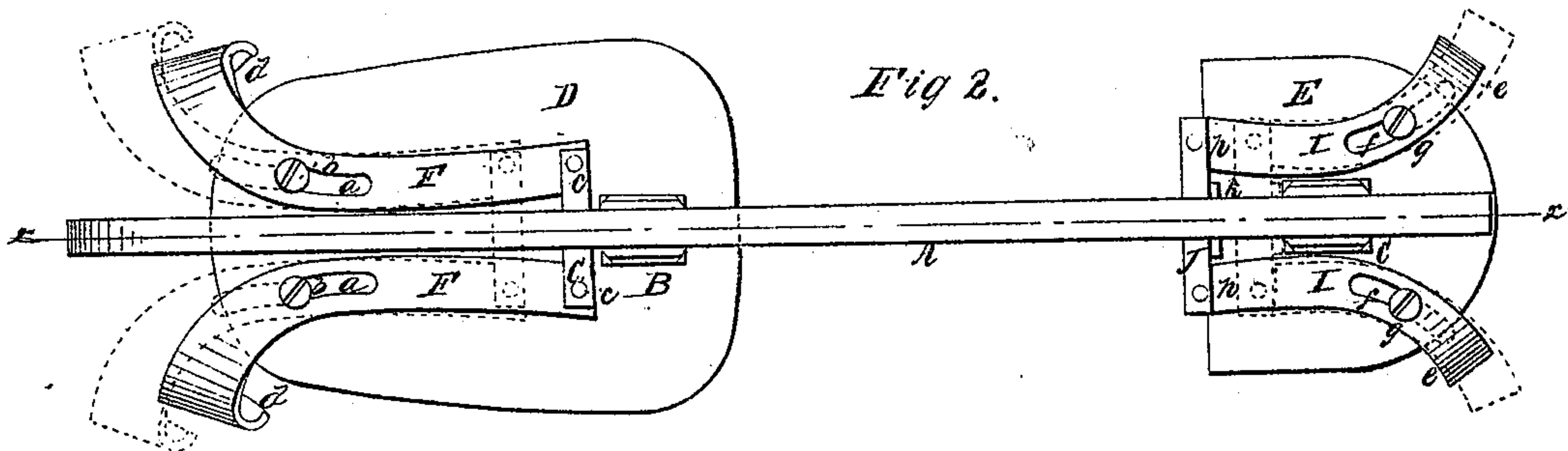
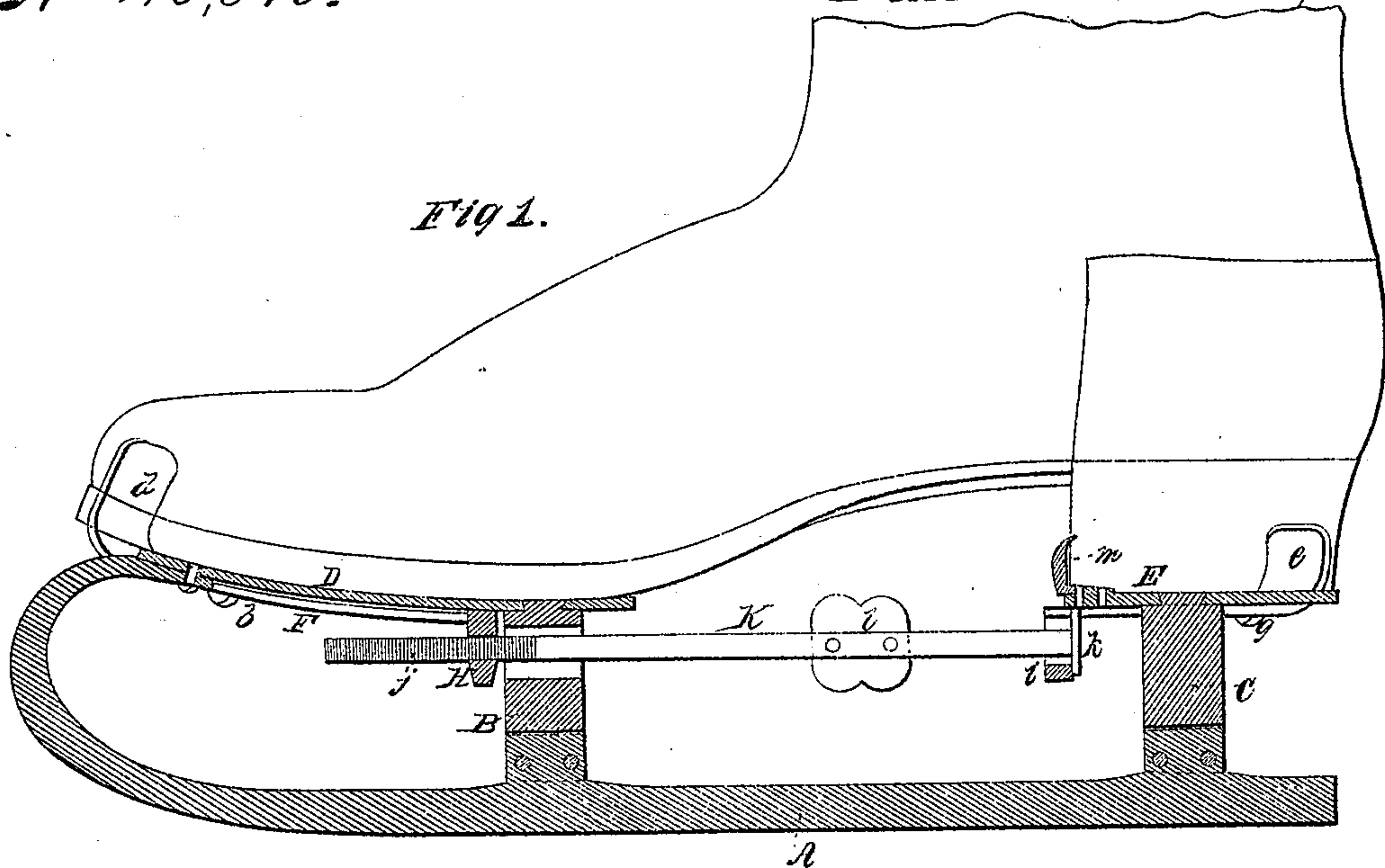


