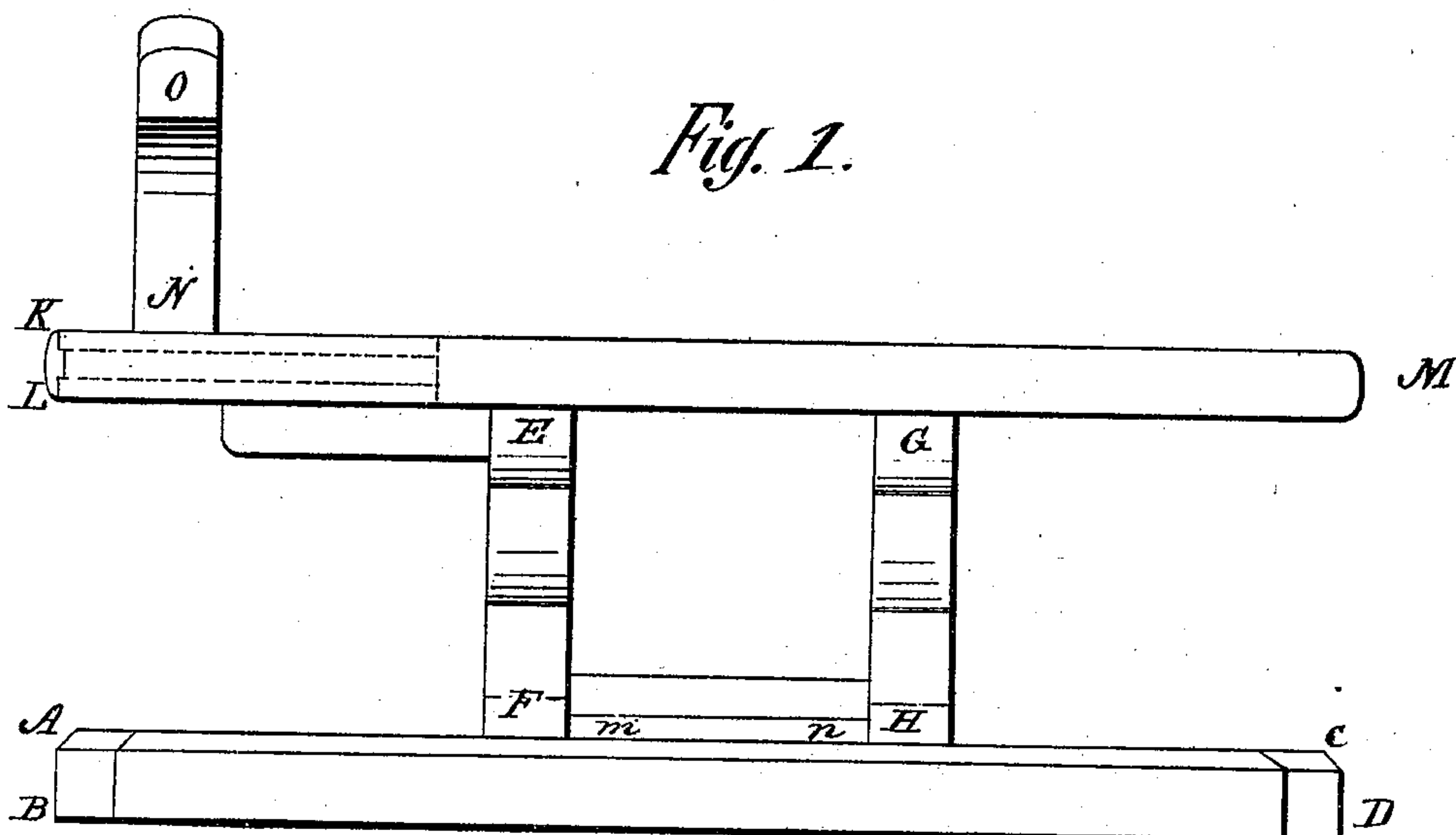


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