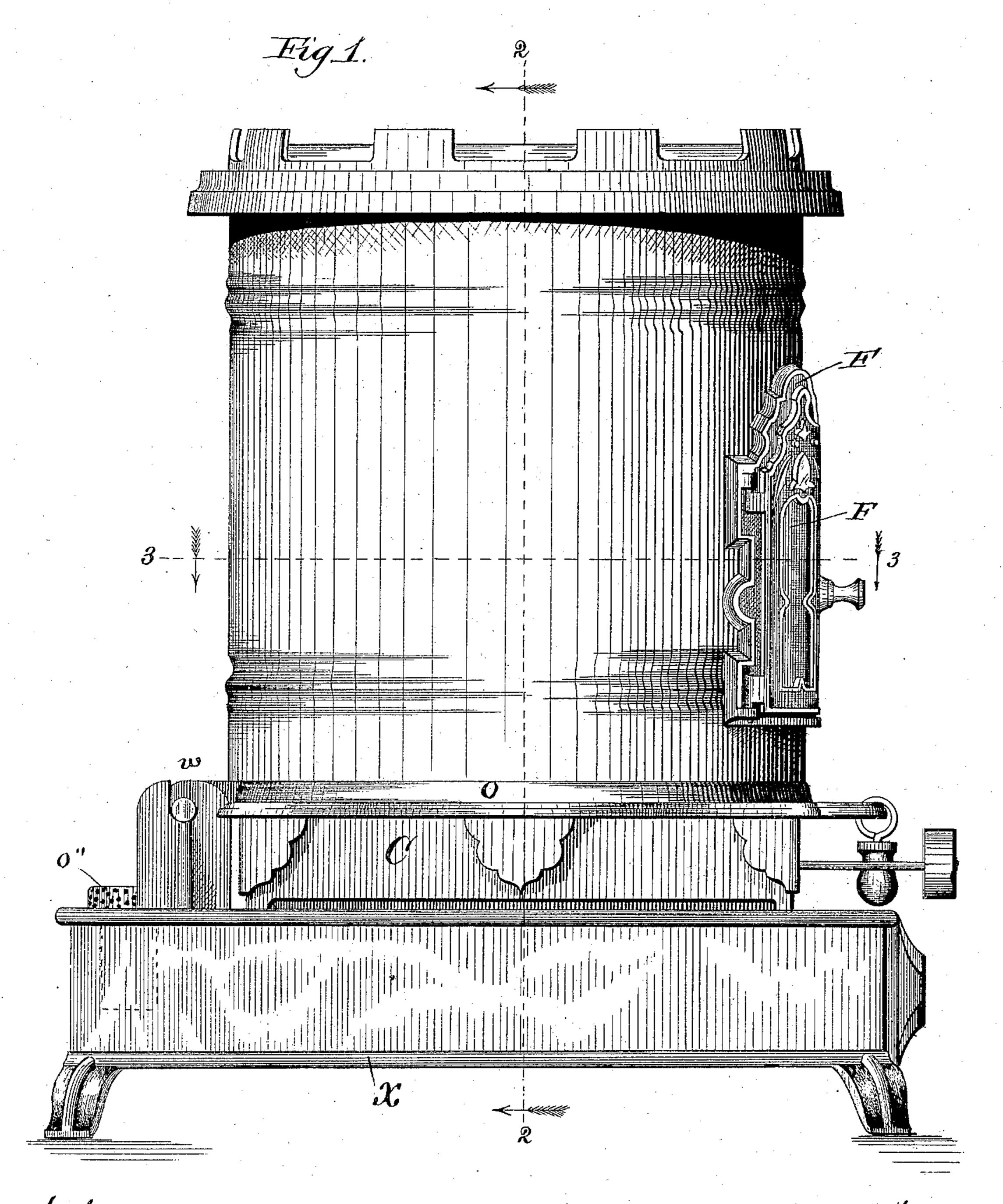
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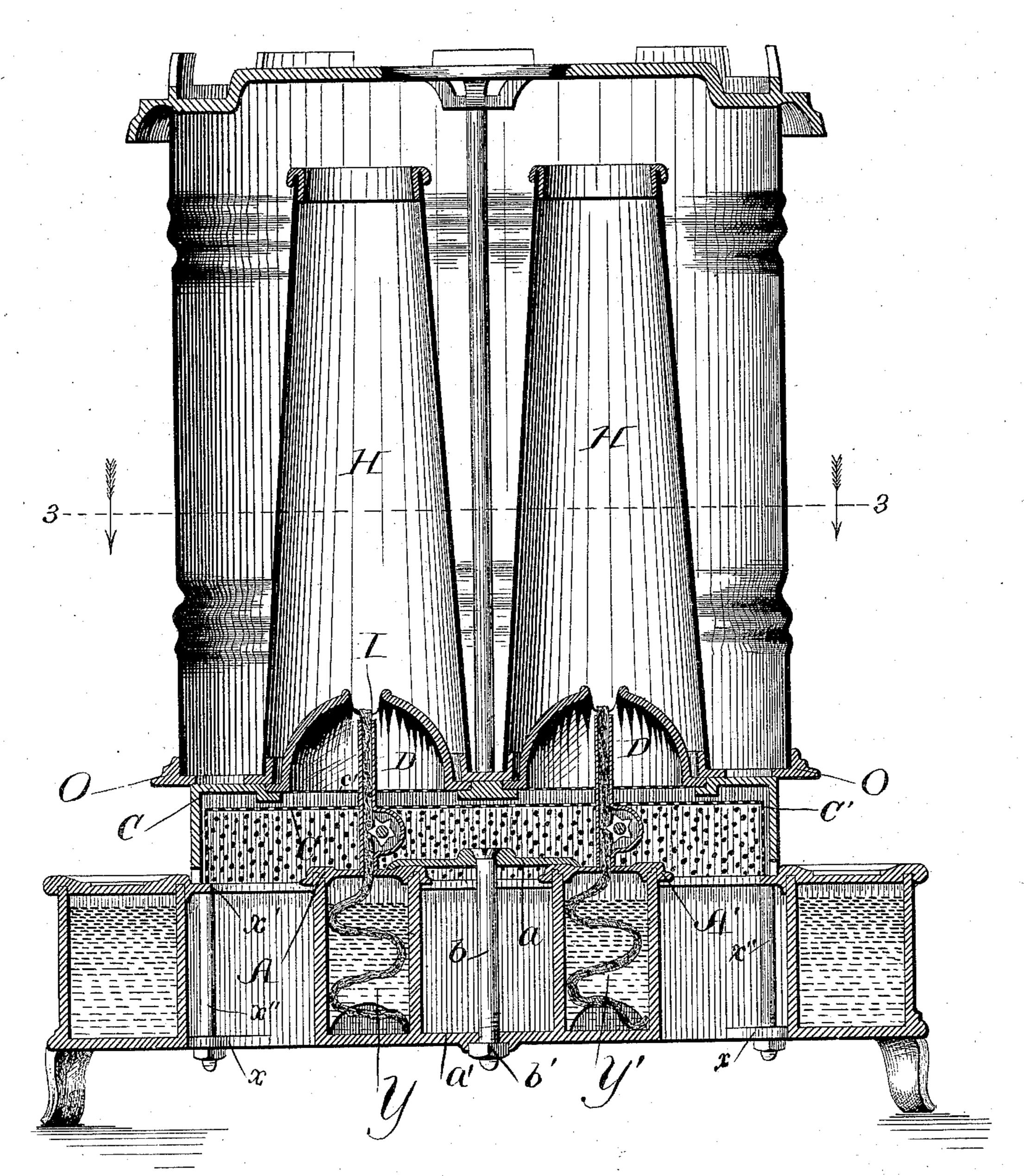
