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Fig. 1.

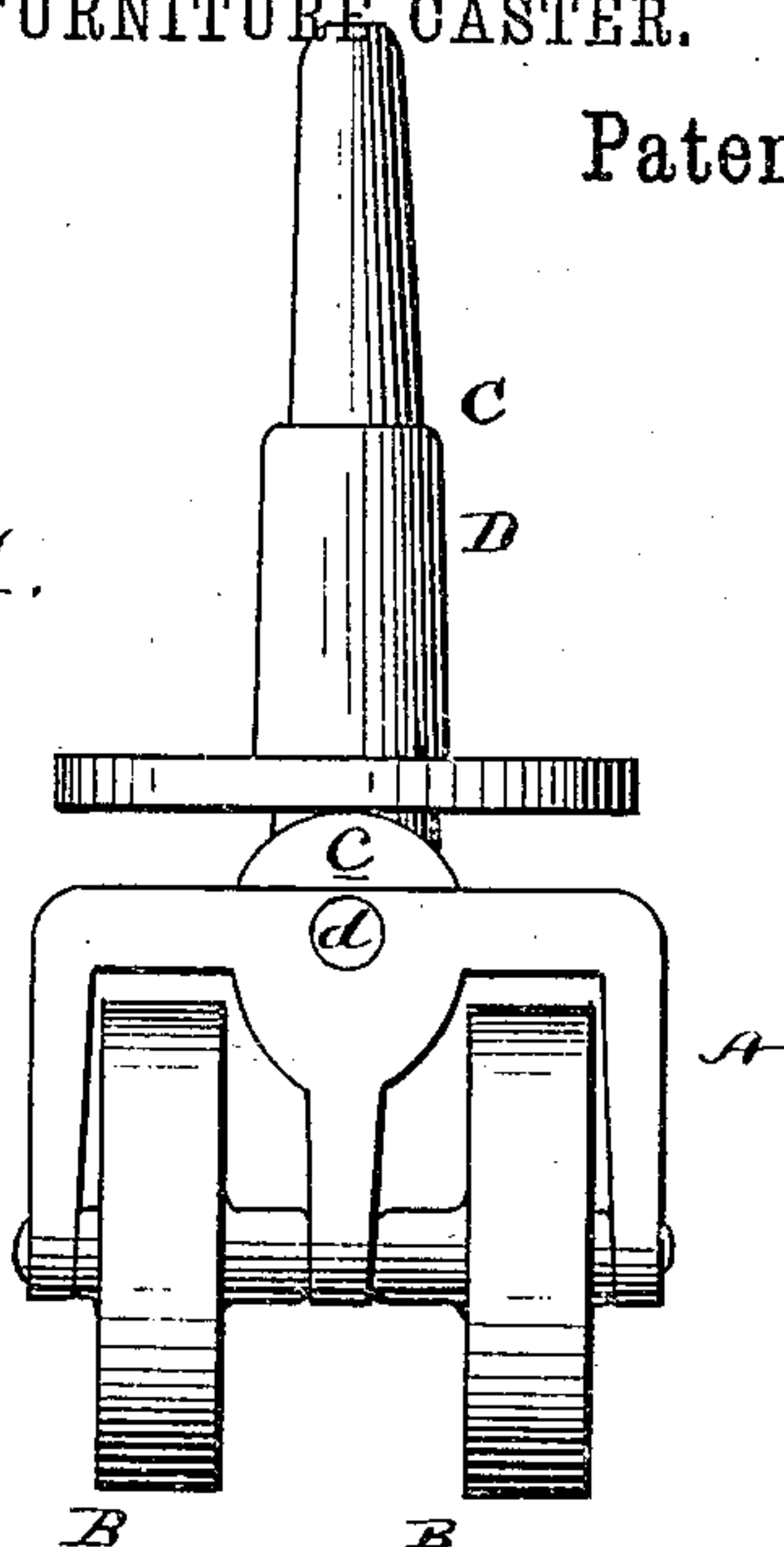


