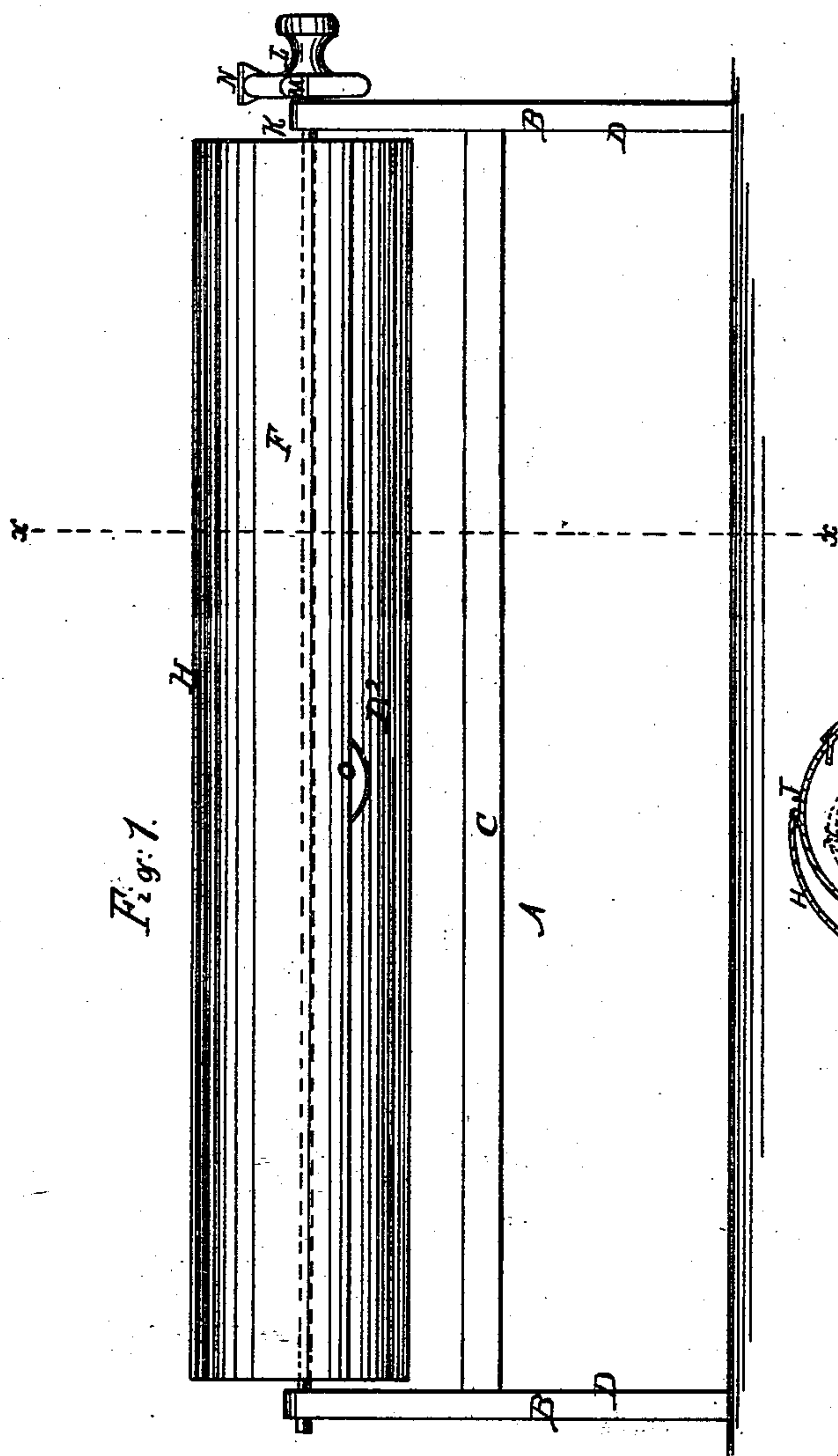


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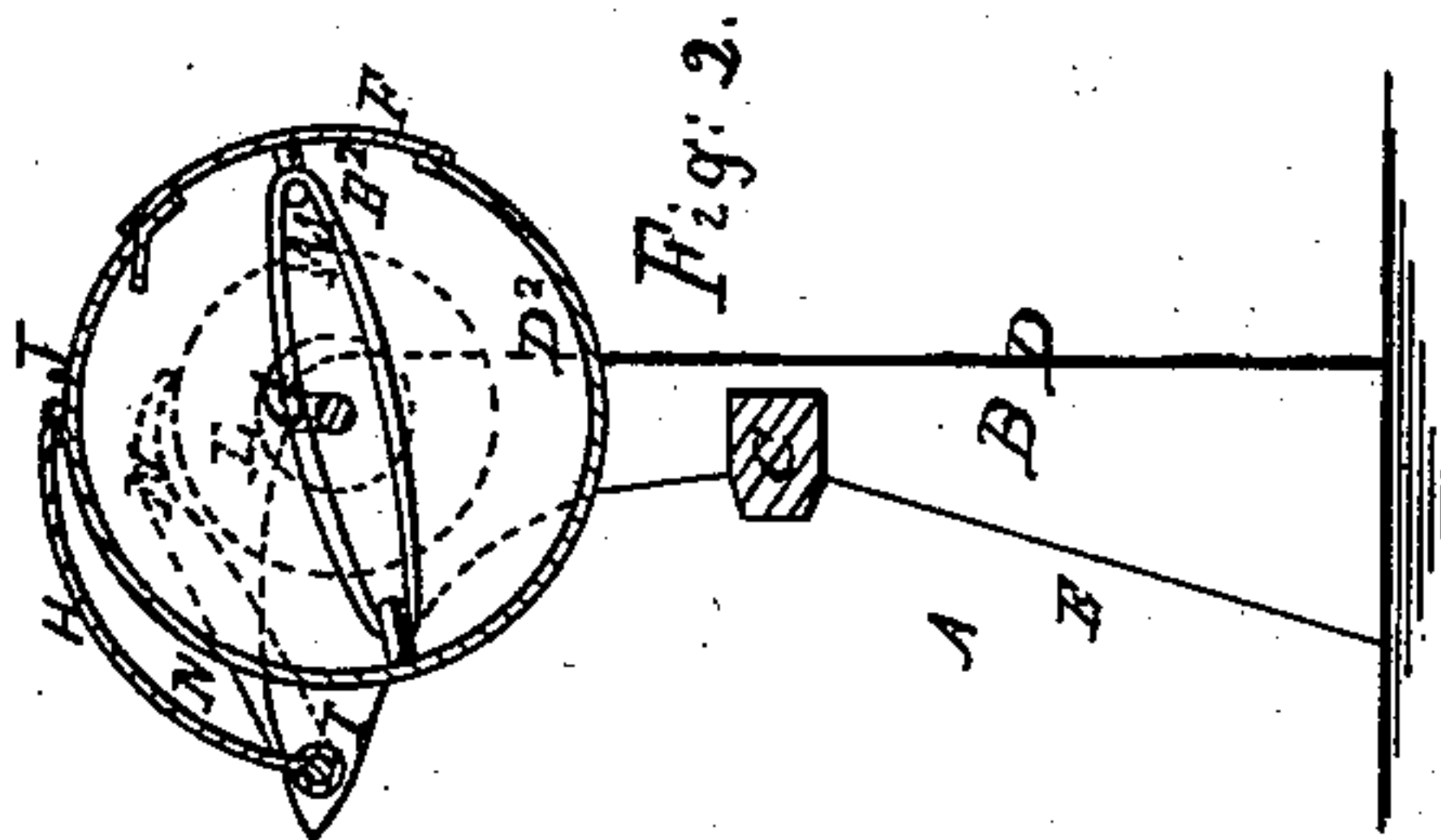
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*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*

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## COPY-HOLDER.

*The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.*

### TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that we, CHARLES B. MOSELEY and LUCIUS L. WOOLLEY, of Medford, in the county of Middlesex, and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and improved Copy-Holder; and we do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification.

This invention relates to a copy-holder, especially intended for the use of compositors, although it can be readily and easily adapted for use by various persons, such as copyists of legal and other papers, proof readers, etc. In accompanying drawings—

Figure 1 is a front view; and

Figure 2, a transverse vertical section, taken in the plane of the line *x x*, fig. 1.

Similar letters of reference indicate like parts.

A, in the drawings, represents a frame on which our improved copy-holder is hung. This frame A consists of two parallel upright end pieces, B B, joined together by a cross-bar or brace, C. These end pieces B are made straight upon one side, D, and upon the other, E, are angular shaped; and the frame, with the straight edges of its end pieces in front, is placed between the front and back type cases, and there let down until the cross-bar C rests firmly upon and against the back case. D<sup>2</sup>, a hollow cylindrical casing, extending between the two uprights B B, above the cross-bar C, in each of which it is hung so as to turn. This cylinder D, along its length, is cut out at E<sup>2</sup>, over which is hung a cover or jaw, F, that, by means of rubber or other suitable springs, G, upon the inside of the cylinder D, is kept firmly closed to and upon the said cylinder D. H is a lid, hung between the arm I of each end of the cylinder, which lid rests upon the top of the cylindrical casing D, and by its edge J extends along the entire length of the same, serving as a "line indicator," or "liner," if it may be so termed, for the copy which is to be inserted in the holder. On one of the trunnion or centre-pins, K, by which the cylindrical casing D is hung, between the end uprights B, is a milled-head, L, for convenience in turning it, which milled-head is notched at M, forming a stop or rest for the pawl or lever-catch N, hung to and upon the upright B, at the corresponding end of the holder.

