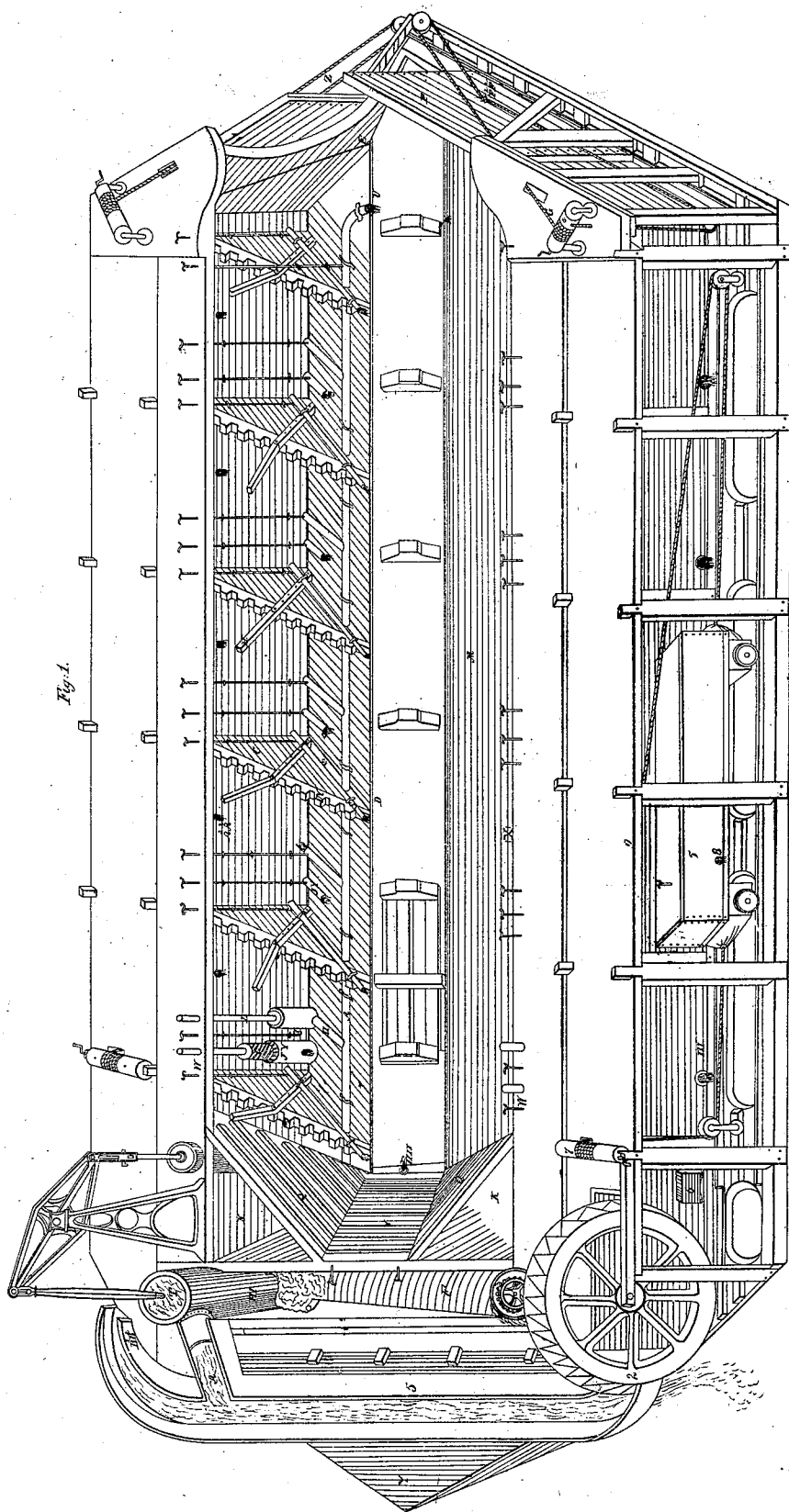


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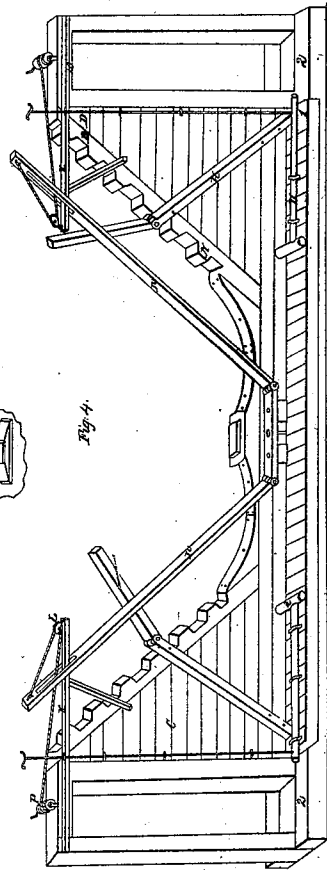
