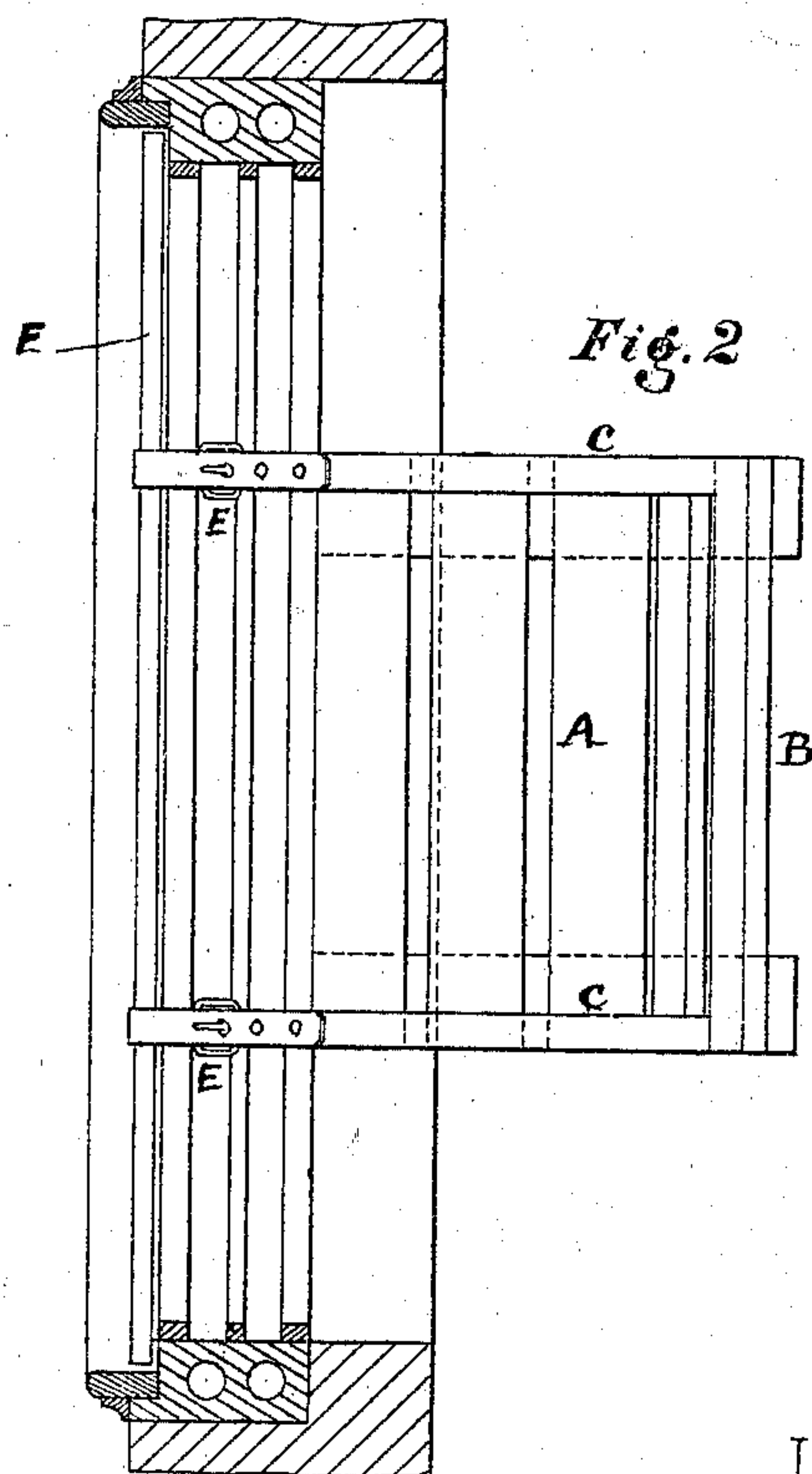
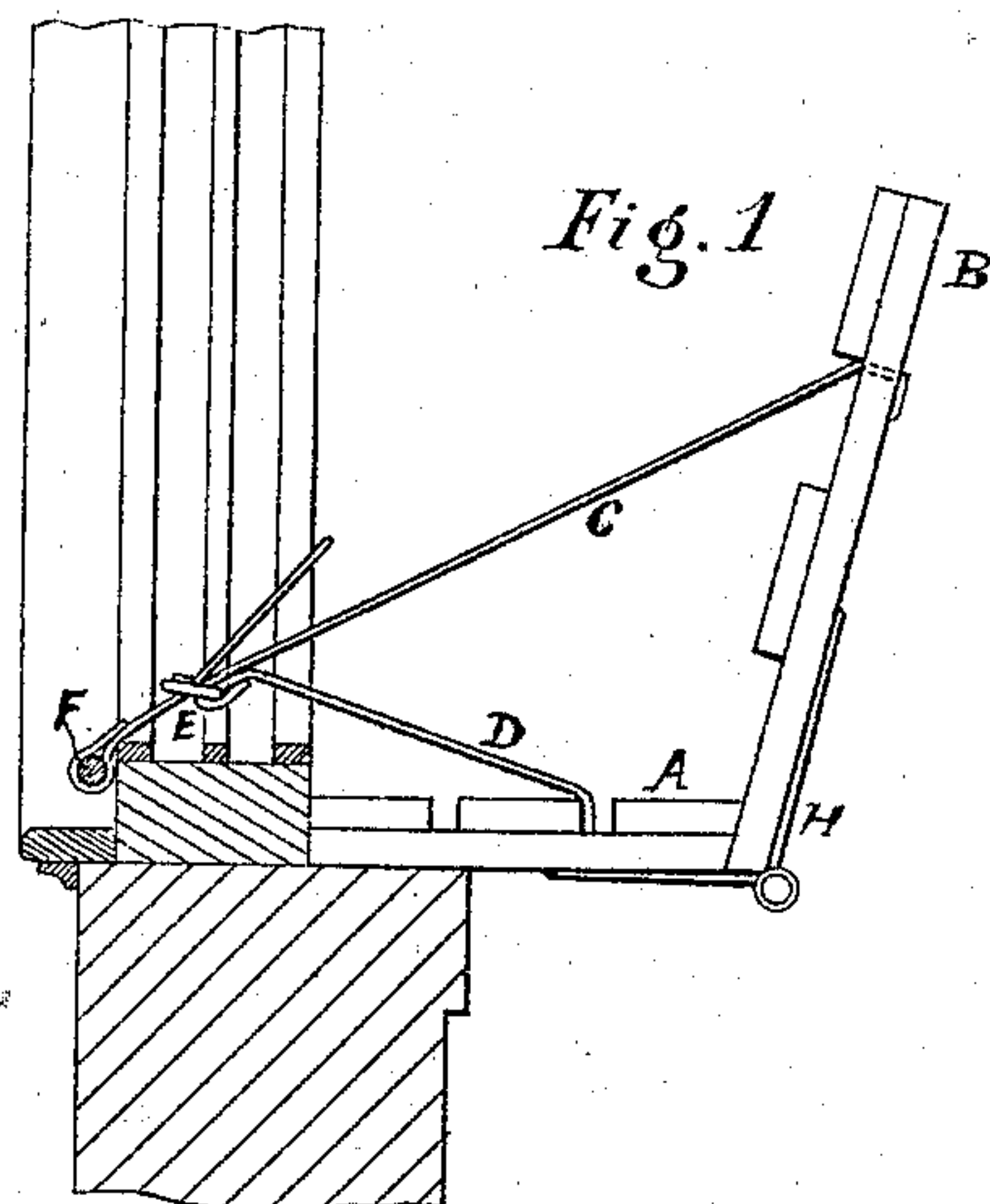


