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Ironing-Table.

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Fig. 1.

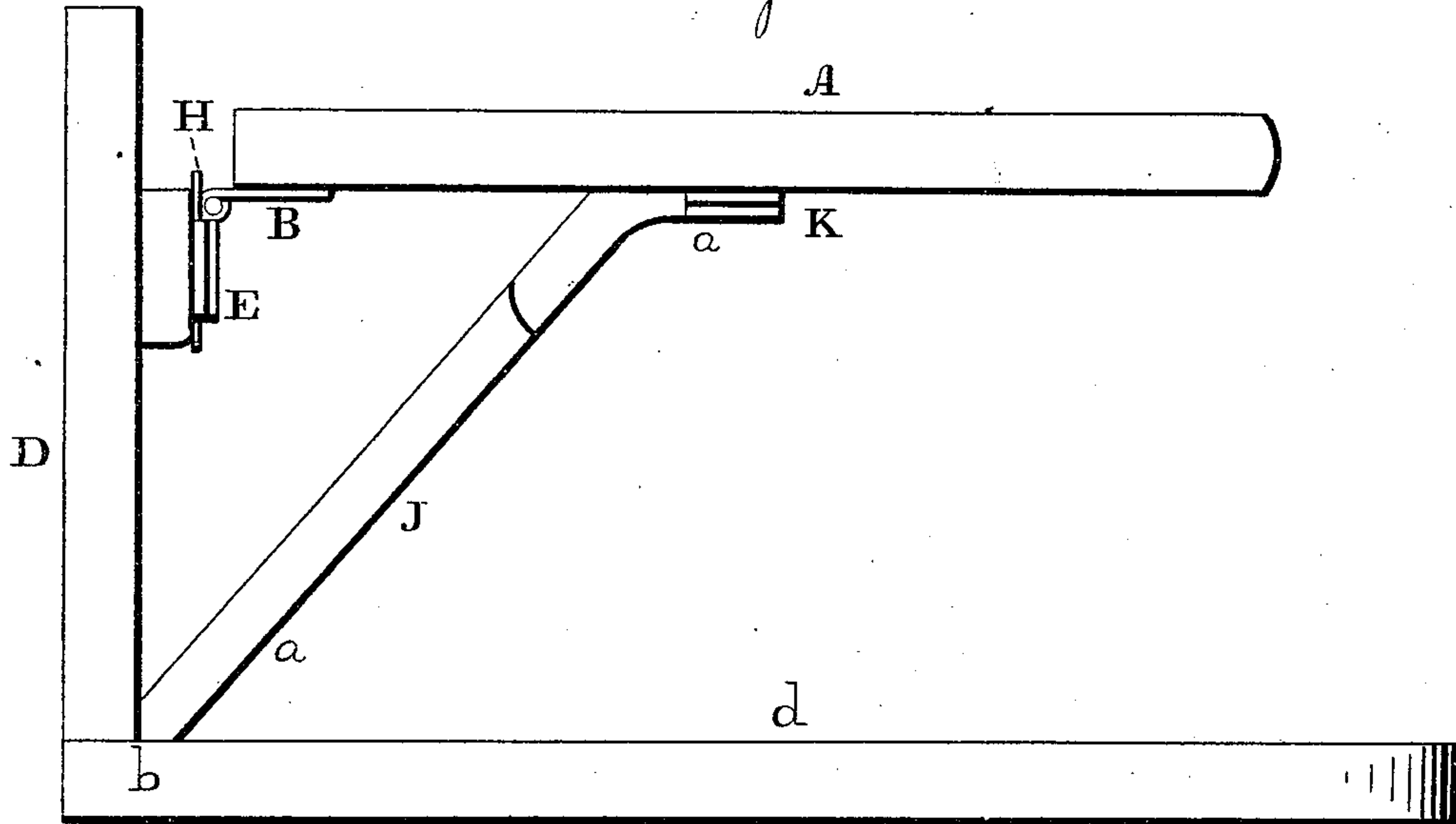


Fig. 2.