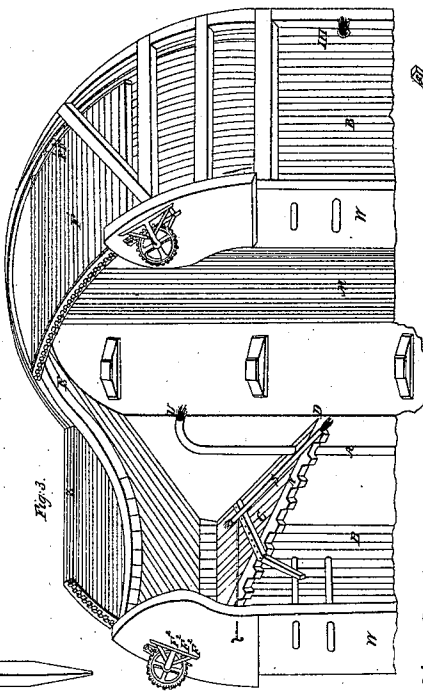
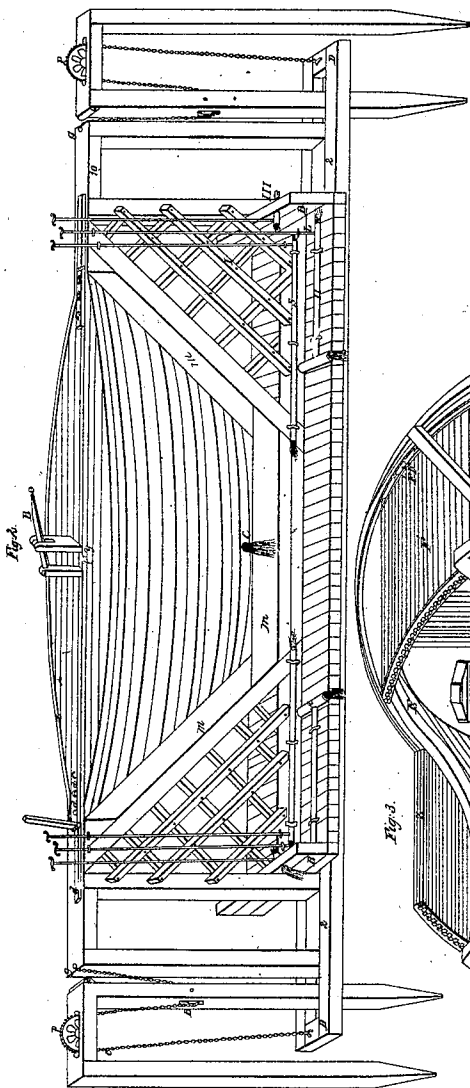
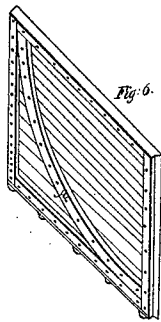
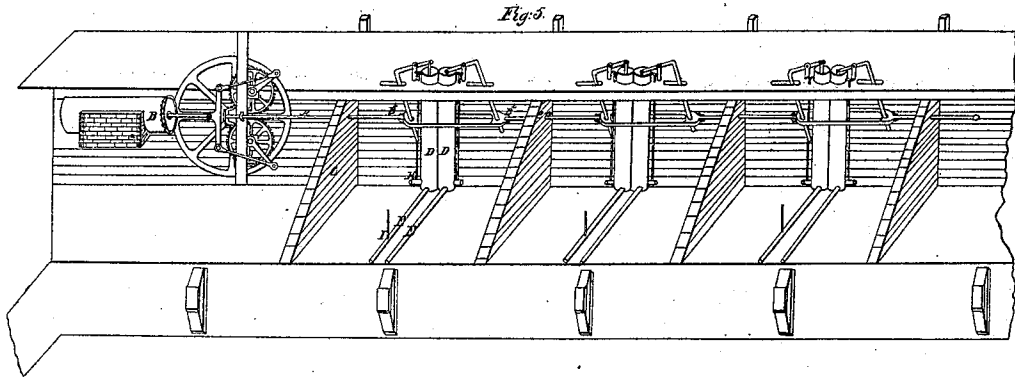


