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Hand Stamp.

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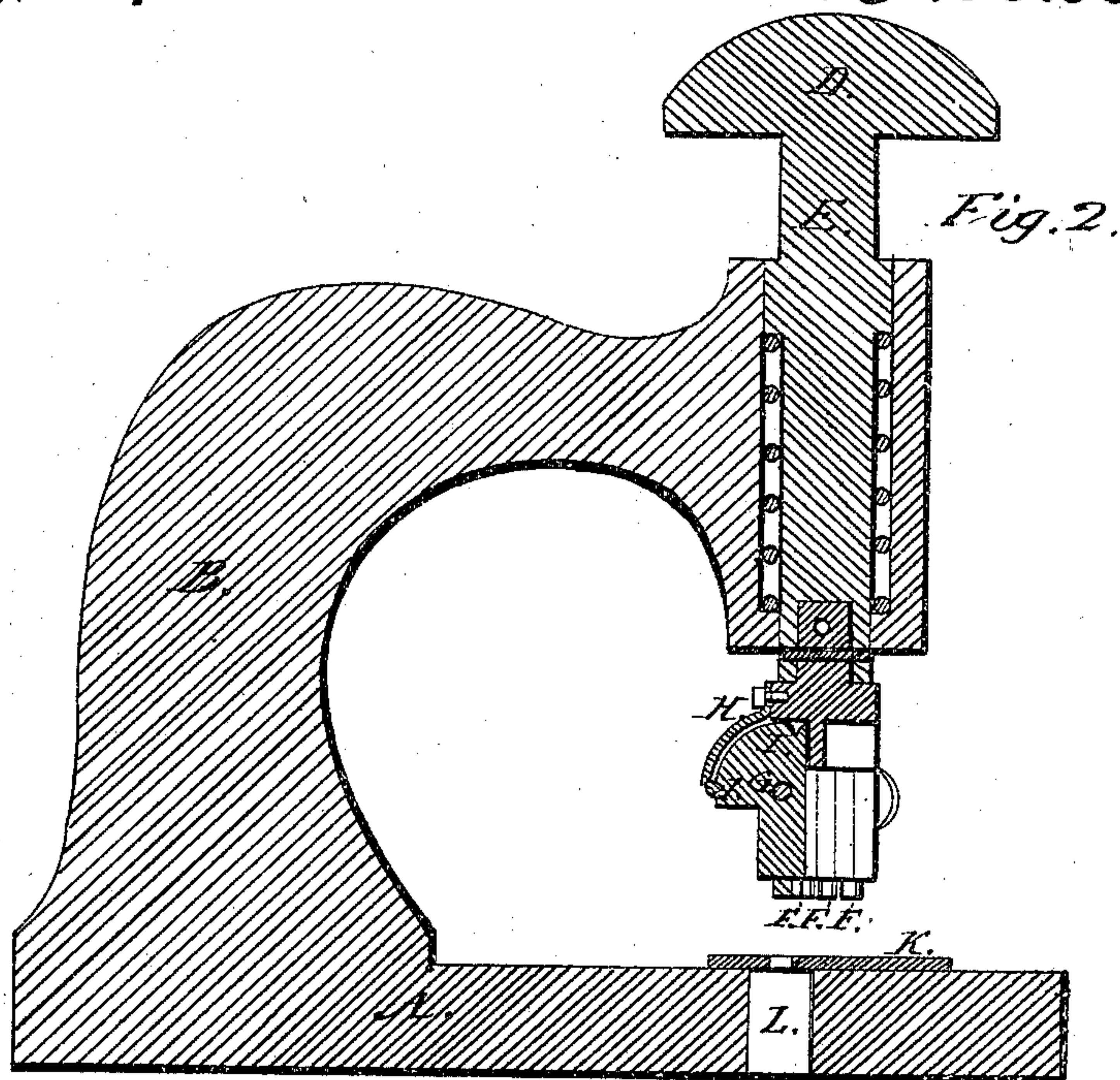


Fig. 2.

