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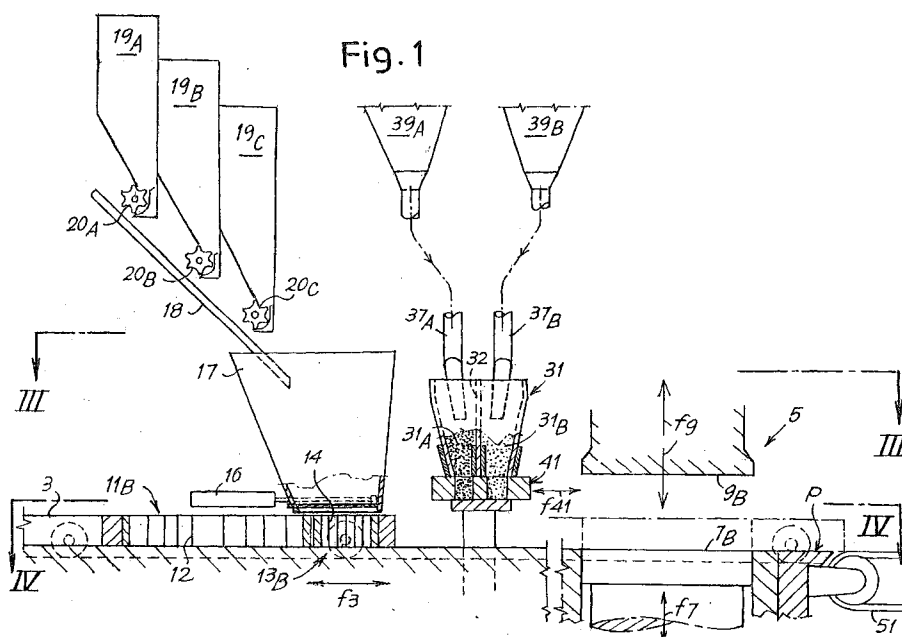
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(54) **Press loading device for manufacturing ceramic tiles, press comprising said device and respective loading method**

(57) The device comprises a reciprocatingly (f3) moving trolley (3) for taking powders from a main feeding hopper (17) and transferring the powders to at least one die-matrix of a press (5). The trolley presents at least one loading grid (11B) which is filled with said powders and transfers said powders to said at least one matrix. The device also comprises at least one auxiliary

hopper (31) arranged downstream to the main feeding hopper with respect to the direction of advancement of the trolley to the press die. The auxiliary hopper is equipped with a distributor member (41) to distribute a controlled amount of at least one colored powder on the bottom of the loading grid (11B) during the return stroke of the grid from the die to the main feeding hopper.



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