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FLOATING DRY-DOCK FOR RAISING AND REMOVING VESSELS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN S. GILBERT, of the city of New York, in the State of New York, engineer, have invented a new and useful mode of constructing machines for floating laden vessels over bars or shoals in rivers or harbors and which is equally well adapted to the purpose of repairing the keels and bottoms of vessels as a floating dry-dock, which machine I denominate a "floating balance"; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description thereof.

This machine is built in the water or on the land as may be preferred by the builder. In the first instance a square vessel is built or rather a vessel with a flat bottom and perpendicular sides with one end built up solid with the sides and of the same height. The other end is built up solid to the height of from four to five feet above the bottom as E, Figures 1 and 3, extending up in such shape as shall most nearly resemble the bottom of a ship. The open end is provided with horizontal sliding gates either straight, as at F, Fig. 1, or circular as at F, Fig. 3. This flat bottomed vessel is calked and made tight. The gates F are made in such a manner as to shut into each other, as at Z, Figs. 1, 3. The gate with a groove in the shutting edge is shut first and the other is shut into it by this method, the lightness of the end joints will not be affected by the springing of the machine, the tongue and groove are both of cast iron. The surface of these gates which are exposed to strain from the pressure of the water is an ellipsis, the open end being nearly of that form. The bottom of the gates are supported and strengthened by a piece of cast iron their whole length, into which rollers are fixed to run on iron ways as at F, F, Figs. 3 and 1. These gates are opened and shut by a rack and pinion as at F F F, Fig. 3, or by a windlass and chain running through blocks fastened to the bottom of the machine, outside of the gates and back to the windlass in such a way as to open and shut by reversing the motion of the windlass, all of which is plainly exhibited at G, Fig. 1, and will need no further description.

Section 2. Having thus constructed a vessel, that is when shut up by the gates entirely tight, we next divide off at the solid end a pump well as at H, J, Fig. 1, by building up a tight bulkhead five feet more or

less from the said solid end. Where the bulkhead joins the bottom and the side it is calked and made tight and is thus a separate compartment having as yet no connection with any other part of the machine.

Section 3. For a seventy four gun man of war ship, this machine in the state thus far described will be two hundred feet long, sixty-five feet wide, and thirty feet depth of hold inside measurement, more or less. The transverse sections of the machine is next divided into three parts generally equal; but this will be varied according to circumstances in a small degree. The object is to have the middle of the machine narrow as possible and have the requisite room for the workmen to carry on the repairs of the ship when the machine is used for that purpose as a dry dock as the more narrow the bottom is the more capable it is to resist pressure. The transverse sections being thus divided by lines drawn the whole length of the machine, into three parts, the two sides are divided into five or more sections by timbers bolted one on the top of another as at C, Figs. 1, 3 4 and 5, starting on the bottom at the line of division as at D, Figs. 1 and 2, and running up such an angle as shall intersect the perpendicular lines of the sides as at D D, Fig. 4. These bulkheads are fastened to the bottom and perpendicular sides, and where there is a seam it is made tight by calking. Fastened to the solid bulkheads and extending down to the bottom of the machine, are joint shores, to support the ship in the machine and at the same time keep the sides from rising up. See H, Figs. 1 and 4. When these solid partitions are finished as described, and made tight by calking I build up the inner or angle sides as seen finished at M, Figs. 1 and 3. These inner sides are built up by letting every intermediate course, or layer of timber, half its thickness, say six inches into the edge of the solid partitions, thereby forming steps also form rests for shores, to support the vessel and answer the purpose of stages for the workmen to stand on while repairing the vessel, in the machine for that purpose. When these inner angle sides are thus built up, being strongly fastened to the partitions and made tight all around by calking, they together with the parts already divided form five, more or less, water tight chambers, in each side of the machine, possessing say one

third of the entire buoyant power of the machine, each chamber being separate and independent of the other, and all on both sides independent of the middle or body.

