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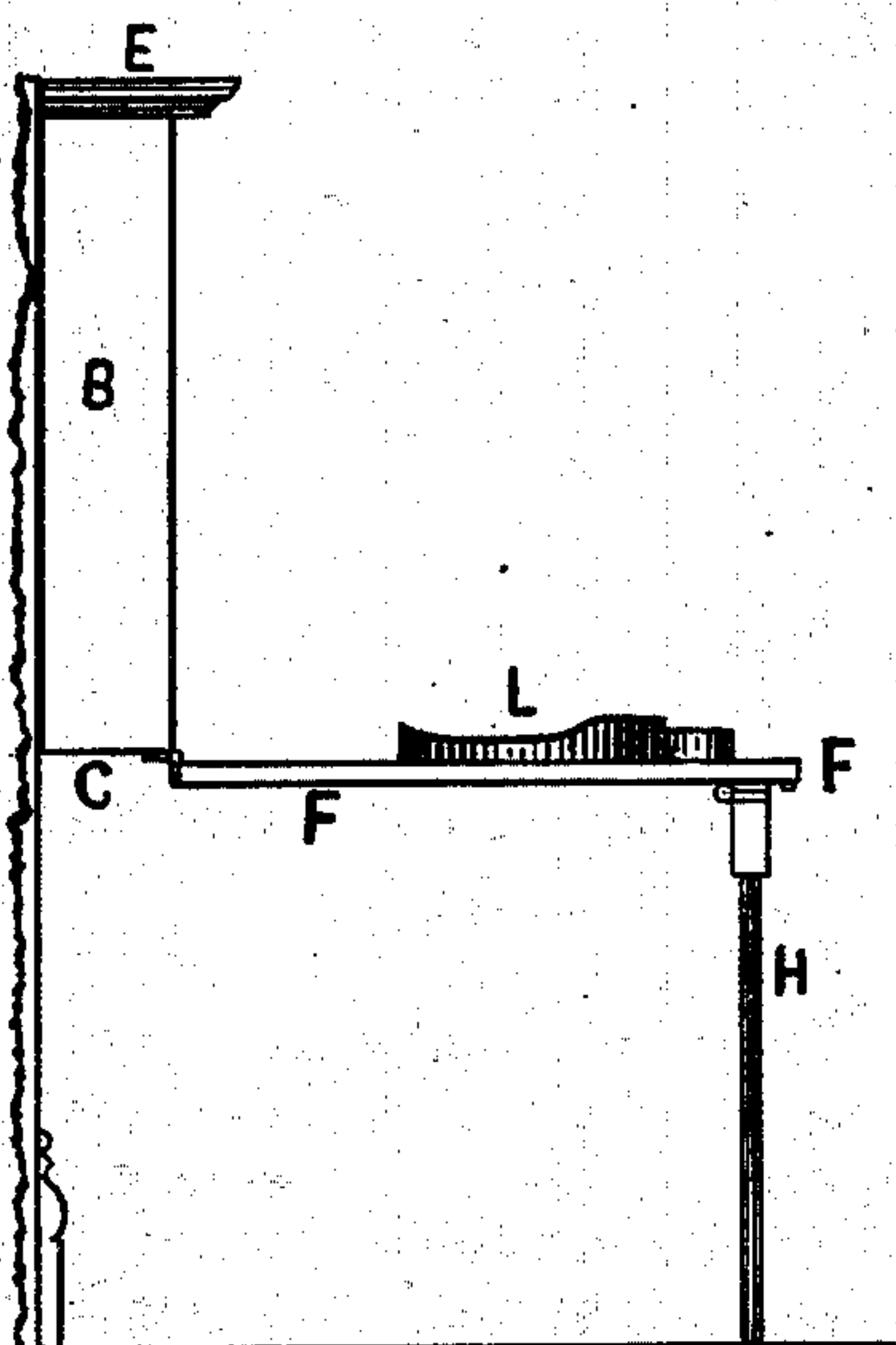


Fig. 1.