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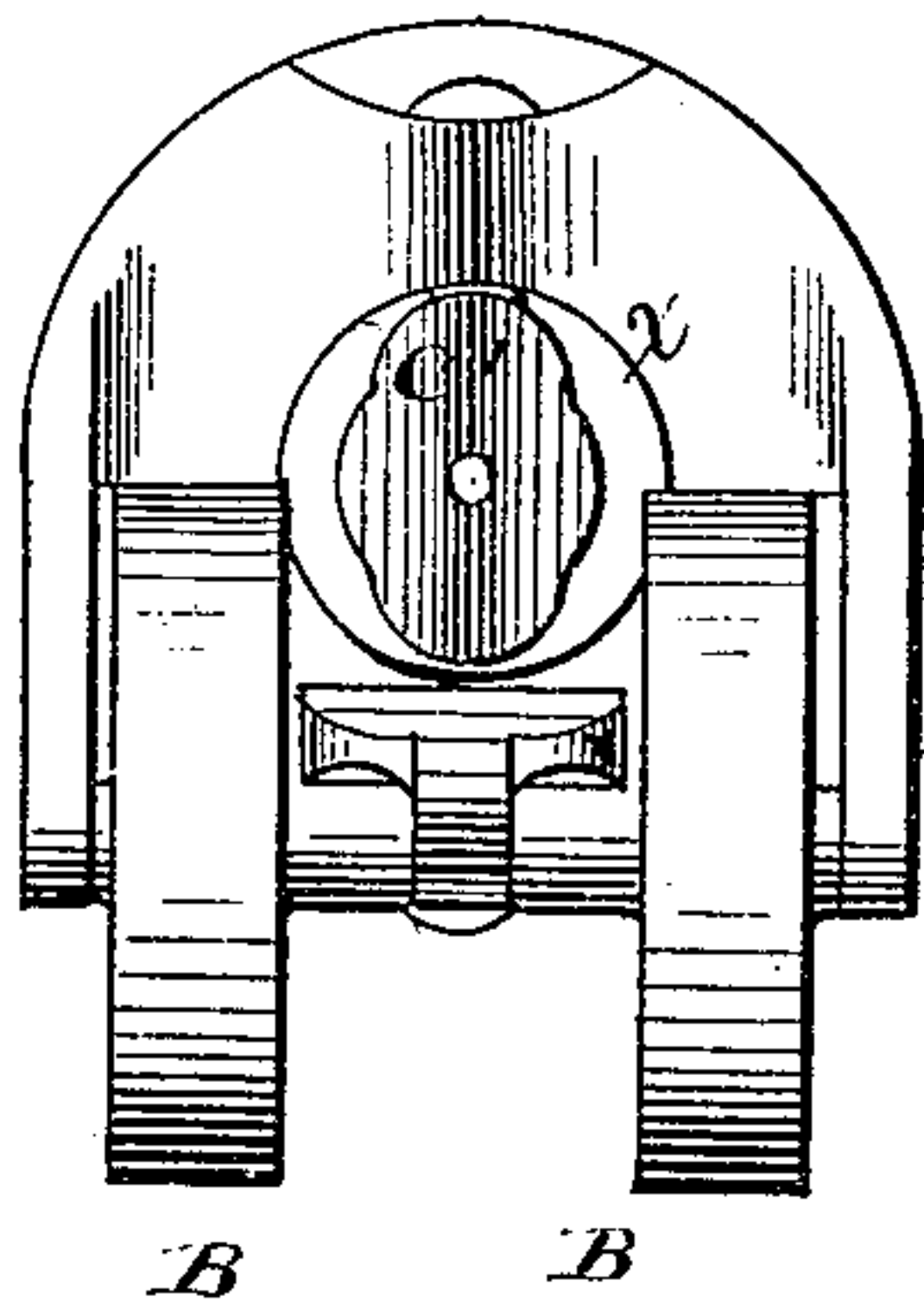