5 Section 4. Between these solid partitions
brace work as at I, Fig. 2, of sufficient
strength to support the sides, between the
solid work is framed, a hatch is cut in the
upper part of the inner sides as at X, Fig.
10 1, through which the workman may enter
to make any repairs that may be found nec-
essary. The steam engine rooms on each
side (as at K K, Fig. 1) are formed by tight
bulkheads built across the corners (as at
15 Q Q, Fig. 1). The coal hold is situated
behind the tight bulkhead V. These engine
rooms and coal hold are separate, and being
calked are entirely disconnected, with every
other part of the machine. W W, Figs. 1
20 and 2, are side decks which project one half
inward and one half outward, for the work-
man to prepare the various materials, and
in repairing ships and for all the purposes
for which the bottoms of decks are used in
25 the preparing of material in general. Y,
Fig. 1, is a sharp bow extending beyond the
perpendicular end of the machine, this bow
is necessary where the machine is used as a
bar float or when it is in a bay or river as a
30 dry dock. The machine as thus far de-
scribed is composed of various water tight
chambers and compartments, all separate
and independent of each other and having
no communication from which water may
35 be made to pass from one to the other or
from the said separate compartments to the
middle of the machine or from the middle
to the pump, will then bring no communica-
tion between the various parts. In the en-
40 suing sections I shall describe the method I
have invented for connecting all the separate
compartments with each other, also the
method of connecting them with the pump
well, and with the body of the dock in such
45 a manner as enables me to exercise a com-
plete control over the whole machine and
which constitutes it a complete floating bal-
ance.

Section 5. Letter A, Figs. 1, 2, 3 and 4,
50 is a pipe of wood or metal running the
whole length of the machine and passing
through the tight and separate sections or
chambers enters at the pump well hereto-
fore described as at O, Fig. 1, and the other
55 end passes into the middle or body of the
machine as at U, Figs. 1 and 2. Both ends
of the pipe are governed by a cock or valve.
The shaft reaches to the deck. I, I, Figs.
1, 2 and 4, are pipes made to intersect the
60 pipe A and governed by a valve or cock as
at L, Figs. 1, 2 and 4, and by screw gates as
at L, Fig. 1. The said cocks, valves, or
gates are opened and shut by a shaft extend-
ing up through the side decks as at W, Figs.
65 1 and 3. These screw gates in Fig. 1, are

drawn too large in proportion to the other
parts. The uses of the pipes I I are to
lead water from a particular one or all of
the separate chambers to the middle of the
machine as at Figs. 1 and 3, or to lead
70 water from each section or chamber to the
pump well as at O, Fig. 1, for the purpose
of raising the machine at any required point.
J, Y, Figs. 1 and 2, is a screw gate valve
75 seal to admit water from the outside of the
machine, as at I, I, I, Figs. 1, 2 and 3, into
the chambers to sink the machine as low as
required to admit the ship for repairs or
for setting that part of the machine down
to level it and for the various purposes here-
80 in specified. S, Figs. 1, 2 and 3, are pipes
leading from the middle of the machine to
the separate chambers, although this may be
accomplished by letting the water pass
through the pipe A at U in Figs. 1 and 3
85 and through the pipes I I, Figs. 1, 2 and 4,
and at the other end of the same pipe A at
O into all the separate chambers by the
pipes I I, but the operation will not be so
speedy as it will be by having the pipes S
90 as above described. As one of the objects
which I accomplish by the tight chamber is
to sustain the machine at any required
height when the entrance gates are opened
for the entrance of a ship, it will be plainly
95 perceived by any competent engineer, that
the altitude of water in the chambers will
be less than it is in that part in which the
ship enters, the difference of altitude being
the power that sustains the machine in this
100 situation, providing the machine always has
sufficient ballast on board to overcome the
buoyancy of the materials of which it is con-
structed. The entrance gates being closed
the pipes S are opened and the water around
105 the ship is through them admitted into the
said tight chambers on each side until it
forms a level with the water therein, the
lower part of the chambers being broad and
the upper part of the body of the machine
110 being broad the water from the largest part
of the body is taken into the broadest part
of the chambers and will be seen by this ar-
rangement that much pumping will be
115 saved, for when the ship is ready to be let
out this water is let back into the body of
the machine by the same pipes through
which it passed to the sides. It will be seen
that I have made a number of scuttle or
120 sinking gates on each side, when one will
fill all the separate chambers on one side,
and if the water is allowed to pass through
the pump well it will fill both sides, but the
advantage of these is despatch. There is a
pipe, Fig. 1, I, I, I, I, which leads the water
125 from the body of the machine into the pump
well under the coal hold, and governed by a
cock or valve, with a shaft leading up to the
top of the machine.

