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Elevator.

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Fig. 2.

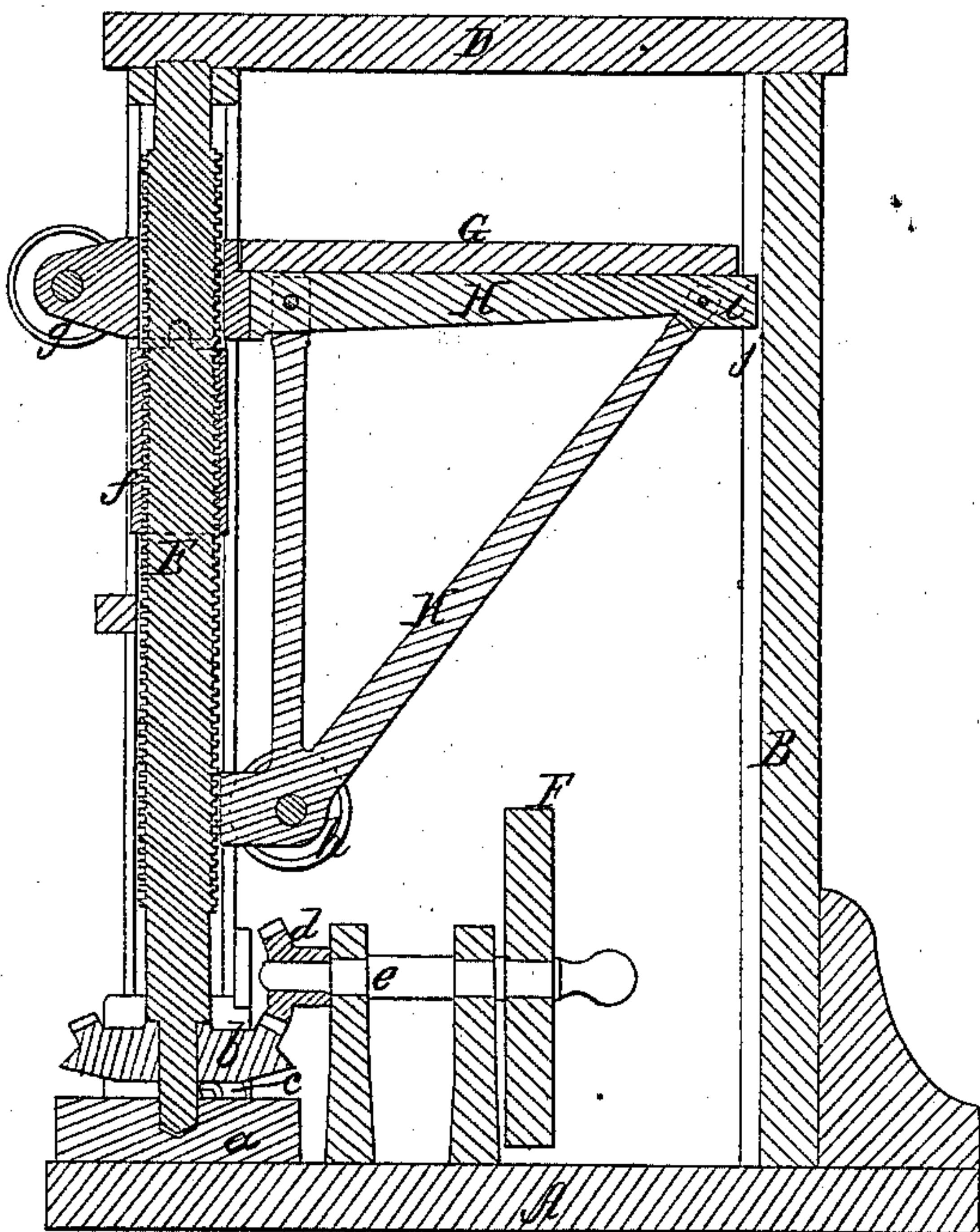


Fig. 1.

