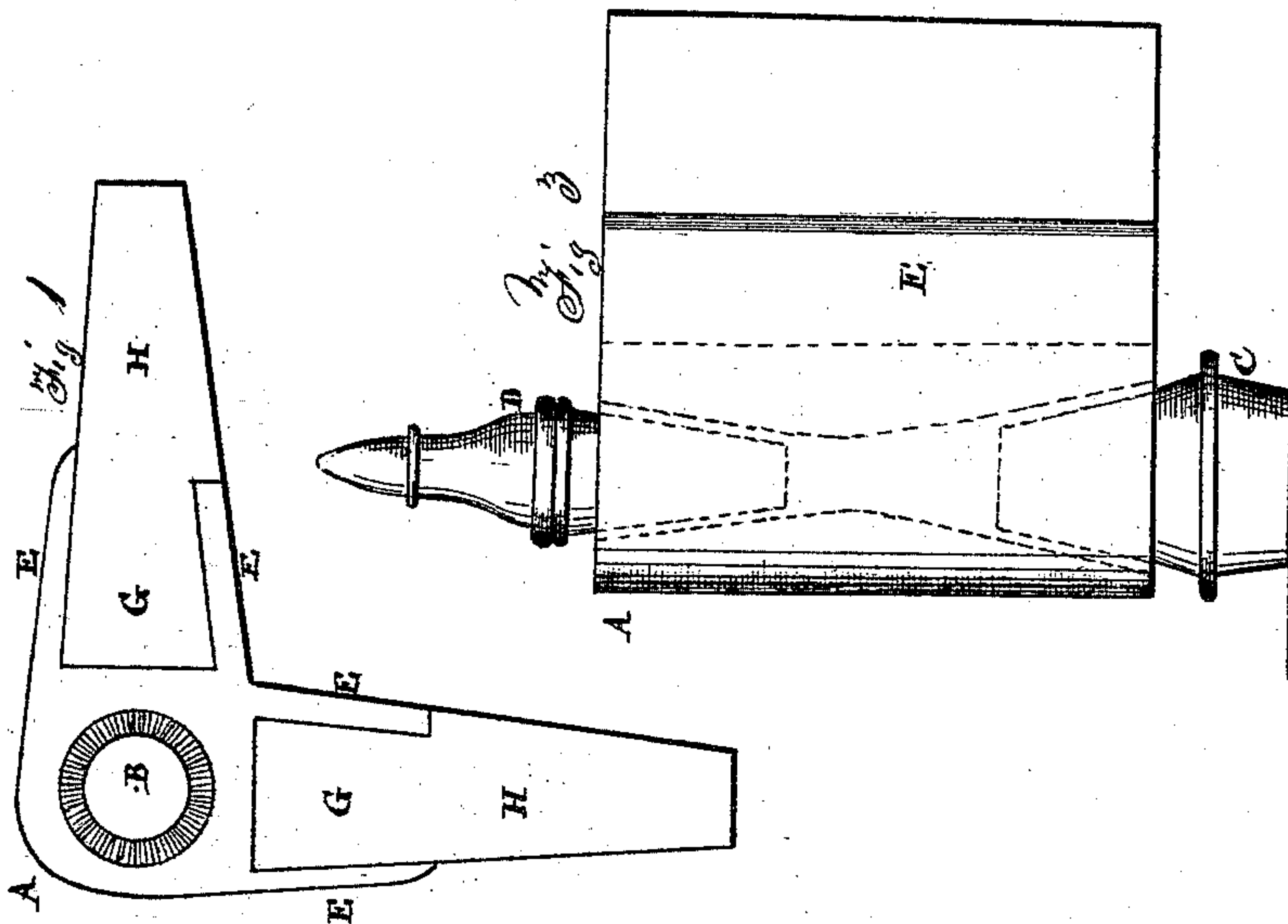
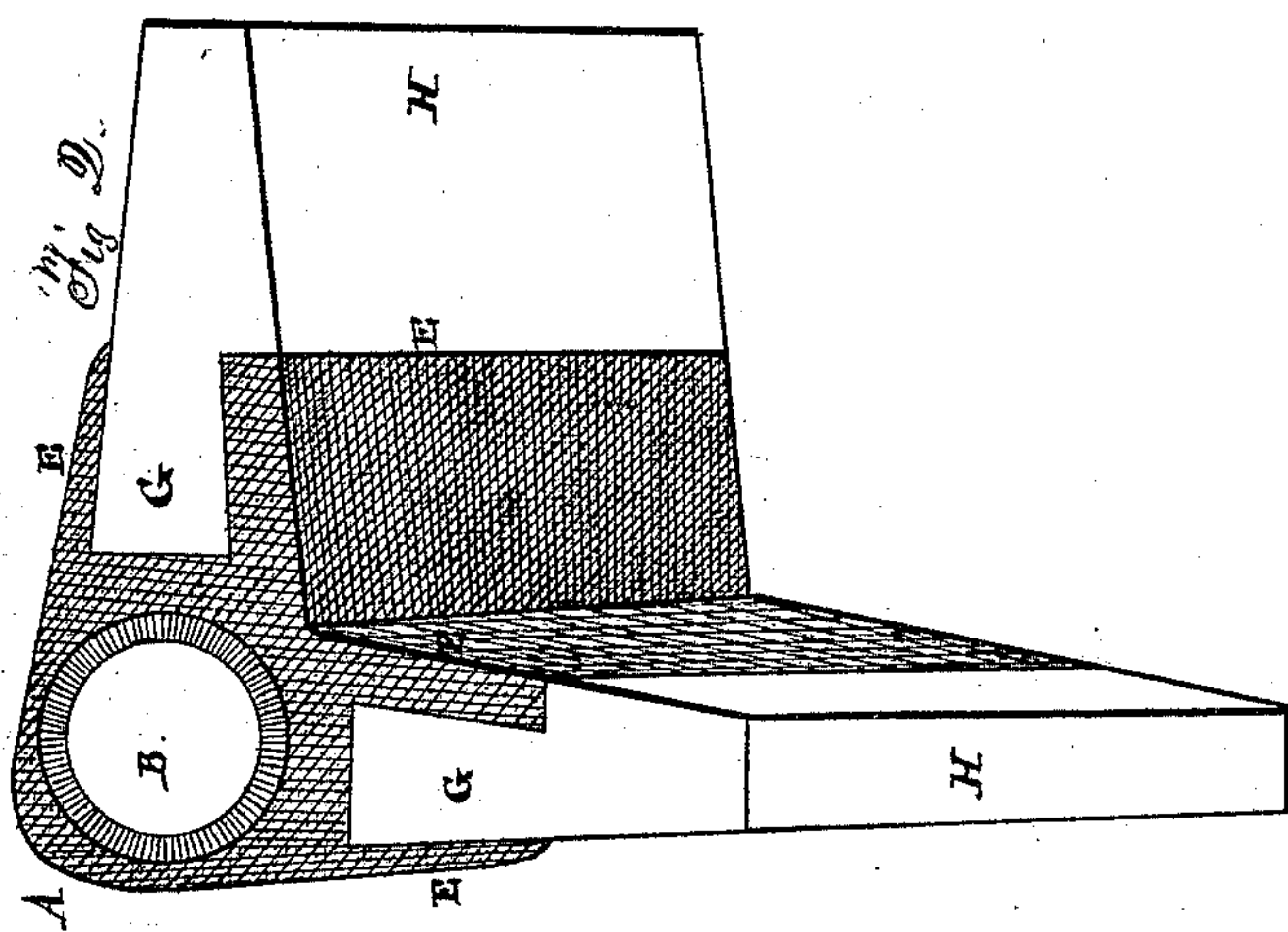


