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Fig. 1.

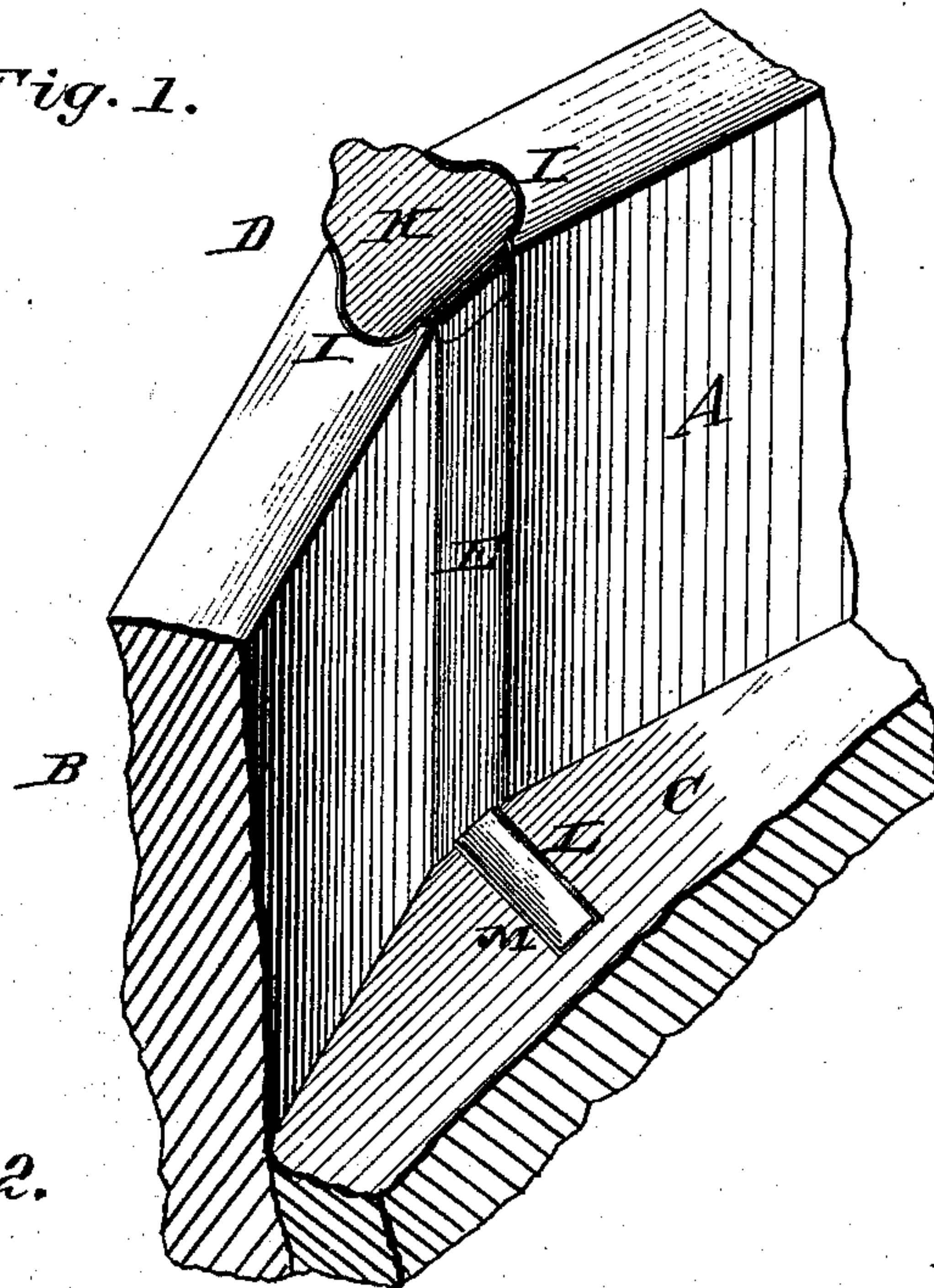


