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Fig. 1.

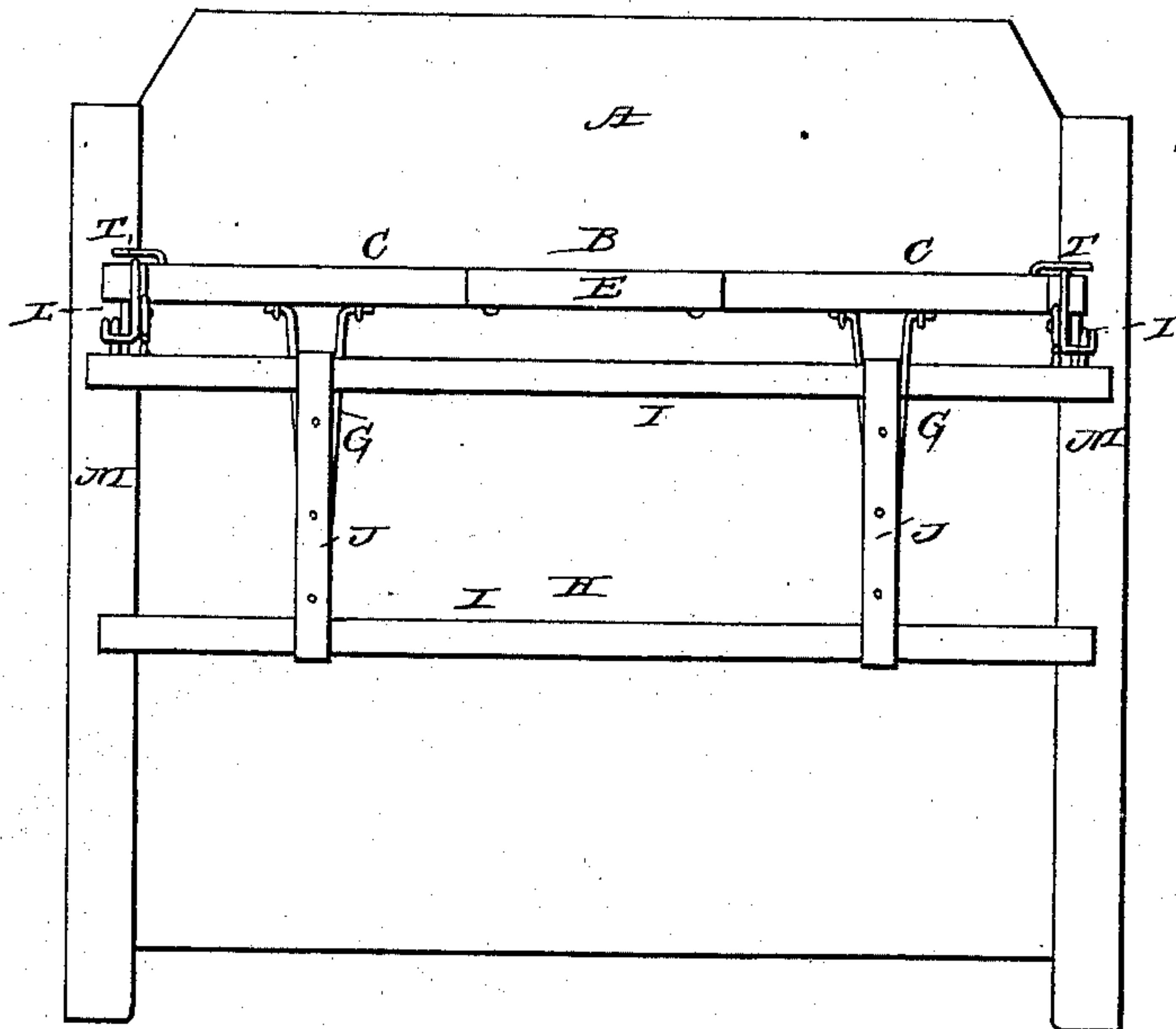


Fig. 2.

