Creel. 1. (Spinning.) The bar which holds the paying-off bobbins in the bobbin-and-fly, the throstle machine, or the mule. In the first machine the bobbins hold the sliver, which is to be spun and twisted into a roving; in the latter machines, by a substantially similar operation, the roving is converted into yarn. The creel may have several bars with rows of skewers, upon which the bobbins are placed to unwind their contents.

