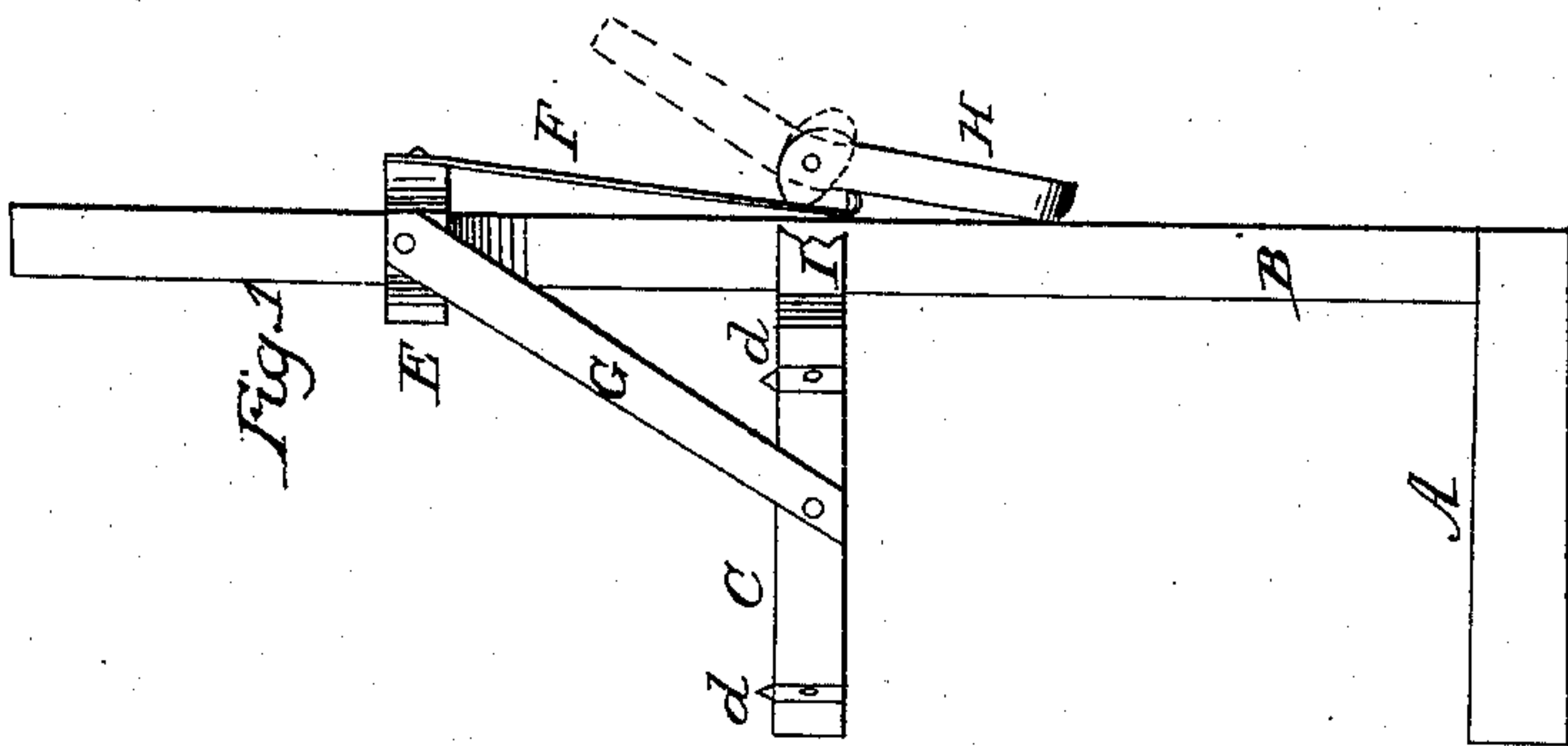
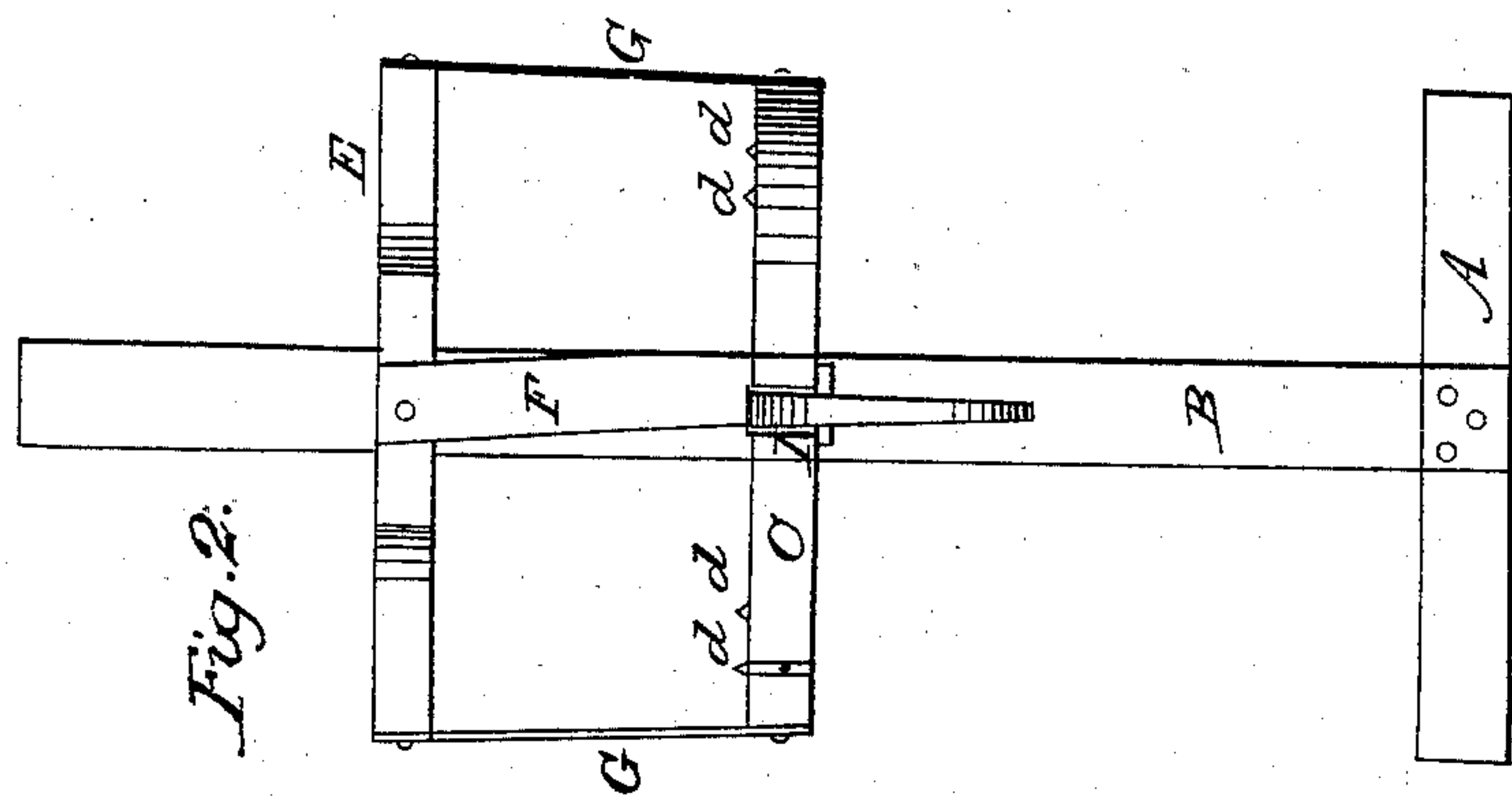