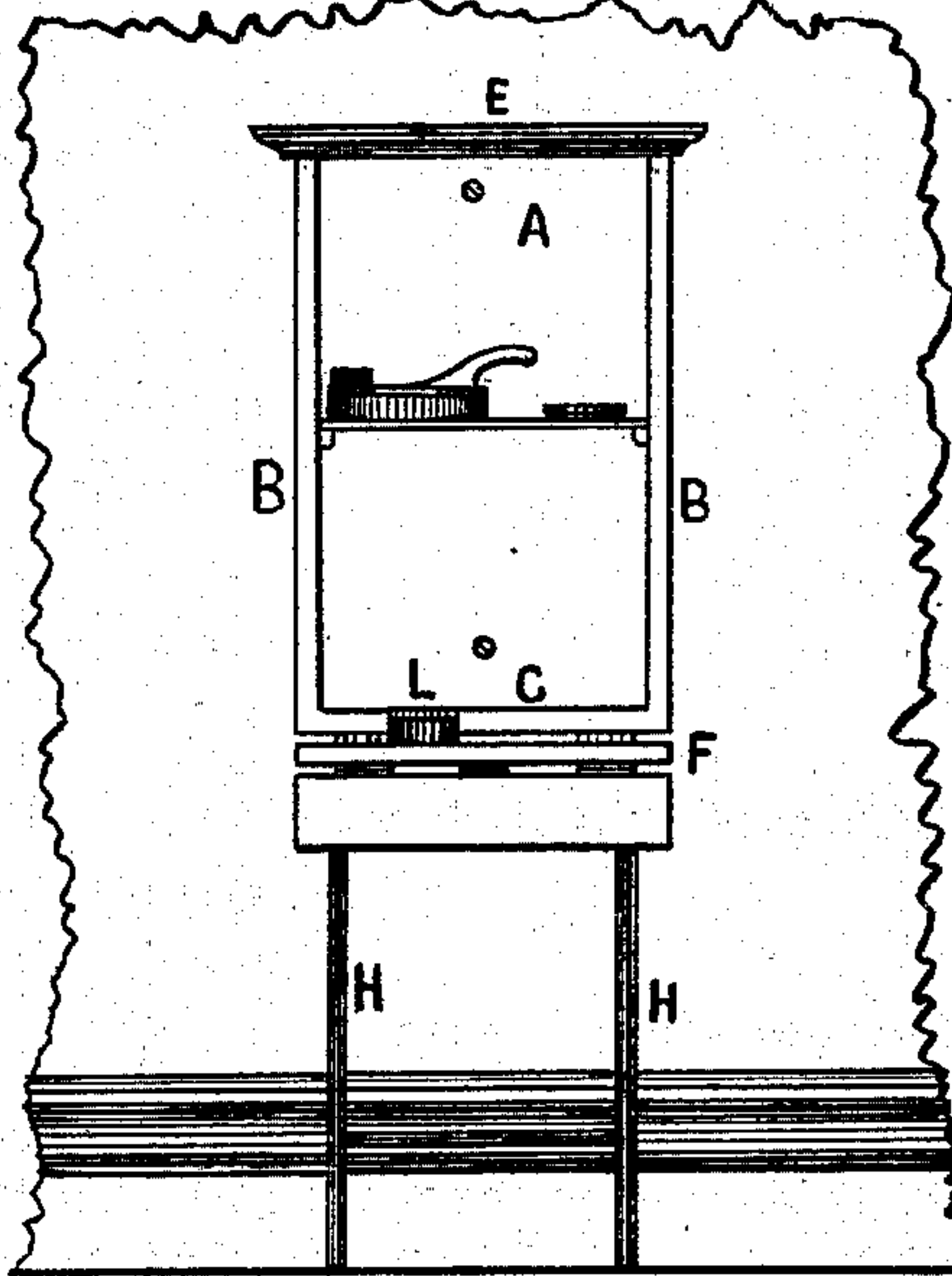


Fig. 2.

