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Fig. 1

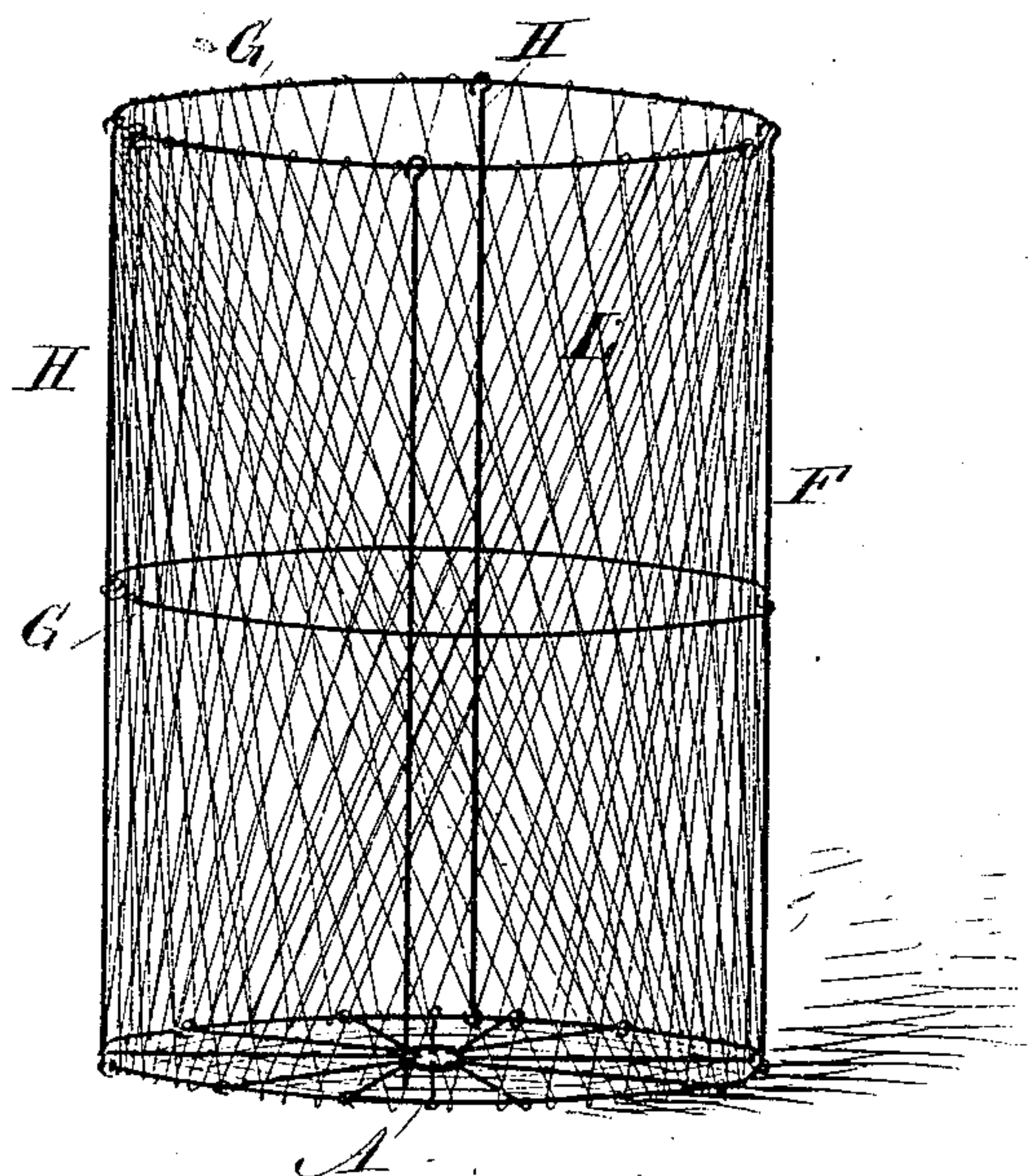


