

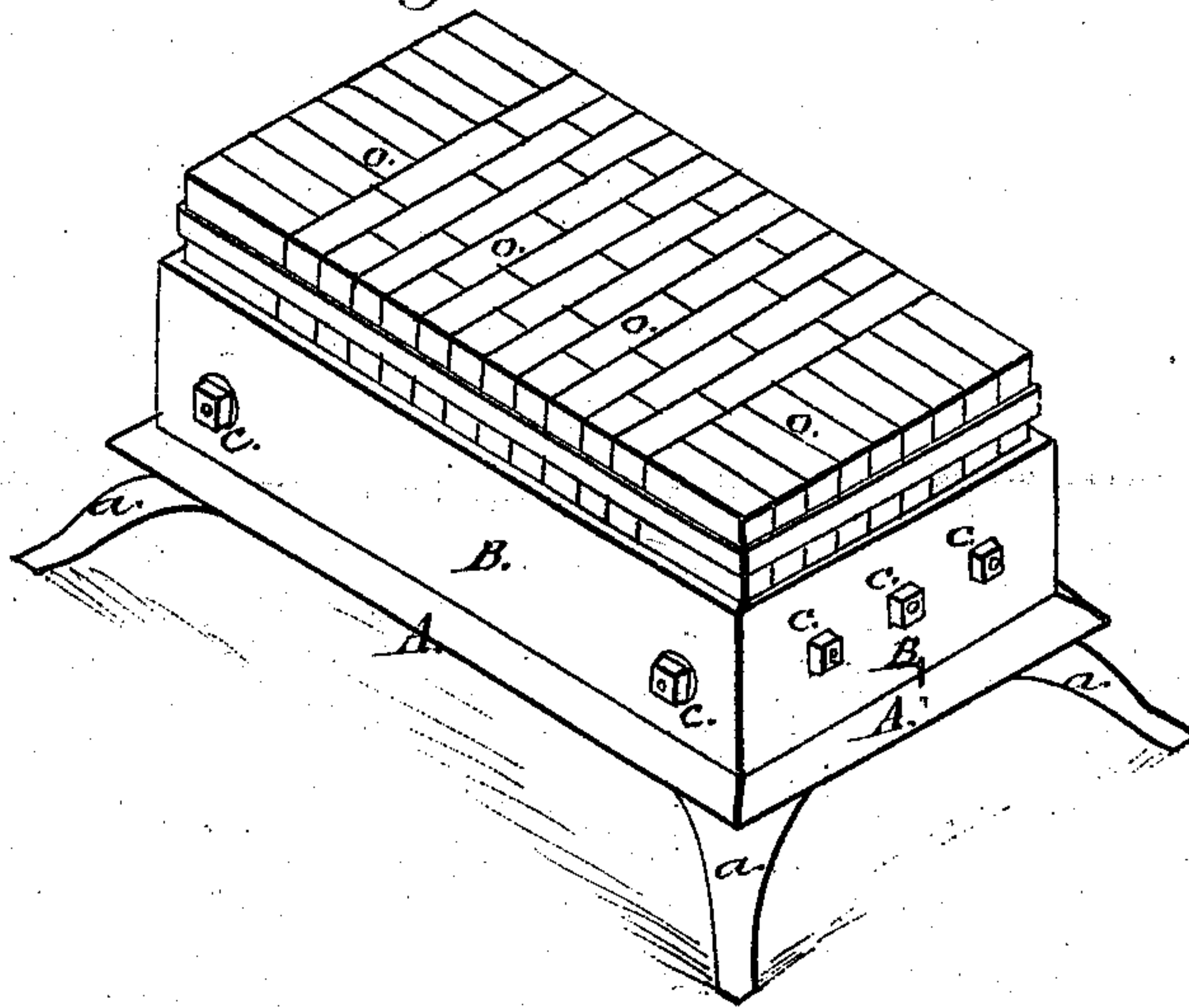
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*Ment Block.*

