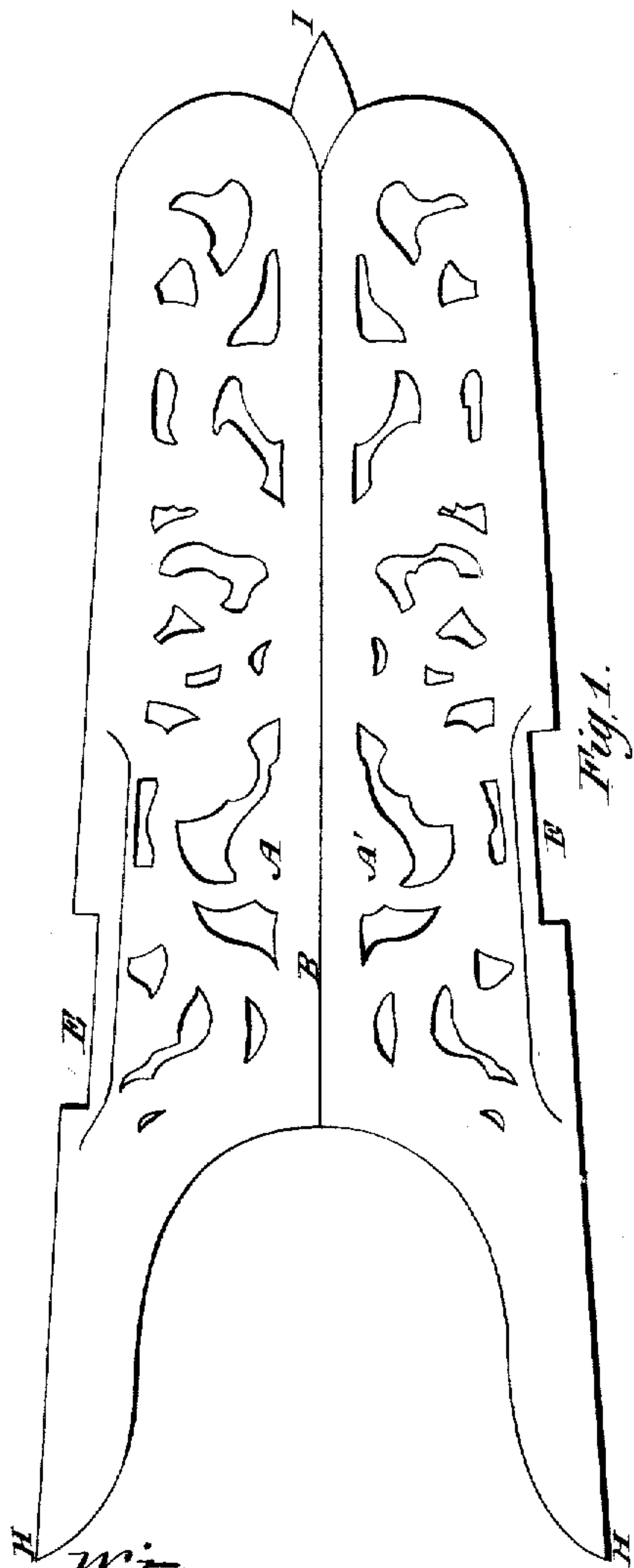


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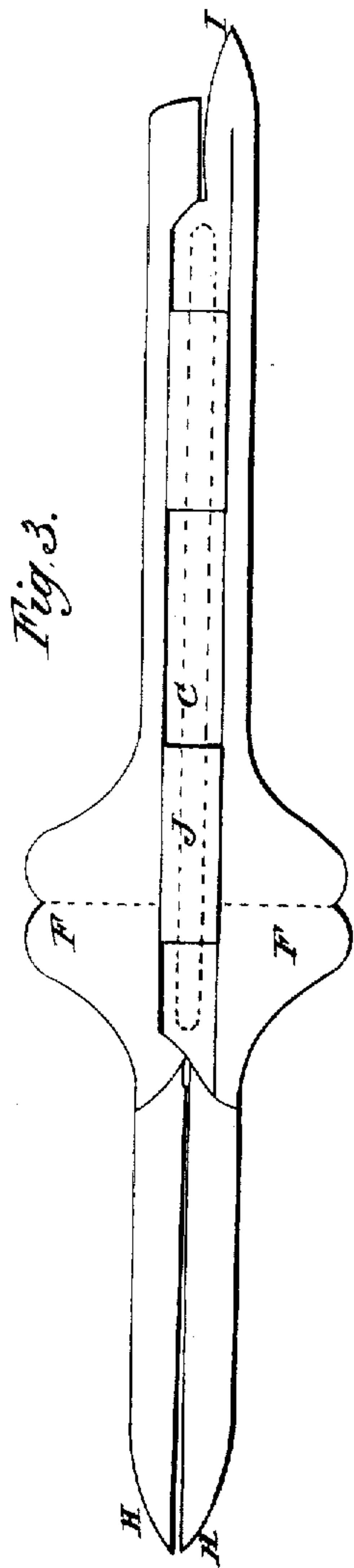
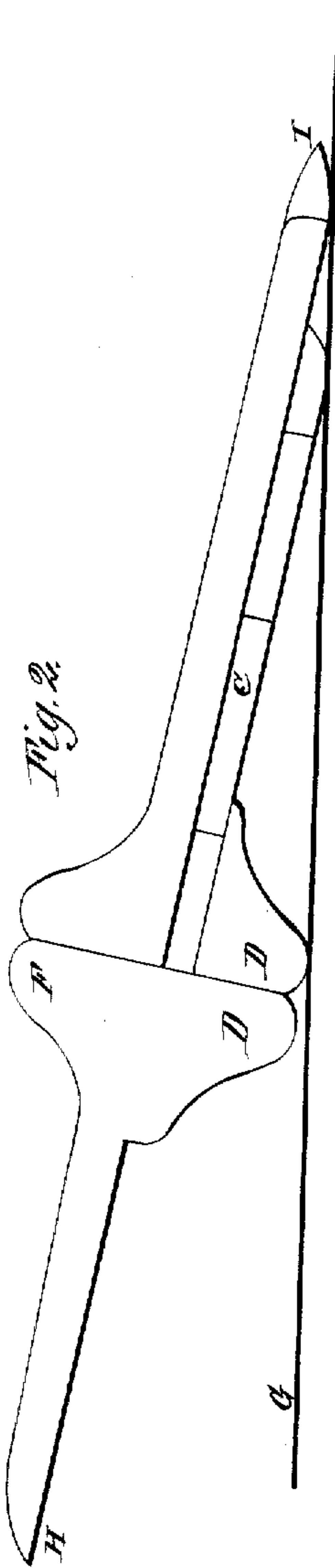
Boot Jack.

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IMPROVED BOOT-JACK.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM W. CANSLER, of the city and county of Baltimore, and State of Maryland, have invented a new and useful and Improved Boot-Jack; and I do hereby declare that the same is described and represented in the following specification and drawings.

To enable others skilled in the art to make and use my invention, I will proceed to describe its construction and the mode of using it, referring to the drawings, in which the same letters indicate like parts in each of the figures.

Figure 1 is a plan or top view. Fig. 2 is an elevation. Fig. 3 represents it shut or closed.

The nature of my invention and improvement consists in a metallic boot-jack with pointed prongs at one end and a point at the other, so as to serve as a brace to fasten the door of a room. It is also provided with a hinge to fold it lengthwise when packed for traveling.

In the accompanying drawings, A A' represent the two parts of my metal boot-jack, made in the form shown in Fig. 1 and connected in the center under the line B by the hinge C. (Shown in Figs. 2 and 3.) Each part is provided with a flange D D, Fig. 2, which serve as legs to hold up the crotchend when the boot-jack is used. These legs D D shut by each other into the scores E E when the two parts are closed, as shown in Fig. 3, and the legs come opposite the flanges F F, which project from the parts A A' on the opposite side from the legs, as shown in Figs. 2 and 3. When this jack is used to draw a boot, it is opened, as shown in Fig. 1, and the legs D D, resting on the floor, (represented by the line G; Fig. 2,) and one foot placed on it, the boot may be drawn from the

other foot in the usual manner. The ends of the prongs H H, which form the crotch, are pointed so as to readily catch into the floor or carpet, and the opposite end of the part A' has a conical point I, which will readily catch into a door when the boot-jack is set at an angle of about forty-five degrees, with the points H H against the floor and the point I against a door to prevent the door from being opened, thus making it serve two purposes—to draw boots and fasten doors—and when provided with a leather or paper case it may be conveniently carried when traveling.

This boot-jack may be cast of brass or some other compositions of metals, or of iron and converted into malleable iron by the mode usually practiced.

The pin J (shown by dotted lines in Fig. 3) may be placed in the mold and the metal cast around it in the same manner that the common butt-hinges are cast, or the parts may be cast and a hole drilled for the pin, as may be preferred. The area between the sides may be ornamented with scroll-work, as shown in Fig. 1.

My improvements make a durable, cheap, and portable boot-jack, which will also serve as a door-fastener.

I believe I have described and represented my improved boot-jack so as to enable any person skilled in the art to make and use it. I will now state what I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent, viz:

I claim—

The metal folding boot-jack described, with pointed prongs and pointed end, as a new article of manufacture.

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