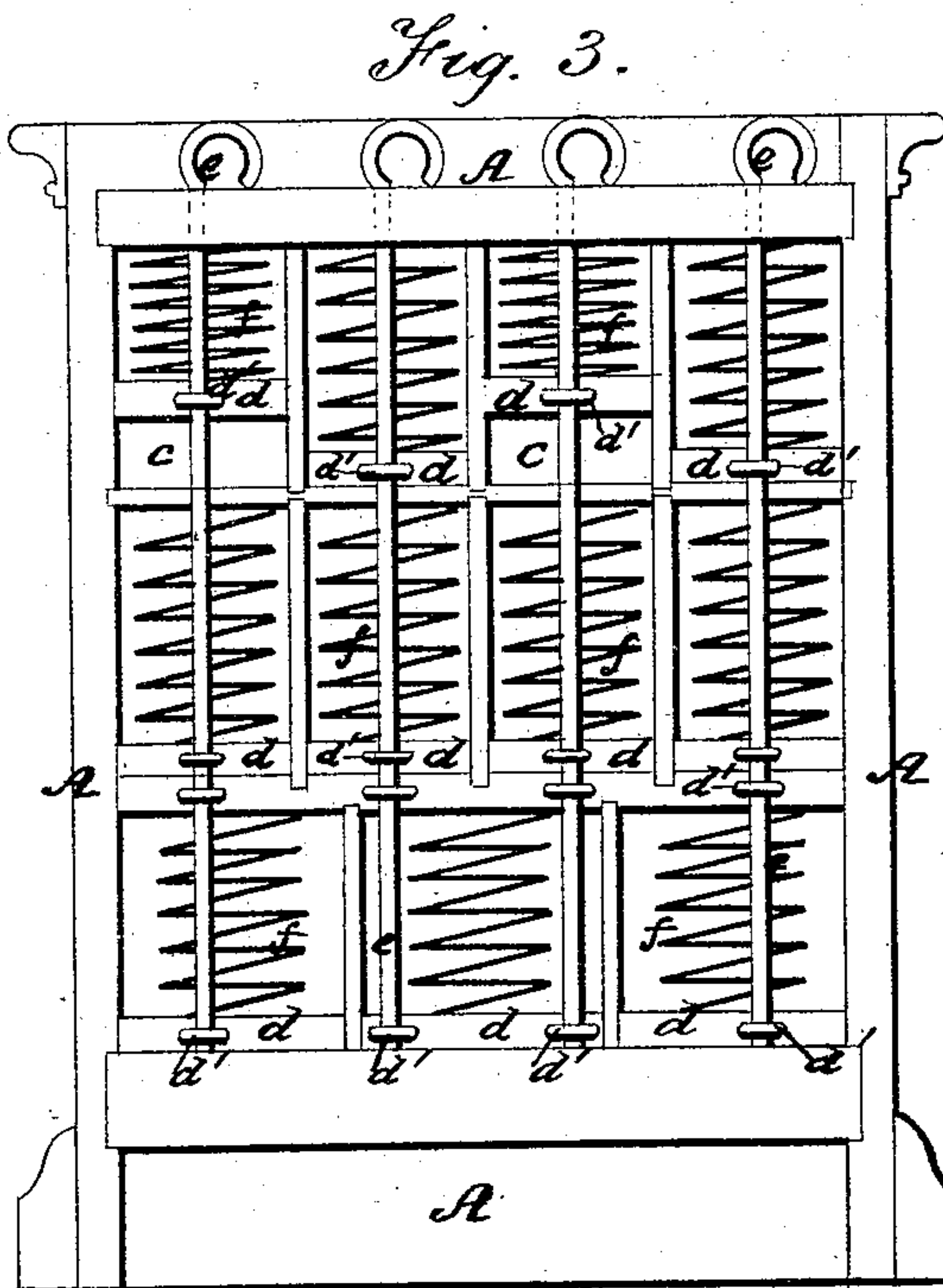
