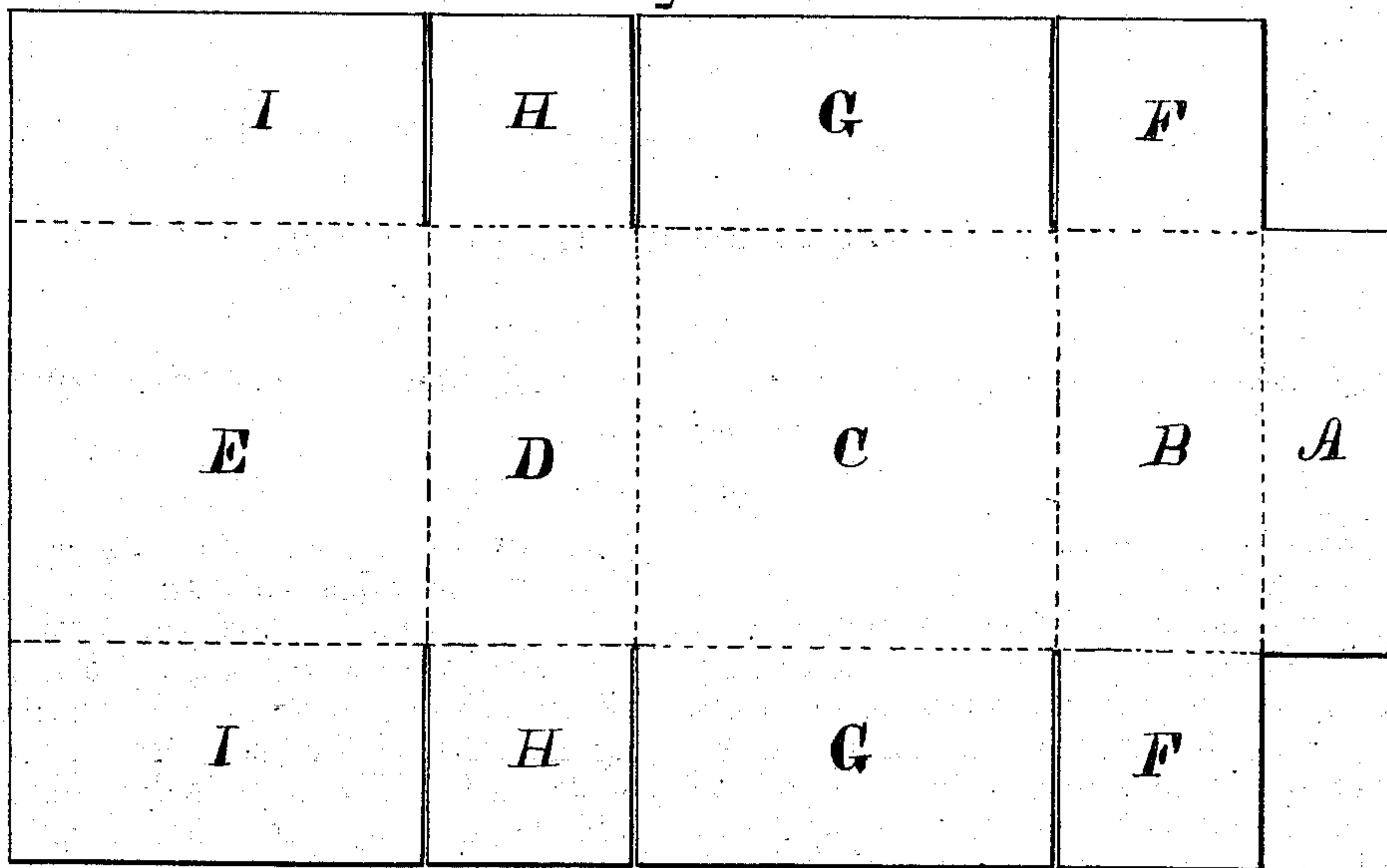


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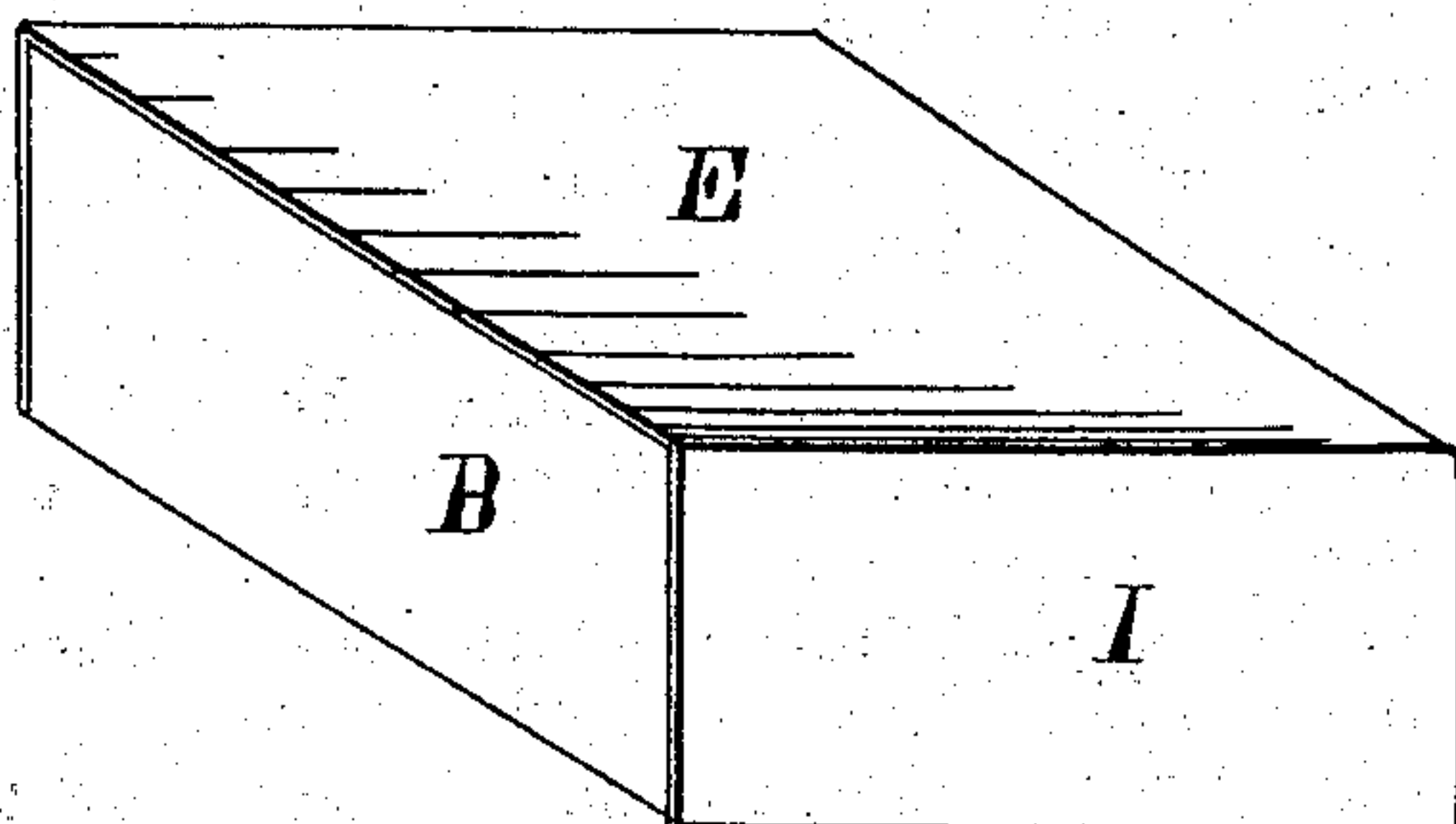