To use the holder above described, and placed between the front and back type cases, as explained, the lid or cover A is first thrown back, and the cylinder turned in the proper direction for the pawl N to be engaged with the notch of the milled-head L, when, taking the copy in the left hand, and applying the thumb to the spring-jaw or cover F, at its centre point O, it is opened sufficiently to admit the top end of the copy, when, allowing the jaw to close, such end of the copy is firmly and tightly held. The other end of the copy is then dropped between the type cases, in which position it is quite out of the way, when, throwing off the pawl from the notched milled-head L, and swinging the lid H on the cylinder D, the holder with the copy is ready for use; the copy, as fast as it is set up in type, being rolled up upon the cylinder, until, having reached the end of the copy, it is then removed by gently pulling it out, and a new one inserted as before; and so on, as long as may be desired.

Among the many advantages secured by our improved copy-holder, especially when used by compositors, over the ordinary way now practised of placing the copy which is to be set up in type, may be here mentioned as the most important, that our holder can be placed in the centre between the cases, and in a position the most convenient for being read, and not cover or interfere in the least with any of the types, but is out of the way of the same; that the copy is not liable to be either blown or knocked off of the case, and the holder is as well adapted to receive small as large copy.

Although we have herein described our improved copy-holder with particular reference to its use by compositors, it is obvious that it is adapted for use by other and various persons engaged in the copying of legal and other documents, etc.

What we claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The cylinder D, or its equivalent, having a spring-jaw F, when hung in a suitable frame, substantially as and for the purpose described.

We also claim, in combination with the above, the swinging lid H, arranged substantially as described, and for the purpose specified.

We also claim the notched head of the cylinder D, or its equivalent, in combination with the pawl or catch N, for the purpose described.

We also claim the iron frame on which the working portion of the machine rests, and which holds the same in position, substantially as specified.

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