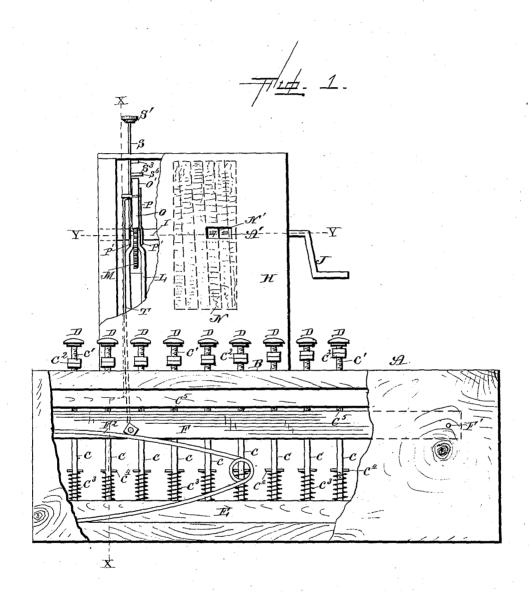
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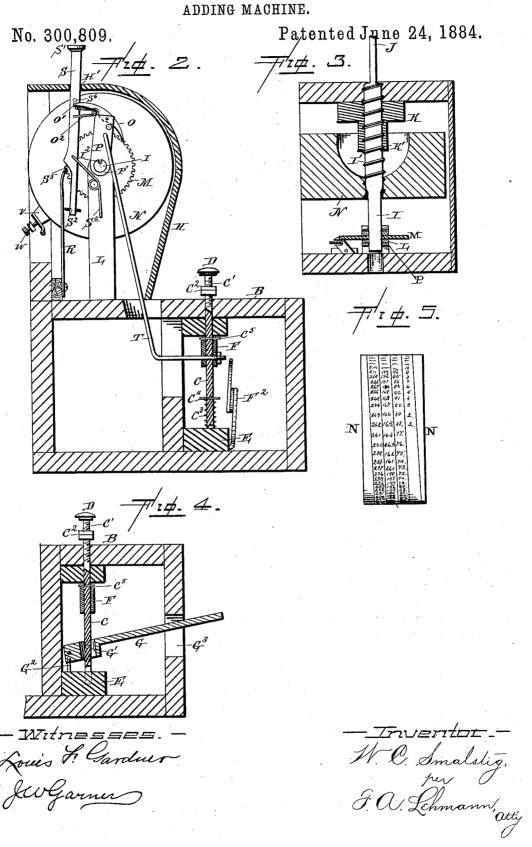
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To all whom it may concern:
Be it known that I, William C. Smaistig, of Springfield, in the county of Greene and State of Missouri, have invented certain new 5 and useful Improvements in Adding-Machines; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it pertains to make and use it, 10 reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form part of this specification.

My invention relates to an improvement in adding-machines; and it consists, first, in an adding-machine, in the combination of an end-15 wise-moving registering-cylinder having the numbers spirally and consecutively arranged thereon, an endwise-moving shaft, and a suitable mechanism for rotating and moving the shaft endwise; second, in the combination of 20 an endwise-moving registering-cylinder having the numbers spirally and consecutively arranged thereon, an endwise-moving shaft having a spiral groove, and a suitable mechanism for rotating and moving the shaft end-25 wise; third, in the combination of the cylinder having the numbers spirally arranged thereon, an endwise-moving shaft to which the cylinder is secured, and which is provided with a thread or groove, and bearings for the 30 shaft, with a spur-wheel which is feathered upon the shaft, a pawl, and a suitable operating mechanism; fourth, in the combination of the cylinder having the numbers arranged spirally thereon, the shaft provided with a 35 groove or thread, a nut which forms one of the bearings for the shaft, a spur-wheel which is feathered upon the shaft, a frame which is pivoted on said shaft, a pawl, a detent, and suitable operating mechanism; fifth, in the 40 combination and arrangement of parts, which will be more fully described hereinafter.

The object of my invention is to produce an adding-machine that is simple in construction, is positive and accurate in its operation, and 45 can be manufactured and sold at a much lower cost than any similar machine now upon the market.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a front elevation of an adding-machine em-50 bodying my invention, portions of the easing being removed so as to disclose the operating mechanism. Fig. 2 is a vertical cross-sec-

tional view taken on the line X X of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a detailed longitudinal sectional view of the cylinder and the operating-shaft and 55 its bearings on the line Y Y of Fig. 1. Fig. 4 is a detailed view of one of the operatingkeys. Fig. 5 is a detached view of the cylinder alone.