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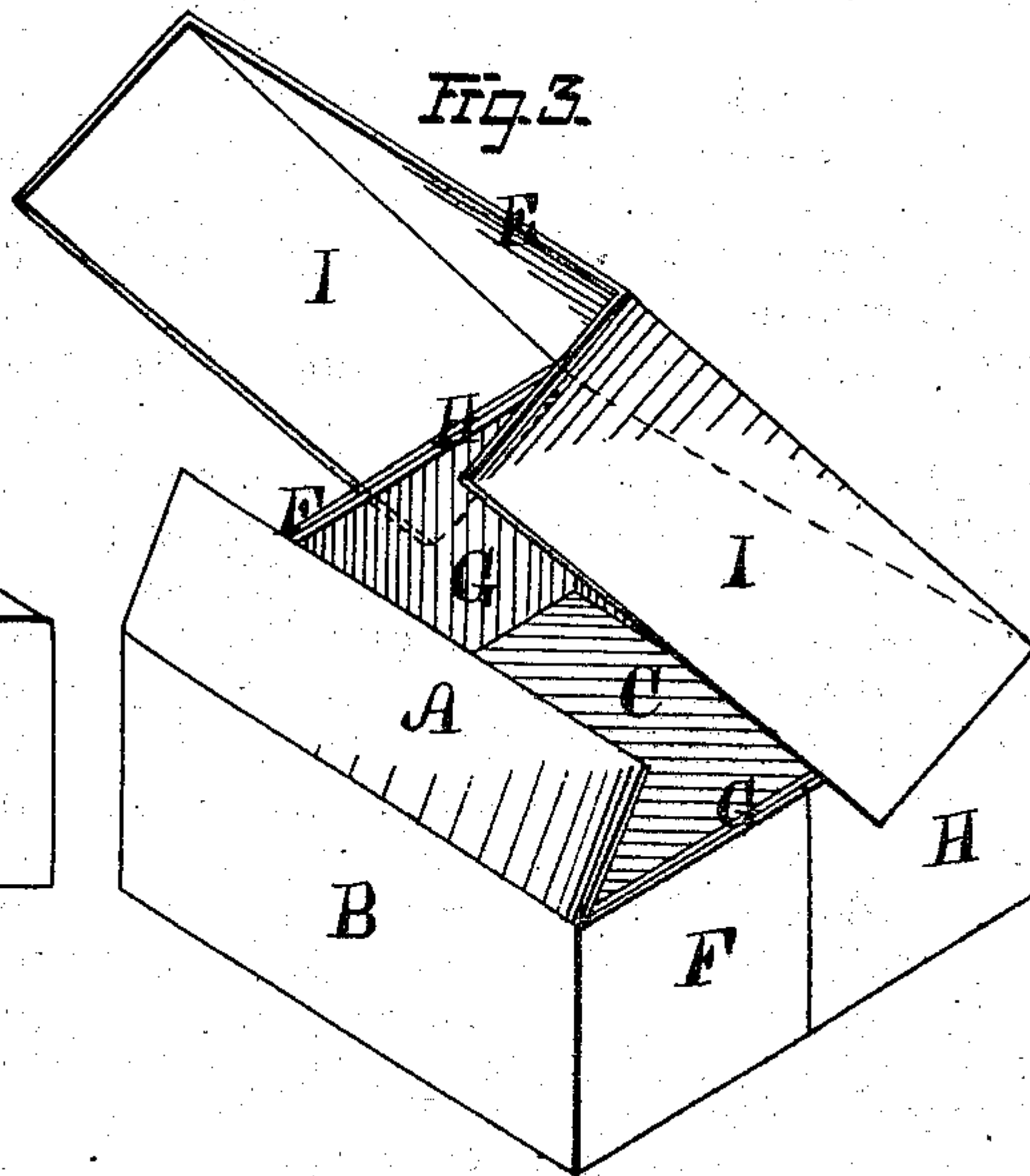
*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 3.*