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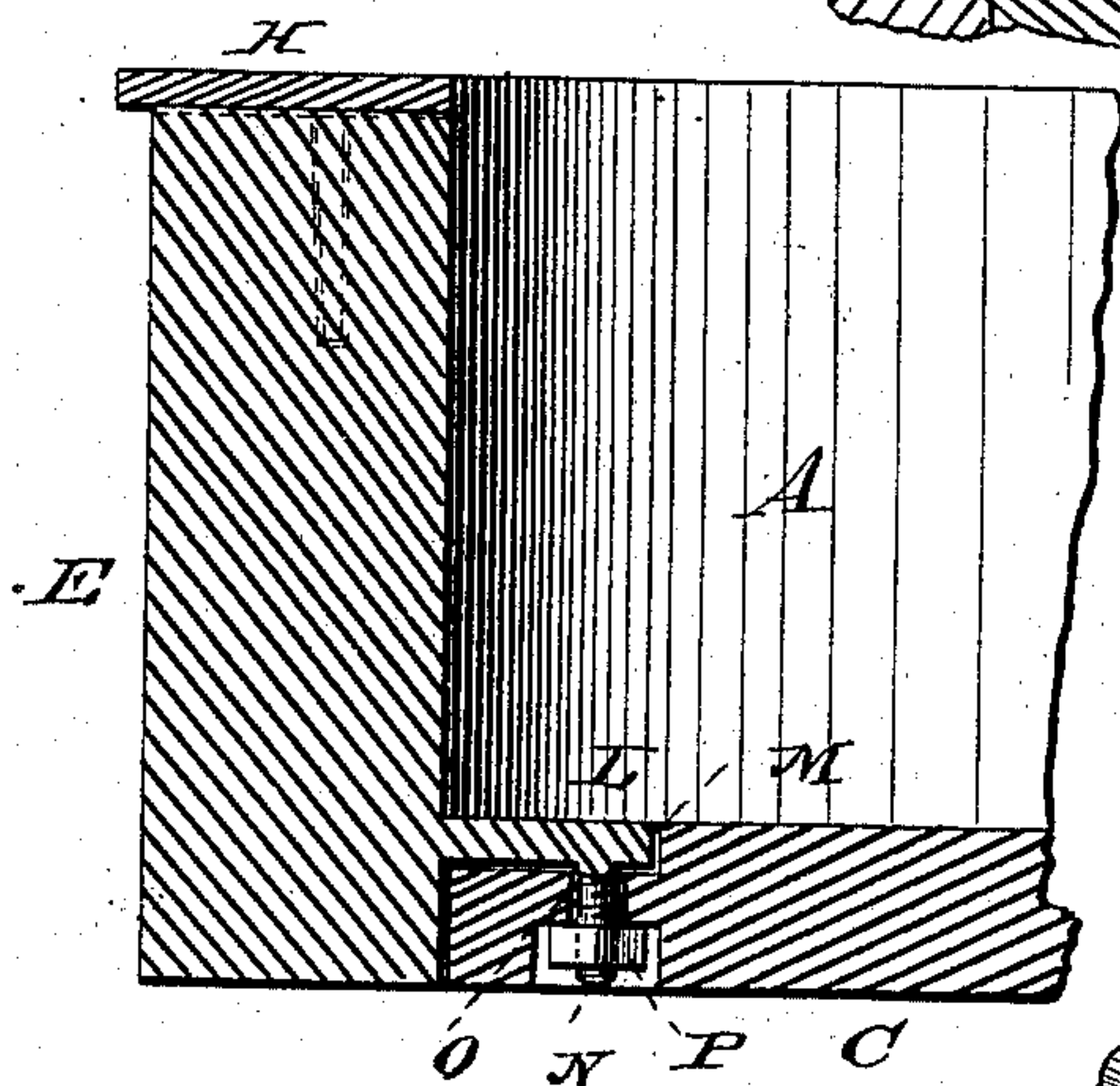


Fig. 3.