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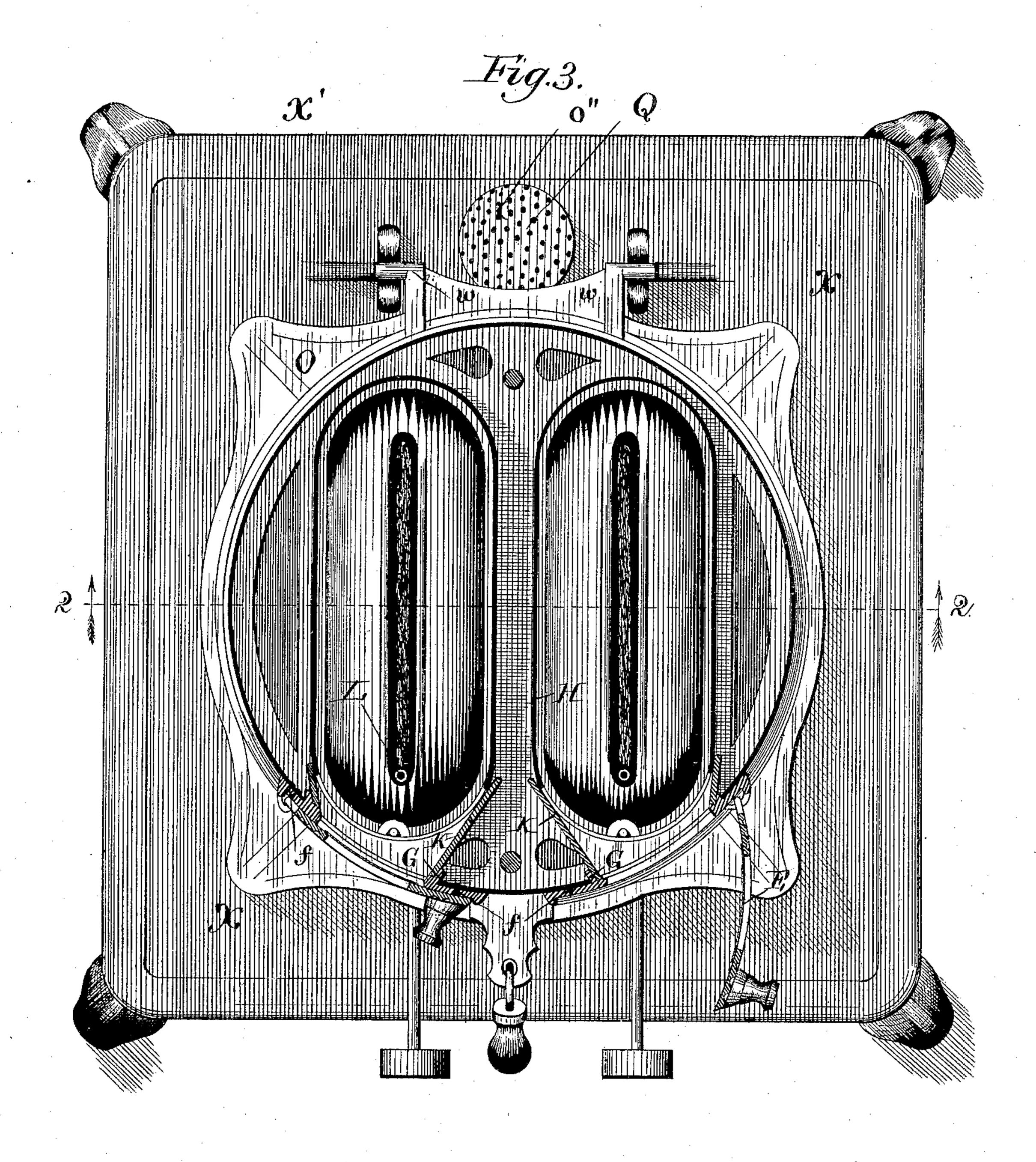
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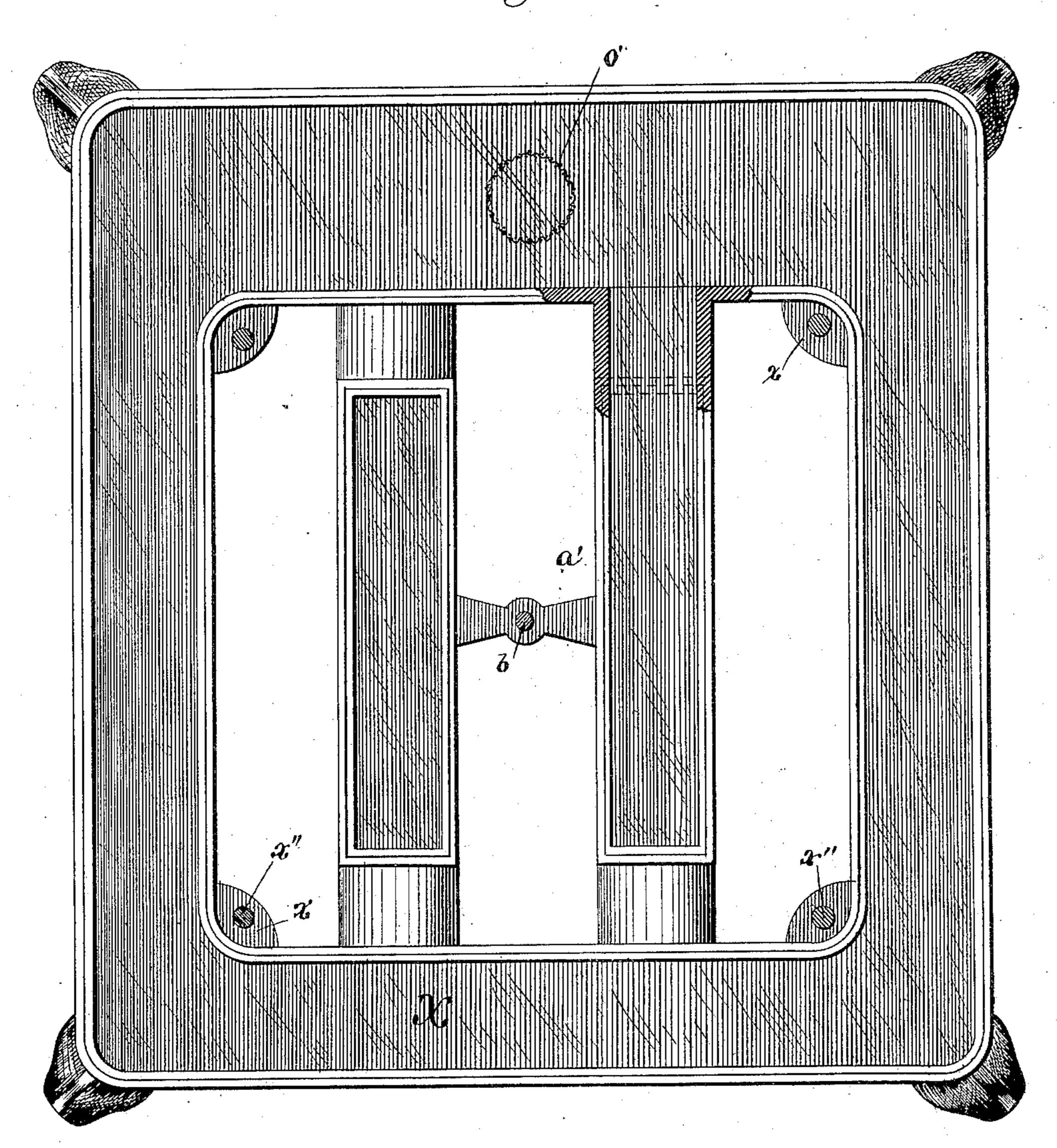