Section 6. T, Fig. 1, is a pump worked by 130

a steam engine. The water thrown out by the pump passes through the conductor A and is thrown upon the water wheel, Fig. 1. This bucket water wheel which is governed by a cog wheel on the shaft with a beveled edge to a beveled edge wheel E on the shaft of the screw pump F. This my method of exhausting the water from my machine, has the advantage of the use of the water discharged by the engine to turn the screw pump before it falls overboard; it likewise gives less motion to the water surrounding the machine, the buckets depositing the water quietly as the wheels turn and thus obviates the danger of undermining the piers and wharves around the machine.

Section 7. Fig. 2 is a transverse section representing a boat gate fitting into grooves made by timbers fastened up and down through the sides and across the bottom to receive the two ends and keel as shown at *m, m, m*. There are a number of such grooves in different parts of the dock. By the aid of this boat gate a vessel may be inclosed in a space adapted to its length and thus obviate the necessity of pumping more water from the machine than is absolutely necessary for the size of the ship to be repaired. This boat gate is also used for dividing the machine for the admission of two vessels. There is an opening at C through the boat gate from side to side near the bottom or keel, which may be opened for the purpose of allowing water to flow through. A plugtree carrying a wicket gate through a trunk Y passes down the middle of the boat gate, and is raised or lowered by the lever B. It may be raised to such height as will allow water to pass from side to side only through the opening for that purpose, but when raised entirely the water will then be admitted into the hold of the boat and allow the gate to settle down into the grooves formed for that purpose. When this boat gate is used it is after having been settled down into the proper grooves to be firmly attached to the sides of the machine in order to keep the sides of the machine from spreading, which might cause a leakage of water past the ends and bottom. This may be done by means of screw bolts and nuts, or there may be a bar of iron fastened to the machine by a hinge or staple joint at each end of the boat, and having loops or openings at the other end to fit over staples as *d, d, d*. One of the main objects of this transverse section is to show the difference of the arrangement and division of the buoyant power and general principle upon which my machine is constructed, and thereby plainly show the difference between my invention and those which have been heretofore constructed. In some of those the buoyant space, which gives the power of lifting the ship, is situated between the keel of the

vessel to be lifted, by which arrangement the machine bears the weight of the ship in the same manner, as the ship would bear the weight of her cargo if that cargo was placed on the deck, instead of her hold, the result in both cases being thus the center of gravity is raised to such a height as to endanger the vessel or machine.

Another difference between my machine and such as I have just described is the amount of water to be pumped out to raise the keel of the vessel out of water. The ascertained weight of a 74 gun ship when stripped being 1400 or near it it follows as a matter of certainty that nearly double that amount of water must be pumped out of the machine above referred to in order to raise the keel sufficiently out of water to enable the workmen to operate upon it, for a great amount of ballast will be necessary to sink the machine. In the first instance, the keel of the vessel must be raised some distance above water. The weight of the workmen and all the stages and all other appliances necessary in repairing a vessel are to be considered in the calculation of amount to be pumped out. In my machine the amount of water to be pumped out will in no case exceed the weight of the ship to be repaired, for having so divided the transverse section, as to approximate to the general shape of vessels, as near as possible, the weight of the vessel is displaced as she enters the machine, and the ballast instead of adding to the weight of water to be pumped out of my machine is the cause of an unoccupied space into which the water passes from the body of the machine as heretofore described in this specification.

Another difference between my machine and the kind referred to above is that the center of gravity in the machine when the vessel is in, and the water pumped out, is not much removed from the point at which it rested in the ship before it was taken into the machine.