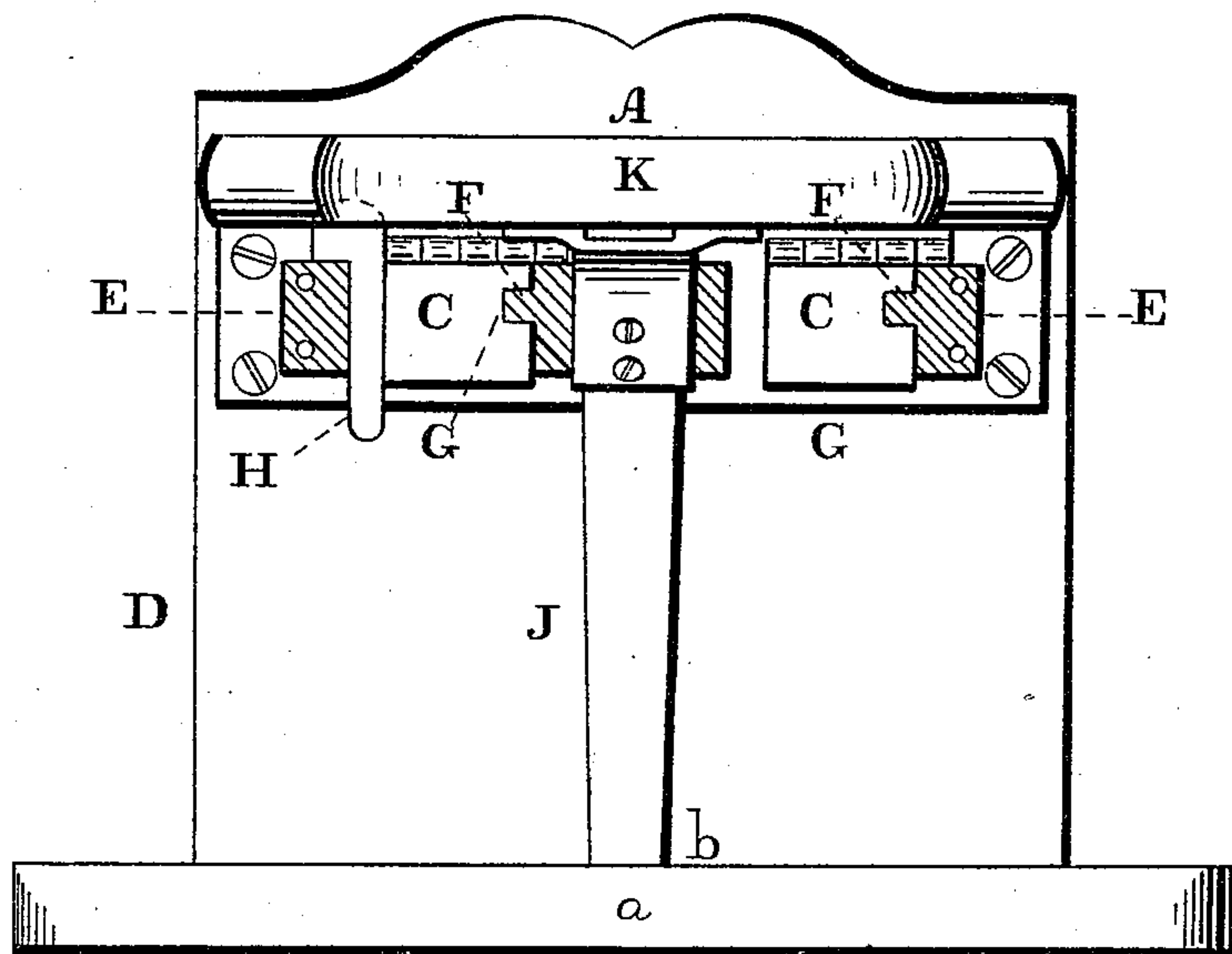
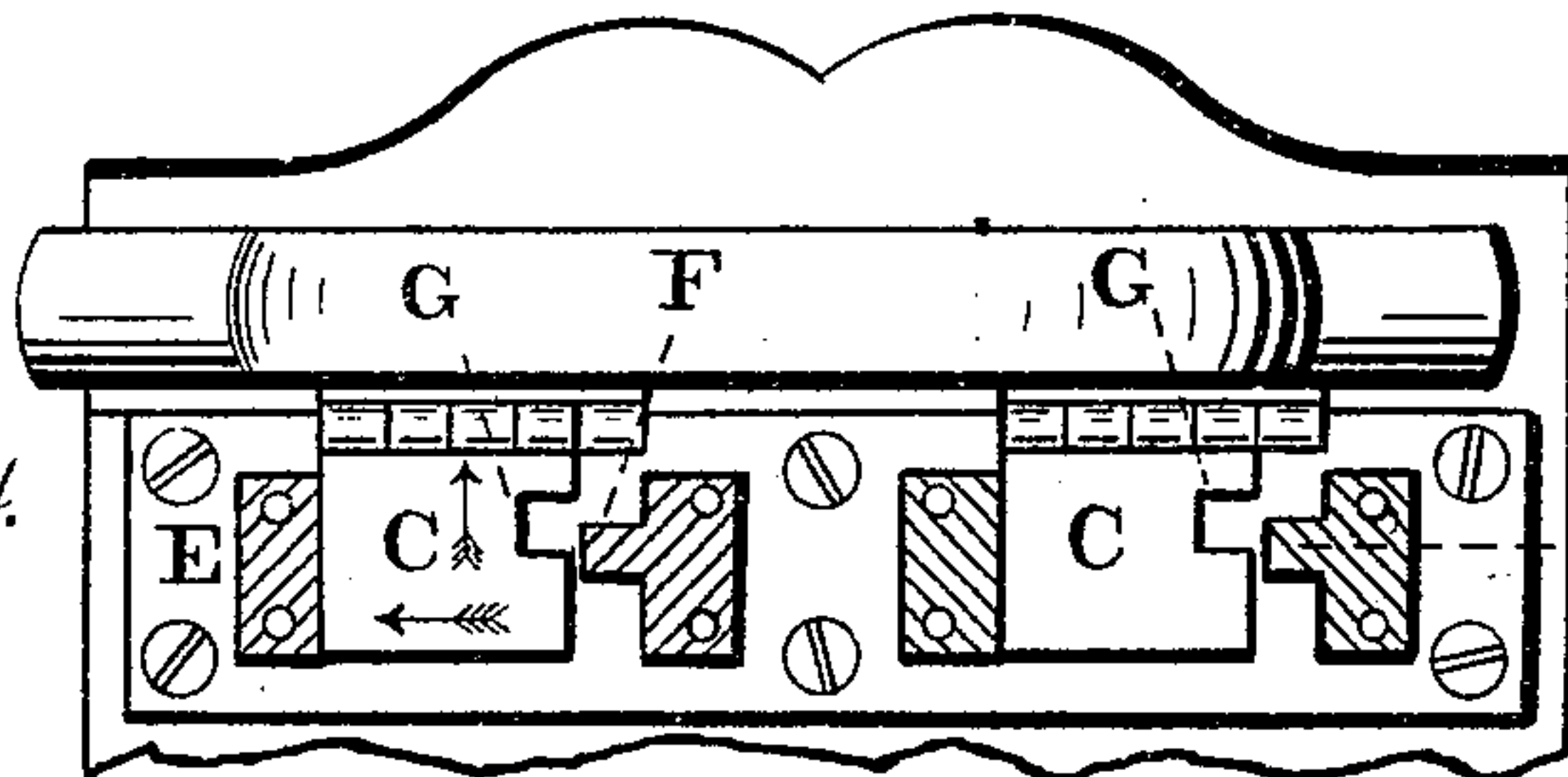