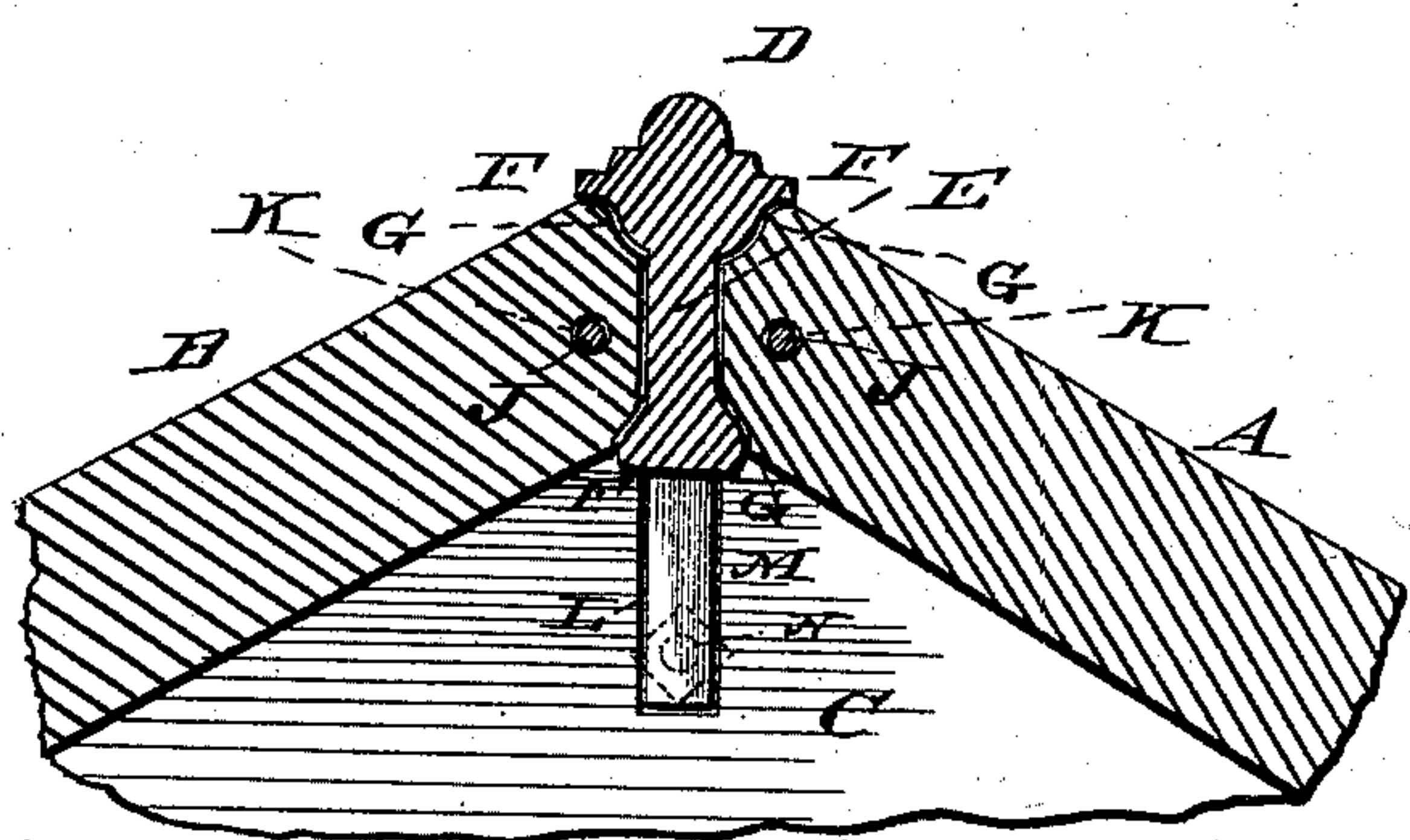
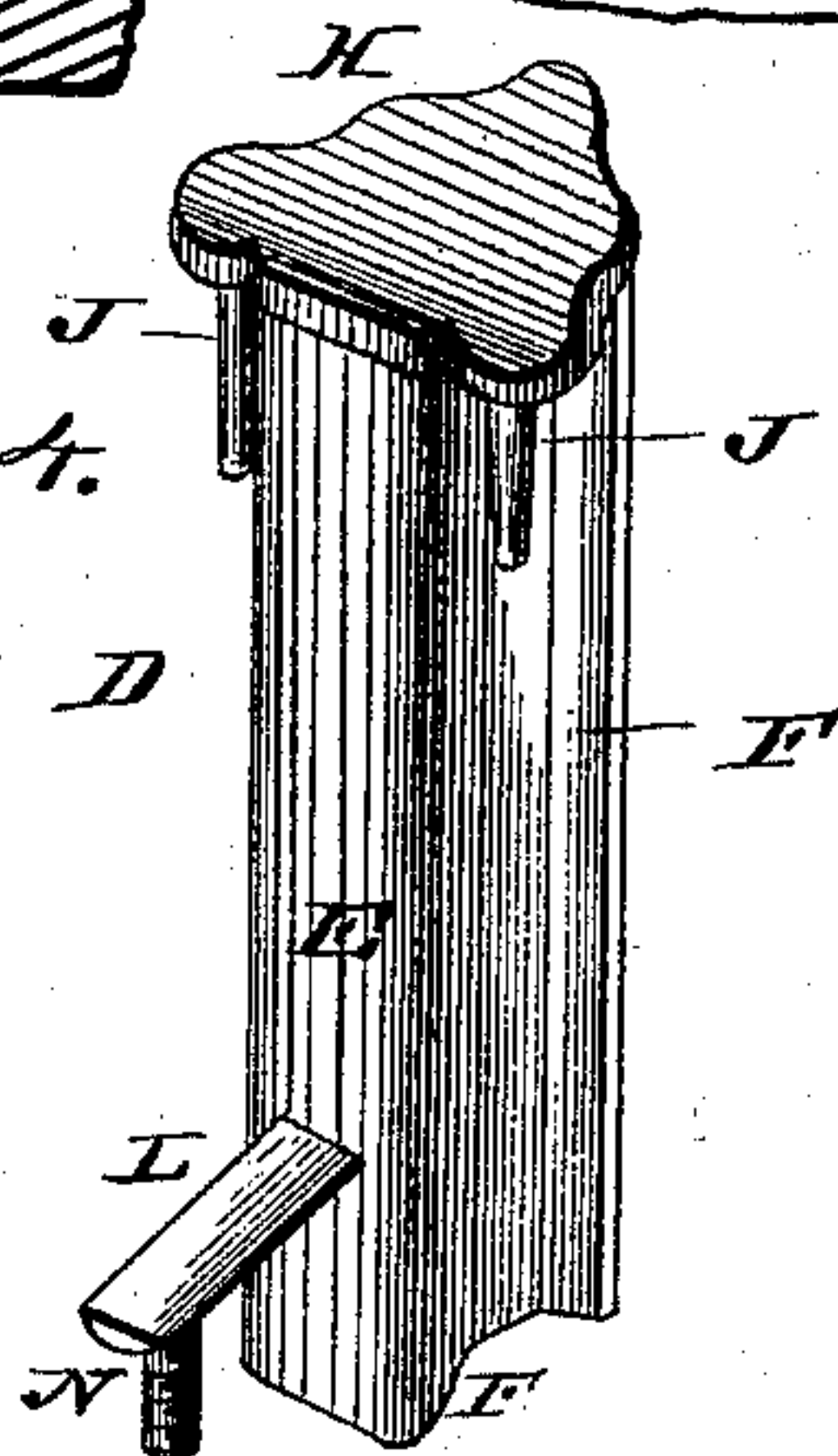