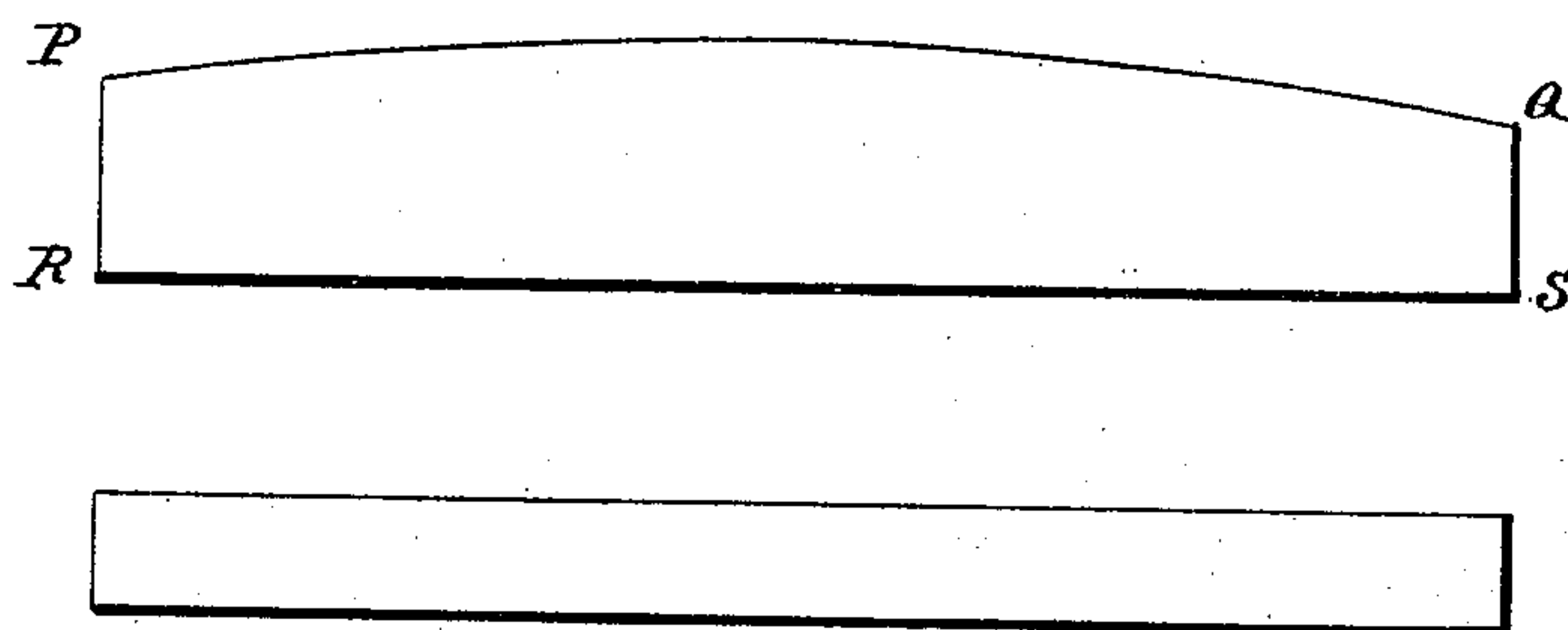
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