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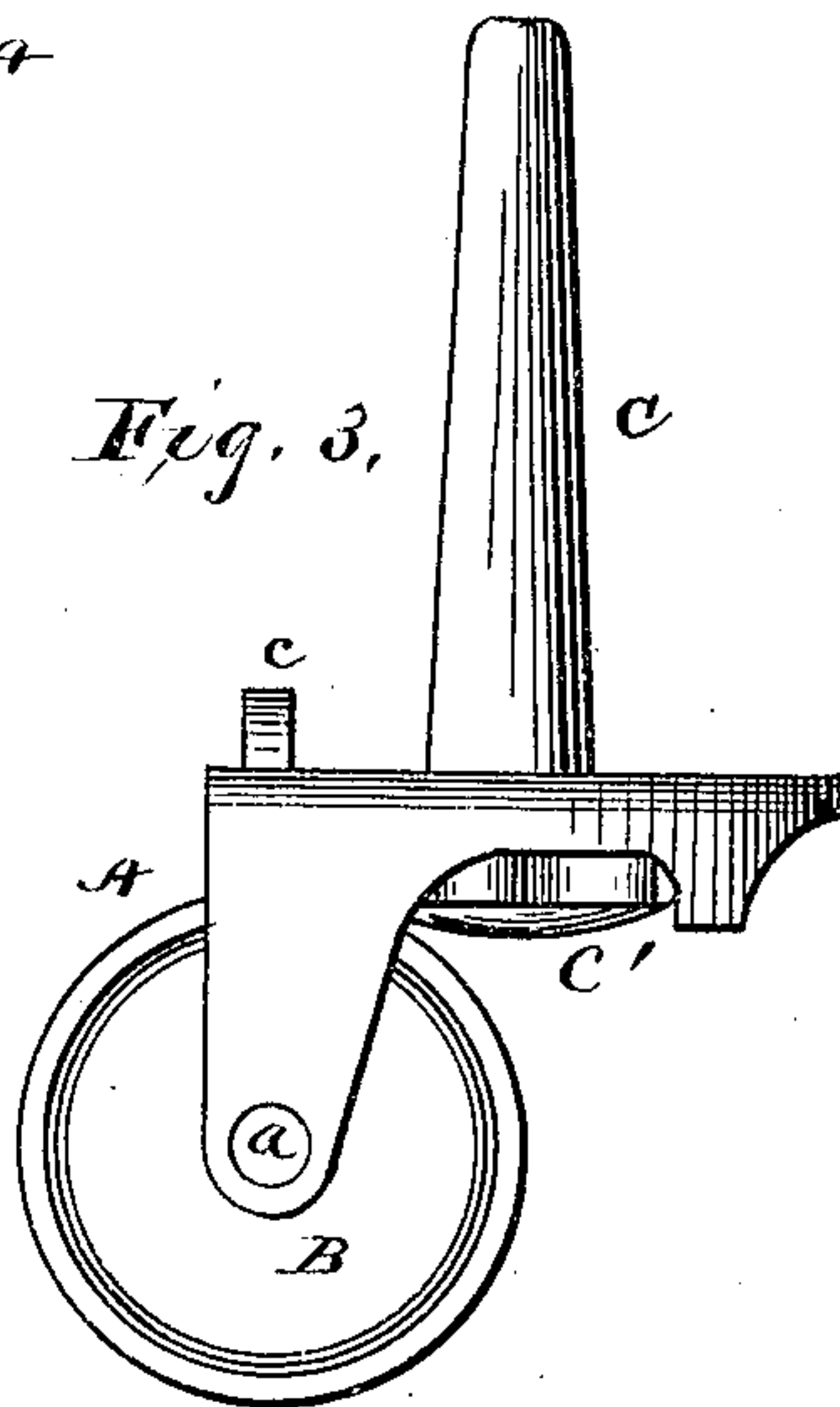
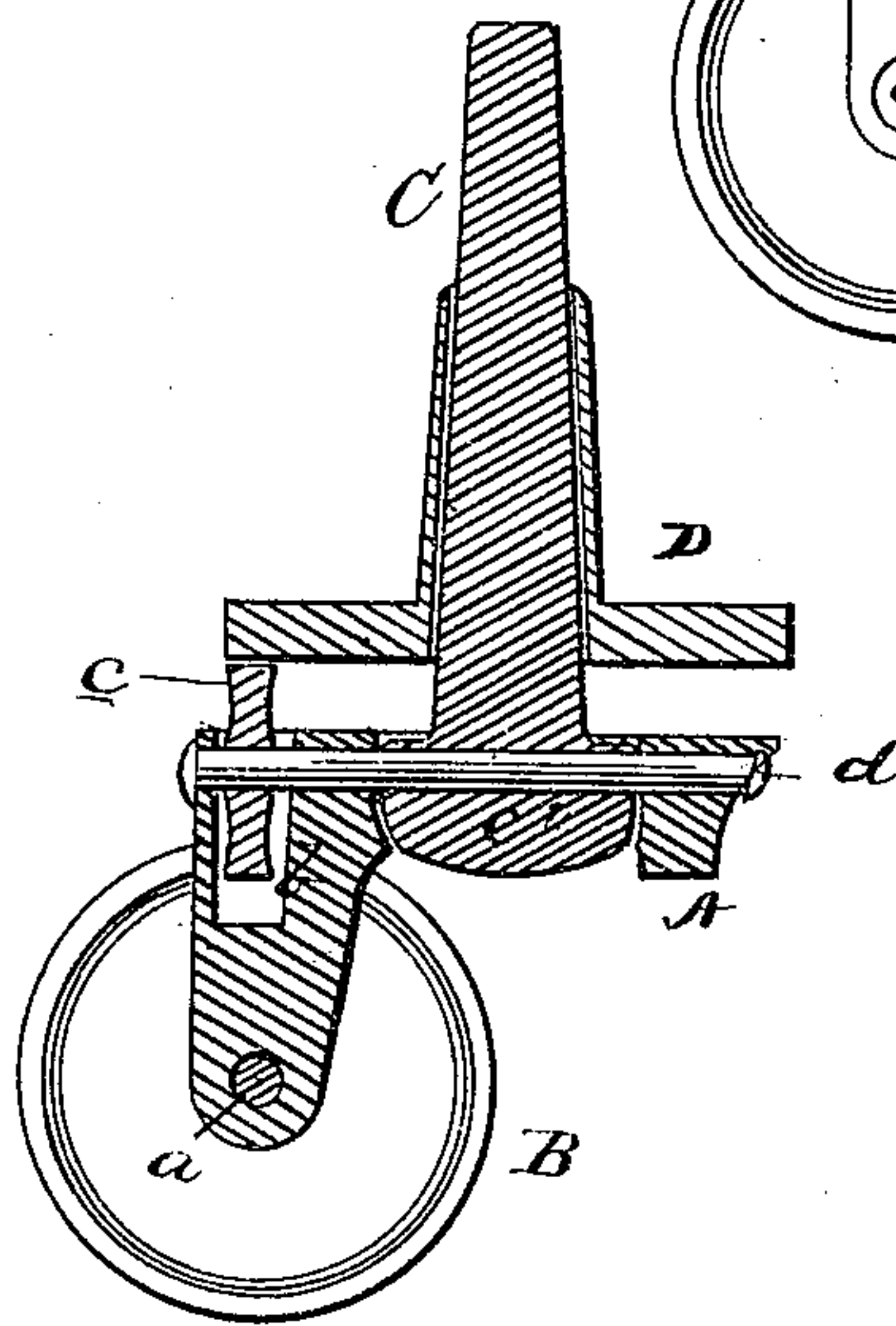