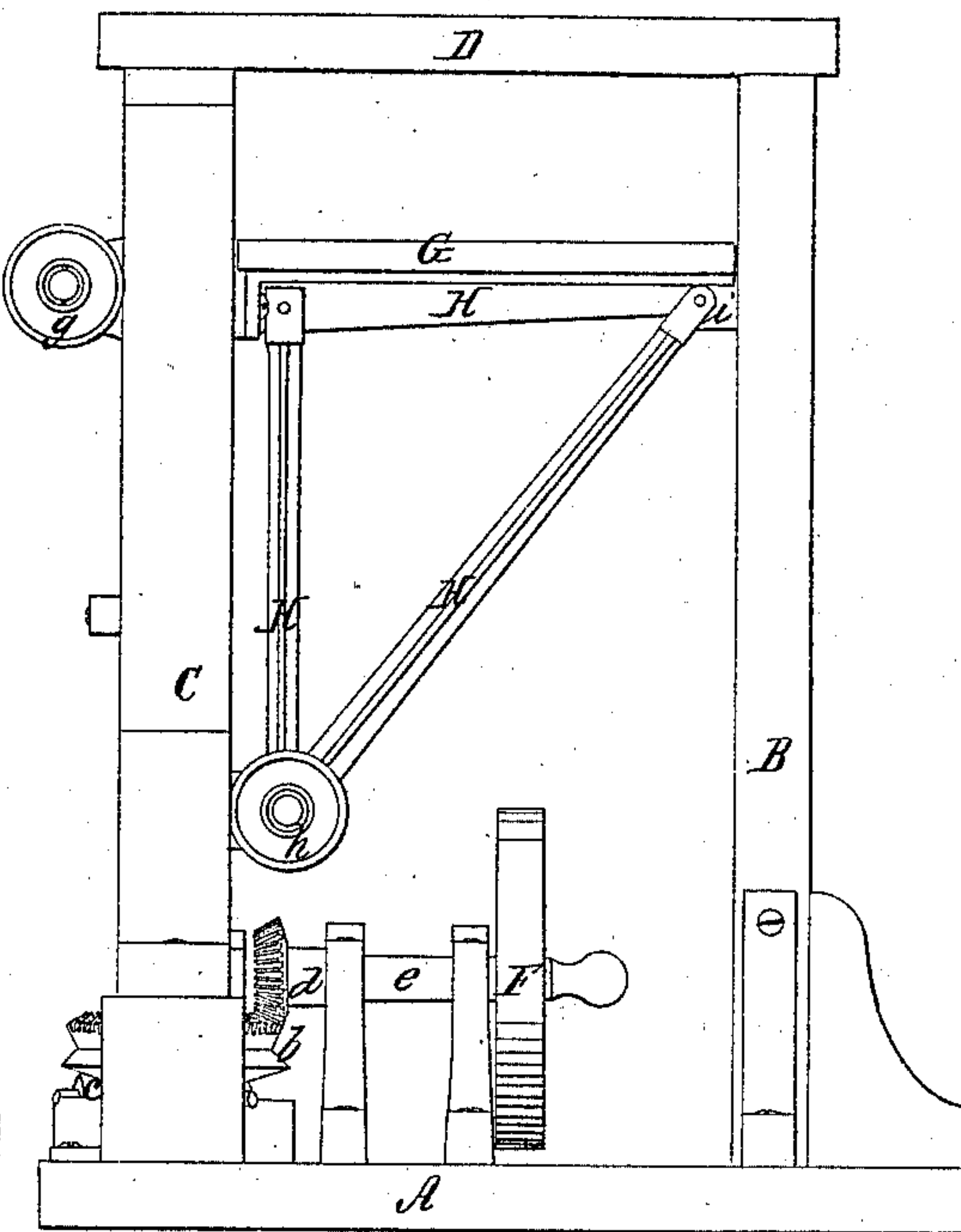
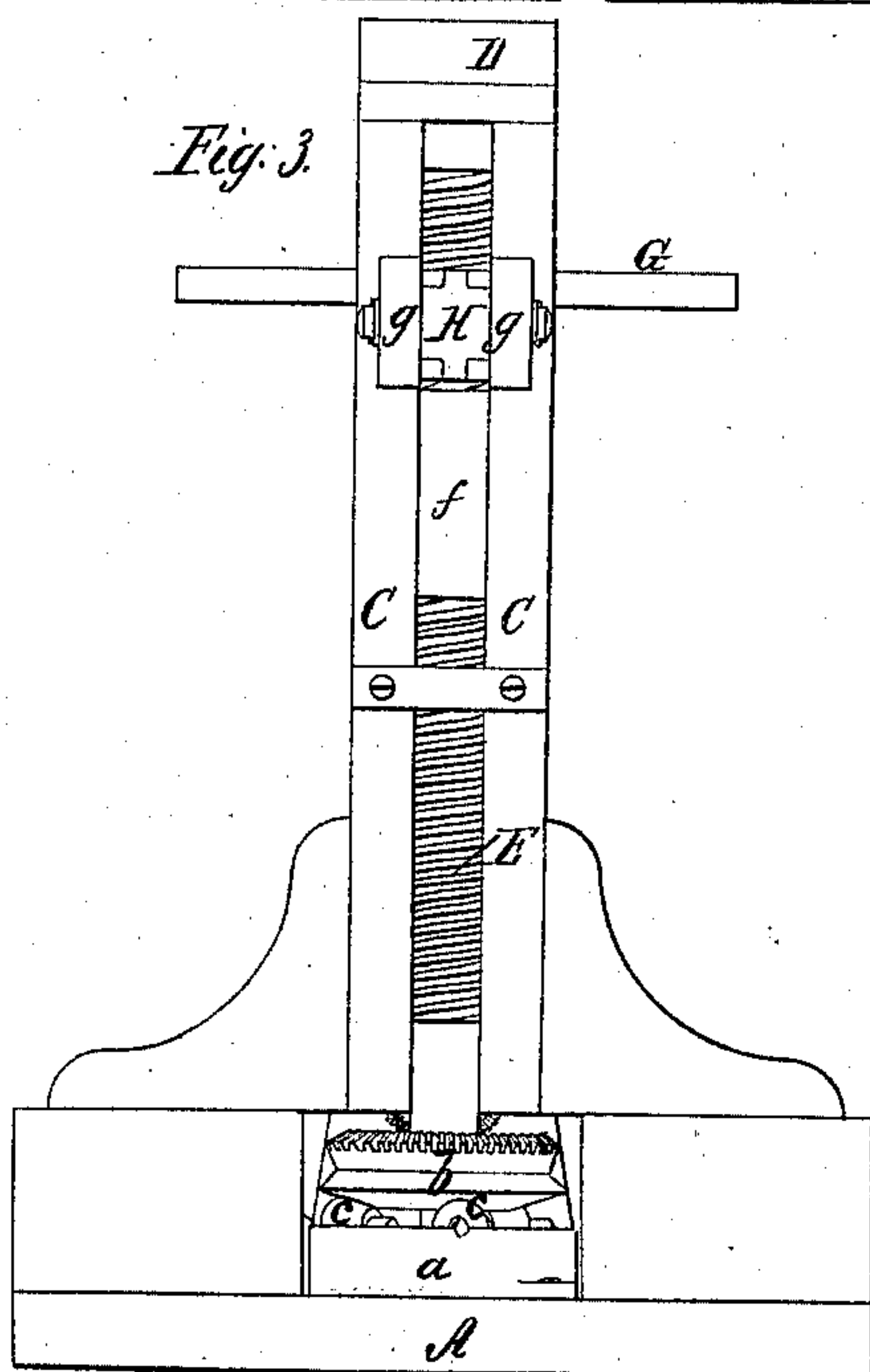