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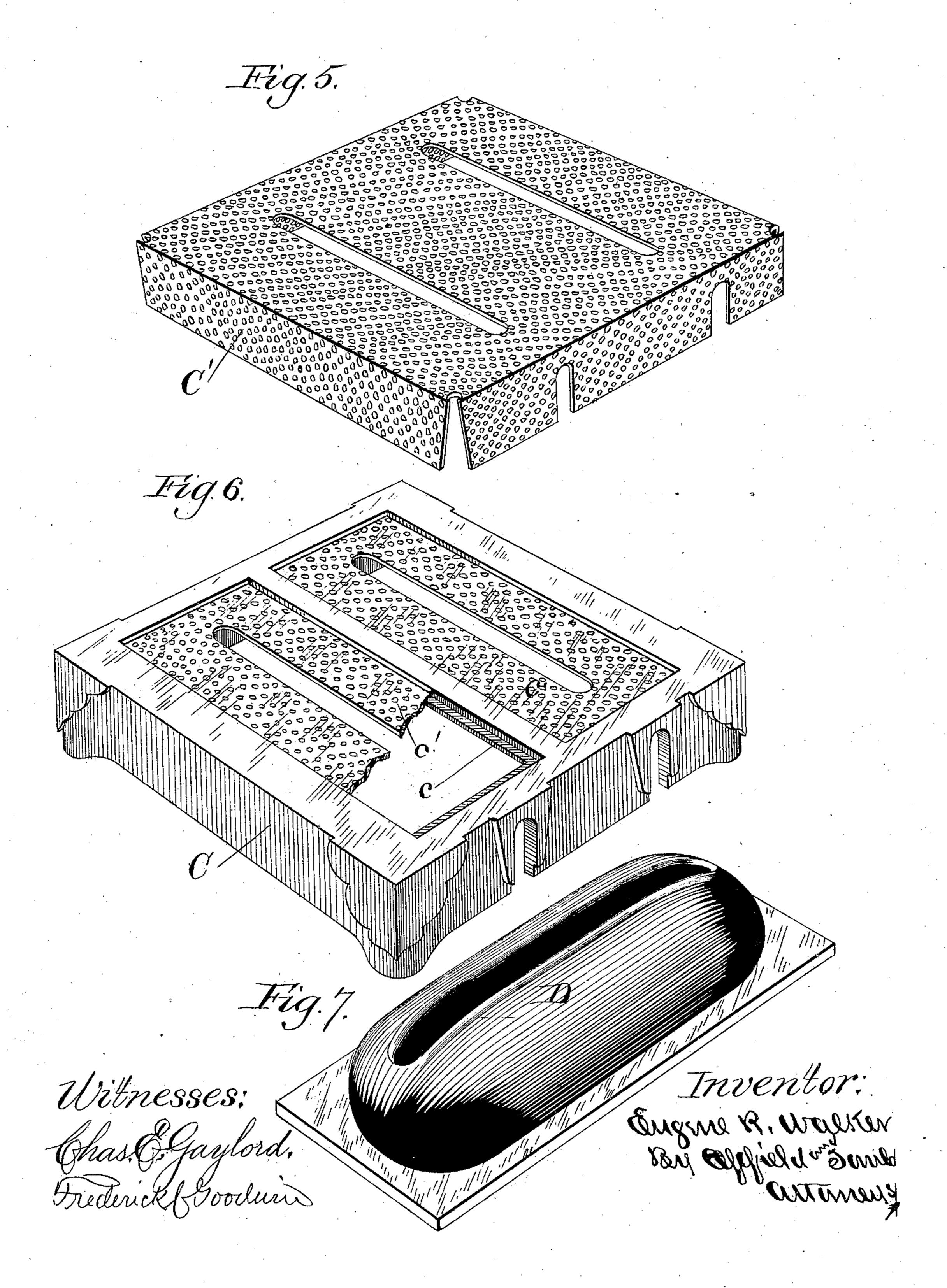
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OIL-STOVE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EUGENE R. WALKER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Oil-Stoves, of which the fol-