A represents an inclosing-case, of any suit- 60 able construction, in which the operating mechanism is located. This case is provided with an aperture, A'.

B represents the key-board, from the face of which project the operating-rods C, which 65 have the buttons D on their upper ends, and have their lower ends socketed in a bar, E, that extends along the bottom of the case below the key-board, thus holding the rods in an upright position and allowing them a ver- 70 tical movement. These operating-rods are preferably nine in number, representing figures from 1 to 9, figure 1 being on the left hand of the key-board, and the others extending therefrom to the right in numerical order. 75 Each of these rods has its upper end screwthreaded, as at C', above the key-board, and has the clamping-nuts C2 applied thereon, the function of these nuts being to so adjust the rod in relation to the key-board that the rod 80 will, upon being depressed, cause the addingcylinder to rotate a distance commensurate with the number that the rod may represent. Thus, should the number 4 on the cylinder appear through the opening in the case and 85 the rod 3 be depressed, the nuts on the said rod 3 should be so adjusted as to cause the cylinder to rotate through three spaces, and thus cause the number 7 to appear through the opening, and so on for each of the other 90 rods. The lower ends of these rods have the coiled extensile springs C3 around them, which springs bear between the upper side of the bar E and the transverse pin C^t, with which each of the operating-rods is provided. The 95 function of these springs is to keep the operating-rods normally at the upper limit of their movement.

F represents an operating-lever, which extends along the case beneath the key-board, 100is pivoted in said case at its right extremity, as at F', and is provided with the spring F² at its left extremity, the function of this spring being to keep the lever normally in the hori300,809

zontal position shown in Fig. 1 in solid lines. Extending through the rods C are the transverse pins C⁵, which bear upon the upper edge of the lever F, and thereby depress said lever

5 when one of the rods C is depressed.

In Fig. 4 I illustrate a key-lever, which may be applied to each of the operating-rods should greater leverage be desirable, in order to lessen the labor of operating the machine. 10 This lever G is fulcrumed to the rod at G', is confined at its inner end by the link G, and has its outer free end extending through an opening, G3, made in the outer face of the case. In the upper portion, H, of the case is 15 secured the operating-shaft I. This shaft I has one of its ends provided with a large open screw-thread, I', which extends along the shaft a suitable distance. The smooth end of the shaft is provided with a groove, 12. 20 threaded end of the shaft is screwed through a nut, K, secured in the case, which nut is provided with an inner extension, K', long enough to form a solid bearing for the shaft. The smooth end of the shaft passes through 25 bearings L, secured to the opposite side of the case, and in between these bearings and upon the shaft I is placed a spur or ratchet wheel, M, provided with a feather, which fits into the groove I2 of the shaft, and thus causes the co wheel M to rotate with the shaft, and at the same time allow the shaft an independent endwise movement in its bearings. To one end of the shaft is attached a crank, J.

Rigidly secured to the shaft I is a cylinder or drum, N, which may be of any desired length. Upon the face of this cylinder are inscribed numbers from 1 up to as large a number as may be desired. These numbers are arranged spirally upon the cylinder, number 1 40 being at the right thereof, and there are as many numbers placed upon one spiral on the cylinder as there are ratchets or teeth upon the wheel M. Thus, if there be seventy-seven ratchets upon said wheel, the numbers from 1 45 to 77, inclusive, will make one spiral on the Further, the spiral face of the cylinder. threads I' upon the shaft I must have as wide a space between them as there is between the dividing spiral lines N' on the cylinder.

O represents a pawl having a rearward ex-

tension, O'. This pawl is pivoted in a frame, P, which has its lower bifurcated ends, P', pivoted upon the shaft I on both sides of the bearings L. The pawl O engages with the 55 ratchet-wheel M, and is provided with a spring,

O2, for making its action positive. R represents a detent-spring, which is secured in the rear side of the case at its lower end, and has its upper free end engaging with 60 the rear side of the ratchet-wheel M. This spring is considerably broader than the wheel M, and projects a suitable distance to the left

of said wheel.

