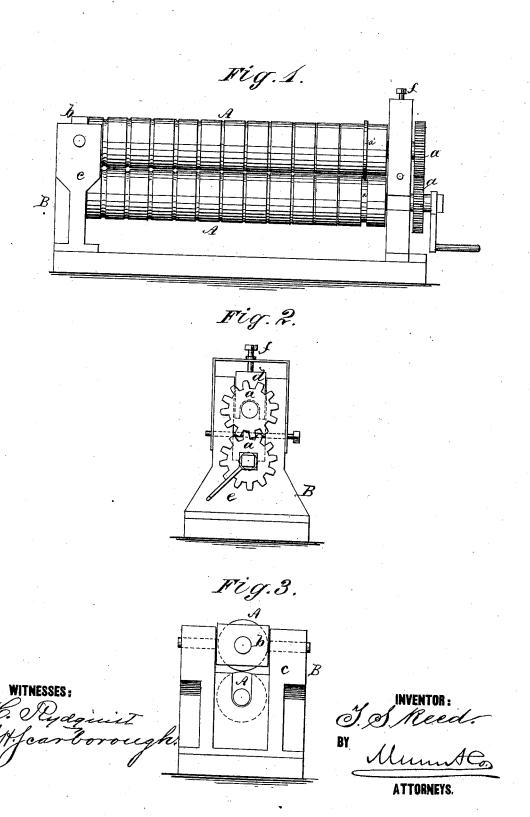
T. S. REED. Leather Rounding Machines.

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## IMPROVEMENT IN LEATHER-ROUNDING MACHINES.

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To all whom it may concern:

of Vermont, have invented a new and Improved Leather-Rounding Machine, of which the following is a specification:

Figure 1 is a side elevation of my improved machine. Fig. 2 is an end elevation, showing the driving gear. Fig. 3 is an end elevation, showing the pivoted journal-box.

Similar letters of reference indicate corre-

sponding parts.

The invention will first be described in connection with the drawing, and then pointed

out in the claim.

In the drawing, A A are rolls supported by a frame, B, and made to rotate together by the spur-wheels *a a*, placed on their shafts. The journal-boxes of the lower roll are fixed in the end pieces of the frame, and the boxes of the upper roll are movable, the box  $\boldsymbol{b}$  being pivoted in the end pieces c of the frame B, and the box d arranged to slide in the end pieces e. The box d is adjusted by a screw, f, that passes through a yoke that is attached to the said end piece. The rolls A are grooved circumferentially at intervals.

The grooves are semicircular, and diminish Be it known that I, Thomas S. Reed, of regularly in size, so that the leather to be Calais, in the county of Washington and State rounded may be gradually compressed and reduced in size by passing it through the different grooves until it has attained the required diameter.

At one end of the lower roll there is a rectangular groove, a, and upon the upper roll there is a corresponding collar or flange, a'. The groove and flange are designed to prevent end motion in the rolls.

The rolls may be turned by a crank or in

any other convenient manner.

The machine may be used for rounding reins, traces, belting, &c.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent-

In machines for rounding leather, the upper roll, having one of its journals supported in a pivoted box, b, mounted in the frame B, and the other in a sliding box, d, as and for the purpose described.

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