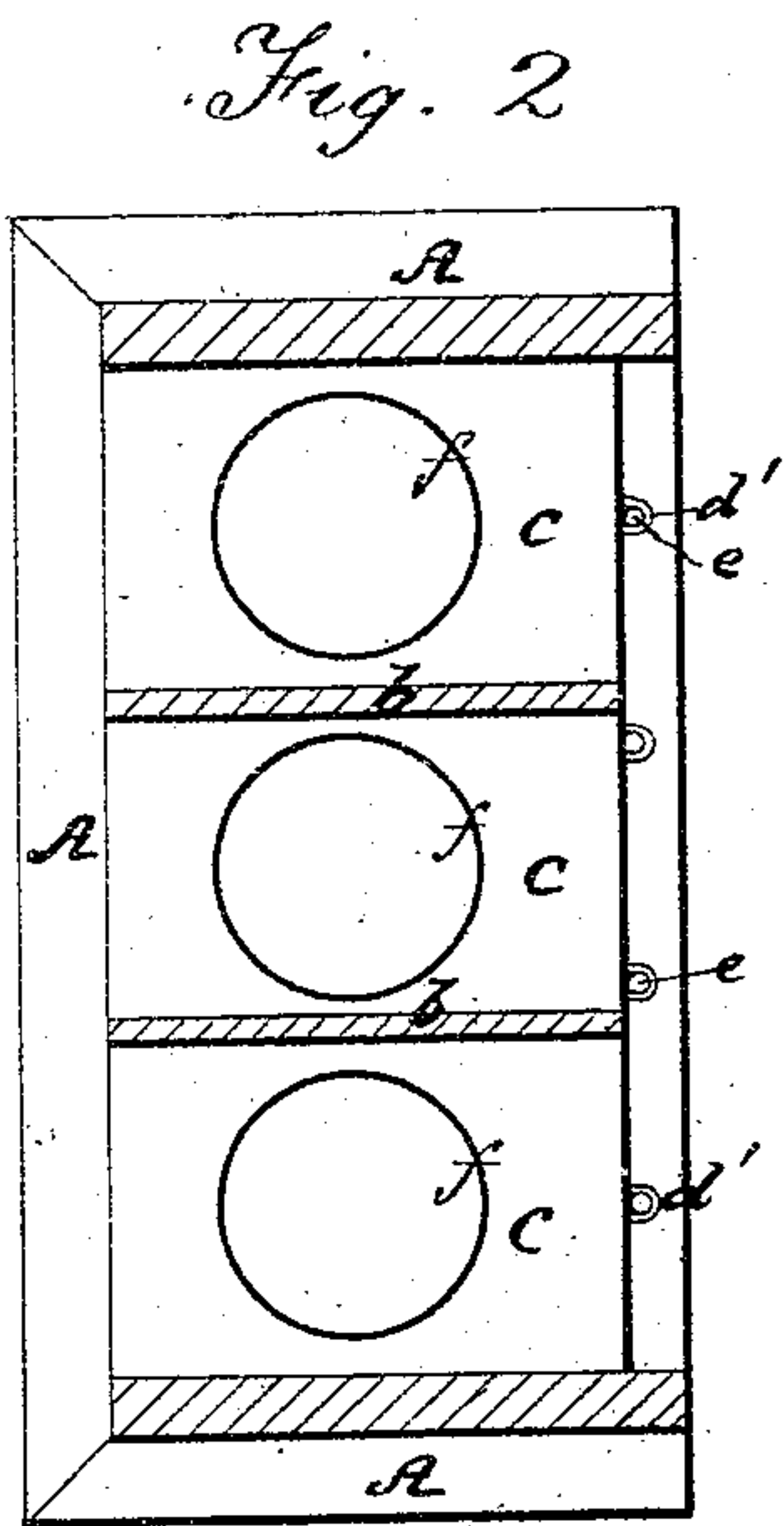
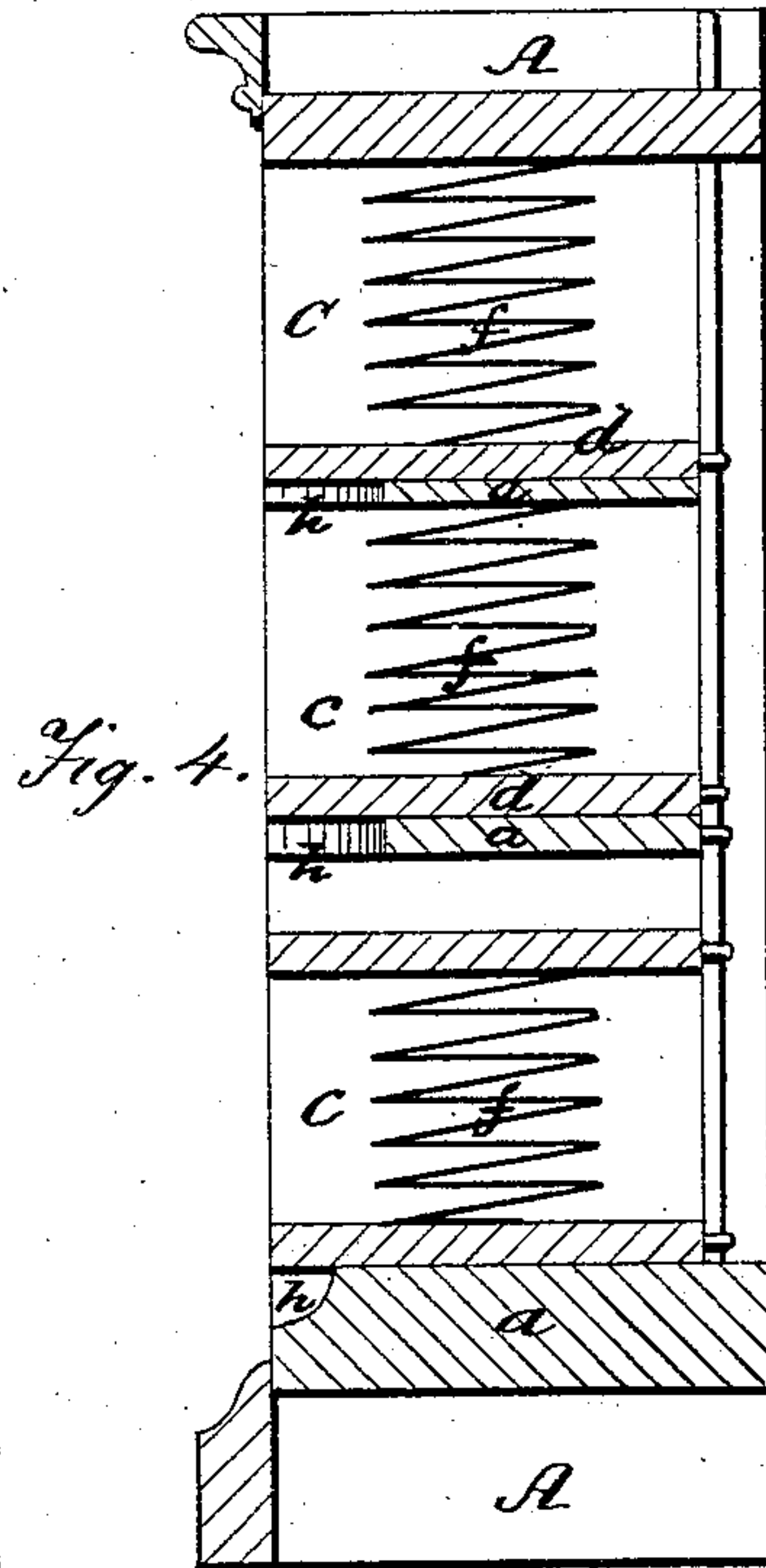
