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Fig. 1.

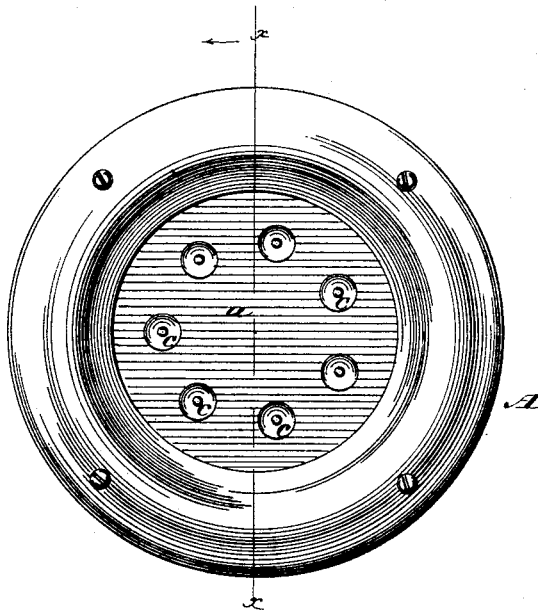
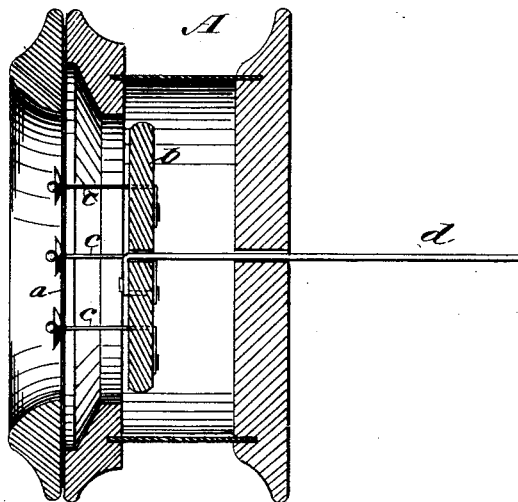


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANCIS R. SHAW, of Chatham Centre, in the county of Medina and State of Ohio, have invented a new and Improved Mechanical Telephone, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The object of my invention is to obtain a more perfect operation of mechanical telephones in respect to clearness of sound and length of line over which they may be operated, for which purpose I combine with the vibrating diaphragm a vibrator of wood or other suitable material supported from the diaphragm and to which the conducting-wire is connected, as hereinafter described and claimed.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in both the figures.

Figure 1 is a face view of a telephone of my improved construction. Fig. 2 is a transverse section of the same on line *x x*, Fig. 1.

A is the case of the instrument, which may be of any usual construction, and is provided with a diaphragm, *a*, covering the aperture of the mouth-piece, as usual.

Behind the diaphragm *a* is a vibrator, *b*,

which may be of wood, metal, or other substance, and which is connected to the diaphragm *a* by pins or wires *c*, that may be as numerous as required, and serve to sustain the vibrator *b*.

d is a transmitting-wire, passing through the back of the case *A* and connected at the center with the vibrator *b*.

In operation, when the instrument is used as a transmitter, the vibrations of the diaphragm *a* are communicated by the wires *c* to the vibrator *b*, and from thence they pass upon the wire *d*, and the reverse in case the instrument is used as a receiver.

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

In combination with the diaphragm of a mechanical telephone, the vibrator *b*, connected with said diaphragm by pins *c*, and at the center with the line-wire *d*, whereby the vibrations may be transmitted by the pin *c* from the diaphragm to the vibrator, or the reverse, as described.

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