Fig. 2

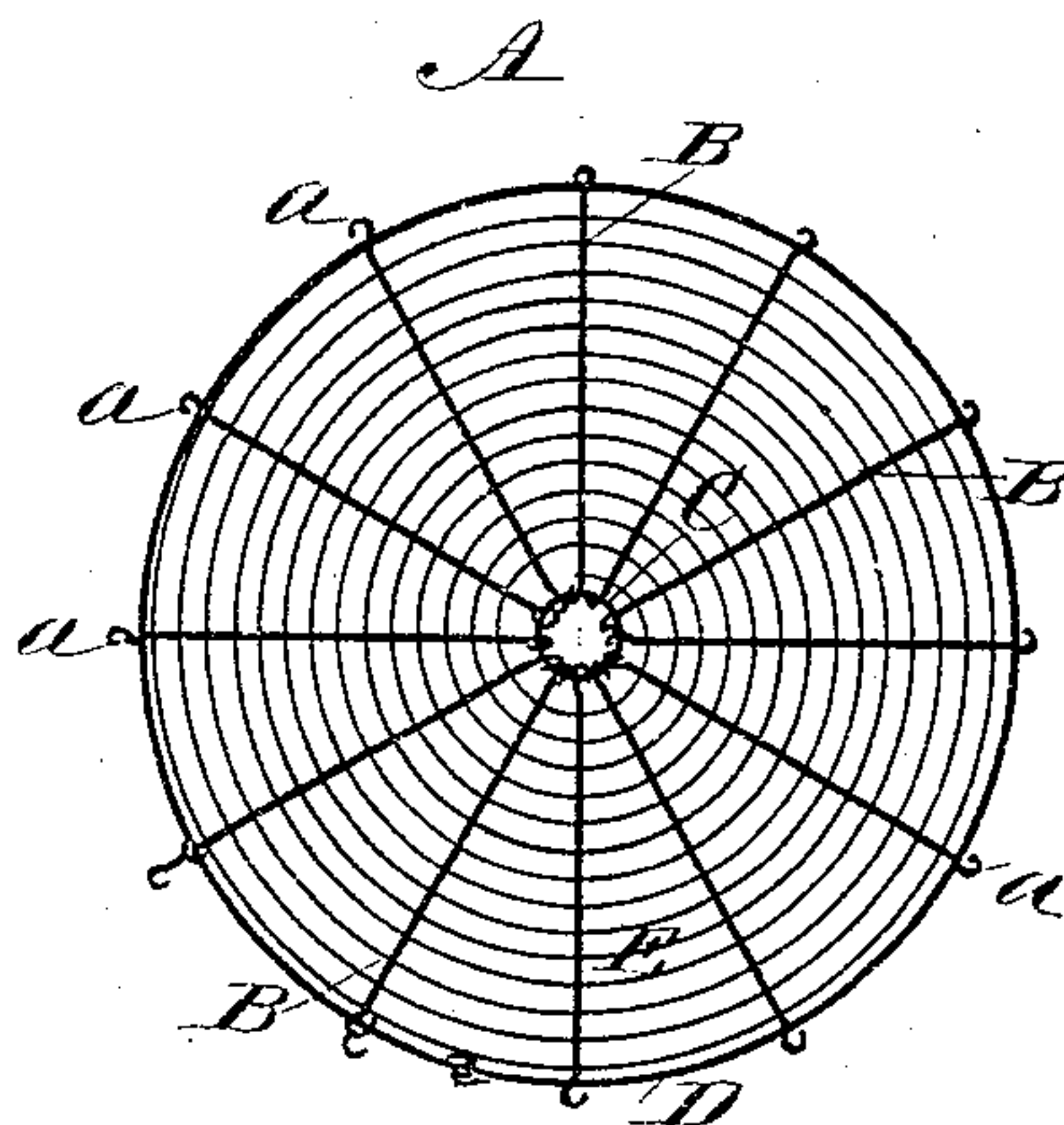
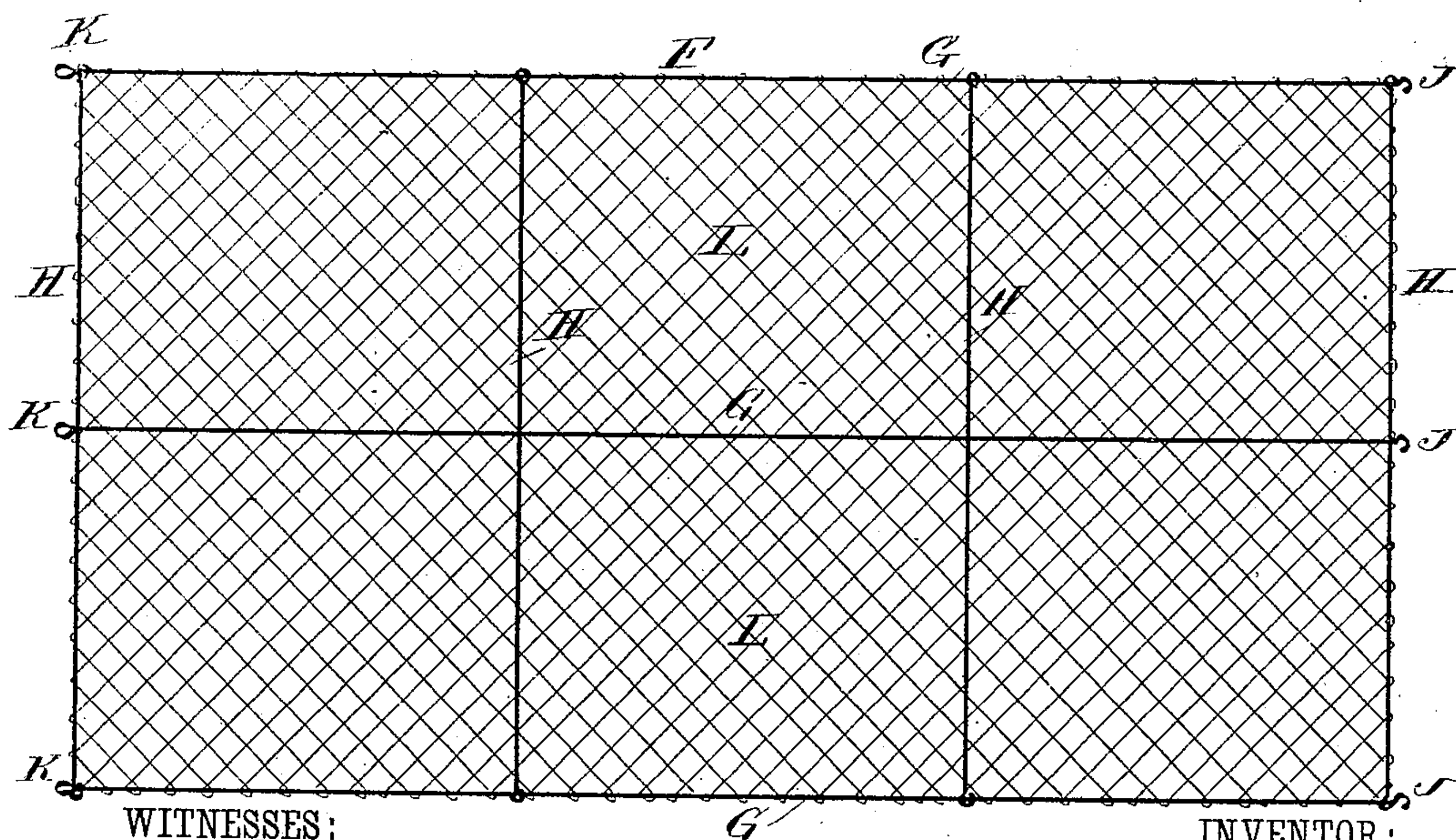


