

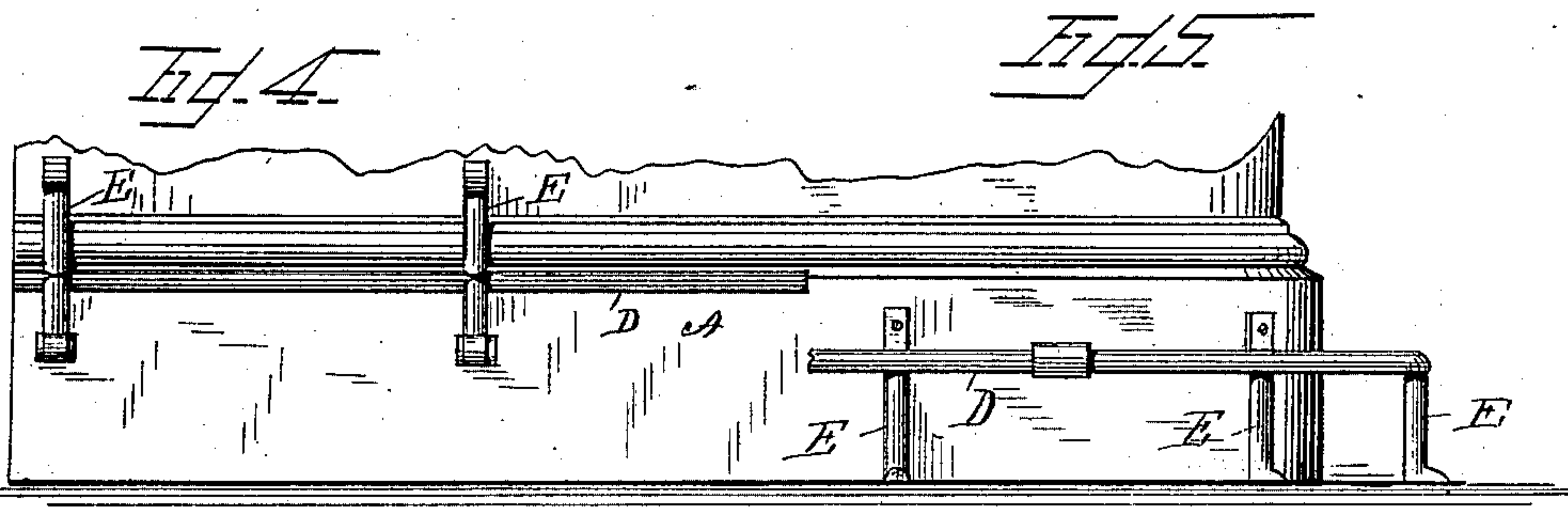
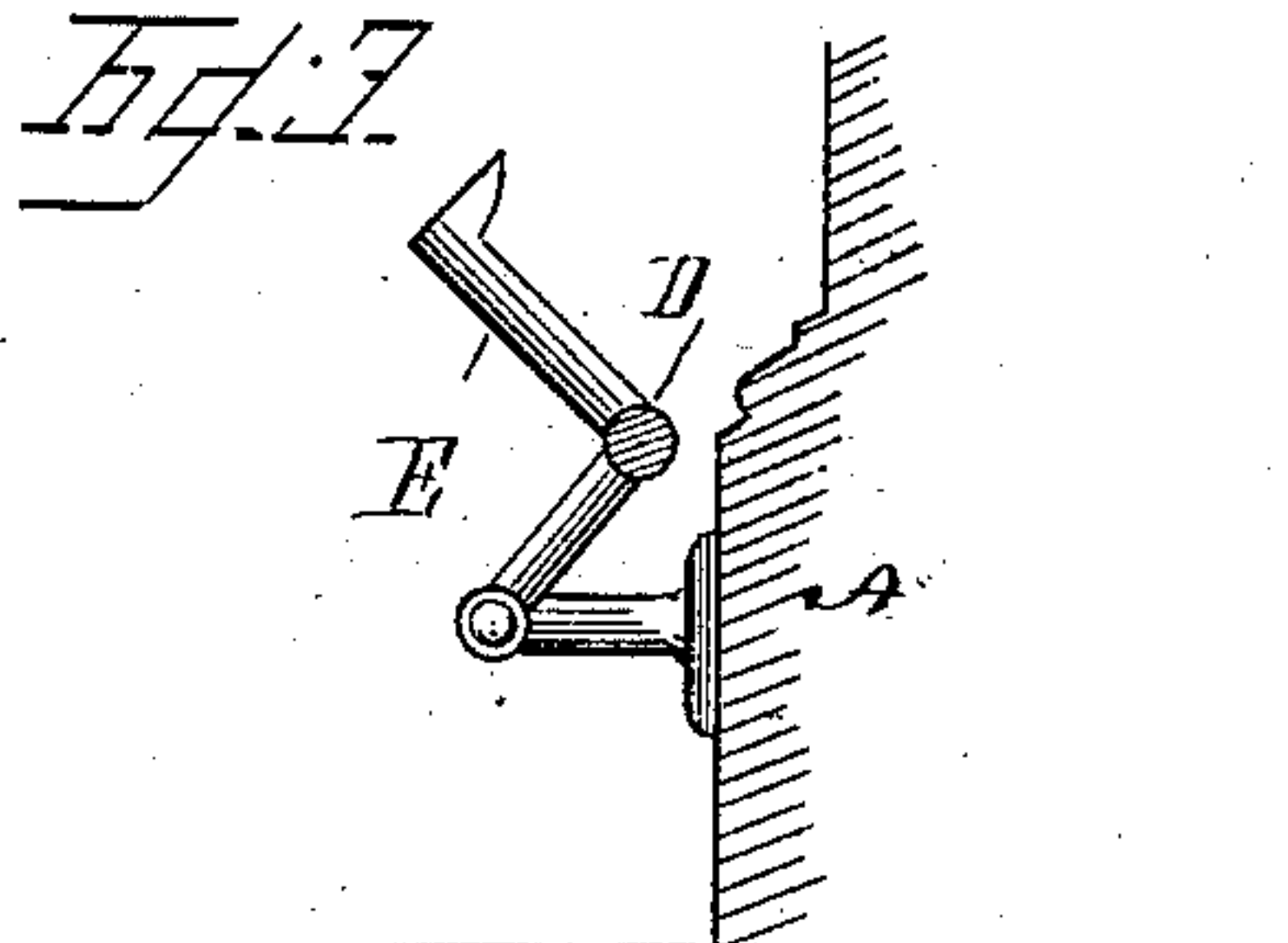
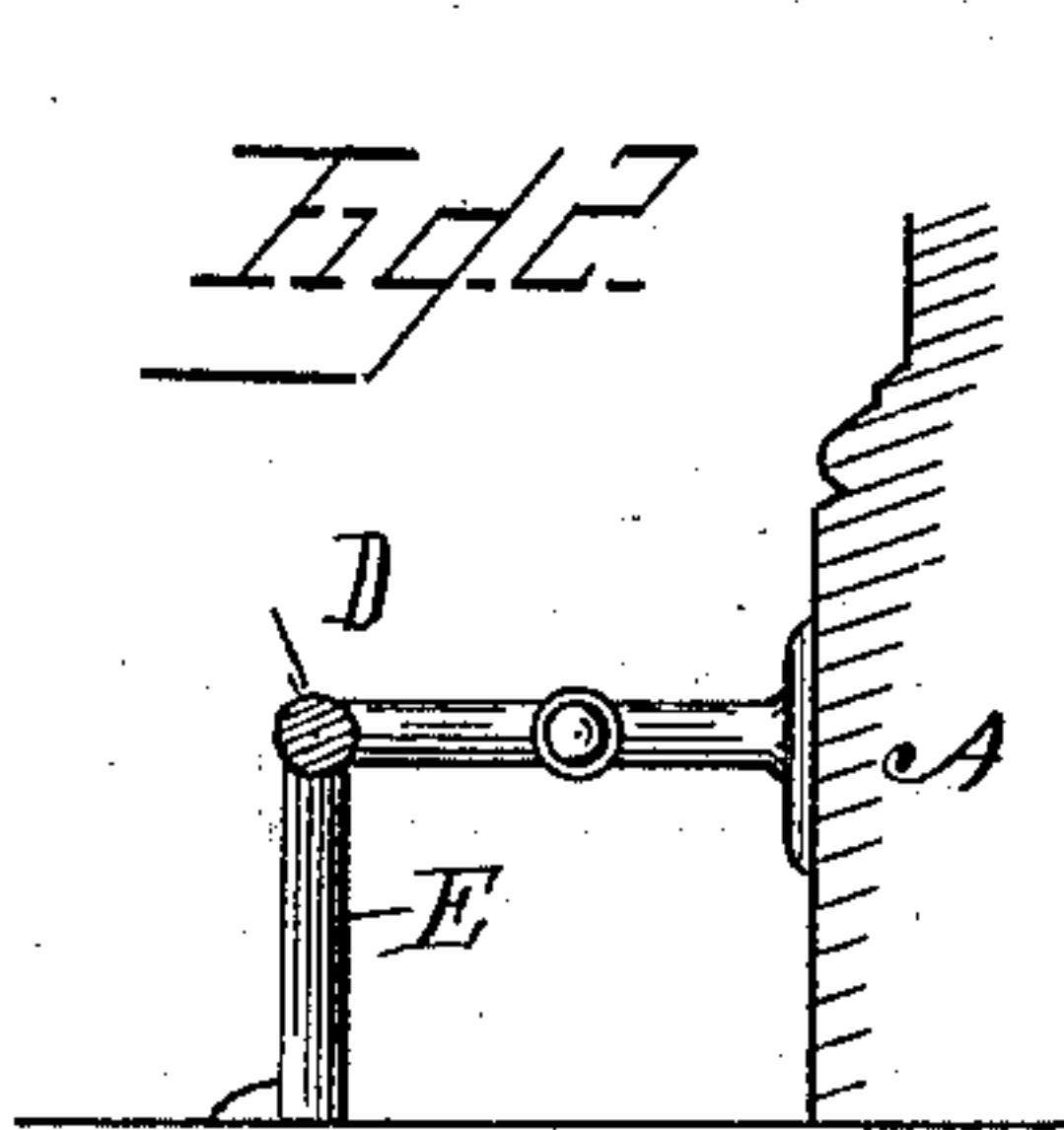
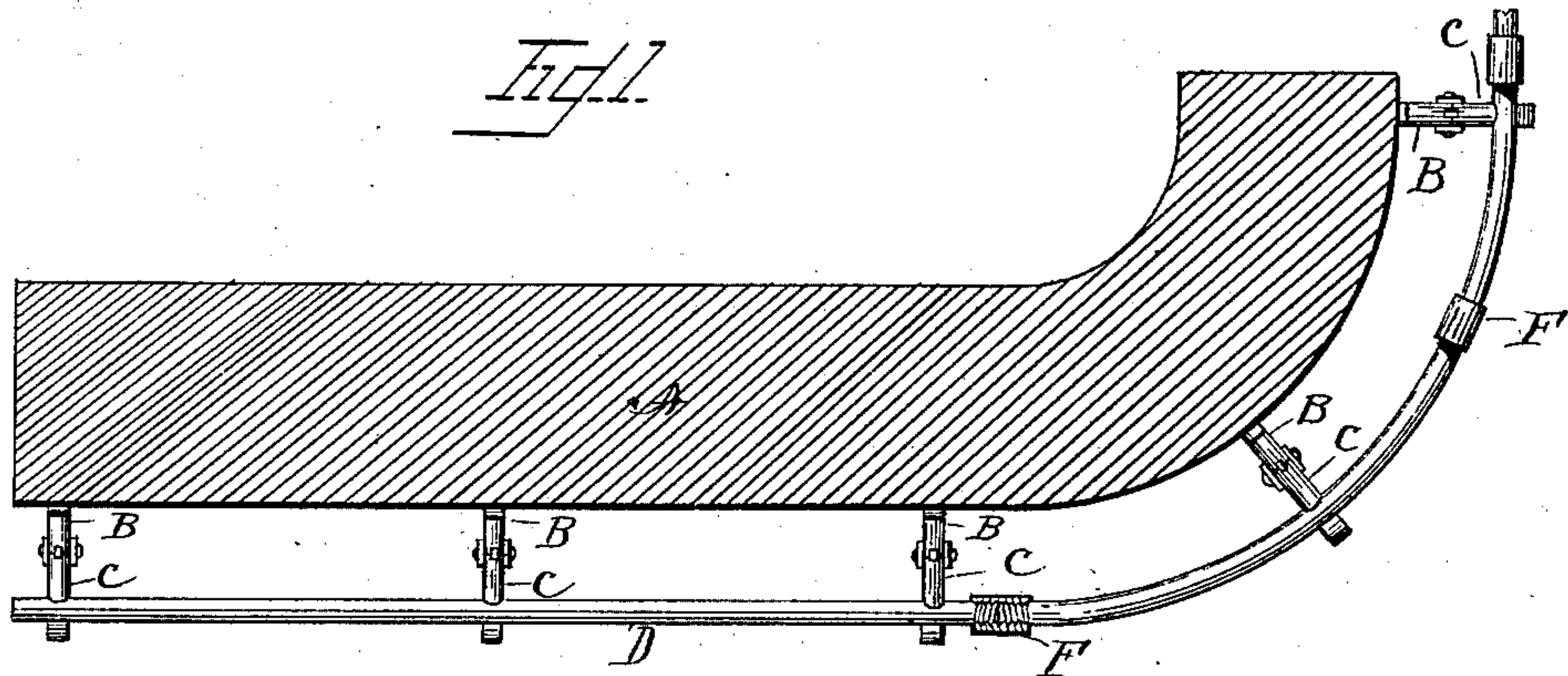
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN GAETJE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Fort Wayne, in the county of Allen and State of Indiana, have invented a new and useful Foot-Railing for Counters, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