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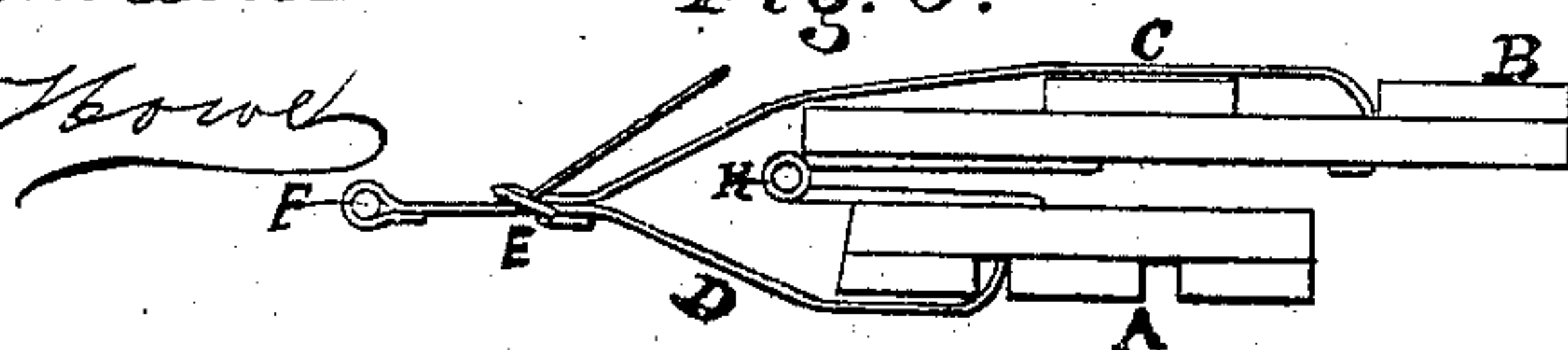
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IMPROVEMENT IN PORTABLE WINDOW-PLATFORMS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE H. PEABODY, of the city of Brooklyn, county of Kings, in the State of New York, have invented new and useful Improvements in Portable Seats or Platforms for Windows and other purposes; and I do hereby declare that the following specification, taken in connection with the drawing furnished, is a full, clear, and exact description thereof which will enable others skilled in the art to make and use the same.

