

M. Pirz' Dining Table.

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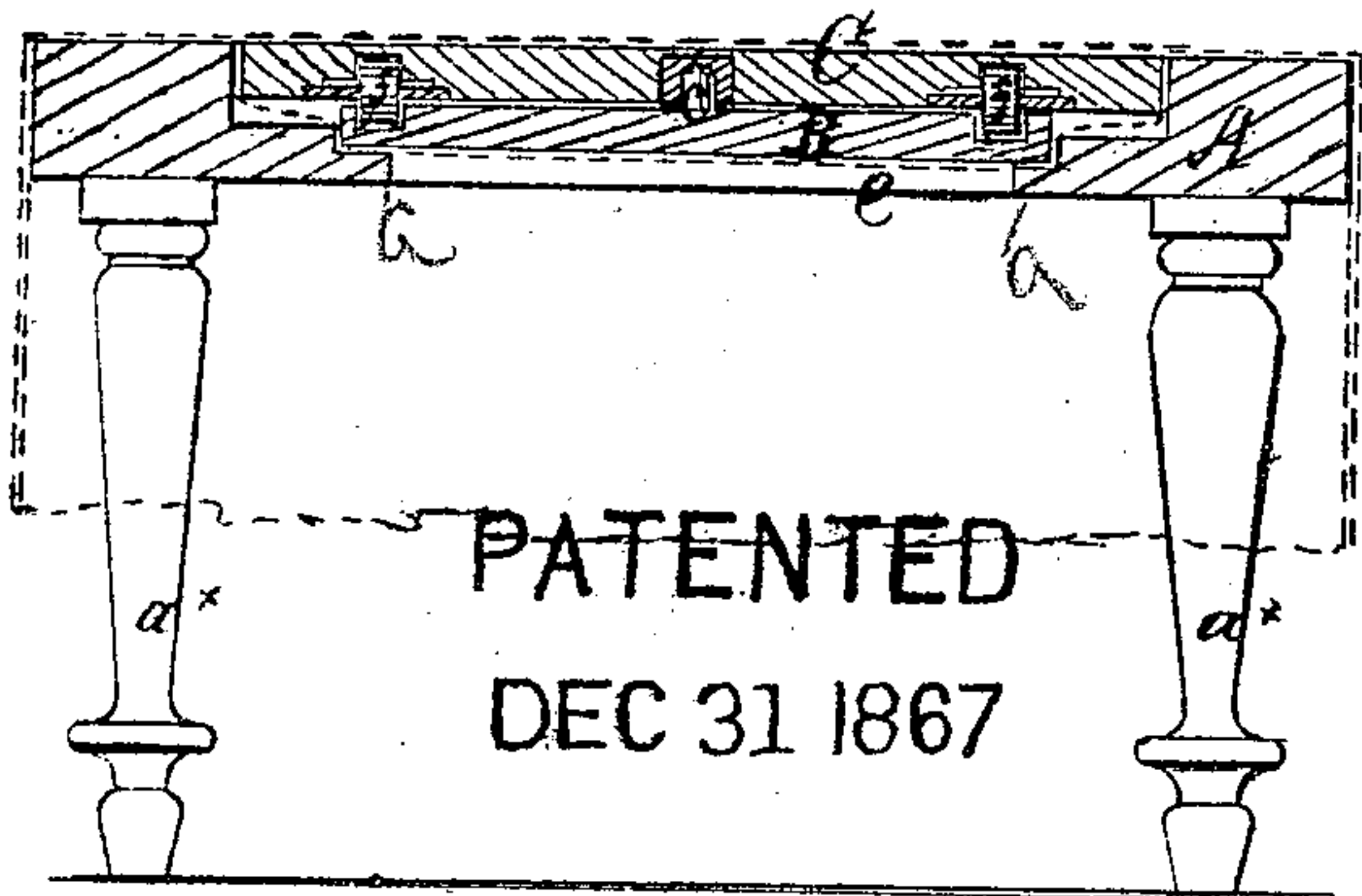


Fig. 2.