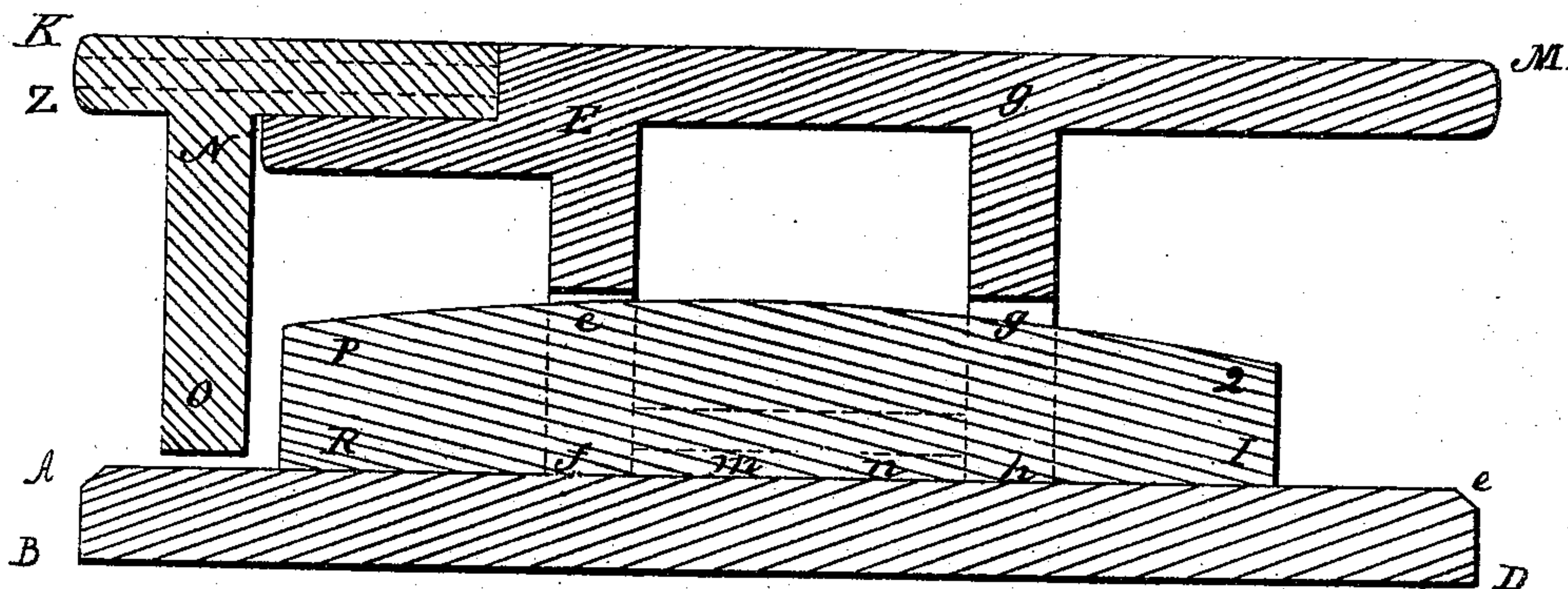
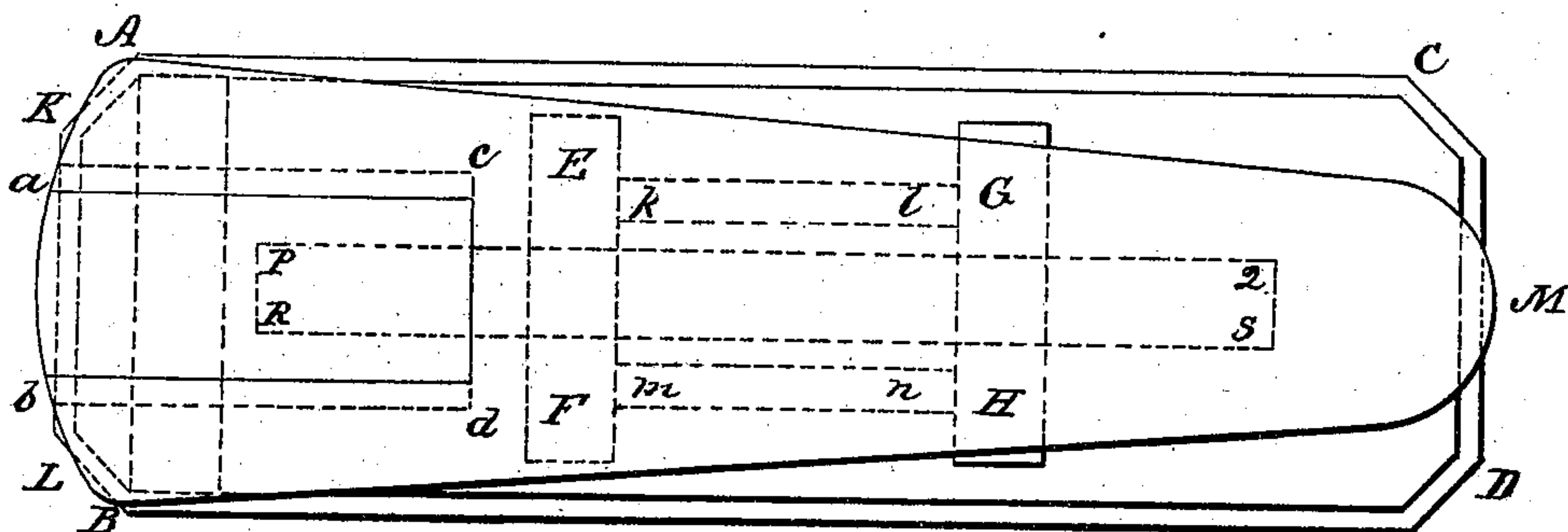


Fig. 4.