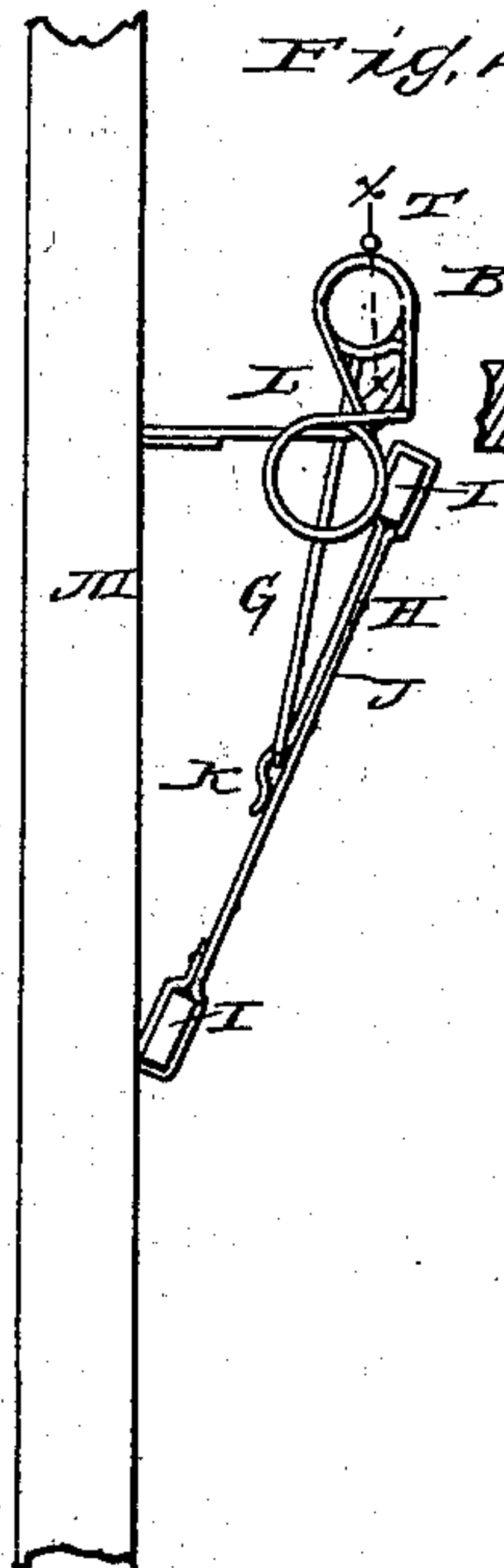


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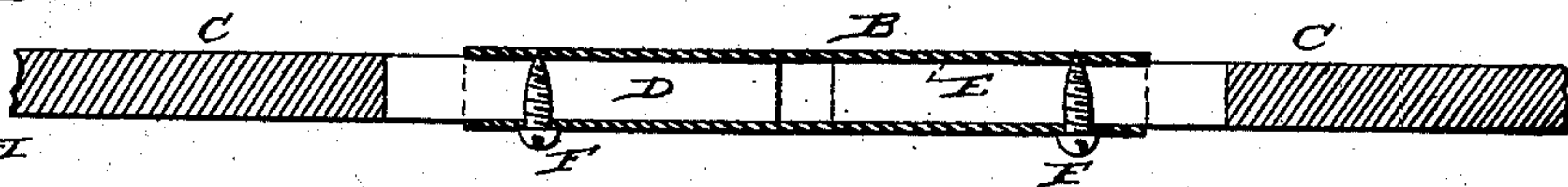
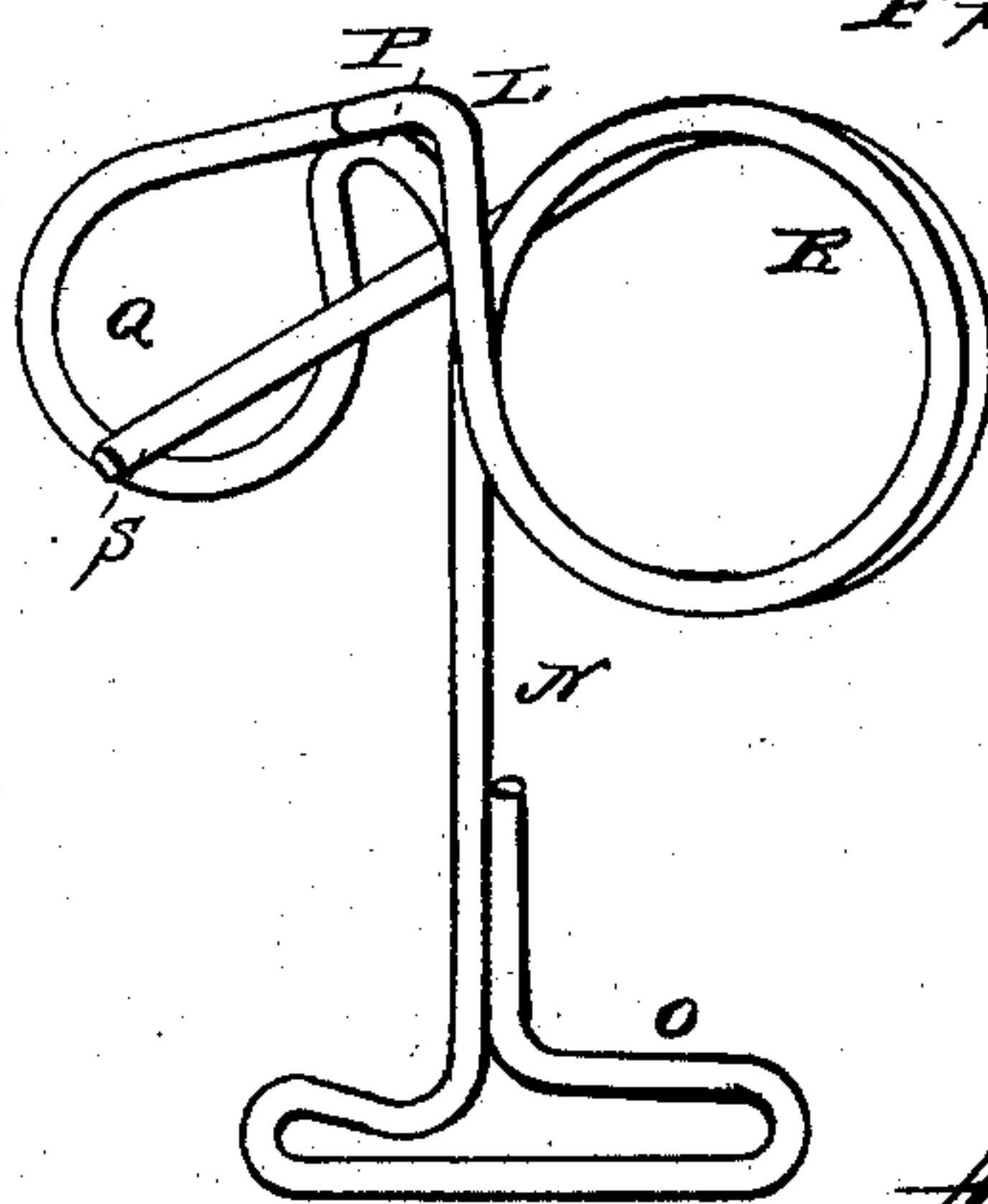