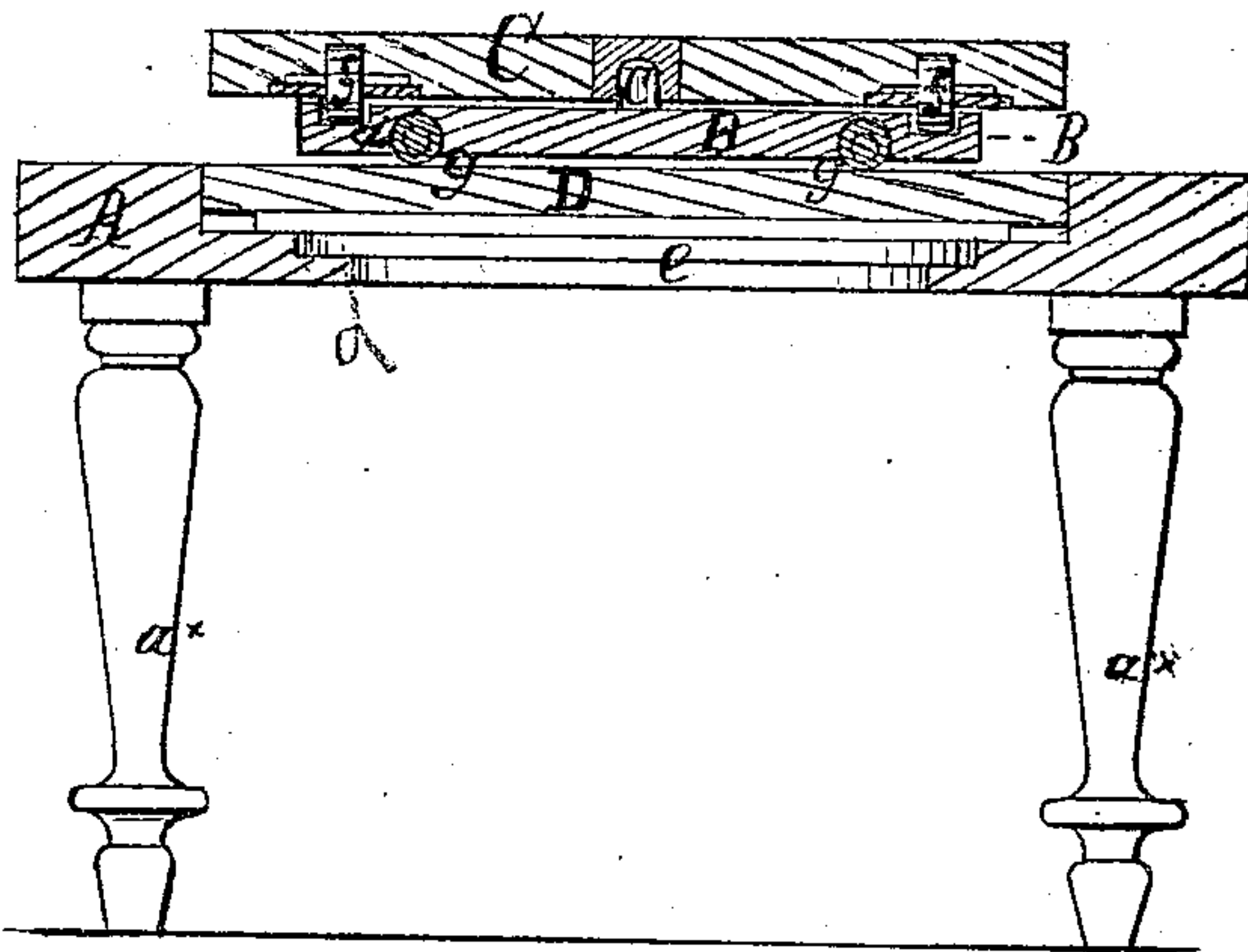


Fig. 3.