Fig. 3



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM H. ELLIOTT, of Texarkana, county of Bowie, Texas, have invented a new and Improved Wire Basket, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The object of my invention is to provide a new and improved wire basket for collecting cotton and for like purposes, which basket is light, strong, and durable, and can be taken apart and folded compactly for storage or transportation.

The invention consists in a wire basket formed of a circular bottom, and a wire frame bent to form a cylinder, in the lower part of which cylinder the circular bottom is held.

The invention also consists in parts and details of construction, as will be fully set forth and described hereinafter.

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 perspective view of my improved wire basket. Fig. 2 is a plan view of the bottom of the same; and Fig. 3 is a face view of the side netting, the same being unrolled.

The bottom A of the basket is formed of a series of radial wires, B, secured to a small wire ring, C, and each radial wire B is provided at its outer end with a hook, *a*. The outer ends of the wires B are connected by a circular rim-wire, D. A thinner crimped wire, E, is wound spirally between the ring C and the rim-wire D, and is held by means of wire, or in any other suitable manner, to each radial wire B. The side of the basket consists of a frame, F, formed of three or more horizontal wires, G, united by a series of vertical wires, H. Each wire G is provided at one end with a hook, J, and at the opposite end with an eye, K. Crossed diagonal thinner crimped wires, L, are secured to the wires G and H. The frame F is bent to form a cylinder, which is closed by hooking the hooks J of the wires G into the eyes K at the opposite ends of the said wires. The bottom A is placed within the bottom of the cylinder thus formed, and the hooks *a* on the ends of the

wires B are passed over the lower rim-wire, G, of the cylinder, whereby the said bottom A will be held in the bottom of the cylinder formed by the frame F.

The above-described basket is simple in construction, strong, and durable, and can be taken apart and folded very compactly for transportation and storage. The wires L can be crimped, if desired.

The above-described basket is not intended for use in shipping fruit, vegetables, or like articles, but is specially intended to be used in gathering cotton in place of the wooden basket used in picking cotton at present, as said wooden basket is very expensive and not very durable.

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

1. A wire basket formed of a circular bottom, B, and a cylindrically-bent wire frame, F, substantially as herein shown and described.

2. In a wire basket, the combination, with the circular bottom A, having hooks on the rim, of the cylindrically-bent wire frame held on the bottom by the hooks on the said bottom, substantially as herein shown and described.

3. In a wire basket, the combination, with the circular bottom B, of the wire frame F, having hooks J at one end and eyes K on the opposite end, substantially as herein shown and described.

4. In a wire basket, the combination, with the circular bottom A, formed of the ring C, the radial wires B, the hang-hooks *a* on their outer ends, the rim-wire D, and the wire E, of the wire frame F, substantially as herein shown and described.

5. In a wire basket, the combination, with the circular bottom B, of the wire frame F, formed of the horizontal wires G, each having a hook, J, at one end and an eye, K, at the opposite end, the vertical wires H, and the crossed wires L, substantially as herein shown and described.

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