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Fig. 1.

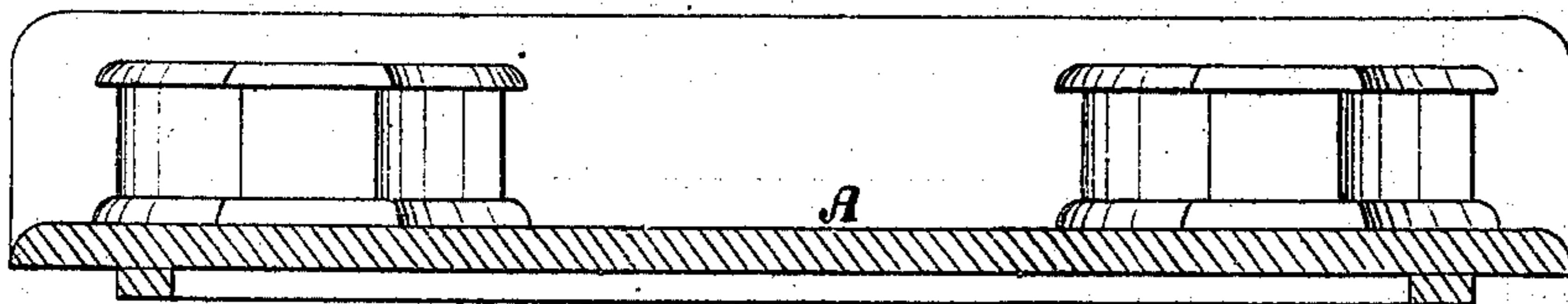


Fig. 2.

