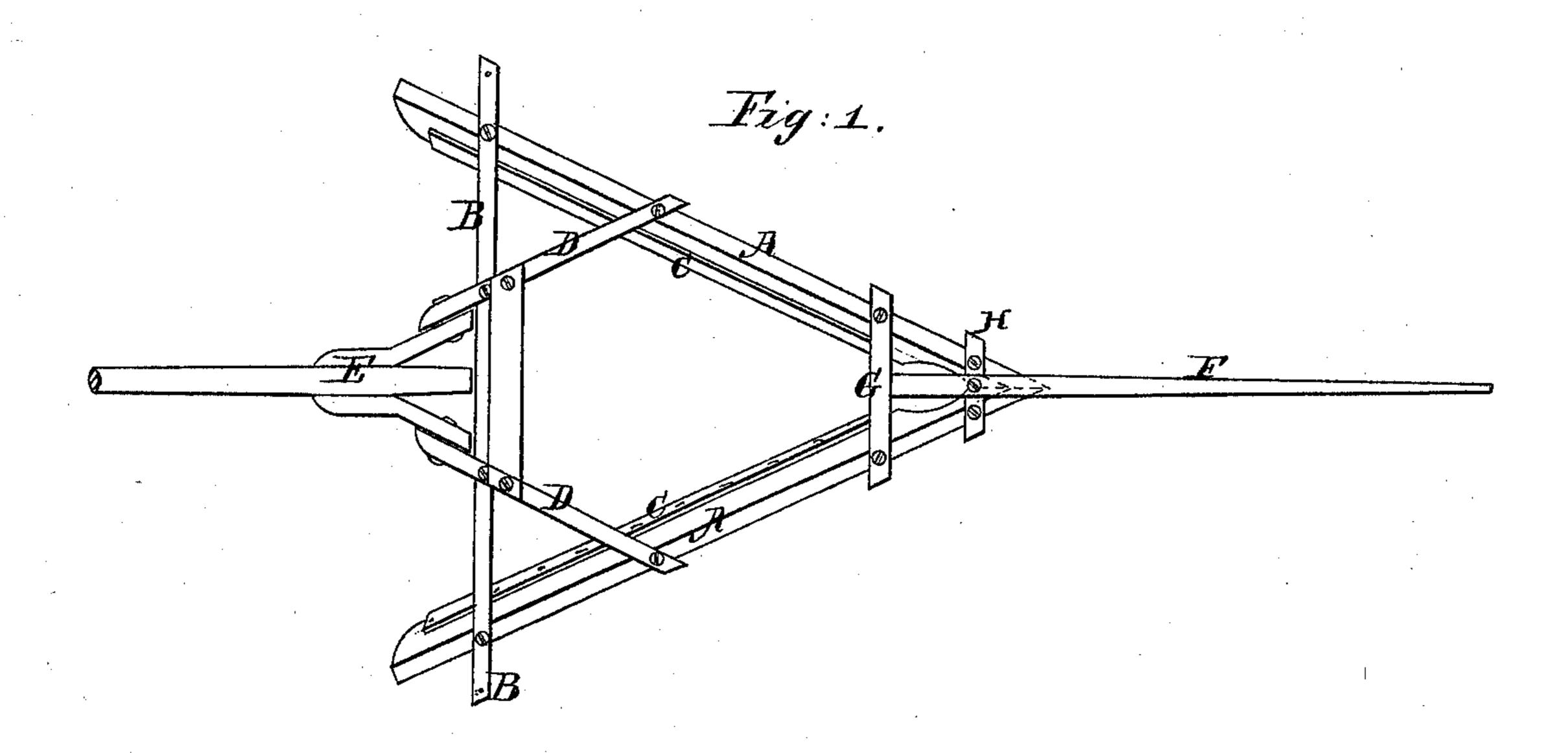
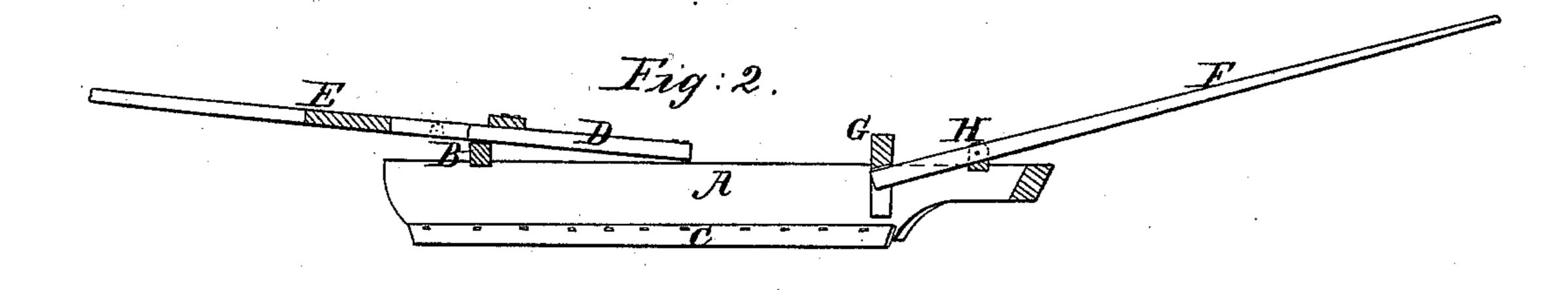
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Letters Patent No. 97,378, dated November 30, 1869.

## IMPROVED ROAD-GRADER.

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, E. L. FOREMAN, of Rantoul, in the county of Champaign, and in the State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Graders; and do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, making a part of this specification.

The nature of my invention consists in the construction and general arrangement of a "grader," as

will be hereinafter fully set forth.

In order to enable others skilled in the art to which my invention appertains, to make and use the same, I will now proceed to describe its construction and operation, referring to the annexed drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a plan view, and

Figure 2 a longitudinal vertical section.

A A represent the two sides of the grader joined together at one end, and held at a suitable distance apart at the other end, by means of a cross-bar, B, which extends beyond the outer sides of the sides A, and is suitably braced to the same.

At the ends where the sides A, A are joined together, their lower edges are cut out, as seen in fig. 2,

for a certain distance, so as to leave an open space be tween the lower rear edges of the grader.

From the point where this cut-off commences, the sides A A are provided, on their inner sides, along the lower edge, with a steel bar or cutter, C

The cross-bar B is further braced by bars D D, extending to the sides A A, and between the front ends of said bar the tongue E is suitably attached.

At the rear end of the grader is a lever, F, secured under a knee, G, and on a bar, H, near the rear end, as seen in fig. 1, by the use of which lever the grader is easily controlled.

Having thus fully described my invention,

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

The combination and arrangement of the sides A A, with steel bars C C, cross-bar B, braces D D, tongue E, lever F, knee G, and bar H, all substantially as shown and described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing, I have hereunto set my hand, this 28th day of July, 1869. E. L. FOREMAN.

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