lowing is a specification.

The object of my improvements is to secure the perfect combustion of the oil; to do away 10 with the peculiar odor produced by the oilstoves as now made while in use; to obtain a steady and constant flame, not subject to fluctuation through outside influences or the placing of cooking utensils on the same; to secure 15 perfect safety from explosion and from leakage; to so construct the oil chamber or reservoir that the wick-reservoirs holding the burners are separated from the oil chamber or reservoir, so that the oil shall not be heated 20 by the flame of the stove, and to so construct the whole stove that it may be easily taken to pieces, and thus kept in a perfectly clean condition; and the means by which I obtain these results is as follows:

The oil chamber or reservoir is composed of cast-iron formed in the shape of a hollow square, in the inside of which hollow square are placed the wick-reservoirs holding the burners, which are separated and so detached 30 from the surrounding oil-reservoir or oil-chamber that a free circulation of air is permitted at all times, and the heating of the oil in the larger oil chamber or reservoir is thus reduced to the smallest possible amount. These wick-35 reservoirs are connected at their ends with the oil chamber or reservoir, and receive a constant supply of oil from said oil chamber or reservoir. The bottom, the outer wall or side, and the inner wall or side of the said oil cham-40 ber or reservoir and the bottom and sides of the wick-reservoirs, together with the connection between the wick-reservoirs and the said oil chamber or reservoir, are all cast in one solid piece, having suitable flanges or lugs cast 45 on the outer surface of the inside square of the said oil chamber or reservoir, at the four corners thereof, whereby the top of the said oil chamber or reservoir may be firmly secured to the same without passing bolts or screws 50 through the said oil chamber or reservoir, or tapping, drilling, or otherwise disturbing the