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## IMPROVEMENT IN IRONING-BOARDS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, CHARLES H. F. KRUSE, of Fishkill Landing, New York, have invented a new and Improved Tailor's Ironing-Board; and the following is a full description of the same, to enable others skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

My invention consists of an ordinary board for the use of tailors, with support for every part of a garment, so that the tailor can iron the garment more thoroughly and with less effort than could be done with an ordinary board.

The object of my invention is to supply a support for all the various forms and bends which are found in a garment, and to enable the tailor to press with the iron every part, and especially every seam, of a garment.

In the accompanying drawing, Figure I is a full view of my tailor's ironing-board, with the arm-hole support inserted for use, and the pantaloon-board attached. Fig. II is an ordinary sleeve-board. Fig. III is a transverse section of the tailor's ironing-board, with the arm-hole support reversed and the sleeve-board attached. Fig. IV is a horizontal view of the ironing-board.

A B C D is a base upon which the two columns E F and G H are attached. These columns carry the wedge-shaped board K L M. In the board K L M, at the end K L, is a grooved incision, *a b c d*, in which the arm-hole support *a b c d N* is fitted. Said arm-hole support consists of a small board, *a b c d*, upon which is erected the vertical support N O.

*e f g h* are square holes in the center of the columns. E F and G H, R l and *m' n*, are small string-pieces extending from E F and G H, with a round flange. P Q R S is a sleeve-board, which, when not used, is inserted through the holes *e f g h* along the string-pieces R l m n.

When the board is to be used for ironing of the straight or smooth parts of a garment, the arm-hole support O N is inserted, as shown in Fig. III, and then the tailor has one smooth board, which can be used as ordinary ironing-boards are used by tailors.

If it is desired to iron the seam of a coat which exists where the sleeve is sewed to the body of the coat, then the arm-hole support *a b c d N O* is drawn out of its groove in the board K L M, is turned over so that vertical support N O appears on the board K L M, as shown in Fig. I. The tailor has now the opportunity to place the coat in such manner that he can conveniently press out and smooth the seams.

Many other parts of a garment can only be ironed upon a flange, as provided by the vertical support N O, and the board can be transformed from a smooth board, as shown in Fig. III, to a board with the vertical support N O uppermost, by merely reversing the small plate *a b c d*.

Sometimes it is desirable that the vertical support N O should be near the edge K L, and the plate *a b c d* can be reversed and so inserted that the square end *c d* shall be near the base of the cut *c d*, as shown in Fig. I.

Sometimes it is desirable that the vertical support N O should be near the center of the board K L M, and then the small plate *a b c d* is reversed and inserted with the round end *a b* toward the base of the cut *c d*.

To iron the seam of pantaloons or sleeves, the pantaloon-board P Q R S is inserted in the sleeves and placed upon the board K L M, and upon the flange of said pantaloon-board P Q R S the seams can be pressed out with the hand-iron with ease and facility, while the straight parts of the pantaloons and sleeves can be pressed out upon the side P Q R S.

Every tailor or person used to iron garments will readily understand the use of this apparatus.

The parts of garments referred to in the description have been ironed by tailors upon flanges such as are shown in the drawing, Fig. II, but by means of my invention tailors are, for the first time, enabled to iron out difficult seams, such as the arm-hole seams, with such ease and upon such firm support as is provided by the vertical support N O.

I claim as my invention—

1. In combination with the board K L M, the detachable reversible support or ironing-

board N O, the two being connected substantially as shown and described.

2. As a new article of manufacture, the pantaloons-board P Q R S, having the form shown and described.

3. The ironing-table K L M, having the supports E F G H, provided with slots to

receive the pantaloons-board, as shown and described.

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