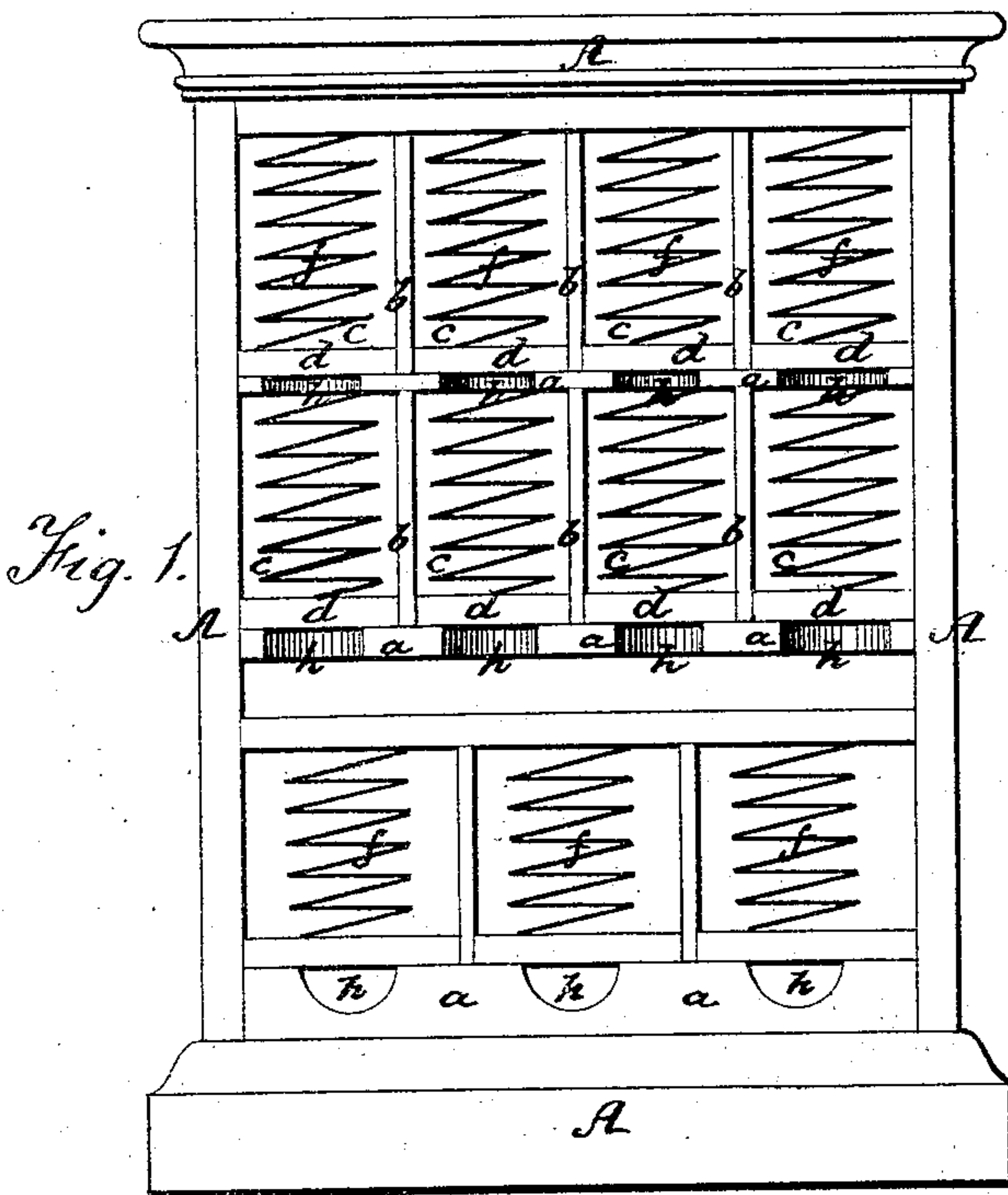