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IMPROVED SKATE-FASTENING.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, C. T. DAY, of Newark, in the county of Essex and State of New Jersey, have invented a new and Improved Skate-Fastening; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a longitudinal vertical section of a skate with my improvement applied to it; Fig. 2, an inverted plan or under view of the same.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the two figures.

This invention relates to a new and improved mode of attaching the skate to the boot or shoe; and it consists in the employment or use of clamps arranged and applied to the skate in such a manner that a combined lateral and longitudinal adjusting movement is given them for the purpose of grasping the sole of the boot or shoe and firmly securing the skate to the same.

The invention further consists in operating the clamps by means of a screw-rod and nut, arranged with the clamps in such a manner that all of the latter will be operated or moved simultaneously in securing the skate to the boot or shoe.

To enable those skilled in the art to fully understand and construct my invention, I will proceed to describe it.

A represents the runner of a skate; B, the front, and C the back, knee or post; D, the sole-plate, and E the heel-plate, the plates D E being attached, respectively, to the knees or posts B C, the front part of the plate B being also attached to the toe of the runner A.

The above parts are constructed and arranged similarly to many skates in use, and therefore do not require a minute description.

To the under side of the sole-plate D there are attached two curved bars, F F, each of which has a curved slot, *a*, made in it, and through these slots screws *b* pass into the sole-plate, the heads of the screws retaining the bars in proper position and still admitting them to slide longitudinally, the back

or inner ends of the bars F F connected by pivots *c c* to a bar, G, a pendent nut, H, attached to it. The parts of the bars F F are curved or bent upward, so as to form jaws or clamps which extend upward, one at each front part of the sole of the boot or shoe.

To the under side of the heel-plate E are attached two bars, I I, which are curved, so that their outer ends extend upward and form jaws or clamps on each side of the heel of the boot or shoe. These bars I are also slotted longitudinally, as shown at *f f*, to admit of screws passing through them in the same way as through the bars F F, and the back ends of the bars I are connected by a bar, J, which has a pendant, *i*, attached to it.

K is a rod, which has a screw, *k*, at one end, and a head, *l*, on its other end. This rod rests in the pendant *i* of the bar J, the head *l* being against the side of the pendant *i*, and the screw *k* passing through the nut H of the bar G. The screw *k* has a thumb-piece, *m*, attached to the inner edge of the heel-plate E, which is attached to an upright bearing-piece, *n*, at the front edge of the heel of the boot or shoe, so that the heel of the boot or shoe rests against it.

The operation is as follows: The bar J is turned to admit of the bars I I being moved outward sufficiently to grasp the front part of the sole of the boot or shoe to rest on the plate E. The screw *k* is then turned from left to right by the thumb or finger piece *m*, and the bars I I are thereby drawn simultaneously longitudinally and laterally, so that the clamps *d d e e* will bind against the sole and heel of the boot or shoe, and firmly secure the skate to the latter.

The bearing-piece *n* serves as a heel, and insures the skate being in proper position to the boot or shoe.

The device is extremely simple and manipulated with the greatest facility to secure the skate to the boot or shoe, and it is free from the necessity of repair, and it may be applied to a skate at a moderate expense.

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s F F I I, constructed, arranged,
to the skate, substantially as
to be capable of being moved in
d and lateral direction, and clamp
sole of the boot or shoe in the
for the purpose specified.

2. The screw-rod J and nut H, applied to
the bars F F I I, to operate in the manner
and for the purpose set forth.

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