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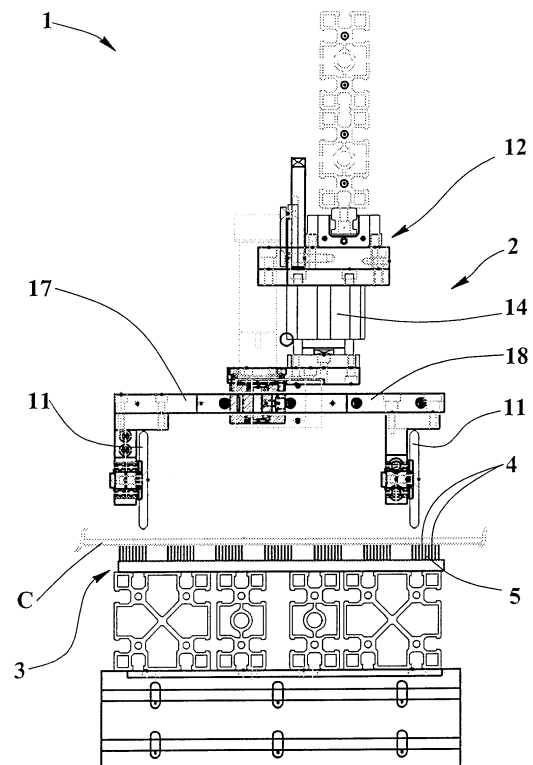
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(54) **Machine for working cardboard and similar**

(57) A machine for cardboard working (C) and similar, is provided with cardboard advancing means and a set of operative elements (2) fit to make cuts, creases or other cardboard workings.

The machine (1) comprises support means (3) for the cardboard, opposite to the operative elements (2) with respect to the cardboard (C) and equipped with a plurality of bristle means (4) fit to support the cardboard during the operation of said operative elements (2).



**FIG.5**



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1. claims: 1-9

1-9 Machine for cardboard working (C) and similar, comprising cardboard advancing means and operative elements (2) fit to make cardboard cuts, creases or other workings, characterized in that comprises support means (3) for the cardboard, opposite to the operative elements (2) with respect to the cardboard (C) and comprising a plurality of bristle means (4) fit to support the cardboard during the operation of said operative elements (2).

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2. claims: 10-15

Machine according to claim 9 characterized in that the cutting means (10) and the creasing means (11) are

- preferably of free disc type, or
- connected to at least a carriage means (12) translating in controlled way transversally to the advancing cardboard direction - or
- operate on the cardboard (C) in longitudinal and/or transversal direction with respect to the advancing cardboard direction.

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