This invention relates to foot-railings for counters; and it has for its object to provide an improved foot-railing which may be easily raised or lifted from the floor in order to enable the floor under such railing to be thoroughly cleaned, which is not easily done when stationary foot-railings, such as are now commonly employed, are used.

To this end my invention consists in the improved construction and arrangement of parts, which will be hereinafter fully described, and particularly pointed out in the claim.

In the drawings hereto annexed, Figure 1 is a plan view, showing my improved foot-railing attached to a counter. Fig. 2 is a vertical sectional view showing the railing lowered or resting upon the floor. Fig. 3 is a vertical sectional view showing the railing raised. Fig. 4 is a front view showing the railing raised, and Fig. 5 is a front view showing the railing lowered.

The same letters refer to the same parts in all the figures.

A in the drawings designates the counter, to the front side of which, a suitable distance above the floor, are secured a series of arms or

brackets, B B. C C are arms hinged to the said brackets and connected by the foot-rail D, which is provided with downwardly-extending feet or supports E, adapted to rest upon the floor. Where corners or curves occur, the foot-rail, instead of being continuous, should be made in sections, as shown at F F, in order that each section may be readily raised or lifted from the floor.

The operation of my invention and its advantages will be readily understood from the foregoing description, taken in connection with the drawings hereto annexed. It is simple in construction, convenient, and enables the floor to be thoroughly cleaned and swept near the counter, in places which, when the ordinary stationary foot-rails are used, are difficult of access.

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

As an improvement in foot-railings for counters, the combination of brackets attached to the counter, arms hinged to the said brackets, the railing attached to the outer ends of the said hinged arms, and feet or supports extending downwardly from the said railing, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

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

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