S represents a flat rod which projects above 65 the top of the case through a slit, H', formed therein, has a button, S', secured to its upper end, and has its lower end passed through a

slitted bearing-plate, S^2 , serewed to the inner side of the case. This rod is further provided with a stop, S3, for limiting its up- 70 ward movement, a spring, St, for keeping it normally in that position, as shown at Fig. 2, and incline S⁵, bearing against the projecting upper side of the detent-spring R, and a tappet-pin, S⁶. When the rod is depressed, the 75 pin S' strikes against the upper side of the rearward extension of the pawl O, throwing said pawl out of connection with the ratchetwheel M, and the incline S⁵ presses the detentspring R backward out of contact with the 80 wheel M at the same time.

T represents a connecting-rod, the upper end of which is pivoted in the pivoted frame P, while its lower end is secured in the operating-lever F. When the lever F is de- 85 pressed by one of the keys, the movement of the lever F is communicated to the cylinder N through the rod T, frame P, pawl O, ratchetwheel M, and shaft I, and the cylinder moves through as many spaces as the number that 90 the key represents. When the wheel M is released, as above stated, the crank J can be turned backward, so as to move the cylinder to the left until the cipher thereon is visible through the aperture A'. The machine is then 95 ready for use in adding figures. In order to prevent any possible inaccuracy in the operation of my machine by reason of the momentum of the registering-cylinder, I provide a brake-shoe, V, which is made of some soft 100 substance, preferably india-rubber, and which is caused to bear upon the cylinder at any suitable point. A set-screw, W, enables the brake-shoe to bear against the cylinder with any requisite force.

The operation will be very readily understood from the foregoing description and by reference to the drawings hereto attached.

I do not desire to limit myself to the precise construction and arrangement of parts 110 hereinbefore described, as it is obvious that many modifications may be made therein without departing from the spirit of my invention.

Having thus described my invention, I

1. In an adding-machine, a registering-cylinder mounted on an endwise-moving shaft, and having the numbers spirally and consecutively arranged upon it, in combination with suitable mechanism for rotating and moving 120 the shaft lengthwise, substantially as specified.

2. In an adding-machine, the combination of the cylinder N, having the numbers spirally and consecutively arranged thereon, the shaft I, having the spiral thread or groove I', and 125 suitable actuating mechanism, substantially as set forth.

3. In an adding-machine, the combination of the cylinder N, having the numbers spirally and consecutively arranged thereon, the 130 shaft I, having the spiral thread or groove I' and crank J, and suitable actuating mechanism, substantially as described.

4. In an adding-machine, the combination

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of the cylinder N, having the numbers spirally and consecutively arranged thereon, shaft I, having thread or groove I', bearings for said shaft, wheel M, feathered to said shaft, pawl 5 O, and suitable actuating mechanism, sub-

stantially as shown and described.

5. In an adding-machine, the combination of the cylinder N, having the numbers spirally and consecutively arranged thereon, shaft I, having a thread or groove, I', bearings for said shaft, wheel M, feathered to said shaft, pawl O, suitable actuating mechanism, and detent R, substantially as set forth.

6. In an adding-machine, the combination 15 of the cylinder N, having the numbers spirally and consecutively arranged thereon, shaft I, having a thread or groove, I', nut K, forming a bearing for said shaft, wheel M, feathered to said shaft, frame P, pivoted on said shaft, pawl 20 O, pivoted in frame P, detent R, and suitable actuating mechanism, substantially as speci-

fied.

7. In an adding-machine, the combination of the cylinder N, shaft I, crank J, wheel M, frame P, pawl O, detent R, tripping-rod S, and suitable operating mechanism, substantially as shown and described.

8. In an adding-machine, the combination of the registering-cylinder N, shaft I, crank 30 J, wheel M, frame P, pawl O, detent R, trip-

ping-rod S, connecting-rod T, operating-lever F, spring F², and operating-keys C, substantially as set forth.

9. In an adding-machine, the combination of the registering-cylinder N, shaft I, crank J, 35 wheel M, frame P, pawl O, detent R, trippingrod S, connecting-rod T, operating-lever F, spring F2, and operating-keys C, having adjusting devices, substantially as specified.

10. In an adding-machine, the combination 40 of the registering-cylinder N, shaft I, crank J, wheel M, frame P, pawl O, detent R, trippingrod S, connecting-rod T, operating-lever F, spring F², and operating-keys C, having adjusting devices C² and springs C³, substantially 45 as set forth.

11. In an adding-machine, the combination

of the registering-cylinder N, brake V, shaft I, crank J, wheel M, frame P, pawl O, detent R, tripping-rod S, connecting-rod T, operating- 50 lever F, spring F², and operating-keys C, all combined and arranged to operate substantially in the manner described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in

presence of two witnesses.

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