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## IMPROVEMENT IN PAPER BOXES.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, S. M. CLARK, of Washington, in the county of Washington and in the District of Columbia, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Paper Boxes; and do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a plan view of the blank used for the construction of my box. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of said box, with its cover closed, and Fig. 3 is a like view of the same, with its cover open.

Letters of like name and kind refer to like parts in each of the figures.

The design of my invention is to afford a cheap, easily constructed, and convenient receptacle for containing wood-screws; and to this end, it consists, as a new article of manufacture, in the hereinafter-described box, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

In the annexed drawing, Fig. 1 shows the blank for forming my improved box, which blank, by means of certain lateral cuts and transverse and longitudinal lines, is divided into a series of rectangular sections, as seen.

Commencing at the right end of the blank, the first section, A, of the central row, forms a flap or inner cover, the second and fourth sections, B and D, respectively, form opposite sides, the third section, C, the bottom, and the fifth section, E, the top or cover, of the box, while upon each side of the same the second section, G and G, form sides, the first and third sections, F and H, form supplemental sides, and

the fourth sections, I and I, form flaps for inclosing said sides when the cover is closed.

To construct the box, the sections G and G are turned upward and inward to a vertical position, the section B and D turned upward against the ends of the former, and the small sections F and H thus folded inward against and pasted upon the outer sides of said sections G and G. The section or flap A is now folded inward upon the upper edge of the box, the cover E folded down over said flap, and box, and the flaps I and I turned downward against the supplemental sides F and H. When the box is filled with screws, the flap A holds the latter in position without in any manner interfering with their removal or replacement, while, by means of the side flaps I and I, the cover, when closed downward, is held in place, and rendered strong and durable.

I am aware that the blank shown is not of itself new, and, therefore, do not claim the same, broadly.

Having thus fully set forth the nature and merits of my invention, what I claim is—

As a new article of manufacture, the hereinafter-described box, provided with the inward-folding flap A, and the cover E, having downward-folding side flaps I and I, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand this 9th day of September, 1874.

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