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM HESSMAN, of Richmond, in the county of Wayne, and in the State of Indiana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Furniture-Casters; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, making a part of this specification.

This invention relates to casters; and my object is to improve the same by constructing the swivel-pin with a T-shaped foot, which is connected loosely to a pin that is riveted to the table of the saddle, and which is arranged at right angles to the axes of the floor-wheels, as will be hereinafter explained.

In the annexed drawings, Figure 1 is a rear elevation of the improved caster. Fig. 2 is a bottom view. Fig. 3 is a side elevation. Fig. 4 is a vertical section.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

A designates a saddle, consisting of a horizontal table having a vertical opening through it, a hole formed longitudinally through it at right angles to said opening, and three vertical pendants, through which passes a rivet-pin, *a*, on which turn the floor-rollers B B. This saddle A is also constructed with a vertical transverse slot, *b*, adapted to receive an anti-friction roller, *c*, which turns freely on a rivet-

pin, *d*, passed through the above-referred-to longitudinal hole in the saddle.

C designates a swivel-stem tapered upward, and constructed with a T-shaped foot, *c'*, on its lower end, which is loosely applied on the rivet-pin *d*, so that it will oscillate freely thereon.

D designates a thimble on the stem C, which thimble is constructed with a circular flange perforated to receive screws, by which it is secured to the leg of a chair or any other article of furniture. The wheel or roller *c* impinges against the bottom of the flange of thimble D. The hole *x* through the saddle is made sufficiently large to allow the foot *c'* to play freely therein.

Having described my invention, I claim—

As a new and improved article of manufacture, the swivel-stem C, having an elongated foot, *c'*, the saddle A, having an opening through it to freely receive said foot and allow it to play freely therein, and the riveted pin *d*, forming a bearing for the stem C, and anti-friction-wheel *c*, all combined in the manner shown and described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature, in presence of two witnesses, this 10th day of October, 1881.

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