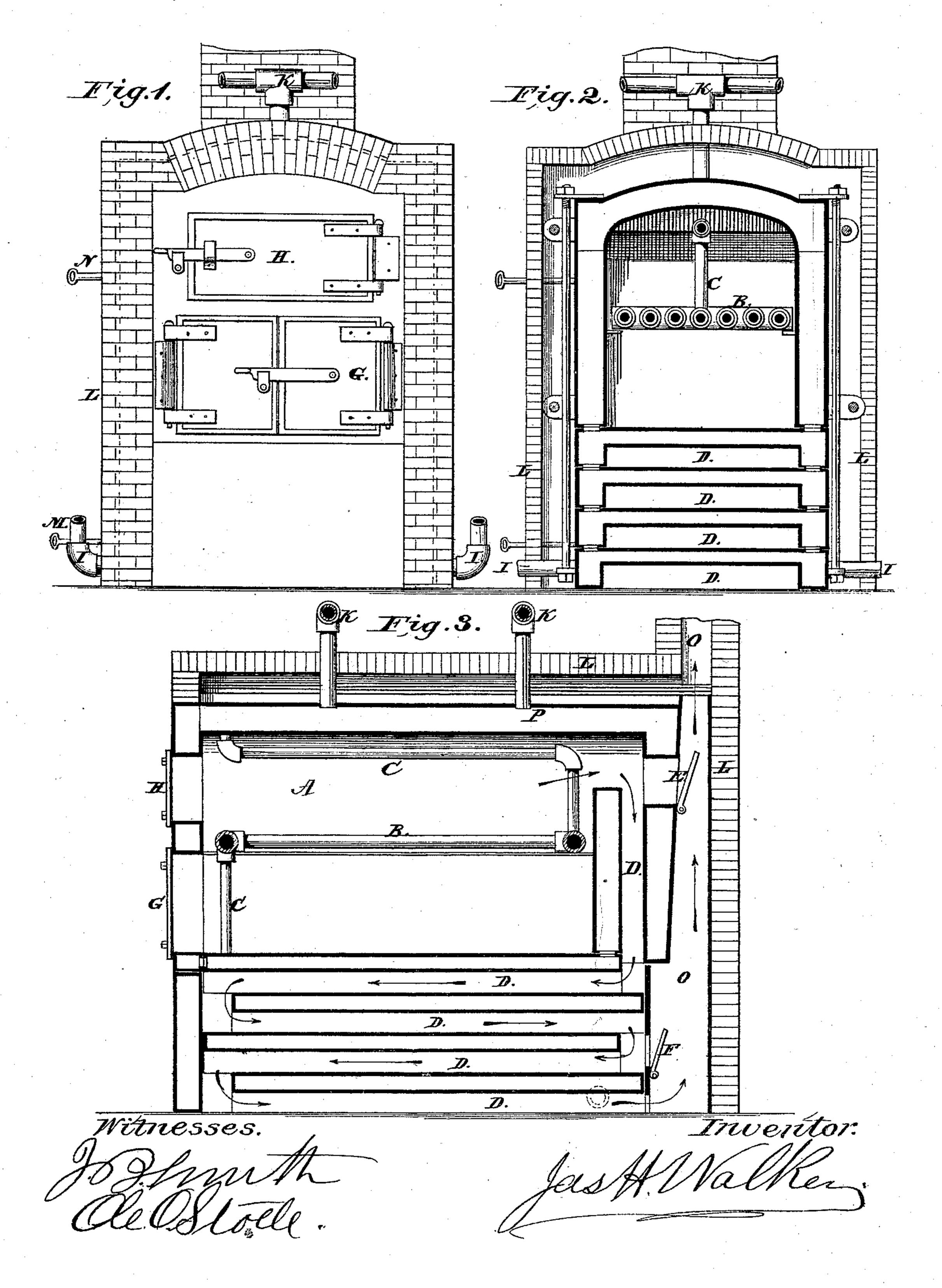
J. H. WALKER. Water-Heating Furnaces.

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IMPROVEMENT IN WATER-HEATING FURNACES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, James H. Walker, of Milwaukee, in the county of Milwaukee, in the State of Wisconsin, have invented certain Improvements in Water-Heating Furnaces, of which the following is a specification:

My invention has for its object the heating of buildings by hot water, and is accomplished by a water-heater, with the fire arranged at the top of the heater, with a bottom grate and flues leading to the bottom of the furnace.

Figure 1 is a view of the front end of the heater; Fig. 2, a sectional view across the back end of same, and Fig. 3 a side sectional view.

A is the fire-box; B, hollow grates; C, communicating pipes from the grate to the water-chamber; D, the flues; E, upper damper, which, when open, admits of a direct draft from the fire-box to the escape draft-flue; F, lower damper; G, door to ash-pit; H, door to fire-box; II, pipes by which the water is returned to the heater after being cooled in heating the house; K K, pipes from the top of the heater, from which the water is taken to the heating-pipes, for heating and circulating; L, jacket to the heater, made of metal, brick, or any other suitable material; M, handle for the lower damper; N, handle for the upper damper; O, exhaust-flue; P, water-space.

This heater or furnace is arranged with the fire-box at its top, which makes the water hottest when it leaves the heater and enters the heating-pipes. The bottom grate-bars take the water from the lower part of the water-space, and convey it through them to the top of the water-space, thus heating it as it passes through.

When the fire is first kindled in the fire-box the upper damper, E, is opened, to give a free draft, and after the fire gets to burning well the draft E is closed, and the smoke and gases will pass down through the flues, as indicated by the arrows, and the damper F is left open or not, as the draft may be wanted heavier or lighter. When the damper F is closed the smoke and gases pass clear to the bottom of the heater, and into and out through the exhaust flue O.

I claim as my invention—

The combination of fire-box A, bottom grate B, pipe C, flue D, and water-space P, arranged in a water-heating furnace, the water filling the furnace above and around the fire-box, substantially as described.

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