Fig. 3.

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## IMPROVEMENT IN IRONING-TABLES.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, GEORGE K. EDWARDS, of the city and county of Philadelphia, and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Ironing-Boards; and I do hereby declare the following to be a clear and exact description of the nature thereof, sufficient to enable others skilled in the art to which my invention appertains to fully understand, make, and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings making part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of the device embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is an end view thereof, partly in section. Fig. 3 is a similar view of a portion thereof.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the several figures.

My invention relates to an ironing-board which is adapted to be applied to the wall of a room; and it consists of a socket with lug projecting horizontally into the space thereof, a sliding plate having a horizontally-extending notch, and a key entering the socket at one side of the plate, the socket inclosing and concealing the lug and notch, and also receiving the locking-key.

Referring to the drawings, A represents the board, which may be of well-known form and construction. To one end of the board I secure a plate, B, which is attached to another plate, C, and to the wall or other portion D of an apartment there is applied a socket, E, into which the plate C is adapted to enter vertically. In the open space of the socket E there projects laterally a pin or lug, F, which may be cast with or secured to said socket E, or made separately and connected to the wall D. G represents a horizontally-arranged notch or recess formed in the side of the plate C, and occupying such position that at the proper time the lug F will enter the notch G. For this purpose the width of the plate C is less than that of the opening of the socket E, and a key, H, is employed to occupy the space between

the side of the plate C opposite to that having the notch G and the adjacent inner side of the socket E.

The operation is as follows: When the board is required for use the plate C is inserted into the opening of the socket E. Then shift the board laterally toward the lug F, so that the latter occupies the notch G, whereby the plates C and socket E are locked together. Now insert the key H between the sides of the plate C and socket D, as seen in Fig. 2, and the board will be firmly connected and prevented from lateral and vertical displacements. In order to remove the board the key is withdrawn, the board moved in the direction to clear the lug and notch, and by raising the board it will be entirely detached. J represents a leg or support for the board, said leg being of angular form, *a a*, and adapted to extend diagonally with its lower end in the lower corner *b* of the floor *d* and wall of the apartment, and the upper end entering a socket, K, on the under side of the board.

It will be seen that the board will be firmly supported at or about its middle by the leg J, and yet the latter be entirely removed from the main length thereof, that the ironer can move around freely without having her feet strike or be interfered with by the leg.

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

The socket E, with lug F projecting horizontally into the space thereof, the sliding plate C, with horizontally-extending notch G, and the key H, entering the socket at one side of the plate C, the socket thus receiving the lug, plate, and key, and all parts constructed, arranged, and operated substantially as set forth.

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