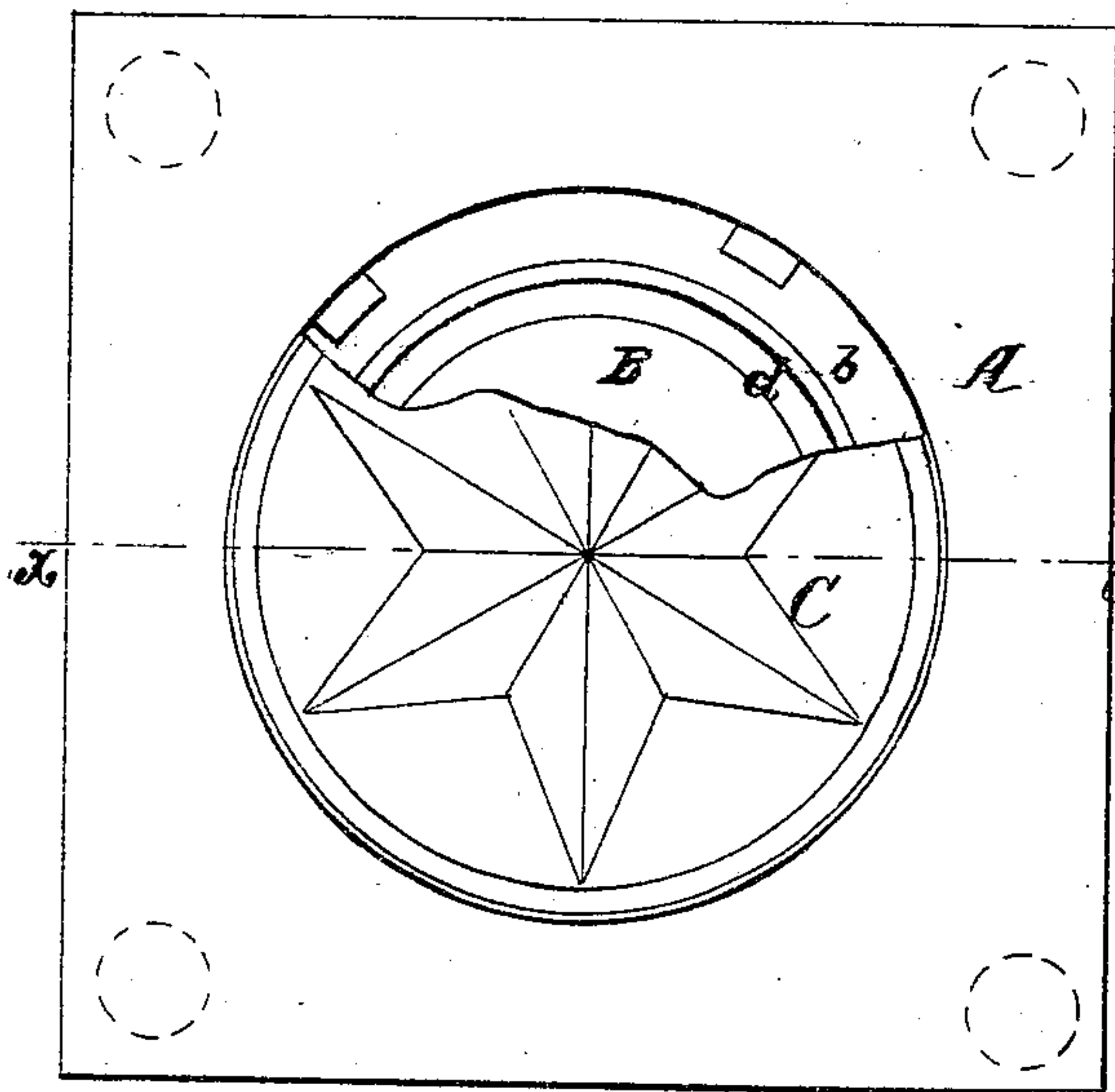


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