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IMPROVED FASTENING FOR BEDSTEADS.

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 BRADWAY, of Maquoketa, county of Jackson, and State of Iowa, have invented a new and useful Metallic Fastening for Portable Tables, Stands, or Bedsteads; and I do hereby declare the following to be an exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 represents a top view of the fastening, with the rails inserted.

Figure 2 represents the under side and a perspective view of the same.

Figure 3 shows a side elevation of the fastening, with the side rail and top and bottom posts inserted.

The nature of my invention consists in the construction of the metallic fastening in one solid casting, having inclined dovetailed mortises between side flanges, for inserting the side rails of a bedstead or table, and a double-tapered centre aperture, in which the top and bottom posts are firmly fitted.

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

A represents the metallic casting that is intended as a corner fastening for side rails and a support for top and bottom posts.

In the centre is a double-tapered aperture, B, smaller

on the inside than at the outer ends, and the lower end being wider than the top, so as to support a strong leg or post, C, the smaller (as shown at D) being the top or ornamental part.

The fastening A has two angular ends mortised so as to form supports or fastenings for right and left-hand rails, by flanges E E E E, the sides of which are inclined on the inside, so that the mortise at the top, as shown at fig. 1, is wider than the bottom of the mortise, as shown at fig. 2, and the tenon G of the rail H being cut to correspond with the width of the mortise between the flanges E and fitting in between the flanges firmly and securely by merely dropping and sliding in the tenoned ends of the rails downward, holding the rails closely, and binding them permanently without any bolt, screws, or extra fastenings.

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

The construction of the metallic fastening A, with its inclined dovetail mortises between the side flanges E E and double-tapered centre aperture B, as herein described, and for the purposes set forth.

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