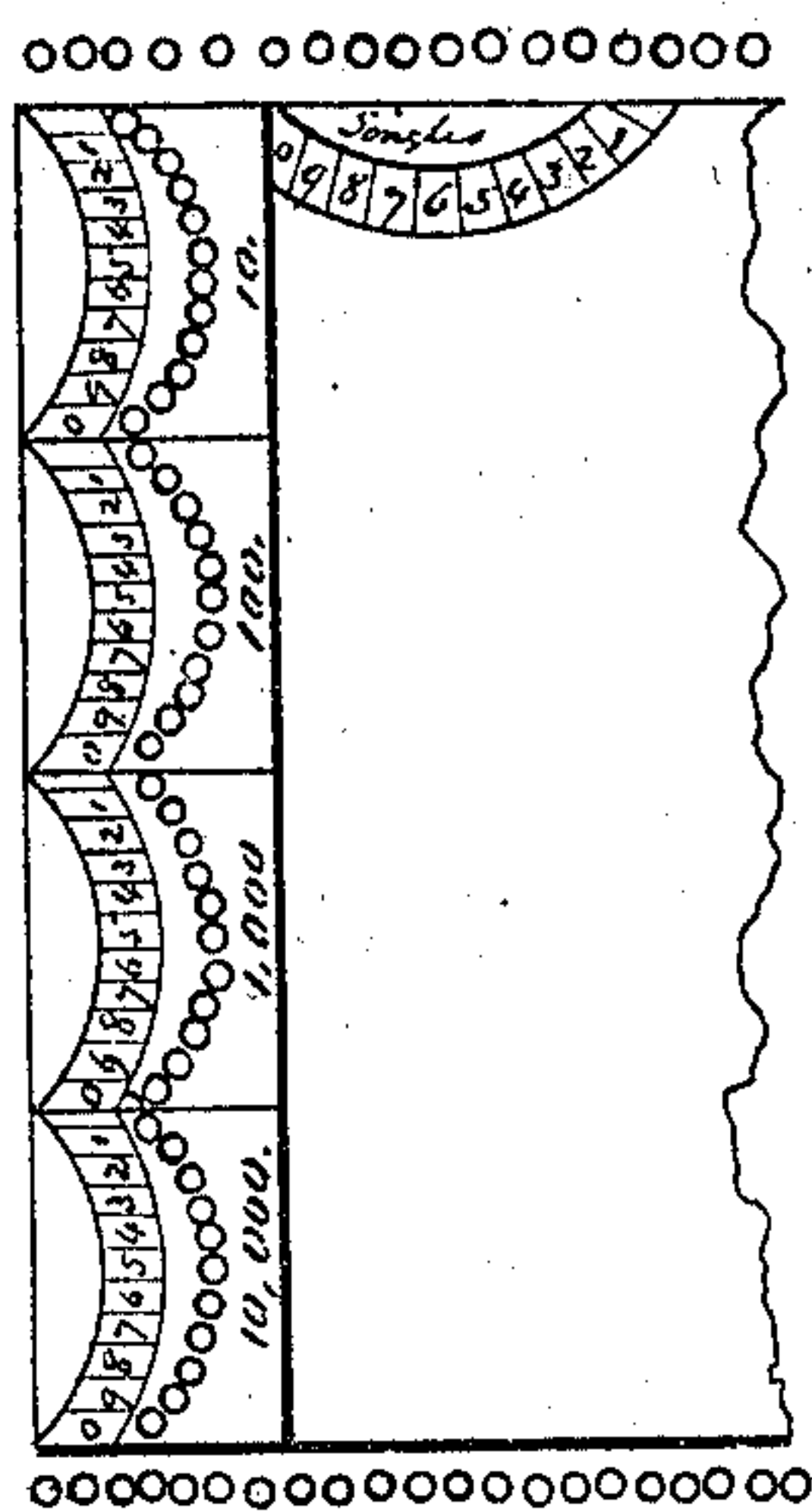
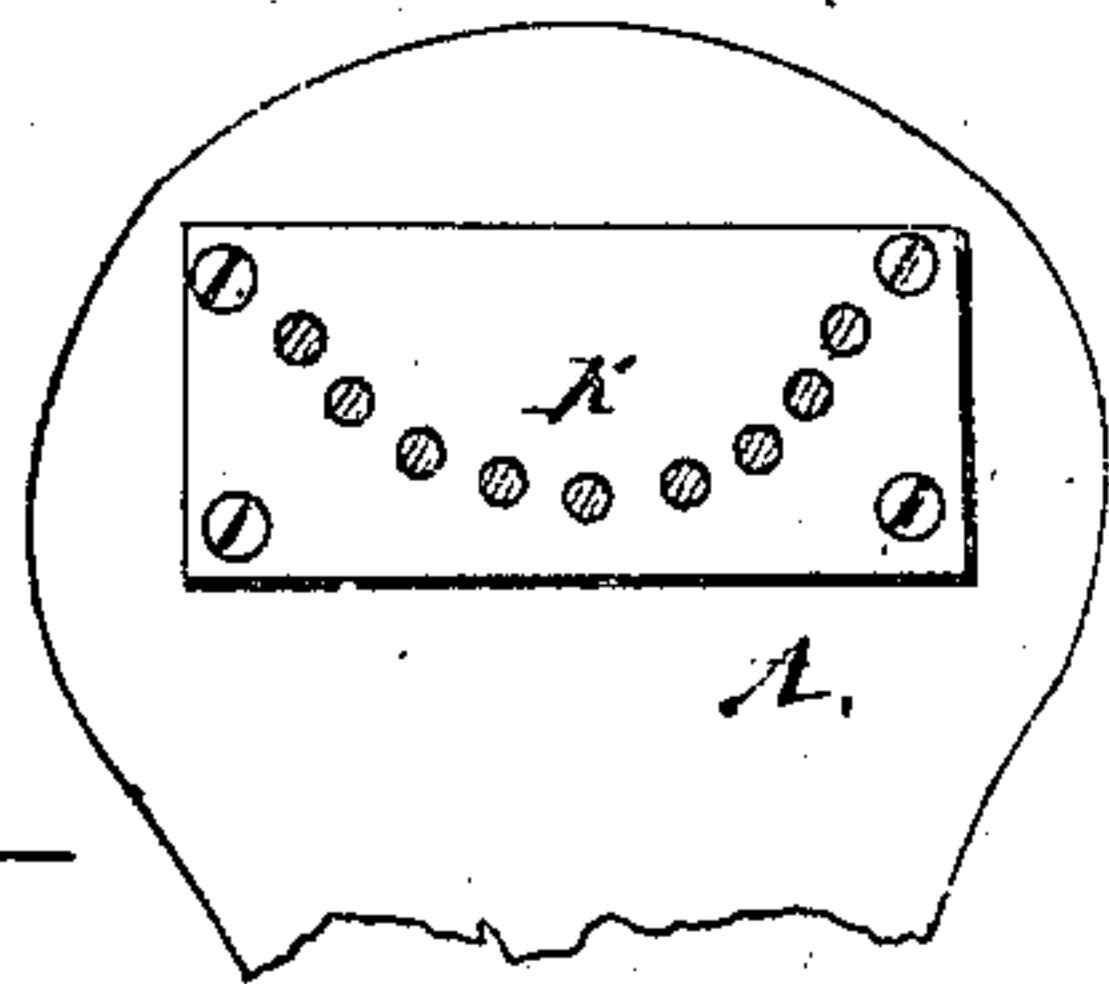