walls thereof, and having the top of the wickreservoirs held in position by a bolt or screws passing through clamps or iron lugs outside of said wick-reservoirs, avoiding, in like man- 55 ner as in the main oil-chamber, the necessity of passing bolts or screws through the wickreservoir or tapping the walls thereof. The flame is protected by a double-netting gauze or perforated metal placed over the square 60 formed by the inner walls of the hollow oilreservoir, and the flame is further protected by a suitably-shaped dome placed upon a frame covering the aforesaid perforated metal or gauze, which said frame rests upon a suit- 65 able flange cast on the inside opening of the cover of the oil chamber or reservoir. The use of an independent chimney to each burner, which is supported in position by the doorframe or casing of the door, and a suitably- 70 shaped casting fastened to the chimneys in such a manner that the chimneys may be held in position independently of the top or bottom plate of the drum, and may therefore be of less height than the surrounding casing or 75 drum of the stove; also, that the use of a bolt to hold the chimney in position may be dispensed with; also, so that the wick of the stove may be exposed when the door placed on said casing is open.

I have illustrated my invention by the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this

specification, wherein—

Figure 1 is an elevation of my improved stove. Fig. 2 is a cross-section on line 2 2 of 85 Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a cross-section on line 3 3 of Fig. 1. Fig. 4 is a plan of the base of my improved stove. Fig. 5 is a perspective view of the perforated tin-gauze, together with the plate and dome protecting and guiding the 90 flame. Fig. 6 is a perspective view, partly broken away, of the plate supporting the upper flame-screen and burner-cone. Fig. 7 is a perspective view of the burner-cone.

a nut placed upon them, and by means of this nut the top plate, X', is firmly fastened to the base X. These lugs and bolts are placed in the hollow square formed by the large oil 5 chamber or reservoir, in order to protect the lug and bolt from being broken or in any way injured, and also that they may be out of the way and not present an unsightly appearance. This construction of an internal hollow square surrounded by an oil-reservoir and the casting of these lugs as described, admits of an easy inexpensive way of fastening the cover to the oil chamber or reservoir.

It is evident that any number of wick-reservoirs may be placed in this hollow square.

In order to more fully prevent leakage or oil vapor escaping from this reservoir, the top X' is also cemented to the base X, in addition to being held by bolts and nuts x'x'x'x'. The oil is 20 placed in this reservoir through hole Q in top X'; and in order to prevent clogging between the wick-reservoir and the main reservoir, and to prevent other injurious effects, due to the presence of dirt and other impurities in the 25 oil, I place a removable screen or well, o', composed of wire-gauze or other suitable material, within the hole Q. The well o' may be of any suitable construction, its location being indicated in Fig. 4. I also place screen or 30 gauze o'', composed of perforated tin, over Q_i to prevent the admission of impurities or dust in said hole Q, and to allow of the admission of air to supply the place of the oil consumed.

