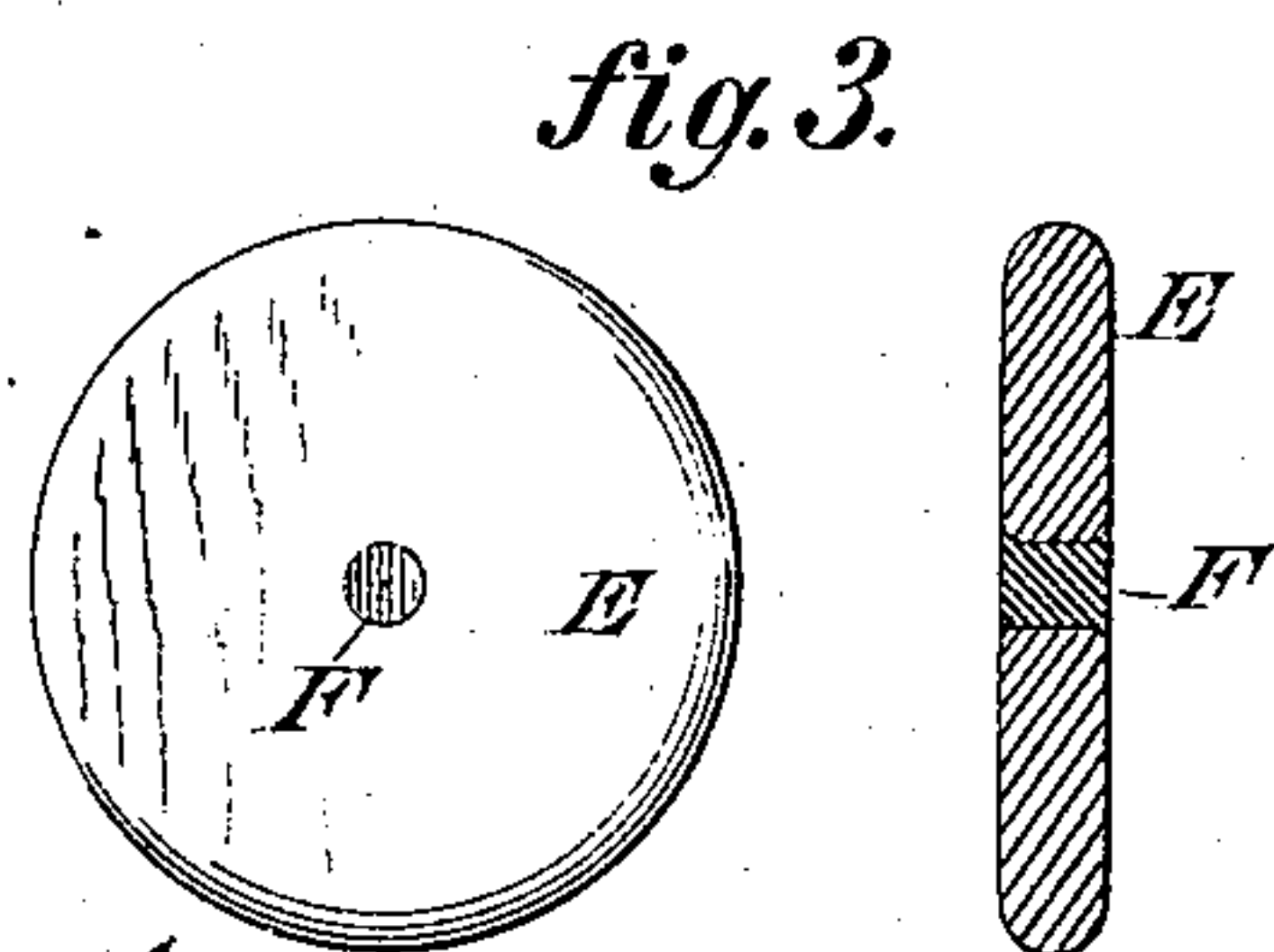
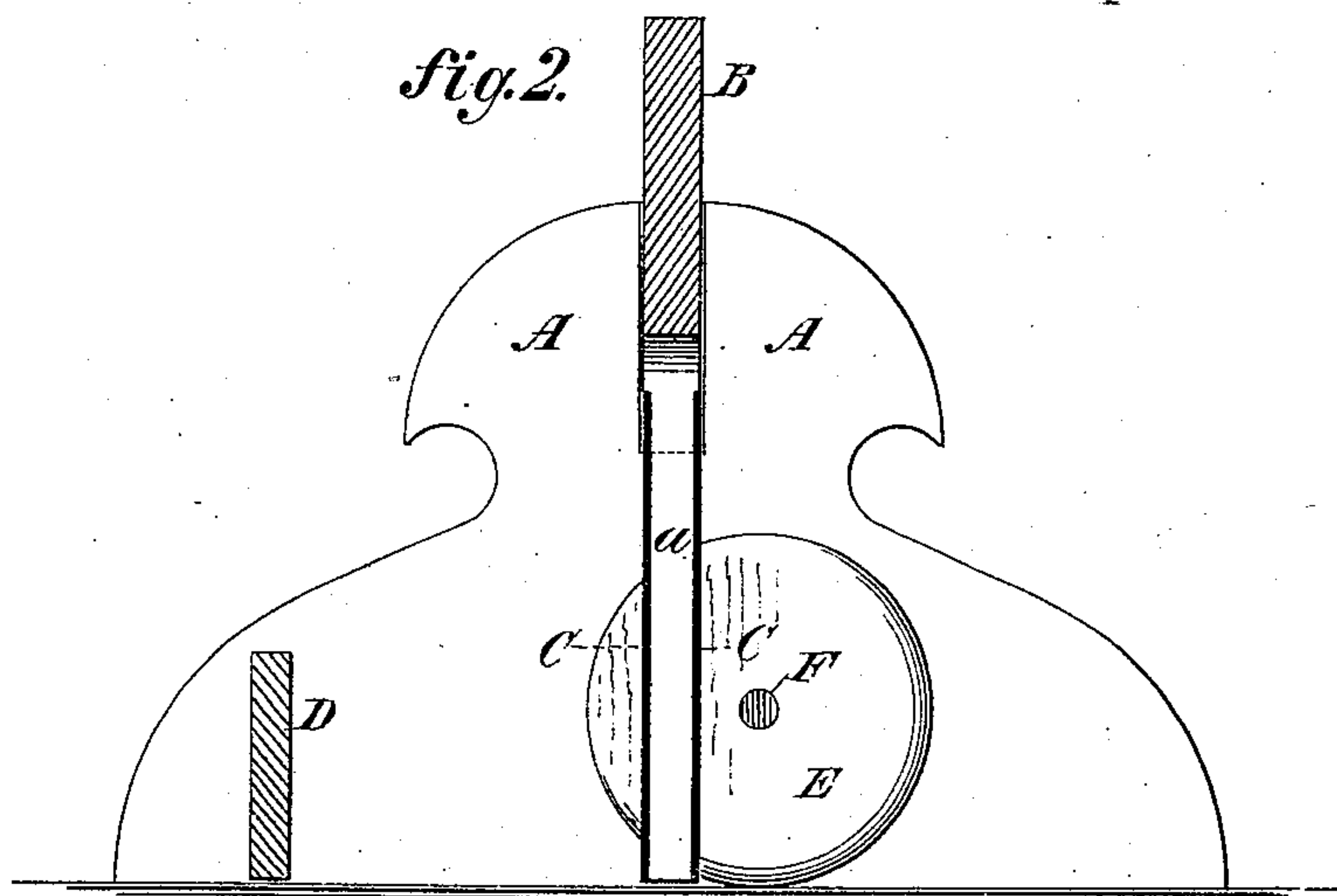