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM A. RICHEY, of Indianola, in the county of Warren and State of Iowa, have invented certain new and
5 useful Improvements in Coffin-Corners; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, which will enable others skilled in the art to
10 reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved coffin-corner. Fig. 2 is a vertical sectional view. Fig. 3 is a horizontal sectional
15 view, and Fig. 4 is a perspective view of the corner-clamp detached.

Corresponding parts in the several figures are denoted by like letters of reference.

This invention relates to coffin-corners; and
20 it consists in the improved construction of a corner-clamp, as will be hereinafter fully described, and particularly pointed out in the claims.

In the drawings hereto annexed, A B represent the side and end, and C the bottom, of
25 the coffin, which together form the corners to be connected by my improved clamp.

D is the corner-clamp, which consists of a vertical bar or brace, E, the sides of which are
30 provided at their edges with vertical flanges F F, between which the ends or edges of the side and end, which are correspondingly beveled, as at G, are to be fitted, as shown in Fig.

3. The bar or brace E has at its upper end a
35 cap-plate, H, extending over the side and end, as shown, and fitting in recesses I in their upper edges, so as to be flush with the said edges. Cap-plate H is provided with downwardly-projecting studs J J, entering recesses K in the
40 side and end, which are thus held securely together. Near its lower end the bar or brace

E has an inward-projecting bracket, L, for the accommodation of which a recess, M, is formed in the bottom C. Bracket L is provided with a downward-projecting threaded rod or bolt, 45 N, passing through an opening, O, in the bottom, upon the under side of which the device is secured by a nut, P, countersunk, as shown, in a suitable recess in the bottom. In this manner the side, end, and bottom may be 50 neatly and securely connected. The device is simple and inexpensive, and coffins made with my improved corner may be put together or taken apart in a moment's time.

In lieu of the bolt N, the bracket L may be 55 provided with a simple opening to receive a screw, by which it is connected to the bottom of the coffin.

Having thus described my invention, I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the 60 United States—

1. The herein-described improved corner-clamp for coffins, consisting of the flanged bar E, having cap-plate H, provided with downward-projecting studs J J, and bracket L, hav- 65 ing downward-projecting bolt N, substantially as set forth.

2. The combination of the side A and end B, having beveled edges G and recesses I K, and the bottom C, having recess M, with the 70 corner-clamp consisting of the flanged bar E, having cap-plate H, provided with studs J, and bracket L, having bolt or screw N, substantially as set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as 75 my own I have hereto affixed my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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Witnesses:

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