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, AUGUSTUS H. PHELPS, of East Saginaw, in the county of Saginaw and State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Pillow-Sham Holders; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of my invention, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification, and in which—

Figure 1 is a front view of the head-board of a bed to which my invention has been applied. Fig. 2 is a side view of the same. Fig. 3 is a section on the line *x x*, Fig. 2; and Fig. 4 is a detail view, in perspective, of one of the spring hinges on holders.

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

This invention relates to pillow-sham holders, and is an improvement on the device for which Letters Patent No. 259,911 were granted to myself on the 20th day of June, 1882.

The object of my present improvement is, first, to make the device adjustable to beds of various widths; second, to provide an improved spring hinge or holder.

My invention therefore consists in the improved construction and combination of parts which will be hereinafter fully described, and particularly pointed out in the claims.

In the drawings, A represents the head-board of a bed, to which my improved sham-holder is attached.

B is a rod or shaft, made up of two pieces or sections, C C, the inner ends of which are slitted longitudinally, as at D.

E is a connecting-sleeve, which may be made of sheet metal, to receive the inner slotted ends of the pieces C, which are held by means of pins or screws F, inserted transversely through the sleeve E. The sections C C of shaft B are provided with outward-projecting parallel arms or bails G, of stout wire. The method described of joining the pieces or sections C prevents either of them from turning in relation to the other, thus retaining the bails G in the same position.

H is the swinging frame which supports the shams. Said frame consists of two light par-

allel bars, I I, connected by straps J, one or both of which slide and are adjustable upon the bars I. The rear sides of the straps J have spring-hooks K for pivoting them upon the bails G, which thus support the swinging frame H. The straps J, being adjustable, may be readily moved to correspond with the position of the bails G after the rod or shaft B has been lengthened or shortened in order to fit a particular bed.

The spring hinges or holders L, which are secured to the side posts, M, of the head-board, and in which the shaft B is journaled, are made each of a single piece of stout wire, bent into shape so as to form an arm, N, provided at its inner end with loops O to receive the fastening-screws. At the outer end of arm N is formed a loop or hook, P; over the latter an eye, Q. From thence the wire is passed downward and coiled, so as to form a spring, R, below arm N. The end extends diagonally in an upward and rearward direction, forming an elastic finger, S, adjoining the hook P and eye Q. These holders may be secured in any suitable manner to either the sides or fronts of the side posts, M. The ends of shafts B, which are journaled in the eyes Q, are provided with pins T, bearing upon the fingers S. When the shaft B is turned in order to raise the swinging frame to which the shams have been suitably attached, the pins T pass the spring-fingers S and enter the hooks P, where they are held by the pressure of said fingers, thus retaining the shaft B and the swinging frame in position. By exercising sufficient pressure the shaft may be readily turned back to its original position, or to any desired position.

I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States—

1. The rod or shaft B, consisting of sections C, having slots D, in combination with the sleeve E and set-screws F, as set forth.

2. The shaft B, consisting of a sleeve, E, and adjustable or extensible sections C, having bails G, in combination with the frame H, consisting of bars I and adjustable connecting-straps J, having hooks K, substantially as set forth.

3. The spring hinge or holder L, consisting of the arm N, having loops O, hook P, eye Q,

spring R, and spring-finger S, all substantially as set forth.

4. The herein-described improved device for holding pillow-shams, consisting essentially
5 of the spring hinges or holders L, a shaft, B, having pins T and bails G, and the swinging frame H, all substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereunto affixed my signature 10 in presence of two witnesses.

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