The nature of my invention will be readily understood on reference to the drawing; and consists in the construction of certain devices to serve as a seat, chair, or platform having conveniences for securing the same in position while used in connection with a window. It may be constructed to fold into a small compass, or without folding at all. A bar or rod is furnished and used for connecting the straps which are secured to the chair or seat; said pole or bar spanning the opening, and resting upon the window-casing or sides of the openings, serving as a holdfast. The object of my invention is to provide a cheap but substantial and convenient device for servants and others whose duty it may be to clean, scrub, or do other work outside of and adjacent to windows, where it may become necessary for them to sit or stand in or upon the casing or frame, that they may be enabled to perform their labors in safety, without liability of falling.

Referring to the drawing, Figure 1 represents a side view of my improved device or portable seat in connection with a section of the window-frame. Fig. 2 represents a top view of the seat in position, exhibiting the position of the bar or holdfast with the connecting-straps or devices joining the two. Fig. 3 exhibits a side view of my improved seat or platform folded up convenient for carrying or for hanging up.

To enable others skilled in the art to make and use my invention I will describe it more fully in detail.

The seat A and back B, which may be hinged together, as represented in the drawing, are made, for convenience, of thin and narrow strips of wood, although other materials may be used, in a similar manner to chairs. The

dimensions are not essential, although I prefer to make them suitable for one person only; sometimes with an extra width, to hold basins of water or other articles that may be used in the work to be performed. Straps are represented with buckles for adjusting the lengths for the different thicknesses of window-casings, although chains or hooks may be employed instead. A pole or bar of length sufficient to span the width of the opening and casing is employed, and may be provided with rubber rings or sleeves at or near the ends of the same to prevent injury to the painted surface of the window-casing, with which it comes in contact while in use.

To use my invention, the operator should open the device (if folded) by turning the part which forms the back from the under side of the seat to a line forming a proper angle for supporting the back. On referring to the drawing it will be seen that the hinges are arranged in a manner to prevent the back from passing a fixed or proper point. The seat may be placed without the window, resting the front edge of the seat upon the sill or casing of the window. The bar F should span the opening, resting against the casing or frame inside the room. The proper adjustment, by straps or their equivalents, should be made in accordance with the thickness of walls or casings, keeping in view the desired or proper level of the seat in relation to the sill upon which it is intended to rest. Thus it is readily adapted to any window or similar opening, and may be removed instantly and carried about with the other articles or utensils with the greatest ease and convenience.

Hooks might be employed instead of buckles for adjustment of the straps or other connections for the same purpose. Wire rods, with hooks or loops for embracing the bar, may be used, or the bar may be dispensed with entirely. In the latter case the hooks may engage the lower part of the casing of the window within the building.

Means for adjusting the straps or other similar connections are not in all cases essential. This would occur in those instances where there is a uniformity of thickness of the walls of the building.

Having thus set forth my invention, what I

claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States, is—

A portable seat with connections C and D, buckle E, or other means of adjustment, and bar F, substantially as herein set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto signed my name before two

subscribing witnesses this 21st day of December, 1872.

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