Wick-reservoirs Y Y' are cast in one piece 35 with base X and covered by plates A A', upon | front thereof doors E, which are suspended which are placed the ordinary wick-tube. Plates A A' are secured to wick-reservoirs Y Y' by means of suitable packing, and further secured by means of cross-bars a a', con-40 nected together by means of bolt b and nut b'. It will be seen that bar a' is cast with or placed underneath the bottom of wick-reservoirs YY', and bar a is laid upon plate A, and thus the turning of nut b upon bolt b' firmly presses or 45 holds plates A A' upon wick-reservoirs Y Y', thus avoiding the necessity of drilling or casting holes in any wick-reservoirs YY', and securing perfect and complete connection of the top A of said wick-reservoirs with the same.

on the inner edge or square of X' there is cast a molding or flange, which serves to receive and hold in position cast-iron frame C, and also the perforated diaphragm or perforated tin sheet C'. Cast-iron frame C has personated countersunk seats c surrounding the wick-tubes, in each of which is placed the perforated tin diaphragm c', and also the flame dome or cone D.

The use of two pieces of perforated tin, 60 through which the air has to pass before it reaches the flame, secures more finely-divided sprays of air, and also prevents constant fluctuations in the amount or size of the current of air supplied to the flame when the air 65 in the room is agitated by drafts, or by the opening or closing of doors, &c., and thus a flaring or flickering of the flame in my im-

proved oil-stove is to a great extent avoided and a more uniform and more perfect combustion secured. By making these perforated 70 tin diaphragms C'c' separate and independent, each of a single thickness of perforated tin, and easily removable, the same may be readily cleaned. The cones surrounding the flame are placed in and rest upon the perforated countersunk seats in the cast-iron frame C, and are also easily removable, there being openings in the drum-bottom plate shutting or closing down over said cones, thus making continuous drafts through the slots in the 80 cones into and through the chimney of the stove.

The body of the stove is composed of sheetiron or other suitable material secured to a cast-iron top or gridiron, and to a cast-iron 85 rim or drum-bottom plate, O, by means of rods and bolts in the ordinary manner, the said cast-iron rim or drum-bottom plate being cast with large openings which close down over the cones or flame-domes, and with a suitable 90 flange on its upper surface to receive and more firmly secure the chimneys. These openings admit of the chimneys being easily cleaned. This cast-iron plate has lugs placed thereon, by which it is supported or rests 95 upon suitable lugs, W, forming hinges cast on top X'.

As thus constructed the drum-bottom plate is of a form easily cast, and presents many advantages over the forms heretofore in use.

The drum of the stove has placed in the from or placed on the cast-iron frame or box F. This box or door-casing F is cast of a suitable form or shape, that it may be fastened 105 to the drum of the stove at points f f, and has also the projection or flange G extending or reaching in toward the center of the stove at one end of the wick-tube. Flange G is made of the proper shape to receive a cast- 110 iron box, K, fitting onto the chimney H. Chimnevs H are thus held in proper position in the drum by cast-iron box K, fastened to said chimneys and fitting into flange G of the doorframe or box. These chimneys H extend 115 from said drum-bottom plate upward to within a short distance of the top of gridiron, casting, which is placed on the top of the drum of the stove. By this arrangement, when door E is closed, the chimney from each burner 120 extends from the cone to near the top of the stove. By this means the stove may be lighted by opening the door E, and the necessity of double doors is obviated. By reason of the chimneys not extending to the top of the stove 125 the draft of any given burner or wick is not interfered with by the placing of any cooking utensil upon the top of the stove and over the said chimney.