Another difference of no less importance is when my machine is used in any of the Atlantic cities is that the waves cannot break in upon the workmen, as in the machine referred to. There are many cardinal points in which my machine differs in principle from those spoken of, the difference in arrangement is so plain as to require no explanation.

Other machines are in use in various parts of the world, but all of them I believe to be different in principle and general arrangement from mine, for in those machines the buoyant power is so arranged as that the machine must of necessity rise and fall with the tide. This however is not necessarily the case with mine. When the rise and fall of the tide is small as at the city of New York, viz., from 5 to 6 feet, for as the tide

rises it may be made to pass into the sides
 of my machine at the scuttle gates hereto-
 fore described and at the ebb of the tide it
 may be thrown out at one point, viz., the
 5 pump well. This power of keeping the ma-
 chine down to nearly the level of the pier
 or wharf at which it may lie is one of the
 advantages derived from my method of di-
 viding the transverse sections in such a way
 10 as to give no more space than is necessary
 for calking and graving the bottom of the
 ship, at the bottom and lower part of the
 machine, and instead of the space which
 other machines referred to have on the bot-
 15 tom I make use of that room as an occa-
 sional buoyant power. I have furnished
 side decks for the purpose of preparing tim-
 ber and other materials for which room is
 required in repairing ships.

20 The advantages I derive from this di-
 vision of the transverse sections of my ma-
 chine and any other now in use in any coun-
 try are, 1st, as I in general make my ma-
 chine double the width of the class of ships
 25 for which I intend it, and then divide the
 transverse sections into three nearly equal
 parts at the bottom, the middle bottom is
 narrower or in other words the cross tim-
 bers are shortened between joints without
 30 diminishing the breadth at the top of the
 dock. By reference to the two transverse
 sections, Figs. 2 and 4, it will be seen that
 my method of strengthening my machine
 35 in that portion of it set apart for separate
 chambers is so full and complete that no
 doubt can exist as to the strength of that
 part of the machine. I then have the middle
 bottom to provide for. I have before stated
 40 that the middle bottom is stronger and more
 capable of sustaining the weight of the ship
 within and the pressure of the water with-
 out, by being short between joints. This
 can be more plainly seen by Fig. 3 where
 45 the sheaves H are shown extending up to
 the sides of the vessel. The three points of
 pressure are the keel on the middle and the
 sheaves on each side as at H, taking their
 proportions of the strain and transmitting
 50 said pressure to the bilge or side of the ves-
 sel, thereby making the strain on the keel
 less which is important, and greater on its
 sides; 2d, by this direction of the transverse
 sections I am enabled to turn the side of
 55 my machine up in order to repair the ma-
 chine down to the bottom without the as-
 sistance of any other machine. The process
 is to exhaust this middle body of the ma-
 chine and one side and fill the other by the
 60 scuttle gases. The exhausted sides will rise
 entirely out of water. The ends and gates
 may be repaired in like manner, by building
 up the inner sides on an angle of 45 degrees,
 or on such an angle as shall at the same
 65 time resist the lateral pressure and upward
 force in a great degree when the machine

is strained upward or when the sides are
 pressed inward greater strength is attained.
 This machine draws not to exceed one half
 the water that many others referred to do.
 There being no buoyant space below the
 70 keel the workmen stand upon the false or
 shifting bottom and thus use that space
 which in other machines is a part of the
 buoyant power. The keel of the vessel rests
 upon the cross logs or floor timbers which
 75 are each six feet deep, up and down and two
 feet thick. The space between them is two
 feet, where the workmen stand when at work
 at the keel so that the actual loss of room is
 nothing—for it being necessary to place the
 80 keel from 4 to 6 feet above the false floor on
 which the workmen stand. The filling up
 of this space with timbers as above de-
 scribed is on top of draft. The dimensions
 given above is proper and right for a 74
 85 gun man of war ship, and the buoyant
 power is so divided in my machine that to-
 gether with the downward tendency of one
 side and the upward tendency of the other,
 when the machine is off its balance there is
 90 a balancing power generally equal to the
 entire weight of the ship in the machine,
 and in consequence there is no danger of
 capsizing.