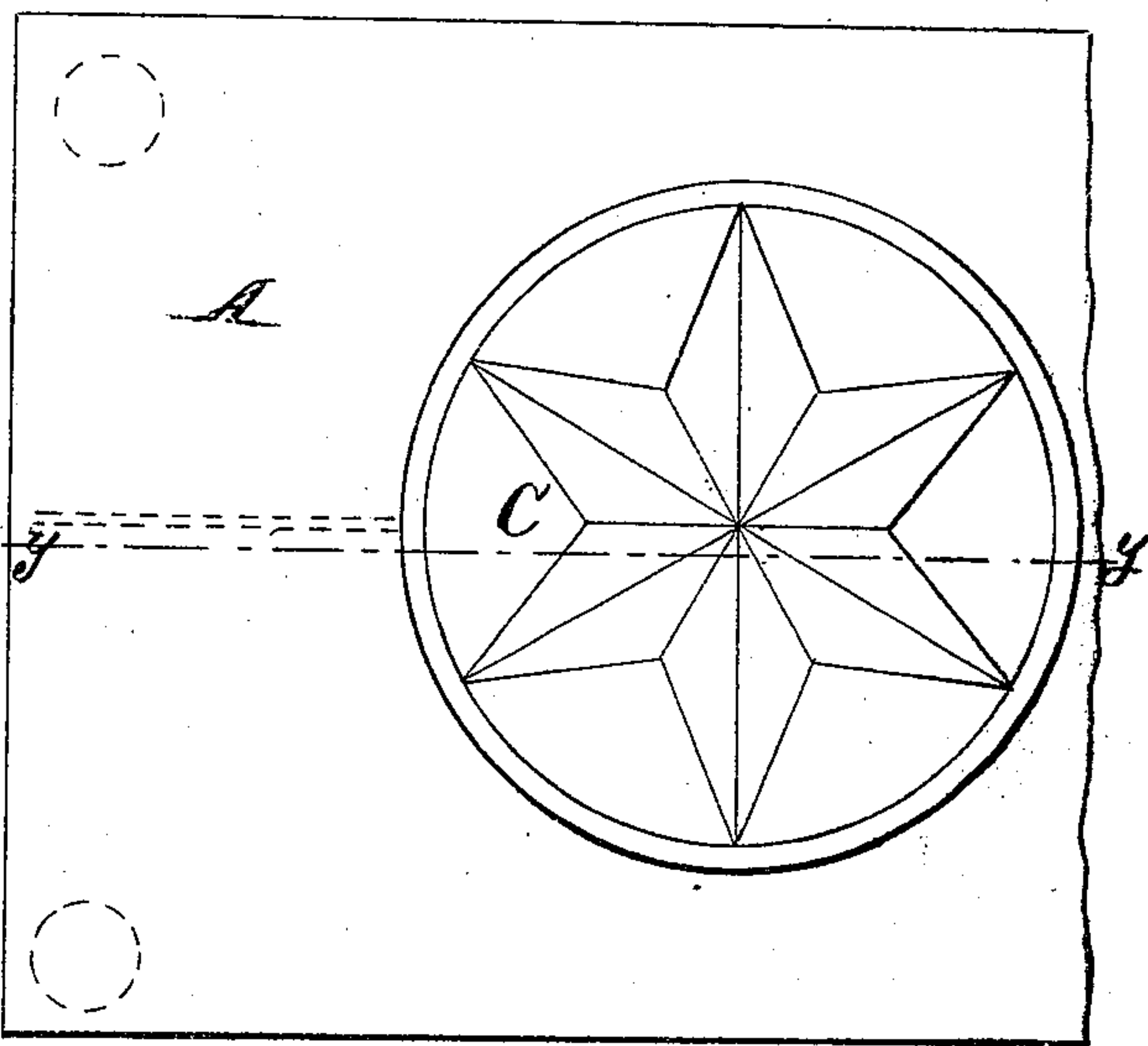
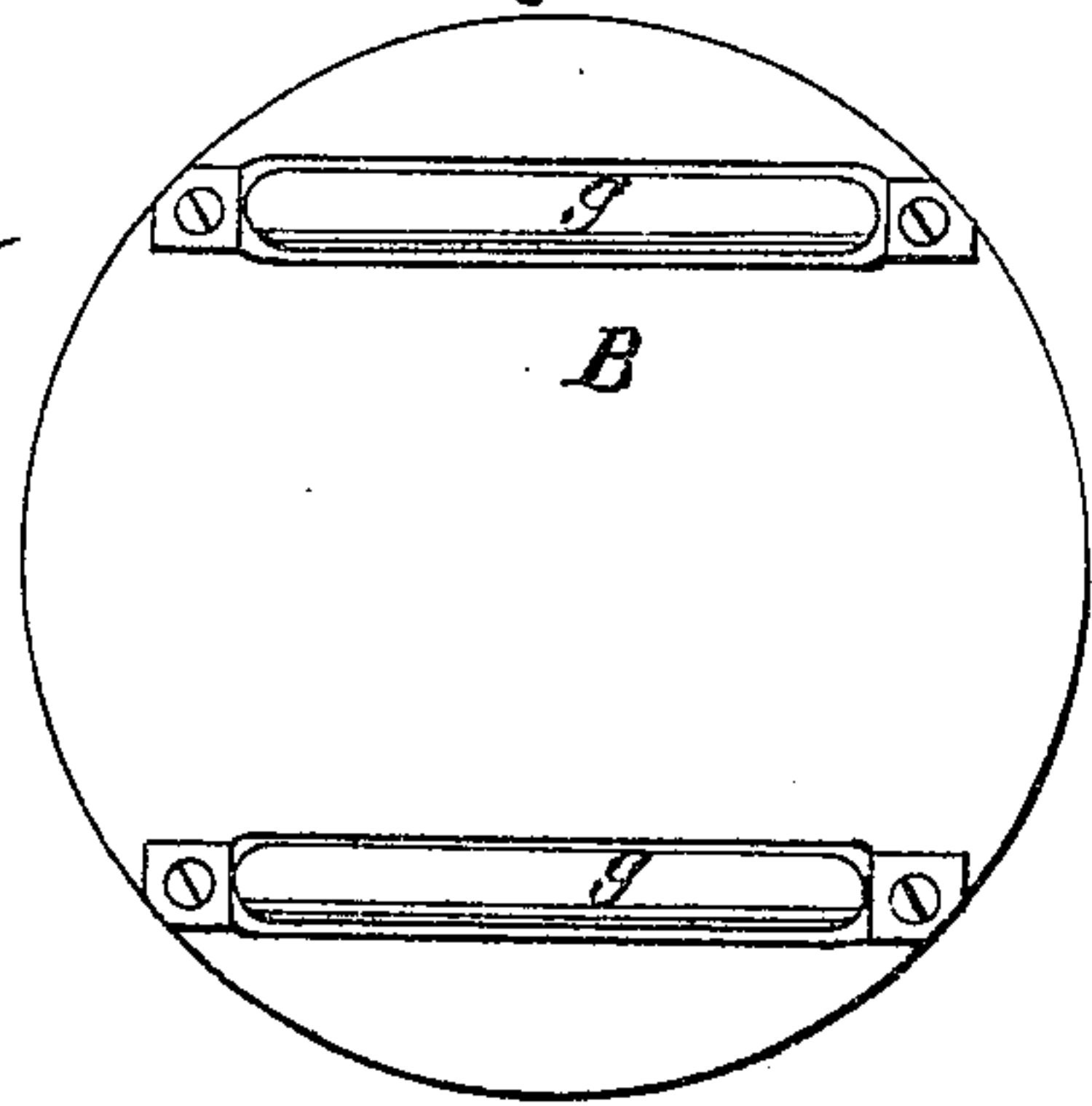