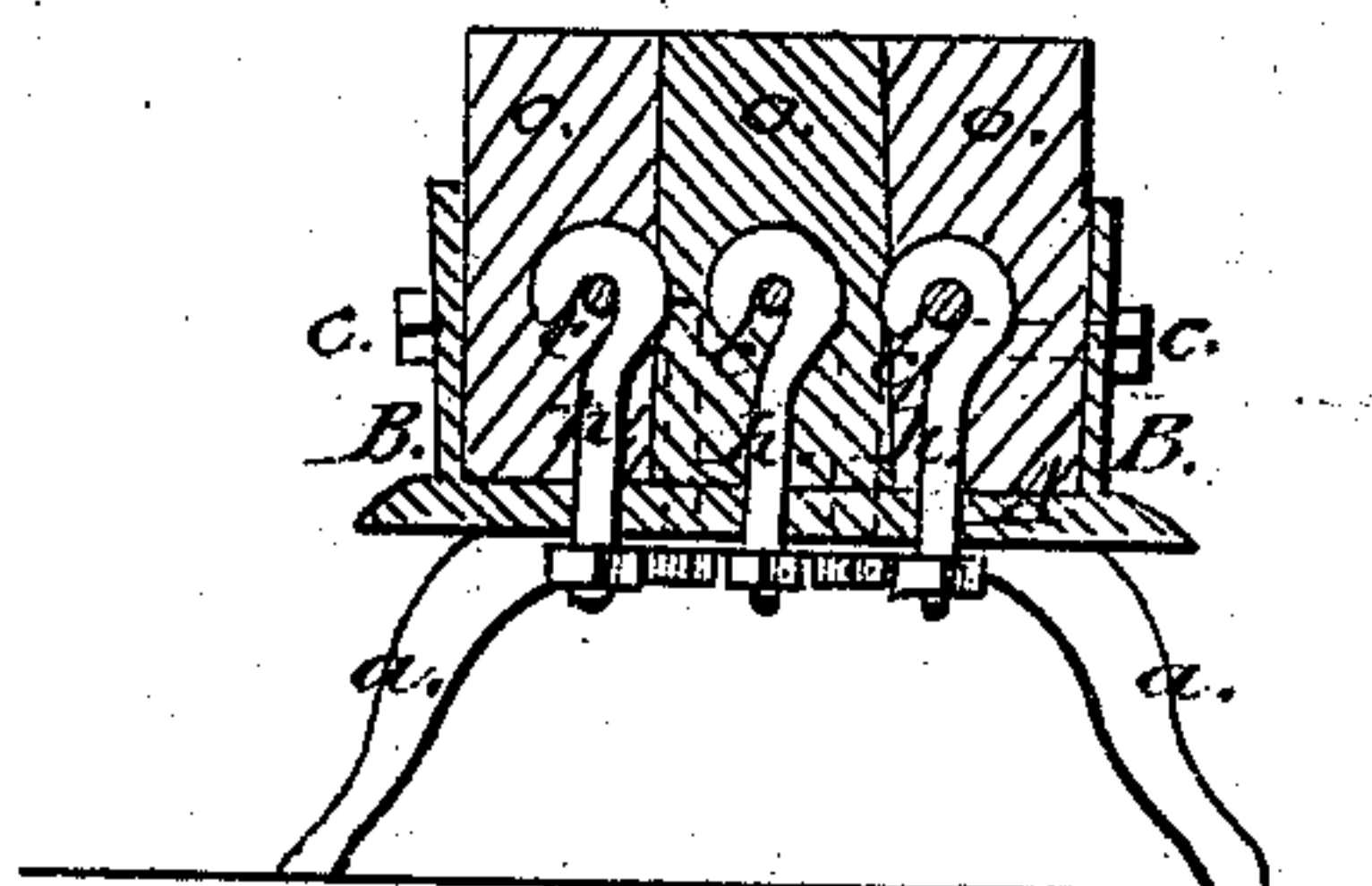
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*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



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## IMPROVEMENT IN MEAT-BLOCKS.

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, LUCIUS H. IVES, of the city of Syracuse, in the county of Onondaga, and State of New York, have invented a new and improved Meat-Block; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawings, making a part of this specification, wherein—

Figure 1 represents a perspective view.

Figure 2, a sectional view.

The letters represent corresponding parts wherever they occur.

To enable others skilled in the art to make and use my invention, I will proceed to describe the construction of the same, and its form when complete and ready for use.

I make a frame of any desired size, with a plank bottom or base A, and legs, *a a a*, and with a frame or casing, B, to receive and securely hold the sections *o o o o* therein.

I make the sections *o o o o* of proper size, and of the requisite number to fill up the space made by the casing B, and they should be made of beech, maple, hickory, or other hard wood, and so arranged, as near as may be, that bolts *c c c* may be made to pass through them, with one or both ends provided with a screw thread, and not to draw the sections firmly together,

passing through the same in such directions and in such numbers as to effectually secure that object.

And the whole series of sections, with the bolts through them, is held down to the base A in a firm and secure manner, by means of the hooks *h h h*, passing over the bolts *c c c*, and with a thread and screw-nut at the bottom *m m m*, for holding the sections down and firmly keeping them in place.

I also use the iron or other metal band *b b* around the upper part of the sections *o o o o*, which, by being shrunk around them when heated, and held by bolts or screws in any ordinary manner, will keep the sections in proper place, and prevent open spaces between the sections.

By making and securing the meat-block in sections, as above provided, I am enabled to have it of any desired size, and of any kind of hard wood, even though it may be too small to be used in a single block.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A meat-block made in sections, and bolted and held together and in place, substantially in the manner above set forth.

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