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1857	1858	1859	1860	1861	1862	1863	1864	1865	1866
5375	11159	35114		46119	50598	7493#	80527		
7493	17092	37471		50024	53162				
	20304	39387			62012				
					62930				
1867	1868	1869	1870	1871	1872	1873	1874	1875	1876
127294	143098	158574	171370	197937			228802	A 271911	A 282123
			176151	198817			A 250503	A 272062	A 283775
				20340#			A 257740	A 272305	A 285955
				215882			A 261975	A 275793	A 286682
							A 266428	A 278777	A 290785
							A 266488	A 279658	A 290943
							A 268467	A 279815	
							A 270314	A 280683	
1877	1878	1879	1880	1881	1882	1883	1884	1885	1886
A 293000	A 306745	A 317518	A 328950	A 344700	A 354716	A 362063	A 373167	A 387569	A 396159
A 294063	A 308869	A 320235	A 333376	A 344760	A 357606	A 362673	A 374968	A 387915	A 397799
A 296704	A 309633	A 325622	A 333399	A 345459	A 359###	A 365389	A 378235	A 388971	A 397957
A 298333	A 311935		A 333474	A 346636		A 366722	A 378502	A 389800	A 399440
A 298344	A 313832			A 347416		A 369719	A 378786	A 390377	
A 299275				349940		A 370620	A 379206	A 390470	
A 300148							A 379246	A 391344	
A 304933							A 383866	A 392957	
							A 384224	A 393245	
								A 393880	
								A 394383	
								A 395699	
between 1877 & 1878	A 305202								
between 1879 & 1880	A 327079								
between 1881 & 1882	A 351947								
between 1883 & 1884	A 371596								

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1887	1888	1889	1890	1891	1892	1893	1894	1895	1896
412142	A 422226	A 431311	A 443014	A 449451	A 464344	A 469043	A 474971	A 492473	A 496743
414364	A 426585	A 433176	A 443588	A 451689	A 465114	B 469626	A 474981	A 492550	A 496776
417634	A 427447	A 434058	A 444445	A 453437	A 465810	A 469844	A 475951	A 493801	A 497580
		A 435471	A 448100	A 458924	A 466954	A 469884	A 477024	A 493936	A 499119
		A 437927				A 470558	A 477184		A 499495
		A 437954				A 471057	A 478909		A 499818
						A 471263	A 479574		
							A 479886		
							A 482859		
							A 483030		
							A 486714		
							A 489146		
dated as 1889, more likely 1887		418935							
between 1887 & 1888		419315							
between 1894 & 1895		A 492004							
1897	1898	1899	1900	1901	1902	1903	1904	1905	1906
A 500863	A 510417	A 512317	A 520408	A 523931	A 532418	B 536015	A 541271	A 545042	A 552284
		A 516134	A 520533	A 524045		A 536946	B 544060	A 545847	A 552374
		A 516410	B 522053	A 524047		A 537033	B 544103	A 547687	A 552688
		A 516856		A 529820		A 537846	B 544178	B 548983	
		A 517528				A 538658		B 549640	
		A 518171				A 539357			
						A 539367			
1907	1908	1909	1910	1911	1912	1913	1914	1915	1916
B 556831	B 560443		A 568284	A 568603	B 581054	A 583461	A 590001	612967	A 650557
B 556899	B 560818			A 574702	A 582907	A 584175	A 592642	A 645892	
A 556931	A 562532			A 576330	A 582975	A 585881	A 594269	A 645951	
B 557231				A 576677		A 586194	A 594288	A 646055	
B 557337			A	578961		A 586271			
A 559024				A 580413		A 586338			
						B 586688			
						B 586823			
						B 587070			
between 1908 & 1910	A 564079					B 587529			
between 1908 & 1910	A 566563					A 589840			
between 1908 & 1910	A 567162								

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1917	1918	1919	1920	1921	1922	1923	1924	1925	1926
A 653670	A 654552	A 656052	A 657212	A 660592	A 670001	A 679984	A 682996	A 684476	A 686389
		A 656382	A 658147	A 660766	A 671051	A 680018		A 685026	
		A 656448	A 659285	A 662320	A 671268	A 680027		A 685434	
				A 663971	A 672592				
				A 665156	A 673268				
				A 666108	A 673294				
				A 666481	A 673504				
				A 666738	A 673918				
				A 666993	A 677649				
				A 667871	A 678666				
				A 669474	A 679032				
					A 679268				
1927	1928	1929	1930	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936
A 687306	A 688025	A 689449	A 690147	A 695150					
A 687756	A 688804		A 690496	A 695692					
			A 690521	A 695959					
			A 690660	A 697127					
			A 690293	A 697268					
			A 690803	A 698162					
			A 691386	A 698521					
			A 692415	A 699076					
			A 692425	A 699912					
			A 692702						
			A 693228						
			A 693596						
			A 693785						
between 1927 & 1928		A 687803							
1937	1938	post '38							
A 725048	A 731842	735255							
A 725525	A 732000	A 735306							
A 726228	A 732006								
A 726468	A 732095								
A 727910	A 732497								
A 728153	734180								
A 728494	734574								
A 728912									
A 729077									
between 1937 & 1938		A 730648							

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NOTES:

If listed as "between", the serial number lies between the last verified SN of the earlier year and the first verified SN of the later year.

Dates prior to 1876 are derived from an assumptive chart compiled by the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D. C.

"A" preceeding the serial number indicates automatic tension, but there are exceptions. (An American Hand crank owned by Lisa White is automatic tension and has no leading letter.)

There are no known records of serial numbers after 1938, however, Willcox and Gibbs continued into the 1970s, according to an article written by Graham Foresdyke and published on the ISMACS web site.