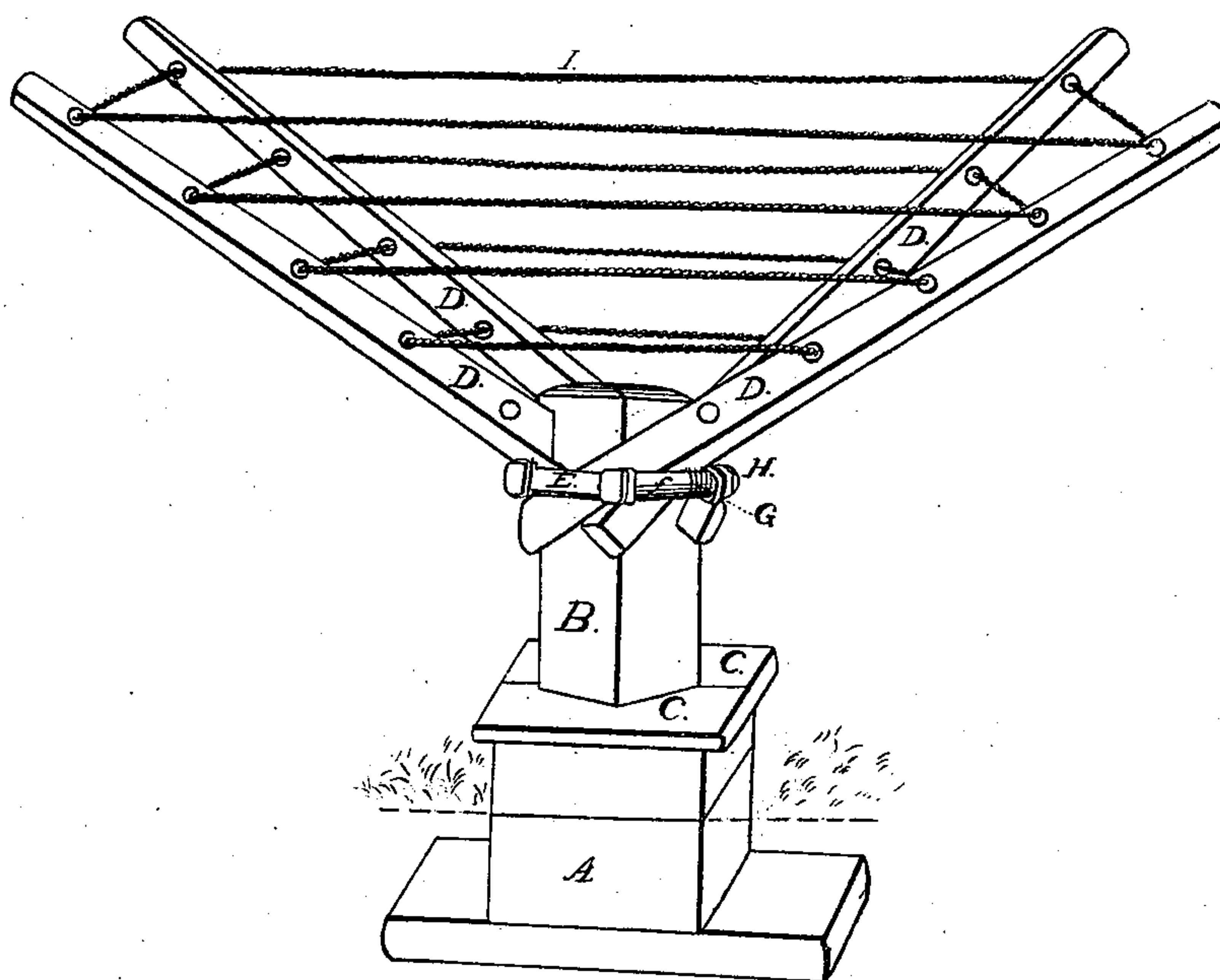


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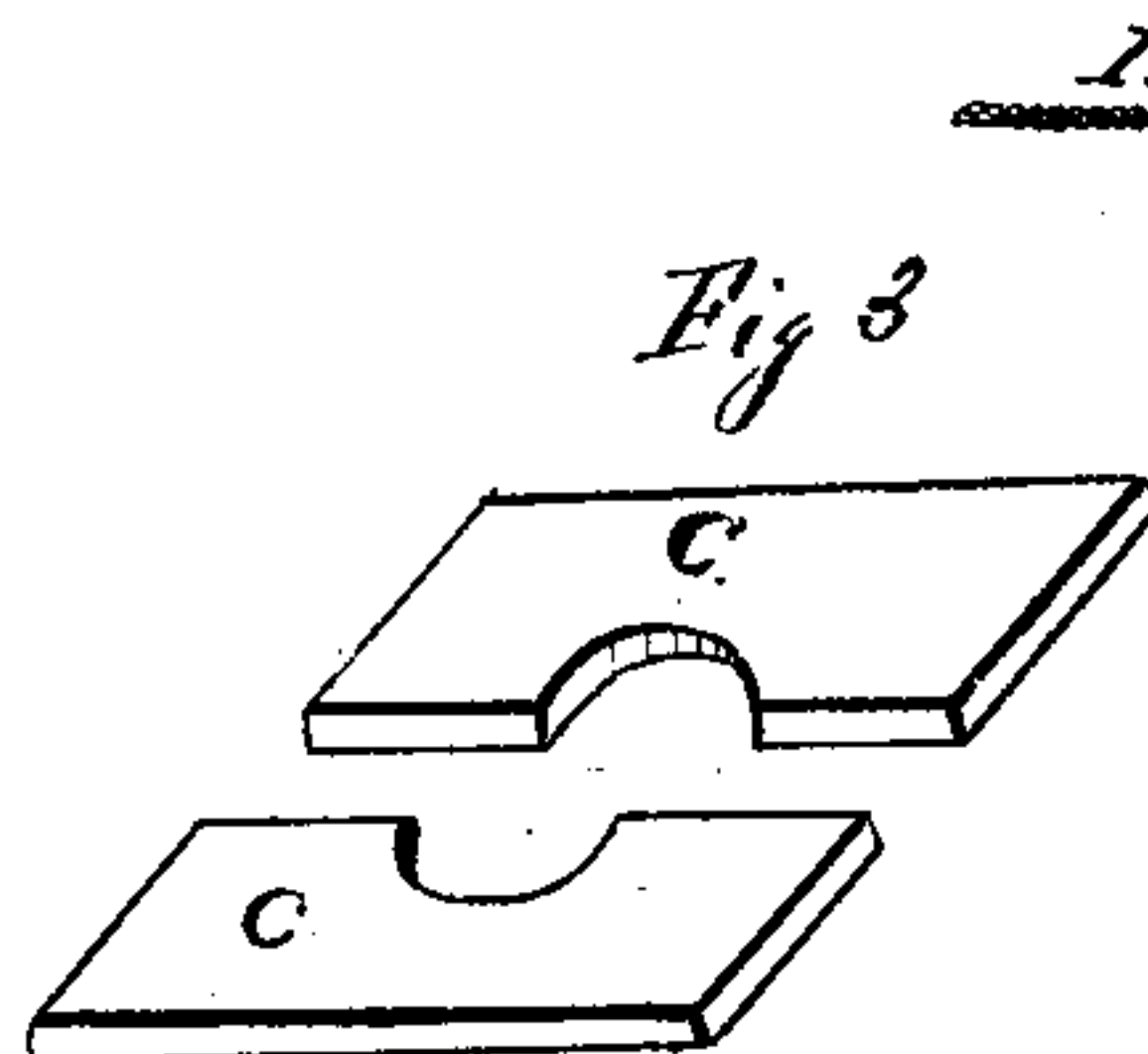
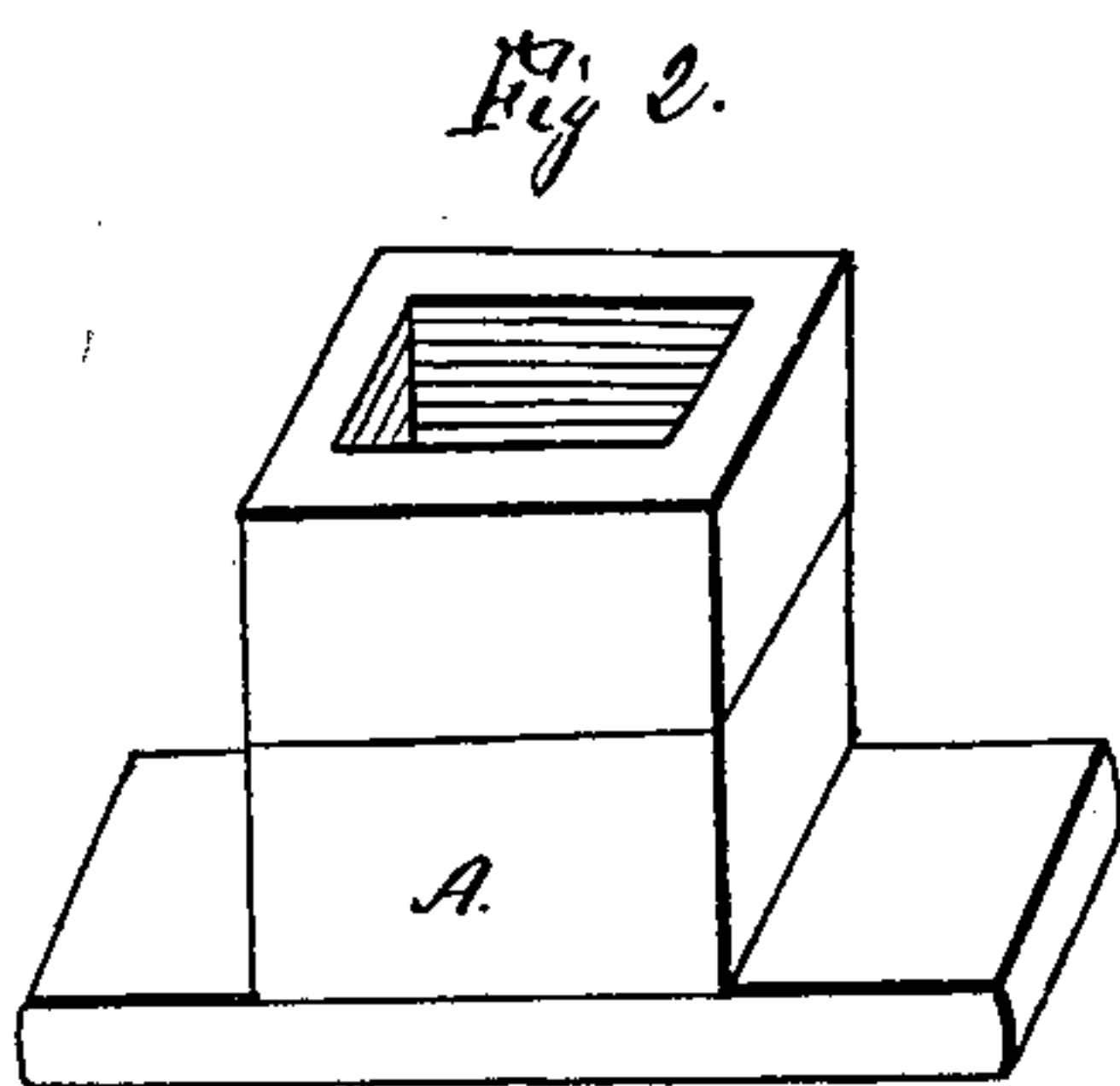
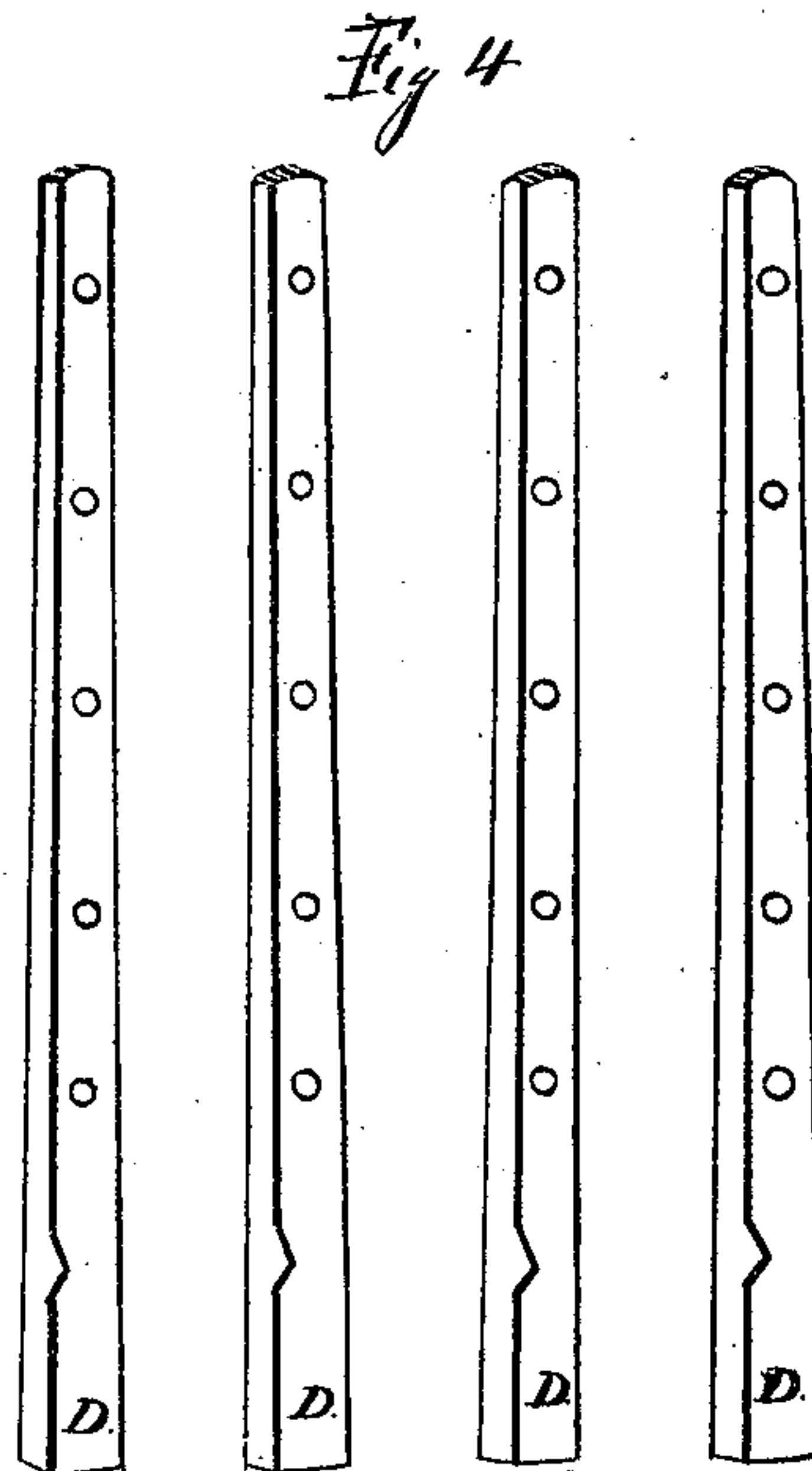
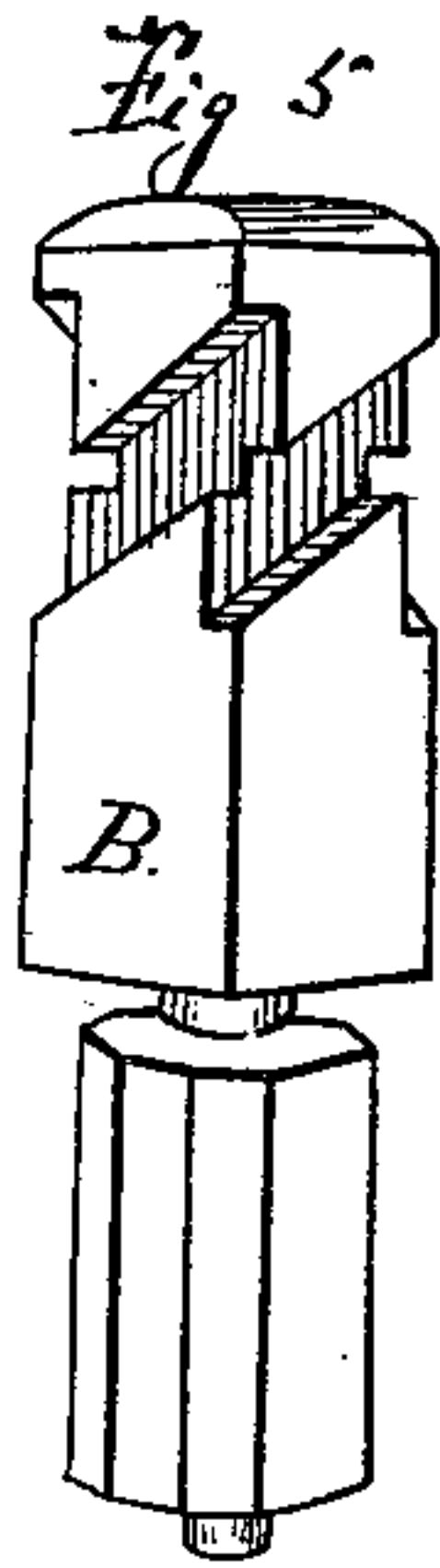
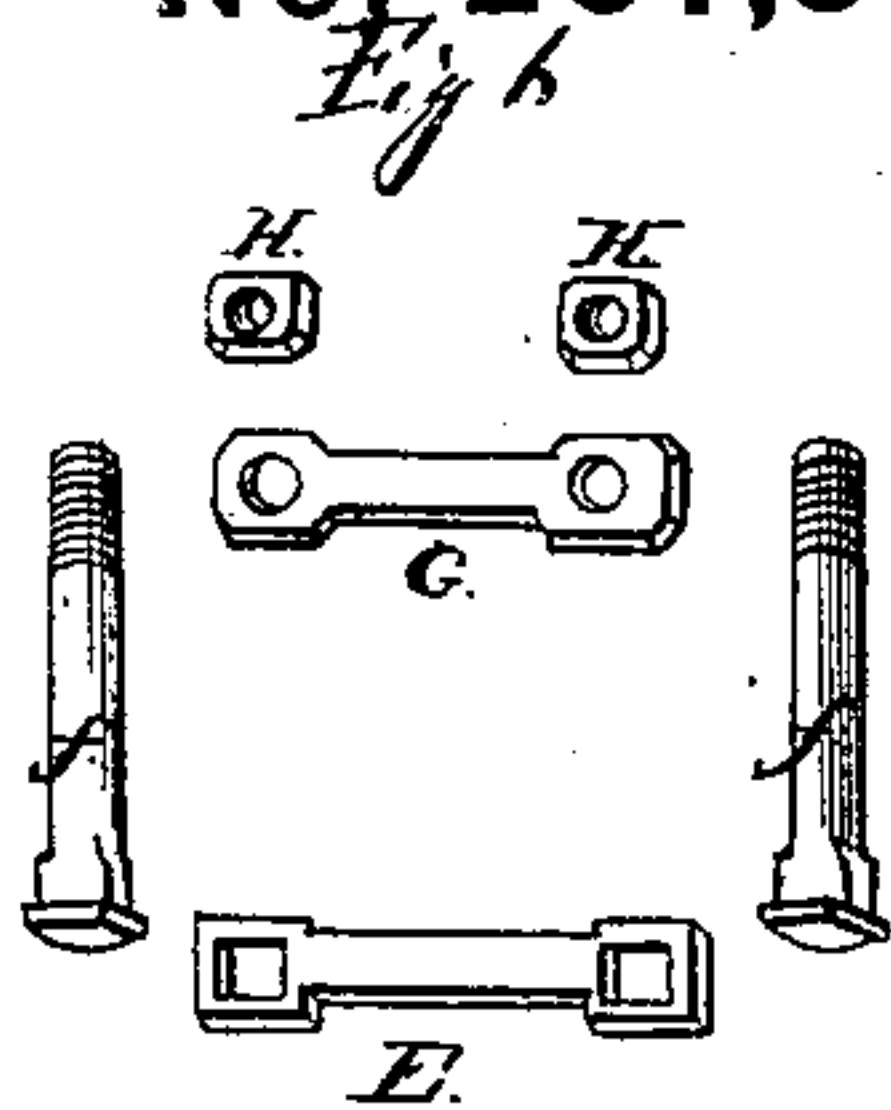
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## IMPROVEMENT IN CLOTHES-DRIERS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that we, JOSEPH