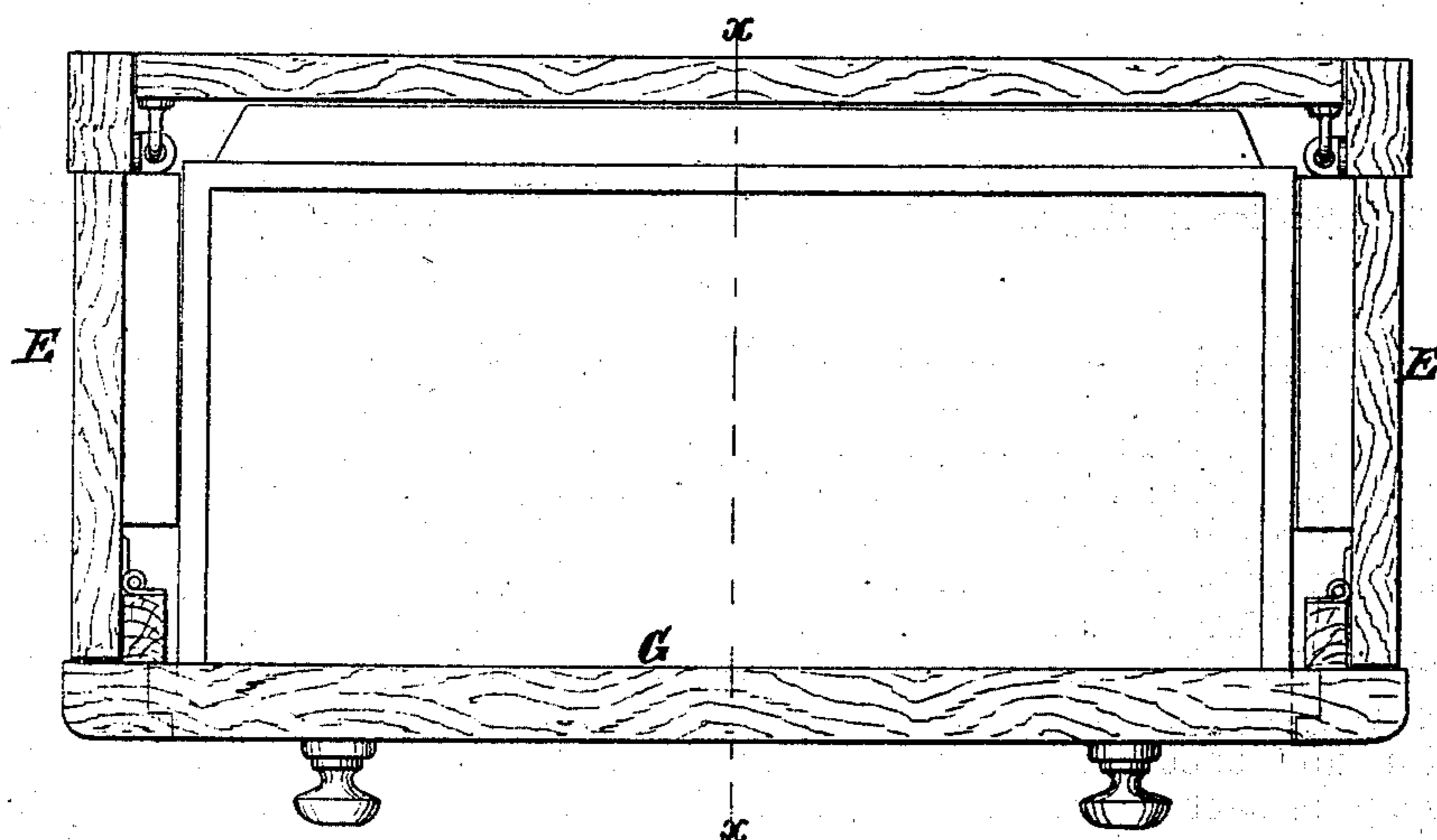


Fig. 3.

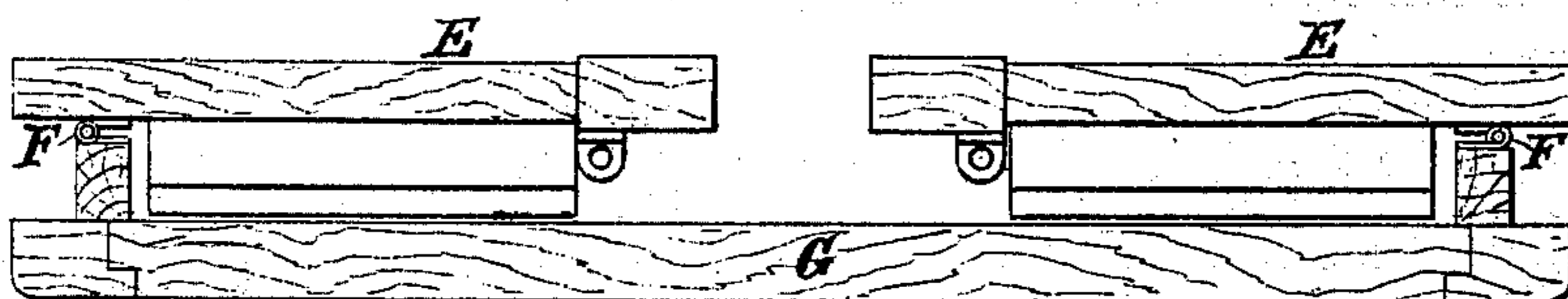
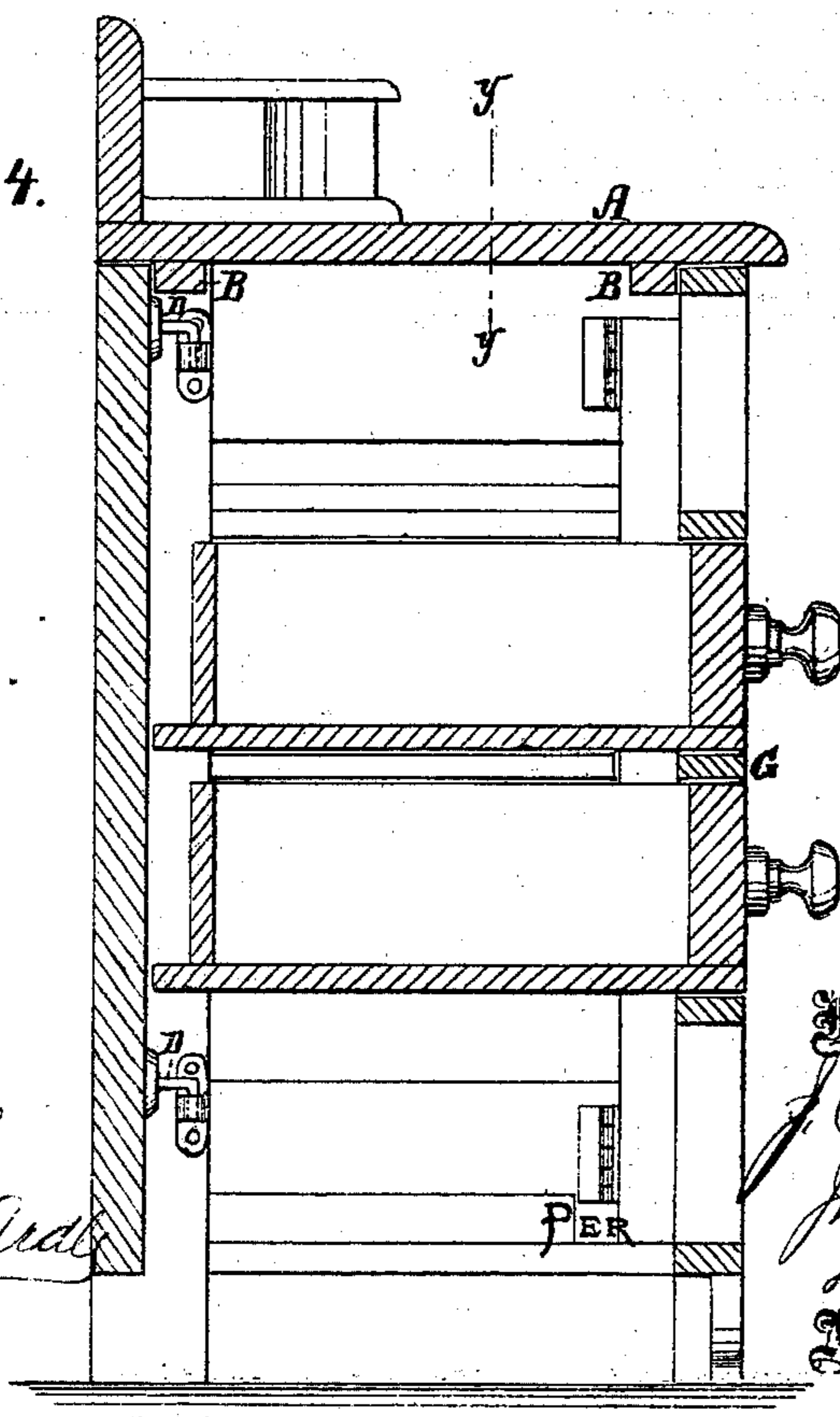