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## IMPROVEMENT IN BAG-HOLDERS.

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

### TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN :

Be it known that I, E. S. MOULTON, of Plymouth, in the county of Wayne, and in the State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful improvements in Bag-Holders; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon.

In the annexed drawings, making part of this specification, A represents a platform, upon which is erected a standard, B. C represents a metallic hoop made about the size of the mouth of an ordinary bag, and provided with teeth or pins upon its upper edge, upon or over which the mouth of the bag is secured. This hoop is secured to a metallic loop, I, which surrounds the standard B, said loop being provided with ears on the side opposite the hoop, between which ears the cam-lever H is pivoted. This lever is for the purpose of stationing the loop, with its hoop, to the standard. E represents a cross-piece, which has a mortise cut through its centre through which the standard passes. This cross-piece is secured to the hoop C by means of two braces G G, and to the loop I, by means of a connecting-bar or strap F. The cross-piece E slides up and down upon the standard with the hoop and loop, and acts as a guide as well as a stay and brace for the hoop. When a bag is to be filled it is placed upon the platform A, and its mouth is caught upon the pins *d d* of the hoop. The hoop C is then raised upon the standard until the bag is extended its length, and the loop I is stationed at this point by means of the cam-lever H. When the bag has been filled the hoop can be lowered and the mouth removed from the pins of the hoop.

I am aware that hoops connected to standards and adjusted thereon are not new. By my invention the bag, when connected to the hoop, is held perfectly secure by the oblique braces, which connect to the cross-piece E, so that if in filling the bag the bottom thereof does not rest upon the base A, the hoop will not break, but will be stayed by its braces. The hoop used by me is provided with a loop, which encircles the standard, while the cross-piece E has an opening in its centre, which fits over the standard, and readily slides up and down on the same as required, thereby obviating the necessity of slotting the standard.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The arrangement of the looped hoop C and cross-piece E, when said hoop is connected to the cross-piece by means of the braces G G, for supporting the bag; and secured upon the standard A by means of the eccentric lever H and bar F, as set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 9th day of April, 1867.

E. S. MOULTON.

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