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ACROBATIC TOY.

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Fig. 1.

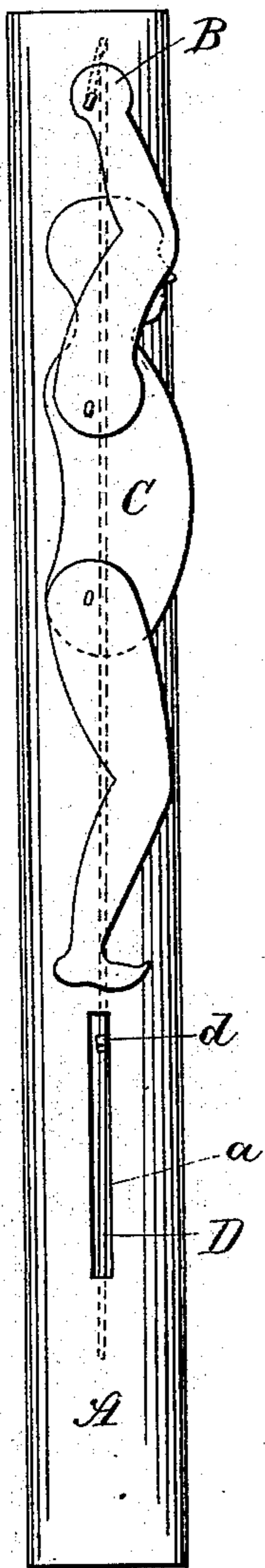
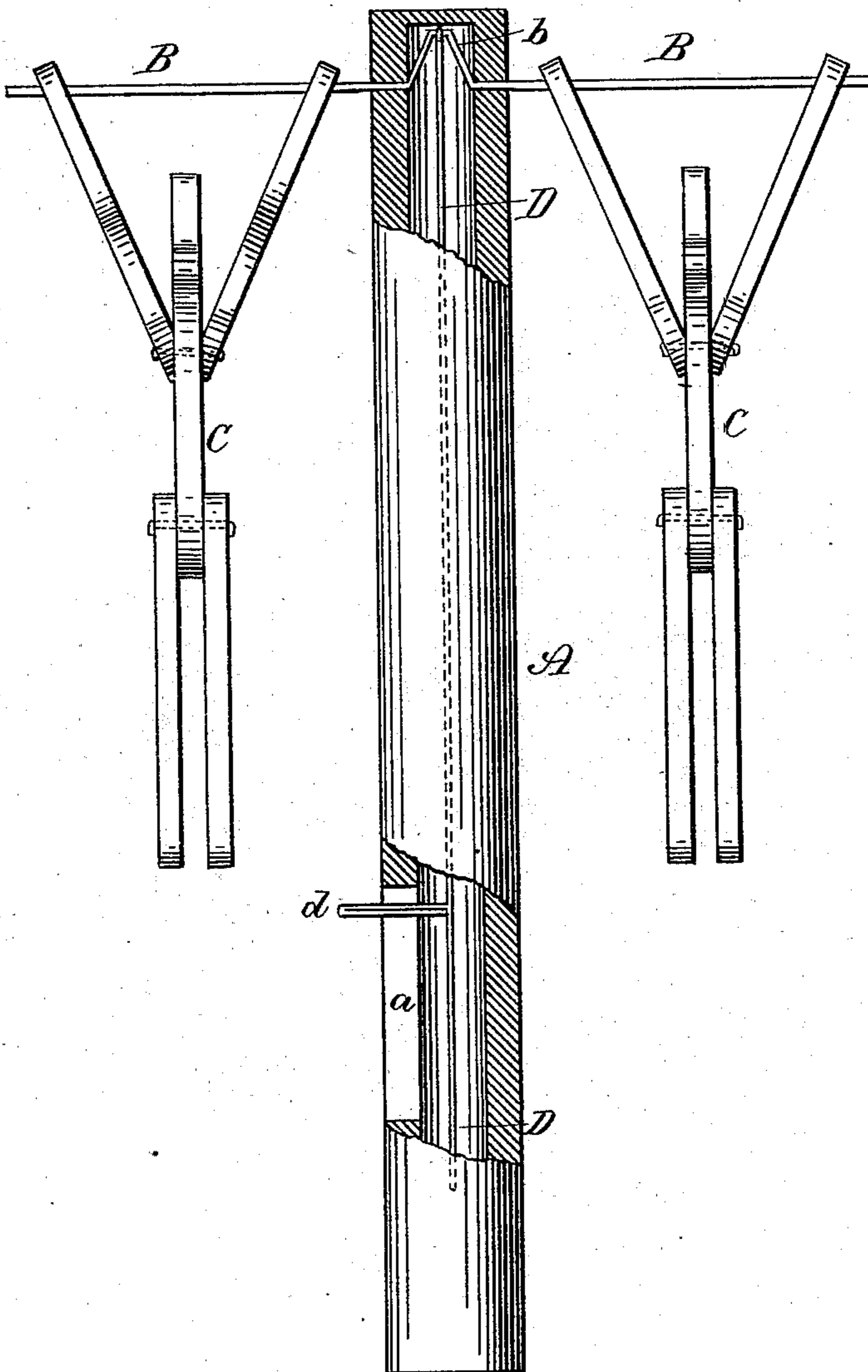


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN M. HOLMES, a citizen of the United States, residing at Glens Falls, in the county of Warren and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Acrobatic Toys, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

My invention relates to a mechanical toy; and it consists in the construction and arrangement of its several parts, as will be hereinafter more fully set forth.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a view showing the toy partly in section, and Fig. 2 is a side view.

A is a hollow handle, which for convenience in putting the actuating device into the toy is divided longitudinally into halves. It is provided with a slot, *a*, in which operates the actuating-pin, as shown.

B is a rod placed through the handle near its top, and having that portion of it within the handle formed into a crank, *b*, to which is hinged the actuating-rod, as shown. Upon each end of the rod are firmly secured the puppets C C.

D is the actuating-rod. It is hinged to the crank *b*, extends along the inside of the handle, and is provided with an actuating-pin, *d*, which operates in the slot *a*.

The operation of the toy is readily understood. By forcing the pin either up or down the crank *b* will be turned, the rod revolved, and the puppets made to perform gymnastic feats on the rod or bar *b*.

What I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A new article of manufacture in toys, consisting of a hollow handle, A, provided with a slot, *a*, in combination with the bar B, provided with a crank, *b*, puppets C C, actuating-rod D and its pin *d*, operating in the slot *a*, substantially as and for the purposes specified.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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