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## IMPROVEMENT IN TICKET-CASES.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, OLIVER P. BECK, of Springfield, in the county of Sangamon and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Ticket-Cases; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it pertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

My invention relates to improvements in cases for the reception of druggists' labels, tickets, cards, letters, and other similar loose sheets of paper or other material, whereby such labels, tickets, &c., may be preserved in series and removed for use, as required, more readily than heretofore.

In carrying out my invention I employ an upright frame or case, divided horizontally and vertically, by means of a series of shelves and partitions, into a series of divisions or receptacles of a size to suit the labels or other articles to be contained therein. Within each of these divisions or receptacles a sliding block is arranged, capable of movement from end to end of the said divisions, between which and the bottom of the divisions the labels or other articles are placed. Each block, at its rear end, is provided with a loop or eye, through which a guide rod or wire passes for the purpose of retaining the same in proper position in its division. A spring is applied between the upper side of each block and the under side of its partition, for the purpose of pressing the block firmly down upon the surface of the labels, and also causing such block to adapt its position to the increase or decrease of the quantity of labels in the divisions.

Recesses are formed at the front of the lower portion of each division, to facilitate the removal of the labels.

But, that my invention may be fully understood, I will proceed to describe the same in detail by aid of the accompanying drawings.

Figure 1 represents a front view, Fig. 2 a sectional plan, Fig. 3 a back view, and Fig.

4 a vertical section, of a case constructed according to my invention.

A A represent an upright case or frame, divided horizontally by means of a series of shelves, *a*, and vertically by means of partitions *b*, into a series of divisions or receptacles, *c*, for the reception of labels, cards, or other similar articles. Within each of the divisions *c* a sliding block, *d*, is arranged, which is capable of movement from end to end of the divisions *c*. Each block *d*, at its rear end, is provided with a loop or eye, *d'*, through which a guide rod or wire, *e*, passes for the purpose of retaining the blocks *d* in proper position in the divisions *c*. *f f* are spiral springs, applied between the under sides of the shelves *a* and the upper side of the blocks *d*, for the purpose of pressing the blocks *d* firmly down upon the surface of the labels, and also of causing such blocks *d* to adapt their positions to the increase or decrease of the quantity of labels in the divisions *c*. *h h* are recesses formed at the front of the lower portion of each division *c* to facilitate the removal of the labels.

In filling the case, I raise the blocks *d* by hand, and place the labels in the divisions *c*. I then allow the blocks *d* to come down upon the upper surface of the same, and thereby retain the same correctly and evenly in position. When it is desired to remove a label from the case, it is simply necessary to place a finger or fingers upon the under side of the lowest of the pile in the recesses containing the same, by means of the recess *h*, and draw the same gently forward.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The case A, constructed with a series of divisions, *c*, provided with recesses *h*, and having blocks *d*, controlled by springs *f*, and retained in position by eyes or loops *d'*, sliding on rods *e*, substantially as and for the purpose described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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