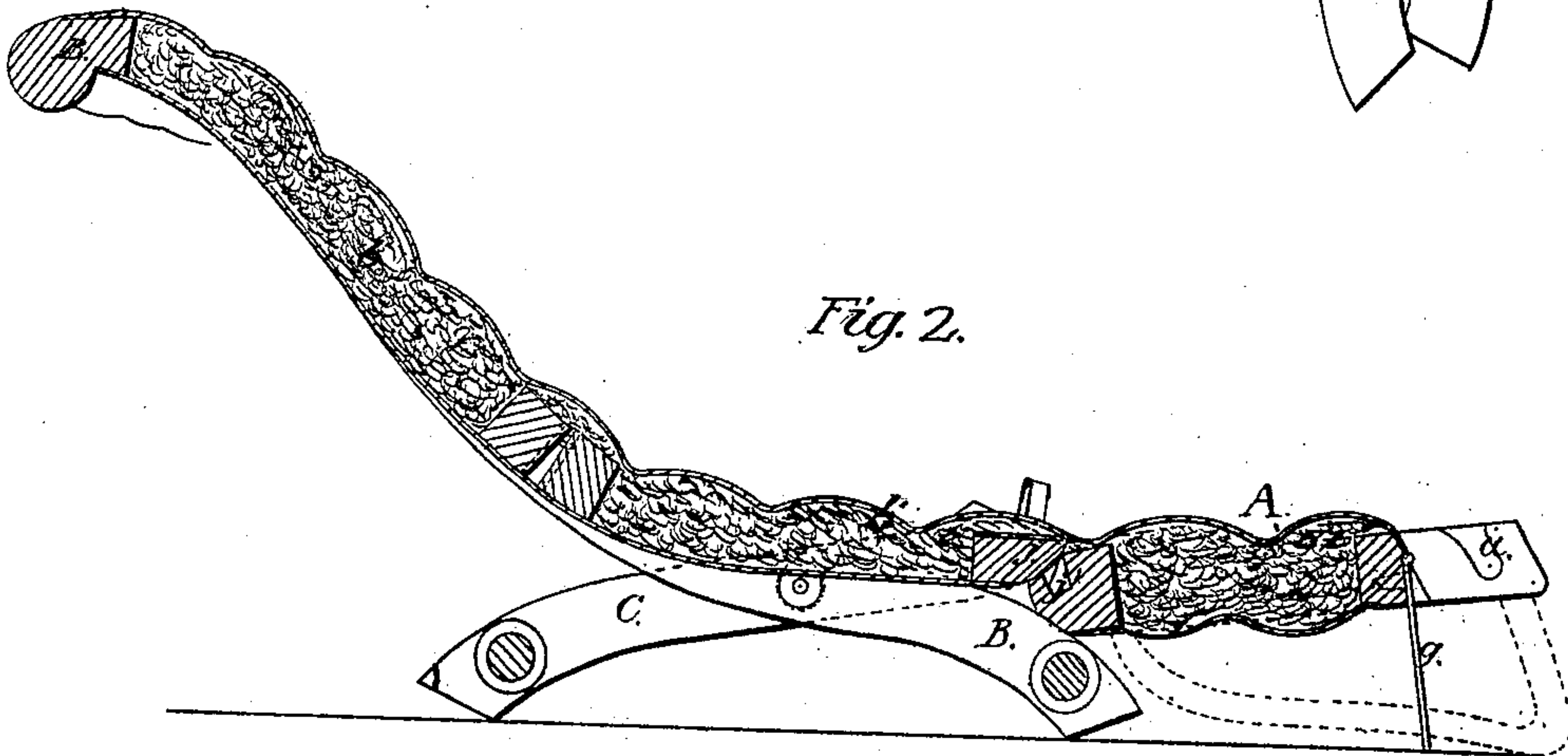
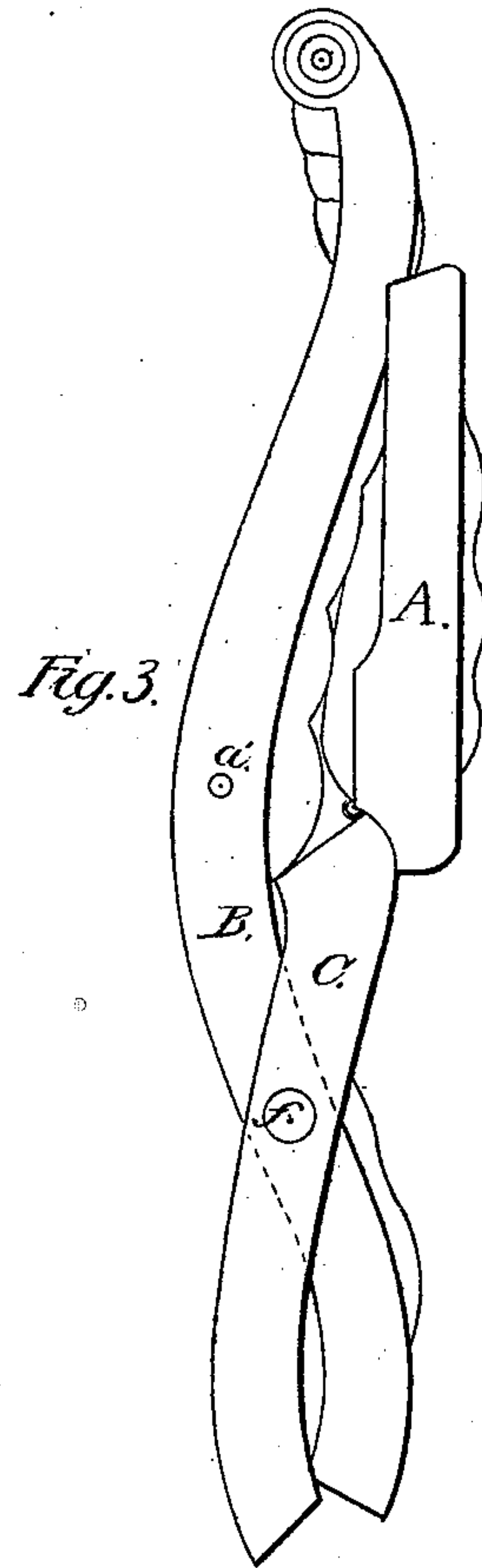