Fig. 4, *n, n*, are two spring sheaves work-
 95 ing on a point at the bottom so as to allow
 of their being raised up to the bottom of a
 vessel of any shape or size. The upper end
 of these sheaves have a core or mortise
 through them to slide over a beam as at
 100 K K. A rope or chain is fastened to the
 upper end of these sheaves and passing out
 to the end of the beam through a block L
 and back to a windlass P by which they are
 105 heaved up to touch the vessel. The sheaves
 are made broad and flat so that they may
 bend or spring. The object of having such
 sheaves along the sides of the machine is
 to catch and steady the vessel when she first
 enters the machine. The communication be-
 110 tween the middle and the sides is then
 opened and as the vessel settles on the keel
 blocks, she is pressed over whichever way is
 required to place her in the middle of the
 machine. The sheaves being broad and flat
 115 they will not be liable to break if they
 should be pulled before the keel touches.
 When the keel touches the block, the sheaves
 H are set.

When one small vessel has been admitted
 120 for repairs, and it is desired to admit a
 second the valves which govern the main
 pipes A at U are opened and the water
 thereby admitted into the pump well. The
 weight of the first vessel inclosed by the
 125 boat gate and the second inclosed by the
 wicking gate are balanced by either admit-
 ting water into the chambers opposite to the
 lightest vessel, or taking water from those
 opposite the heaviest one.

I have thus far described my floating balance as having no other means or contrivances for maintaining a just balance in case the ship should rest on one side or her weight be thrown on one side by the action of the wind or waves or from any other cause, such as the machine touching an uneven bottom at low tide or sudden leak from any unforeseen accident to the internal arrangements, as above described.

To assist the operation of the balancing power placed within the line of the perpendicular or outer sides of my machine, as above described I sometimes extend the lower cross logs or floor timbers, as shown at 2 in Figs. 2, and 4, and upon these floor timbers is extended on each side iron rails are placed upon which loaded boat cars 5, Fig. 1, are capable of being moved back and forth. I also place similar cars 6, Fig. 1, to traverse on rails at the closed ends of the machine. These cars are to be moved by means of the windlass 7, Fig. 1, which is provided with double chains passing around guide pulleys and attached to the car in such a manner, as that by reversing the motion of the windlass the cars may be made to move either way at pleasure. These cars may contain a sufficient quantity of ballast to overcome the buoyancy of the materials of which the machine is constructed more or less to cause it to sink when water is admitted into all parts of the machine. Whether this machine be built of wood or iron, ballast will be used in order to create a greater difference in the altitude of the water within the sides and the water that surrounds the ship than the mere weight of the machine would cause, so that in forming a level, a greater portion will be taken from around her without pumping, and which is let back again when the ship is to be let out of the machine. These ballast cars as above stated are made tight and have one or more scuttle gates 8, Fig. 1, with a shaft to open and shut them extending up to within reach of the side deck 9, Figs. 1, 2, and 4, which are sometimes built over these cars on posts running up outside of these cars fastened at the bottom to the floor timbers 2, Figs. 2 and 4, at the top to dock beams attached to the sides of the machine 10, Figs. 2 and 4. When used in a bay or run this will be the proper way of constructing it as a larger space will be required for materials on each side, than when it is, alongside the pier.

At certain situations when the tide is strong and where the machine is exposed to strong winds and unquiet waters, and where it is used as a mere dry dock it will be necessary to place it between two pieces or rows of piles. Steadying chains will be necessary in that case.

P, P, Fig. 2, are wheels with cogs upon them to take into the chains C. These

chains answer several useful purposes, among which is their giving stability to the machine, when used as a dry dock. In Fig. 2 the manner in which they are arranged is shown. P, P, are the cogged wheels sustained on the timbers of the pier, and over which as above stated the chains pass. The chains are at one end fastened to the top of the machine as at *g, g*, and after passing down to low water mark over a wheel B, they ascend to and pass over the cogged wheels P, P, and down again to a platform or cross timber, projecting as at D D where they are fastened. It will be seen that both ends of the chain are fastened to the machine in such a way as when they are hauled taut they keep the machine in shape it will be seen that any weight or downward force applied to the projecting cross log is expended at the cogged wheel at the top and the pulley in the pile at low water mark hauling in different directions and has little or no tendency to strain the sides of the machine outward they are more steadying chains to which any power may be applied and to which those operating may be performed, viz., when the cogged wheel is stopped the dock is stopped in its upward or downward motion; when the cogged wheel is turned toward the machine it will rise; when from the machine it will settle. I am not aware of anything of this nature in use at the present time. Blocks and falls cannot in either natures be similar to this, for the very principle of a block and fall is to lift by shortening the rope or chain between the power applied and weight moved. I have stated above that horizontal sliding gates as applied to docks are of my invention. The particular manner or method of constructing these gates requires further explanation. The inner surface or side that lies against the end of the machine is made in such a manner that no part of it touches the machine except the frame to which the outside thickness of the gate is bolted as at A, Fig. 6. The object of this frame on the inside of the gate is that no part of the gate may rub against the end of the machine except the projecting frame, thereby insuring a more perfect water tight joint and as these edges are fastened on by screw bolts, they may be removed when worn by friction against the ends and replaced by new ones at little expense.

