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Subject: "In the beginning..." (1877 Hunter model Pocket Watch)

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...there was Columbus. Motivated by Art I thought it would be interesting for you WW folks to understand how it all started.

Model name : Pocket watch

Type : Hunter model

Period/date : 1877

Gender : Male

Case Maker : ? (No information found on "N<sup>o</sup>1" trade mark)

Case Material : Coin silver

Case Serial : M296

Case Style no :

Caliber : ? 15j 19 Ligne (approx. 16 size)

Movement Maker : Aeby & Landry, Madretsch

Movement Serial: 7265

Bracelet :

Other info :

Dietrich Gruen started production in 1876 under the name Columbus Watch Co.. This example is from the second year of production.

Interesting detail is the reference to Gruen's patented safety center pinion, which was a Gruen USP at the time.

The dial word mark is made up of the letters "CWCo" and has some similarity with the later "DSG" word mark.

Hand painted words on dial center most likely owners name, but too damaged to be able to read.

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2) [090b.jpg](#), downloaded 2432 times

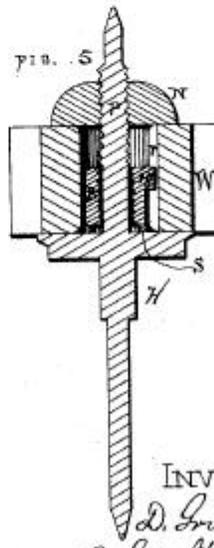
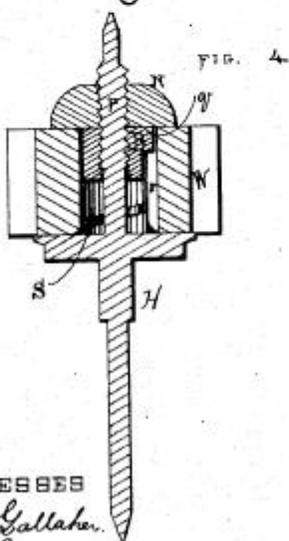
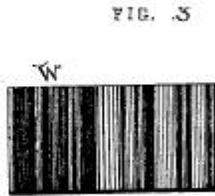
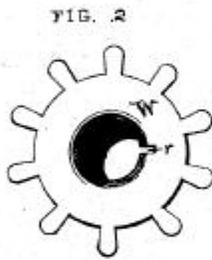
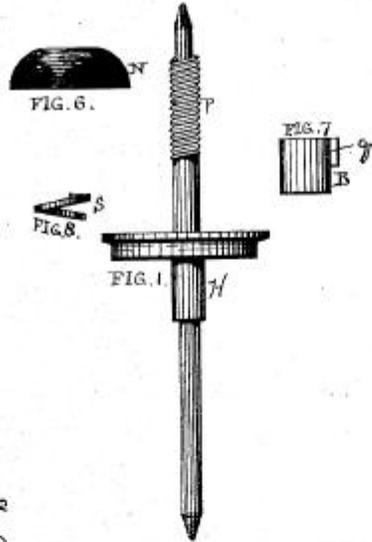


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D. GRUEN.  
Center-Pinions for Watches.

No. 157,913.

Patented Dec. 22, 1874.



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