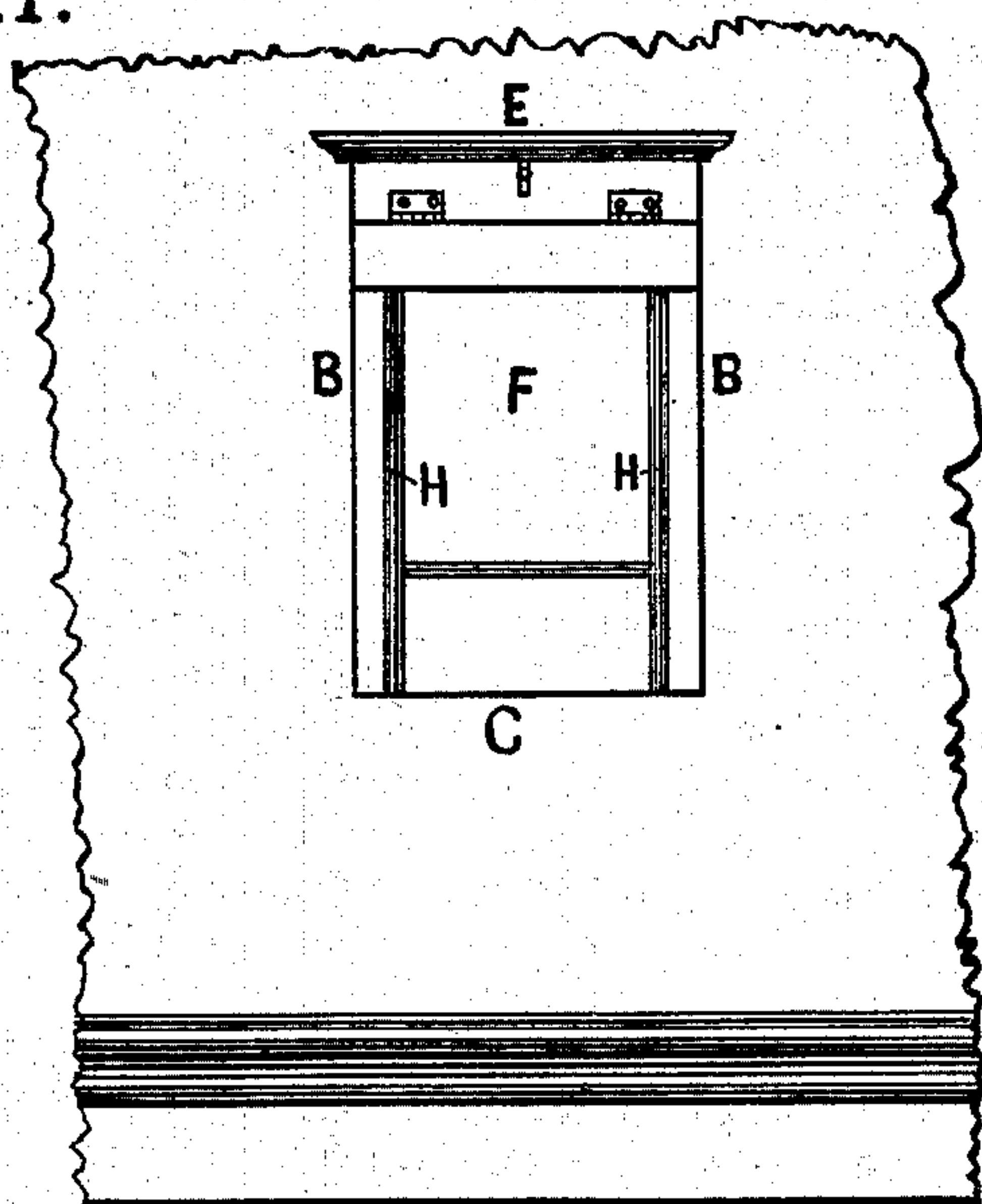


Fig. 3.

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BOOT-BLACKING CASE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANK J. TRIGGS, of Boston, in the county of Suffolk and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and
5 useful Improvements in Boot-Blacking Cases, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to provide a cheap, simple, and convenient boot-blackening case, which shall occupy less space upon the
10 floor than those heretofore constructed; and it consists of an upright case provided with a hinged front portion or door, having hinged legs or supports adapted to rest upon the floor when the front portion is turned down, resting
15 horizontally, and upon which the foot may be placed to more conveniently black the boot or shoe thereon, the case being secured against the wall of the room or in any other convenient position for use, as hereinafter more fully
20 described, and set forth in the claim.

Figure 1 represents a side elevation of my invention secured in position against the wall and opened ready for use. Fig. 2 represents a front elevation of the same. Fig. 3 represents a similar view of the same in a closed
25 position.

A represents the back of a rectangular case, provided with sides B, bottom C, top E, and a hinged front or door, F, hinged to the front
30 or outer edge of the said bottom C, and provided with hinged or pivoted legs H, secured to the front or door F near its upper end, and which have a bearing upon the floor when the same is turned down for use, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2, being provided with a foot-rest, L,
35 and blacking-box holder, the main case being provided with a shelf to hold brush, blacking-box, &c., when closed or not in use, as shown in Fig. 3.

It will be understood that the case thus constructed may be secured against any piece of furniture—as an office-desk, table-leg, or other
desired position—a single screw being sufficient to retain it in position when driven
40 through the back of the case, as shown; or a hook or nail may be temporarily provided or rigidly secured in proper position, and projecting sufficiently to permit the case to be temporarily suspended therefrom while in use,
45 and then removed, or as occasion may require.

I am well aware that heretofore blackening-cases have been constructed to fold up so as to form a seat, and that blackening-cases have been combined with bureaus, and that tables
50 and cupboards have been connected together so as to fold up and be inclosed by doors hinged to swing horizontally, and that seats have been constructed so as to be folded into a vertical position. Therefore I do not broadly claim a
55 folding seat or foot-rest, but limit my invention to the particular device above described, and shown in the accompanying drawings.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim is—

A boot-blackening case consisting of a rectangular receptacle or box adapted to be secured in a vertical position, and having a door
60 hinged to the bottom thereof, provided with a pair of pivoted legs adapted to support the same in a horizontal position when the said door is turned down to form a foot-rest, and to fold up when not in use, substantially as described, as and for the purposes set forth.

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