It will be seen that the boat cars have a power of assisting the other parts in keeping the machine upright, for when the machine is blown over more to one side than the other, the boat in the leeward side will bear more lightly and that on the windward side will bear more heavily. It will also be seen that they may be pumped out and floated off the machine entirely through an opening at the gate, and for that purpose the

wheels as may be seen by reference to Fig. 1 are separate.

A², A², Fig. 1, are openings in the perpendicular sides of the machine to admit water into the tight and separate chambers from a conductor that passes across the head of the machine at Figs. 1 and 5, and down in each side of the machine, making a conductor all around it except across the gate end, this conductor at Fig. 1 is seen at B², B², where it passes under the outside deck, but I sometimes place this conductor immediately over the water tight chambers. The object of the conductor is to lead water into the section for ballasting down the machine in whole or in part and for leading the water to the extreme end of the outer part of the machine to avoid undermining wharves or piers though the section may be filled by raising the water in the pump well and opening pipes A and I I Fig. 1.

Although I have represented my machine as being made tight by framing and calking I sometimes build on the outer sections or chambers strong iron or iron bound tanks fastened down to the platform by iron straps passing over their tops, the same pipes and conductors being used in all cases. The advantages of these tanks are great for in case of an accident to one of the chambers the tanks may be made a separate buoyant. I have shown in Fig. 1, letters J Y, two screw gates, one to admit water into the chambers, the other to let it out by the pipe I, I. These screw gates do fairly represent the tanks as above described, by the mere addition of a connection pipe C² to pass water from one to the other governed by a valve. In case it should be desirable to use these tanks as a buoyant the pipe that leads water from the outside through these tanks to the chamber is closed and the pipes C are opened and then the pipe I, I, which leads all the water from both tanks into the pump well.

In the above I have specified my method of drawing water all to one point. I have also described my pump well, but I sometimes make each of the separate chambers a pump well. Fig. 5 represents three of these chambers, each furnished with suitable pumps with vertical brakes worked by a

horizontal engine B. The connecting bar is shown at A working under the side decks. When the brakes B² B² are attached this bar works between friction rollers as at *e*, *c*. The pumps D, D, are connected with the body of the machine by the pipes E, E, these pumps are so attached to the connecting bar, that any number may be attached at pleasure. They may be worked by a horizontal engine or by horse power in the usual manner known to all competent engineers, the cylinder and balance wheel of an engine are represented and no further. When it is desired to draw water from the body of the machine alone, the valve H Fig. 5 is shut and the valve I is opened. The valve I has a shaft that reaches up to the side deck as the valve H or it may pass through the angle sides with a joint to fold down. It will plainly be seen that the whole number of pumps may be made to draw water from the body or by shutting the water off they may be made to draw water from the sides only or one pump may draw from the sides and one from the middle. The main object of this arrangement of the pumps and pump brakes is to enable me to bring my pump gear so low that I may work them under the side decks out of the way of the workmen.

Having thus fully described the manner in which I construct my floating balance and of the mode of using the same, I do hereby declare that what I claim therein as my invention and desire to secure by Letters Patent is—

The combination of the body of the dock, in which a ship can float with water tight trunks or tanks at the sides separated by water tight bulkheads for the purpose and in the manner specified.

In testimony whereof I the said JOHN S. GILBERT hereto subscribe my name in the presence of witnesses, whose names are here subscribed on the tenth day of August A. D. one thousand eight hundred and forty.

JOHN S. GILBERT.

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