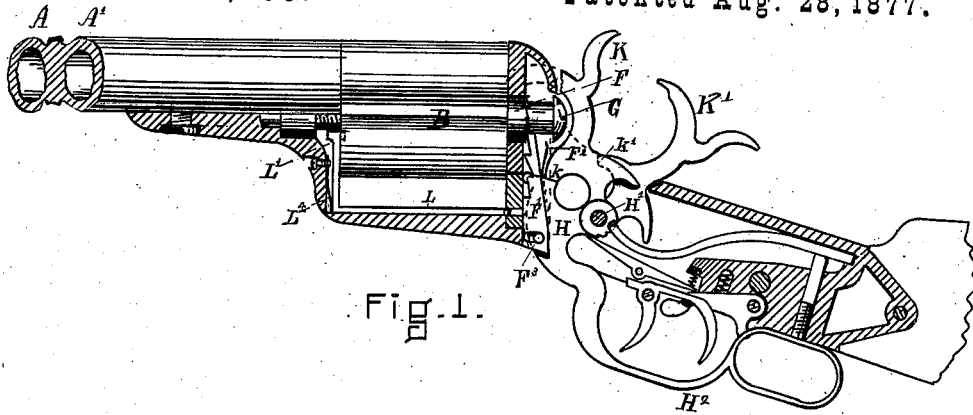


Fig. 1.

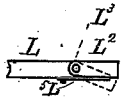


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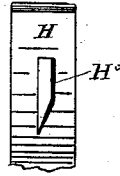


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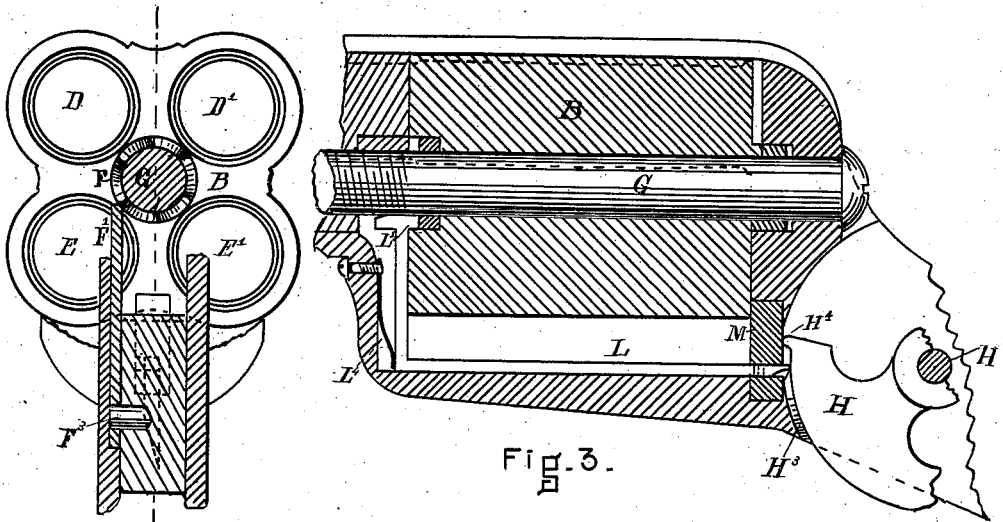


Fig. 2.

Fig. 3.

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IMPROVEMENT IN REVOLVING FIRE-ARMS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES A. CROCKER, of Providence, in the county of Providence and State of Rhode Island, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Breech-Loading Guns, of which the following is a specification:

The nature of my invention consists in combining with a double-barreled gun revolving charge-chambers, said chambers being so arranged and connected with guard and intermediate operating mechanism, that a single movement of the guard brings a new pair of charge-chambers in line with the pair of barrels.

My invention also consists in certain details of construction, which may be best understood by reference to the drawings.

Figure 1 is a view showing the barrels and charge-chamber in elevation, also the other parts in section and elevation. Fig. 2 is a view showing the rear end of the charge-chambers, the crown-ratchet and pawl for revolving the same, also part of the guard and clamping device. Fig. 3 is a vertical longitudinal section through the charge-chamber and adjacent parts. Figs. 4 and 5 are details relating to the chamber-locking device.

A A', Fig. 1, represent two barrels of a double-barreled gun or pistol. These, together with the stock, triggers, and hammers, may be made in any desired style and manner, and need not be further described.

The charge-chambers D D' E E', Fig. 2, are formed in the revolving block B, Figs. 1, 2, and 3. This revolving block is hung on the spindle G, and has attached to its rear end a crown-ratchet, F. H H² is the guard, which is hung on a pivot, H¹, in common with the two hammers K K'. This guard when thrown out throws up the pawl F¹, which is connected to it by the pin F³, and thus acting on the crown-ratchet F causes the charge-chamber block B to revolve through one half-revolution, the pawl F¹ being held against the ratchet by the spring F², Fig. 1. This movement of the guard also serves to cock the hammers, which it does by coming in contact with the shoulders k k', Fig. 1, of the hammers, and thus forcing them back.

L L¹, Figs. 1 and 3, is a bent rod, which

serves to lock the charge-chamber block B, the point L¹ entering a recess made in the block B. This rod is thrown so as to engage with the recess by the spring L⁴, which is disengaged from the block B by a switch-cam, H³, Figs. 5 and 3, formed in the guard H H², which acts in the following manner: The bent rod L terminates in a swinging switch, L², pivoted to it at L³, and held in line by a spring, L⁵, Fig. 4, so that when the guard H H² is thrown down, the switch-cam H³ comes in contact with L², and forces L and L¹ forward, so that the point L¹ is disengaged from the charge-chamber block B, thus leaving the block free to be revolved by the pawl F¹. But when the guard H H² is brought back the point of the switch-cam H³ throws the switch L² aside, and thus fails to act on the locking device L L¹.

M, Fig. 3, is a friction block placed at the end of the charge-chamber block B, and is pressed upon by a point, H⁴, of the guard H H², when said guard is in normal position. As soon as the guard is moved in the slightest, the point H⁴ frees M from pressure, and thus leaves the block free. The function of this friction-block M is to force the charge-chamber block B hard up against the ends of the barrels, and thus prevent escape of gas.

Having now described the construction and operation of my invention, what I desire to secure by Letters Patent is—

1. The combination of the double barrel A A', and the charge-chamber B, with the crown-ratchet F, the pawl F¹, and the guard H H², all operating together, substantially as described, and for the purpose set forth.

2. The combination of the charge-chamber B, the bent rod L L¹, and the guard H H², provided with the cam H³, substantially as described, and for the purpose set forth.

3. The combination of the charge chamber B and the friction-block M with the point H⁴ on guard H H², all operating together, substantially as described, and for the purpose set forth.

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