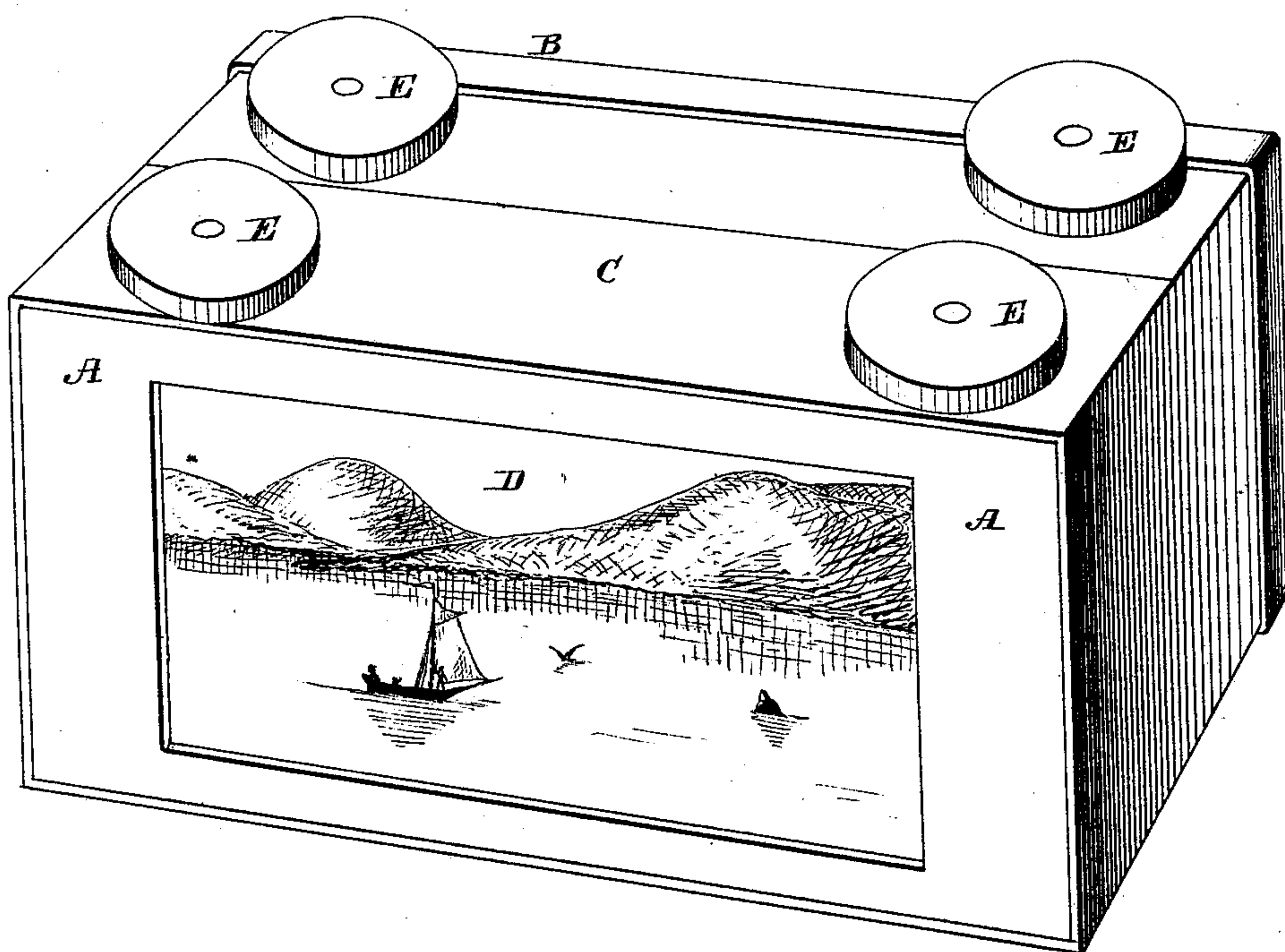


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IMPROVEMENT IN PROCESSES OF PRODUCING PANORAMIC PICTURES.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, HERMAN DECKER, of Providence, in the State of Rhode Island, have made certain new and useful Improvements in the Process of Producing Panoramic Pictures, said improvements being especially adapted to producing shore views for tourists; and I do hereby declare that the following specification, taken in connection with the drawing making a part of the same, is a full, clear, and exact description thereof.

The drawing represents a picture produced by my process, and for convenience arranged in a suitable box for exhibition.

The object of my invention is to produce for the use of excursionists and others a view of the shores of bays and rivers, &c., over which they may sail, which shall furnish them with all desired information at a moderate cost, and at the same time be suitable for preservation as a memento.

In carrying out my invention I take a narrow strip of blue paper and through or near the center thereof paint or imprint in colors a truthful perspective of the shore as seen from the boat or other conveyance, the blue margin above and below the painted or imprinted colors serving to represent both the sky and water, respectively.

A very large part of the labor in producing such views consists in properly representing the sky and water, which in my invention is entirely avoided. This very material reduc-

tion in labor renders it possible to produce these views at a small cost.

In carrying out my invention I attach two strips of paper, one representing each shore, to a pair of rollers, A A and B B. These rollers—each pair working independently—are contained and rotate within a suitable box, C, having upon either side an opening, D, across which the views pass. The rollers are turned in either direction by the thumb-rollers E upon the outside of the box.

Other materials having a surface of a suitable color may be substituted for the paper, which is, however, the least expensive.

I do not, broadly, claim forming a background of any desired color and then printing thereon landscapes or other objects, this being suggested in English provisional specification 2,870 of 1873; but

What I do claim is—

The method or process of producing panoramic pictures by printing the representation of a coast line across the middle part of a sheet of blue paper, so that the lower part of said sheet shall represent the water or foreground and the upper part of said sheet the sky or background of the picture, substantially as set forth.

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