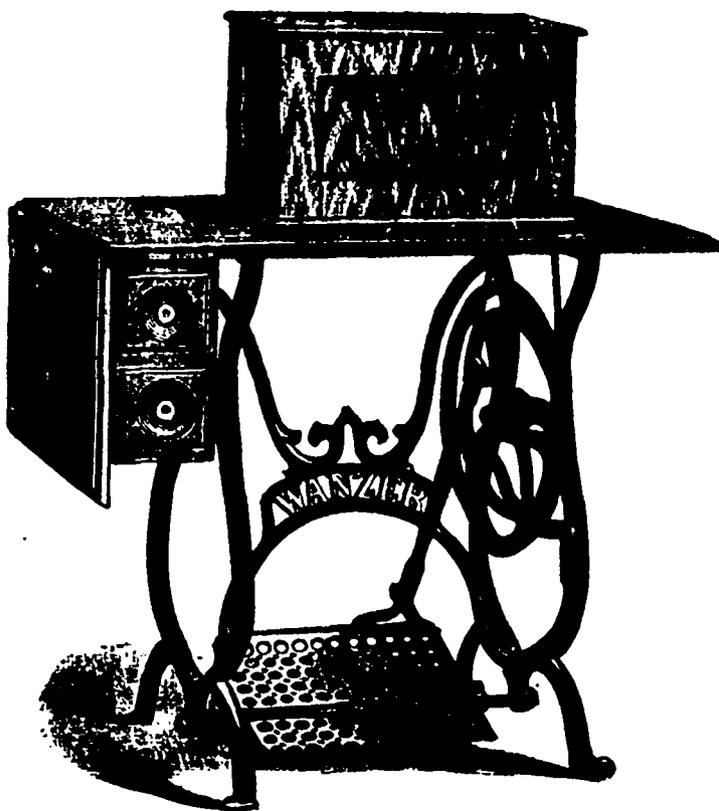
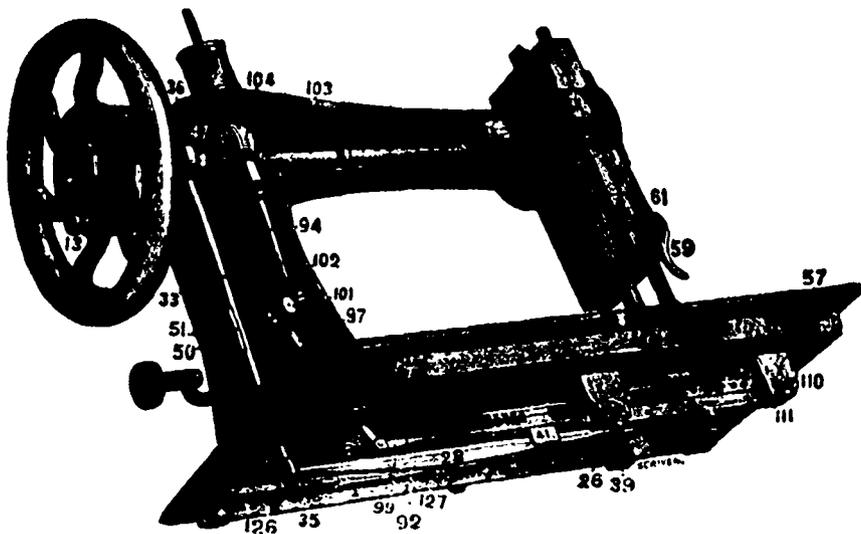


sions. When Elias Howe first gave his invention to the world, his achievement was a grand conception, but the improvements since added to the machines of the best makers, place the machines of to-day almost as far in the van of Howe's first model, as that was in advance of the hand-sewing so graphically described in Hood's immortal lines.

The method and terms at present in vogue of selling sewing machines places the purchasing power in the hands of the million, and few are so poor that it is not an actual saving for them to buy one and pay for it in small instalments. The difficulty lies not in the being able to purchase, but in the ability to select a machine that will give every satisfaction; and when one is approached by half-a-dozen smooth-tongued agents, representing as many manufacturers, each and every one claiming to have the best in the world, the difficulty of selection is by no means lessened. The high standard of excellence attained by the "Wanzer" machines, whilst causing much jealousy amongst rivals, should be a source of congratulation to Canadians, inasmuch as we have in our midst, in this young country, a manufacturer that has been successful in competing against the world, and has received the highest honours wherever his machines have been exhibited, and, as a crowning triumph,

It has a reversible feed, enabling the operator to fasten threads at the beginning and ending of seams, and also to strengthen any part liable to extra strain by sewing backwards and forwards over them without stopping. The manufacturers claim that the following improvements place it ahead of all competitors:—"All working parts made of hardened steel; light running (a six ounce weight will turn it), noiseless; self-threading shuttle; positive take up large and roomy arm, so as to give plenty of space for large pieces to be handled with ease; automatic bobbin winder and loose balance wheel; triangular needle bar; all parts adjustable; no gear—no heart-motion—no cams." The above is a pretty formidable list of improvements, but this firm believe in keeping in the front rank, and eagerly avail themselves of all the latest improvements and inventions.



THE WANZER SEWING MACHINE.

was knighted by the Emperor of Austria with the order of Francis Joseph the First, and was further decorated with the Iron Cross conferred upon him by the same hand. We illustrate one of the best known machines made by the firm—the Wanzer "F" for family use and light manufacturing work.

Messrs. Wanzer & Co. ship their machines to all parts of the civilized world, and give employment in different capacities to hundreds of hands.

Their factory at Hamilton is a hive of industry, and we say again that Canada may well be proud of such an establishment.

The other machines made by this firm are designated as follows:—

The "Little Wanzer" lock-stitch, to work by hand or foot.

The "Wanzer A" lock-stitch straight race, to work by hand or foot.

The "Wanzer C," light running for families.

The "Wanzer D," for tailors and manufacturers of heavy goods.

The "Wanzer E," with wheel feed, for leather work and heavy manufacturing.