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IMPROVED DINING-TABLE.

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, MANUEL PIRZ, of East New York, in the county of Kings, and State of New York, have invented a new and improved Dining-Table; and I 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, and to the letters marked thereon.

This invention relates to a novel application of a revolving dish-holder to a dining-table, as hereinafter fully shown and described, whereby any one of the number of persons seated at the table may, without any difficulty whatever, help himself to any article of food on the dish-holder, and without disturbing any of the company at the table; the invention also admitting of a table-cloth being used—a result not hitherto attained with revolving dish-holders. In the accompanying sheet of drawings—

Figure 1 is a vertical section of my invention, taken in the line *x x*, fig. 3.

Figure 2, a vertical section of the same, taken in the line *y y*, fig. 4.

Figures 3 and 4, plans or top views of figs. 1 and 2.

Figure 5, a detached inverted plan of the base on which the dish-holder revolves.

Similar letters of reference indicate like parts.

A represents the platform or top of the table, supported by legs *a x*, as usual. At the centre of the top A there is made a circular hole, having a rebate, *a*, made entirely around it, of rather narrow width, and another rebate, *b*, around *a*, of a much greater width than the latter, as shown clearly in figs. 1 and 2. B represents a circular base, which rests on the rebate *a*, and fills the lower part of the circular opening in the table. This base, B, is provided with a central upright pin, *c*, and has an annular groove, *d*, extending around it, near its periphery. C is the revolving dish-holder, which has a central hole, *e*, made through it, to receive the pin *c* of the base, B. The dish-holder has rollers *f* attached to its under side, to work in the groove *d*, and obviate friction as the dish-holder is turned. Instead of rollers, balls or spheres of India rubber may be used, and it is believed that they would be preferable in practice.

With this arrangement a table-cloth, shown in red, fig. 1, may be used, the cloth being spread over the top of the table, and the base, B, being inserted in the hole over the cloth. In cases where preferable or desired, the hole in the table-top may be filled by a circular piece, D, the upper surface of the latter being flush with the upper surface of the table-top, and the base, B, of the dish-holder provided with rollers *g*.

By this arrangement the dish-holder is elevated somewhat, making it more convenient to grasp or turn, and by having a string attached to the base, B, any person seated at the table may draw the dish-holder towards him, should it not be within convenient reach.

I do not claim broadly a revolving dish-holder for a dining-table, for they have been previously used, but

I do claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

The arrangement of the grooved base, B, and top, C, with the table A, when the table-cloth is adapted to be spread over the table and beneath the base, B, in such a manner as to permit the top, C, to revolve without its rollers coming in contact with the table-cloth, as herein shown and described.

The above specification of my invention signed by me, this 23d day of September, 1867.

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