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IMPROVEMENT IN ELEVATORS.

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, EDWARD H. ASHCROFT, of the city of Lynn, county of Essex, in the State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and improved "Elevator;" and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, making a part of this specification, in which like parts are indicated by like letters in the several figures.

To enable others skilled in the art to make and use my invention, I will proceed to describe its construction and operation. In the drawings—

Figure 1 shows an elevation of my machine.

Figure 2, a central vertical section through the same; and

Figure 3, an end view.

A represents the foundation or bottom of the frame, to which are secured uprights B and C, suitably braced at their lower ends. D is a cross-piece, connecting the uprights at their top, making altogether a strong, stable framework. The upright C is composed of two pieces, between which works a screw, E, the lower end of which rests in a metal bed-plate, *a*. Above this, and on the screw, is a bevel gear-wheel, *b*, and between this wheel and the bed-plate are balls or friction-rollers, *c*. The bevel-wheel *b* is secured to screw E, and it gears into another one, *d*, on a shaft, *e*, to which motion may be given through a pulley, F, or in any other obvious mechanical way. G is a platform which rests upon a sleeve or female screw upon the screw E. The platform proper is supported by a metallic braced frame, H. This at the top encircles the screw E, and at its extreme outer end carries two friction-rollers, *g g*, which bear upon the frame-pieces *c c*. The horizontal arm of H rests upon the nut *f*, at the top of the latter. The other end of H, that is, at *i*, works in a guide-slot, *j*, in upright B. At the lower end of H, where the diagonal arm meets the vertical one, I also have two friction-pulleys, *h h*, bearing on the inside of frame-pieces C C, the same as do *g g* on the outside. It is obvious what useful purposes these sets of friction-rollers serve. The top of the screw has a proper and secure guide at the top of the frame.

The operation is as follows: Motion being communicated to pulley F by another friction-pulley, or in any other way, the shaft *e* is revolved, and with it the bevel-wheels *d* and *e*, and with the latter the screw E revolves, and, according to the direction in which it revolves, the sleeve or nut *f* runs up or down, carrying with it the platform G. The nut *f* may be dispensed with by making a screw in the outer end of H, where it encircles the screw E. I prefer, however, the nut. It may also be attached to H.

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

The combination of the frame H, with its friction-rollers *h* and *g*, and the screw E, constructed and operating in the manner substantially as shown and described, and for the purpose set forth.

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