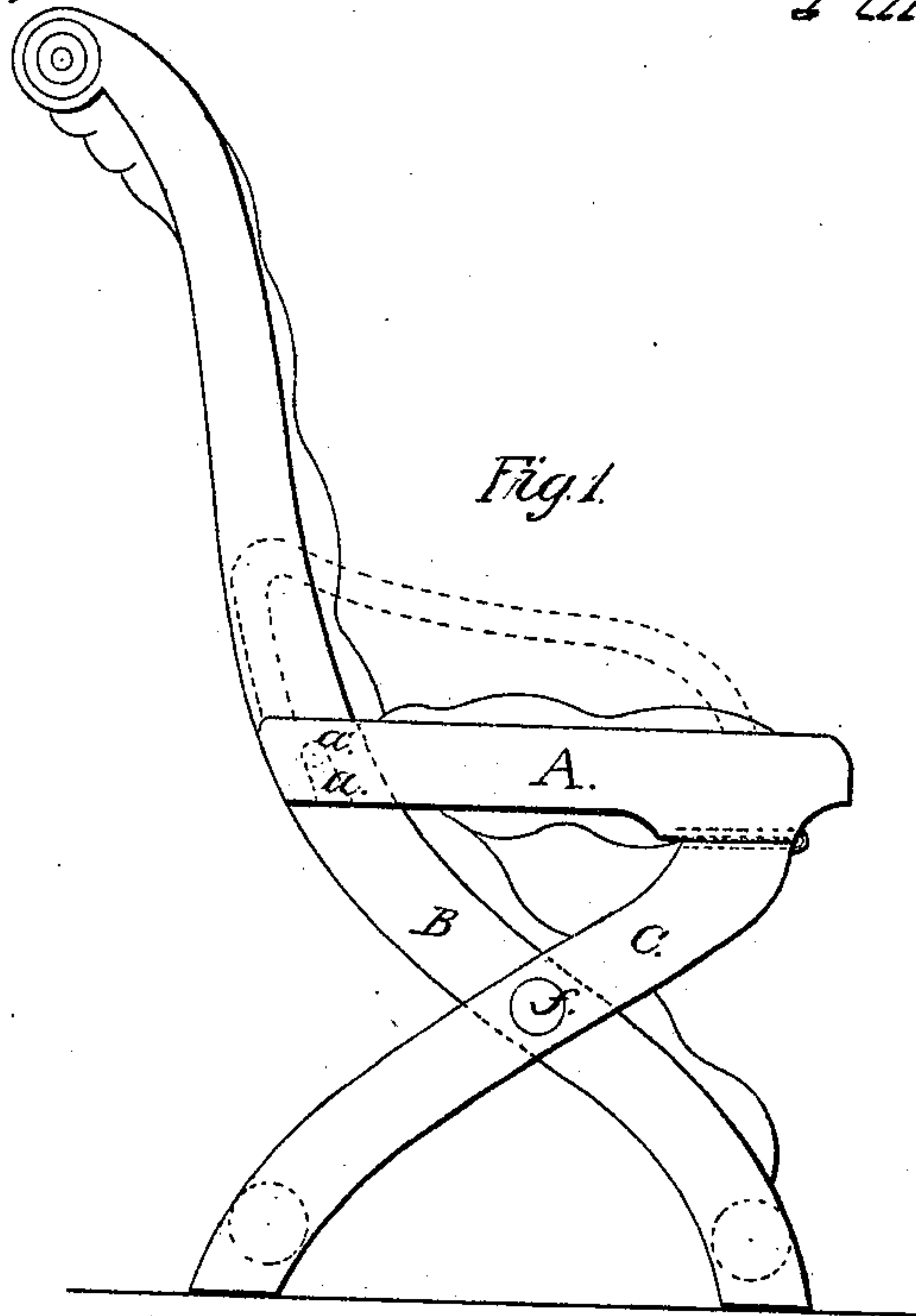