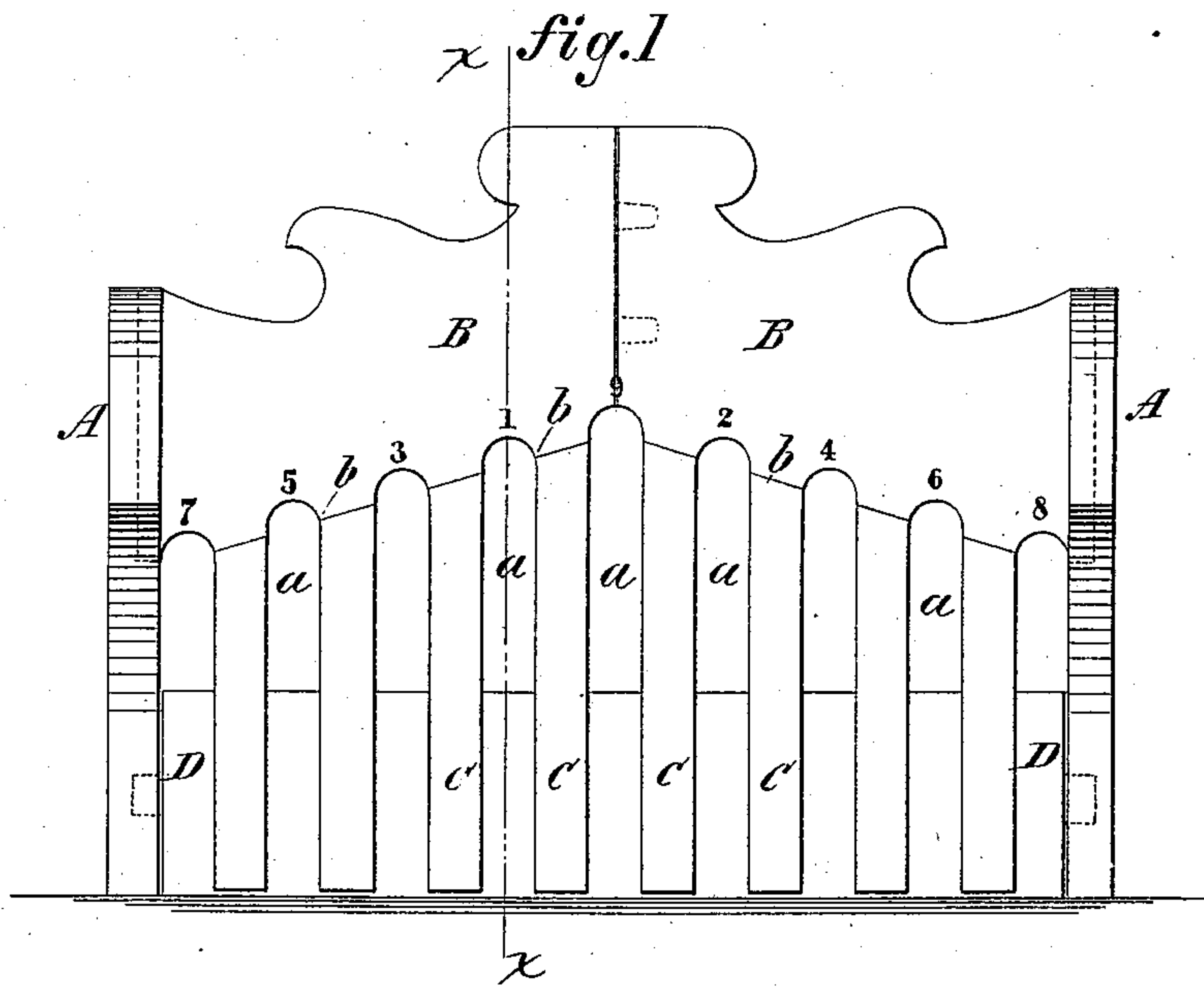