Fig. 4.



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IMPROVEMENT IN FOLDING-BUREAUS.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 122,179, dated December 26, 1871.

Specification describing a new and Improved Folding-Bureau, invented by JOHN E. LAWRENCE and JOHN S. YOUNG, of Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania.

Our invention consists of a bureau with a detachable top and back, and the end pieces hinged to the front in such manner that the said ends and front may be bolted together and packed in a compact bundle when the drawers are taken out and the top and back removed; and the back and top may be packed with the said front and sides so as to economize space in storage and transportation.

Figure 1 is a longitudinal section of the top of the bureau on the line *y y* of Fig. 4. Fig. 2 is a plan view of the bureau with the top removed. Fig. 3 is a top view of the end pieces and front folded together, the top and back being removed; and Fig. 4 is a cross-section of the bureau taken on the line *x x* of Fig. 2.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

The top A is not fastened to the body of the bureau, but merely rests on it, and is held in position by the cleats B; but it may be provided with hooks or other devices for fastening it so as

to be unfastened readily. The back C is detachably fastened to the end pieces E by hooks and eyes D or other equivalent devices, and the sides E are hinged to the fronts G, as shown at F, so as to fold inward against the inside, as shown in Fig. 3.

Thus we make these articles of furniture—which formerly occupied much space, and were difficult to move about from room to room, and especially up and down stairs—so that they may be readily taken apart and folded into small packages, which also economizes space in storage and transportation.

Having thus described our invention, we claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

The top A, cleats B, back C, hook and eyes D, and hinged end pieces E F, combined in a folding-bureau, as and for the purpose described.

The above specification of our invention signed by us this 5th day of October, 1871.

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