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IMPROVED FOLDING CHAIR.

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, CHARLES A. WIEDEMANN, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and improved Folding and Reclining Easy-Chair; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification.

This invention consists in a novel construction of an easy-chair, whereby the same may be converted at pleasure into a reclining-chair, and whereby it may also be folded into a compact form for transportation or storage.

Figure 1, referring to the accompanying drawings, represents a side view of an easy-chair, constructed according to my invention;

Figure 2 represents a similar view of the same when converted into a reclining-chair; and

Figure 3 represents it as folded for transportation or storage.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the several figures.

A is the seat of the chair.

B and C, the legs, crossing each other, and pivoted together, where they cross, by pivots *f f*, somewhat similar to the ordinary camp-stool, while the legs B, extending with a slight forward inclination, above the seat, serve to form the back of the chair.

The seat A is hinged, at its front edge, to the upper ends of the legs C C, whereby it may be forwardly turned, when desirable, a slight forward projection thereof being left beyond the hinges, to serve as a means of support to the seat, when thus turned, by resting against the legs, as shown in fig. 2.

The outer edges of the rear portion of said seat are provided with hooks or notches, *a a*, for locking with or over studs *a' a'*, projecting laterally from a point at or near the central portion of the combined leg and back-pieces B B.

The space between said combined leg and back-pieces is filled and cushioned along its entire length, or nearly so, and the lower half of said cushioned filling is hinged to the upper half thereof, so as to admit of a forward movement of its lower end, for a purpose hereinafter explained.

To convert the easy-chair into a reclining-chair, the hooks *a a* are disengaged from the studs *a' a'* by slightly elevating that portion of the seat, whereupon the legs B and C are allowed to separate at the top and bottom, turning upon the pivots *f f*, and causing the back of the chair to recline.

The lower or hinged portion *b'* of the cushioned filling *b b'* is then moved upward or outward at the bottom and the seat turned over on its hinges, bringing the bevelled surface of its hinged edge under a correspondingly bevelled surface upon the lower end of the said cushioned filling *b b'*, a hook or projection, *j*, upon the one locking into a recess, *j'*, in the other.

The seat A is or may be cushioned upon its under side also, as, by the inversion of the seat, said surface is brought into use while the chair is in its reclining position.

Pivoted legs or supports *g g*, fig. 2, are or may be provided to the seat A, for supporting it while in this position, and for preventing the forward tilting of the chair; or fixed arms, suitably applied to the said seat, as illustrated in red outline, may be made to answer the same purpose.

The chair may be folded into a compact form for transportation or storage, or for other desirable purpose, by disengaging the hooks *a a* and turning the seat A, as previously described, and folding the legs B and C together, so as to bring the seat and back of the chair in contact with each other, as illustrated in fig. 3.

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

1. The seat A, hinged to the legs C C, so as to be capable of either a folding or extending motion, and provided with hooks or notches *a a*, in combination with the leg and back-pieces B B, and studs *a' a'*, substantially as herein shown and described.

2. The combination, with the seat A and hinged piece *b'*, of the combined back and bottom *b b'*, the hook *j*, and recess *j'*, substantially as and for the purpose herein set forth.

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