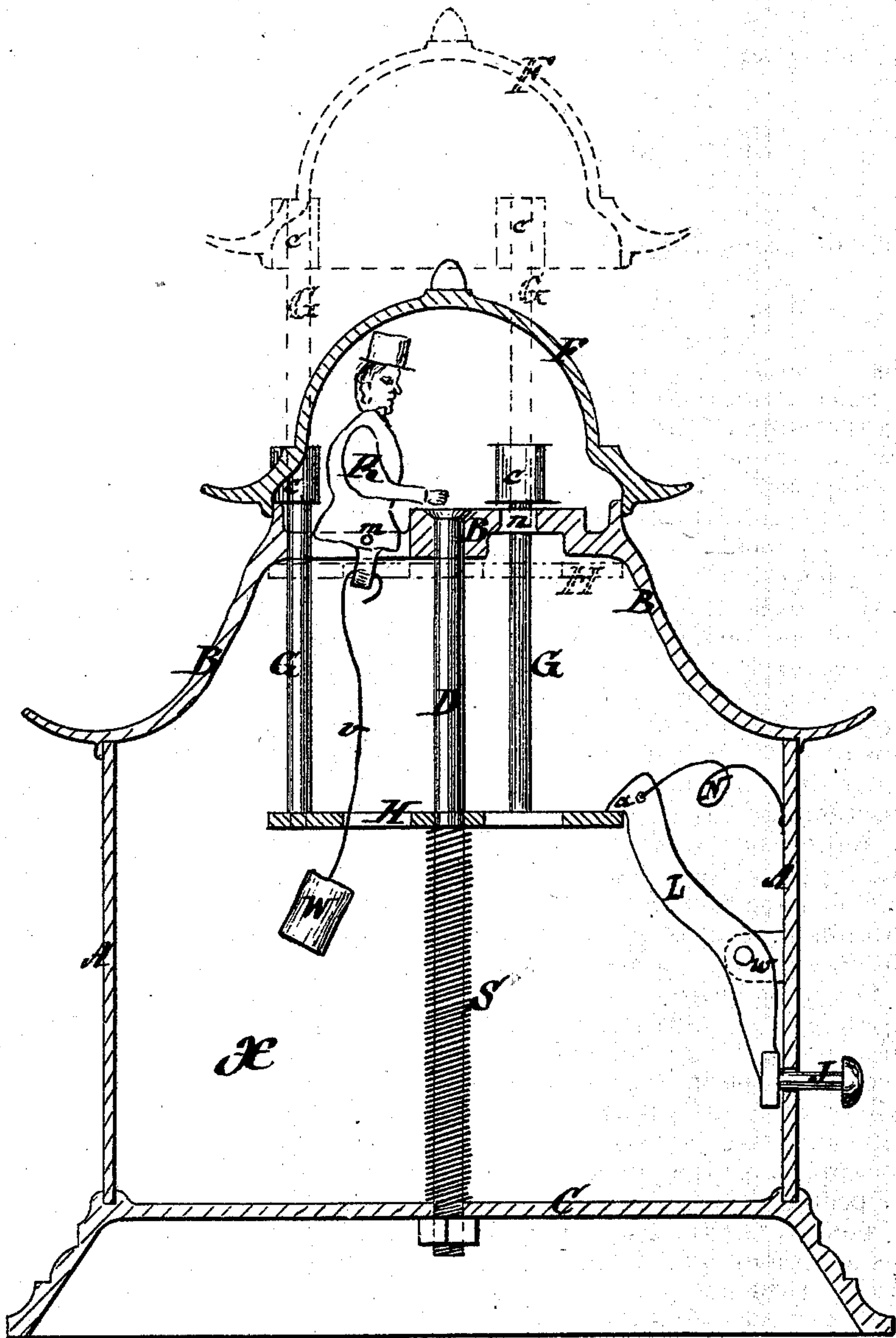


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IMPROVEMENT IN TOY MONEY-BOXES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, DIEDRICH DIECKMANN, of New York, in the State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Toy-Safe, of which the following is a description:

The nature of my invention consists in the arrangement of a close box with an opening in the top for the introduction of the money, in combination with a cover, made to move perpendicularly upward by means of a suitable spring, to give access to said opening, or, upon being pressed downward, to close the same, and operated by means of a lever arranged in the inside of the box or safe.

In the accompanying drawing a toy-safe is represented in section, embodying my improvement. A B C represent the sides, top, and bottom, fastened together by means of a central bolt, D, and forming the box or safe *x*, having a longitudinal opening, *n*, near the center in the top B, for the introduction of the money into the box. Opposite the opening *n* a figure, R, is arranged, capable of vibrating on pieces *m*, and having on its under side a rod, *v*, with a weight, *w*, on its end attached, to give a vibrating motion to said figure. On a central projection or ring arranged on the top B, a cover or cap, F, is fitted, inclosing the figure R and opening *n*. To this cover F three or more rods, G, are attached, moving in suitable holes or guides in the top B, and connected together at their lower ends in the inside of the box *x* by a cross-piece, H, guided and moving freely upon the central bolt D.

By this arrangement the cover F can move, and will be guided perpendicularly upward or downward for the purpose of exposing the vibrating figure R and opening *n*, and thus al-

low the introduction of money into the box, as shown in dotted lines, or to close the same when desired.

In the inside of the box *x* a lever, L, is arranged, turning upon a center, *w*, attached to the side A of the box. On the lower end of this lever L a pin or knob, J, projecting through the side of the box is arranged for the purpose of operating said lever, and on the top end of said lever L a projection or nose, *a*, is arranged in such a manner that the plate or cross-piece H, when the cover F is pressed downward close upon the top B, will be held fast by this projection *a*. Below the cross-piece H, between the same and the bottom C, around the central bolt D, a spiral spring, S, is arranged, to force the plate H, and, consequently, the cover F, upward as soon as the pin J is pushed inward, by which operation the projection *a* is moved away from the cross-piece H. N is a spring attached to the upper end of the lever L to force this upper end inward, and keep the projection *a* in connection with the cross-piece H.

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

1. The toy-safe *x*, in combination with a cover, F, made to move perpendicularly upward and downward, substantially as and for the purpose herein described.

2. In a toy-safe, the combination of a cover, F, rods G, cross-piece H, lever L, and spring S, constructed and arranged to operate substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

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