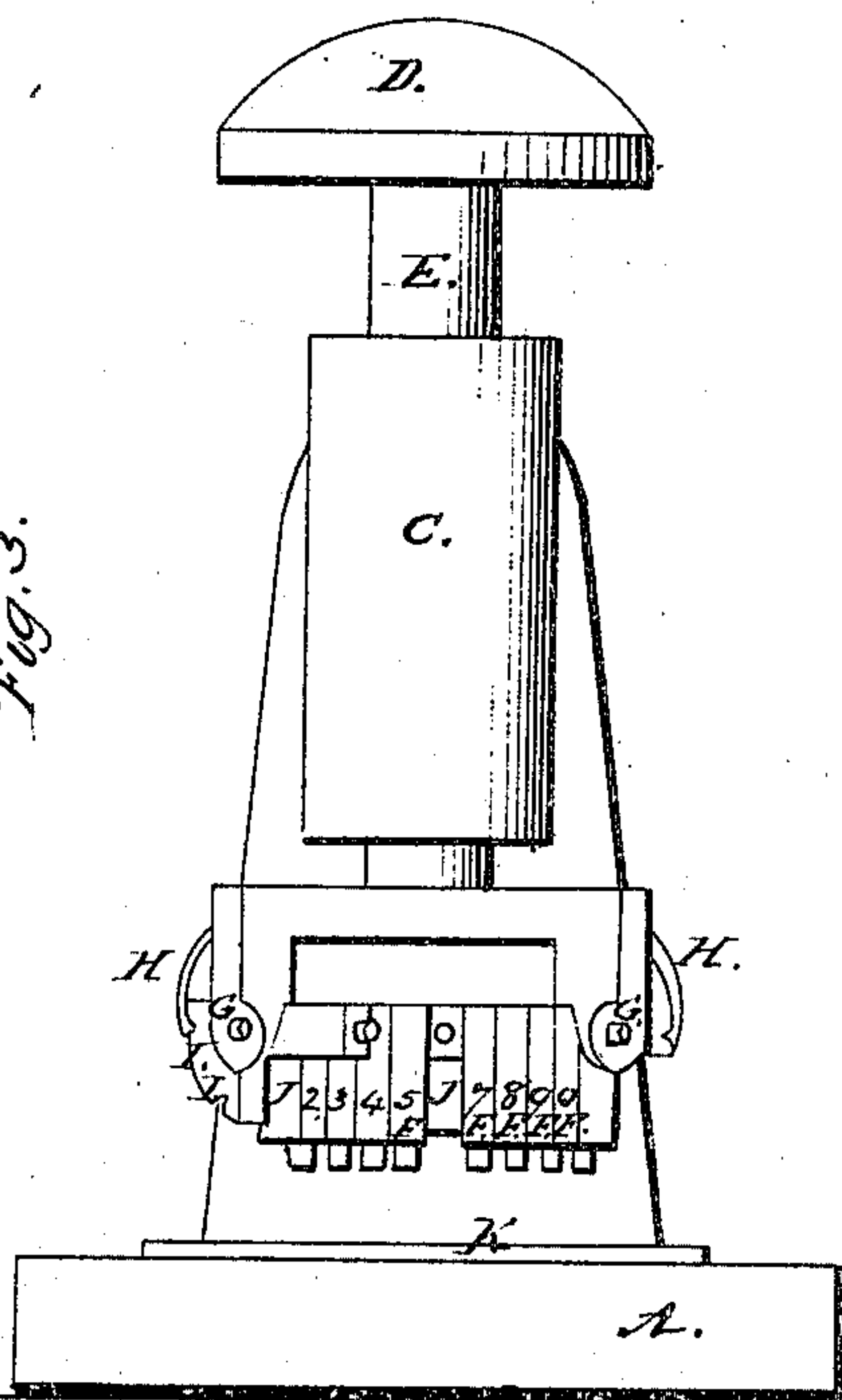