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES A. FITZGERALD, of Salt Lake City, in the county of Salt Lake and Territory of Utah, have invented a new and Improved Game Apparatus, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The object of my invention is to provide a new and improved game which can be played by one or more persons.

The invention consists in a game apparatus formed of a vertically-slotted board held between two side pieces or standards. Rubber face-plates are secured on the surfaces of the bars between the slots, and the game is played with a series of disks or flat rollers.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, in which similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures.

Figure 1 is a face view of my improved game. Fig. 2 is a cross-sectional elevation of the same on the line *xx* Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a face view and cross-sectional view of the roller or disk used in playing my new game.

Between two side pieces or standards, A, a board, B, formed of two sections united at the middle, is held, which is provided with a series of vertical slots, *a*, extending from the bottom edge upward, the middle slot being highest, and the height of the other slots gradually decreasing toward the ends of the board. The bars *b* between the slots are covered with rubber C on both the front and rear surfaces, as shown in Fig. 2. The standards or side pieces, A, are also united by a board, D, or strip of canvas or other material acting as a bumper.

For playing the game disks or rollers E are used, the thickness of which is less than the width of the slots, and which disks are weighted at the centers by pieces of lead F. The several slots *a* are numbered, as shown,

and in playing the game the player endeavors to roll one or more disks E through a given slot, or through the several slots successively, the disks running against the board or bumper D after passing through the slots *a*. The sections of the boards B and D and the standards A can easily be taken apart and folded together when the game is not in use, and can be erected easily and rapidly. The rubber facing protects the bars *b* from being broken if the disks strike them.

The disk E, instead of being made flat, may decrease in thickness from the center toward the rim. The board and standard, as also the disk, may be made of any suitable material.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A game apparatus consisting of a board provided with a series of vertical slots and held between two side pieces or standards, substantially as herein shown and described.

2. In a game apparatus, the combination, with the board B, having vertical slots *a*, forming bars *b*, of the side pieces or standards, A, and the rubber facing C on the said bars, substantially as herein shown and described.

3. In a game apparatus, the combination, with the board B, having vertical slots *a*, of the side pieces or standards, A, and of the board or bumper D, substantially as herein shown and described.

4. In a game, the combination, with the board B, having a series of vertical slots, *a*, of the end pieces or standards, A, and a series of disks, E, substantially as herein shown and described.

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