By the use of the main reservoir, of the 130 shape and form here shown, and constructed as I have described, the air by which the flame is fed passes under this reservoir, and upward between it and the wick-reservoirs,

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thus creating at all times when the stove is in operation a current of cool air, which prevents the heating of the oil in the oil reservoir. At the end of the wick-tubes I, I place a small 5 hollow tube, L, extending from the top of wick-tube I down through the wick-tube plates into the wick-reservoir. The object of this tube is to allow of the escape of the vapors arising from the heated oil in the wickto reservoir and the burning of the same. By this means I still further decrease the amount of odor caused by the burning of oil in my improved stove, as all odor is due, to a large extent, to the heating of oil and the vapor 15 arising from the same without securing the combustion of this vapor.

Wick-tube plates A' A' of the wick-reservoirs Y Y' are made concave upon their top surfaces to hold oil which may drop or become

20 condensed on the burners.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Pat-

ent, is---

1. In a coal-oil stove, the combination of an 25 oil chamber or reservoir forming a hollow square, one or more wick-reservoirs located within said hollow square, and connected therewith by oilways, the sides and bottom of the oil chamber or reservoir, the sides, 30 ends, and bottoms of the wick reservoir or reservoirs, and the oilways connecting the latter with the oil chamber or reservoir, being formed in one piece and provided with projecting lugs, and a top for said chamber or 35 reservoir provided with corresponding lugs, whereby the top may be firmly and securely bolted to the reservoir, substantially as described and shown.

2. In a coal-oil stove or range, the combi-40 nation of an oil-reservoir forming a hollow square, wick-reservoirs located within said hollow square, and connected therewith by oilways, burner-carrying covers for the wickreservoirs, a cross-brace joining the latter, a 45 fastening-plate resting upon the covers, and screw-bolt connection between the cross-brace and fastening-plate, whereby the latter may be clamped down upon the covers, securing them firmly in position, substantially as shown

50 and described.

3. In a coal-oil stove or range, the combination, with a burner or burners, each burner provided with an independent wick-reservoir placed in the inside of and connected by 55 oilways with an oil chamber or reservoir surrounding said wick-reservoirs, of a flange or lugs on the top of said oil chamber or reservoir, and a diaphragm of one thickness of perforated metal resting thereon, having a slot 6. cut therein for said burner or burners, and a

cast-iron box or frame provided with an opening or openings cast therein, in which are also placed a diaphragm or diaphragms of a single thickness of perforated metal, provided with a slot for the burner, the said cast-iron box or 65 frame also resting upon the said flange or lugs on the top of the oil chamber or reservoir, the whole substantially as described, and for the purpose specified.

4. In an oil-stove, the combination of a 70 double diaphragm composed of two single diaphragms, each one of but one thickness of perforated metal, one of said diaphragms resting upon a suitable lug or lugs cast on the top of the oil chamber or reservoir, and the other 75 of said diaphragms resting upon a cast-iron frame, also supported by said flange or lugs on the top of said oil chamber or reservoir, with a flame cone or cones placed on said castiron box or frame and fitting over one of said 80 diaphragms, the whole substantially as described, and for the purpose specified.

5. The combination, in an oil-stove, of a drum or casing having a door or doors placed in the front thereof by means of cast-iron 85 door - casings, with a chimney or chimneys placed therein, and held in proper position by the said door-casings, through an intermediate cast-iron box, the said chimneys extending from a bed-bottom plate fitting over and 90 surrounding the flame cone or cones of the burner or burners of said stove to near the top plate of said drum, the whole substantially as described, and for the purpose specified.

6. In an oil-stove or range, the combination 95 of a drum having a top and a bottom casting fastened thereto, and flanged burner - cones resting upon a basal supporting-plate with perforated countersunk seats, and extending upwardly through openings in the bottom 100 casting, said bottom casting resting upon the flanges of the cones, and being itself provided with upwardly extending flanges for the reception of the burner-chimneys, substantially as shown and described.

7. In an oil-stove or range, the combination, with the wick-reservoirs, of a burner-conesupporting plate having openings above the said reservoirs, and provided with perforated countersunk seats, the flanged burner-cones 110 resting upon said seats, and the superjacent drum-bottom plate above which the cones project, said bottom plate resting upon the flanges of the cone, substantially as shown and described.

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