Fig. 3.



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IMPROVEMENT IN CANCELLING-PUNCHES.

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, MAX E. BEROLZHEIMER, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and improved Adjustable Punch; and I hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making a part of this specification, and the letters of reference marked thereon, in which the same letter represents the same thing in each figure.

Figure 1 is a front view of my improved punch.

Figure 2, a longitudinal section.

Figure 3 represents one end of a bank-check, upon which the punch would be operative.

A represents the bed or base.

B, the arm.

C, the post.

D, the punch-knob.

E, the punch-stem.

F F F, the adjustable punches.

G, the pivot, on which they turn.

H H, the springs.

I I, the notches, in which they catch.

J J, punches, displaced.

K, the punch-plate.

L, the slot beneath it.

The purpose of this punch is to facilitate the re-

moval, from monetary instruments, of certain parts, not readily replaceable, to prevent alterations of value.

The checks are provided, in the margin, with several numbered divisions, similar to what are shown in fig. 3, one being for units, one for tens, another for hundreds, and so on.

Suppose a check to be for sixteen dollars, which it is desired to indicate in the proper divisions: Release spring H from catch I, in adjustable punch F, numbered 1, and let spring H catch in the upper notch. Placing it in position, a blow of the hand on knob D will force all the punches, except No. 1, through the paper, and remove all the other numbers from the division of tens. Replace punch F, numbered 1, and remove No. 6, and repeat the operation in the division of singles.

Thus any number desired may be expressed, with great facility, in the margin of the instrument, prepared in the manner explained.

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

A series of adjustable punches, constructed and operating together, as and for the purpose described.

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