BENSTINE and CHARLES H. OSBORN, of the city of Oconomowoc, in the county of Waukesha and State of Wisconsin, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Clothes-Driers, which improvement is fully set forth in the following specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a clothes-drier with our improvements. Fig. 2 is the box. Fig. 3 is the cap. Fig. 4 shows the four arms. Fig. 5 is the post with the four half-mortises. Fig. 6 shows the clasps and fasteners.

The object of the invention is to secure the fastening of the arms to the posts by iron clasps, as shown by letters E, *f*, G, H, and B in Fig. 1; and the several parts of the clothes-drier and their connections are described as follows:

The box A is to go into the ground with a bottom plank attached to it. The post B is five feet long with diagonal half-mortises on the four sides of the post near the top, and

three feet from the top of the post is the circle for the cap C to fit into. The cap C C, Fig. 3, is composed of two pieces, with a half-circle in each piece cut out, so that when put together they fit the rounded part of the post B. The four arms D (shown in Fig. 4) are made to fit in the four half-mortises of the post near the top. (Shown in Fig. 5.) The fastening device consists of the two bolts *ff*, passing through the two iron clasps E and G, the same length, forming a square around the arms D and the post B, and, with the two nuts H and H, serve to draw the clasp solid around the arms D to the post B. The four holes in the four arms D are twenty inches apart in each.

We claim as our invention—

The combination of the post B, having diagonal grooves, with the arms D, held in place by the clasps E G, bolts *f*, and nuts H, as and for the purposes specified.

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