

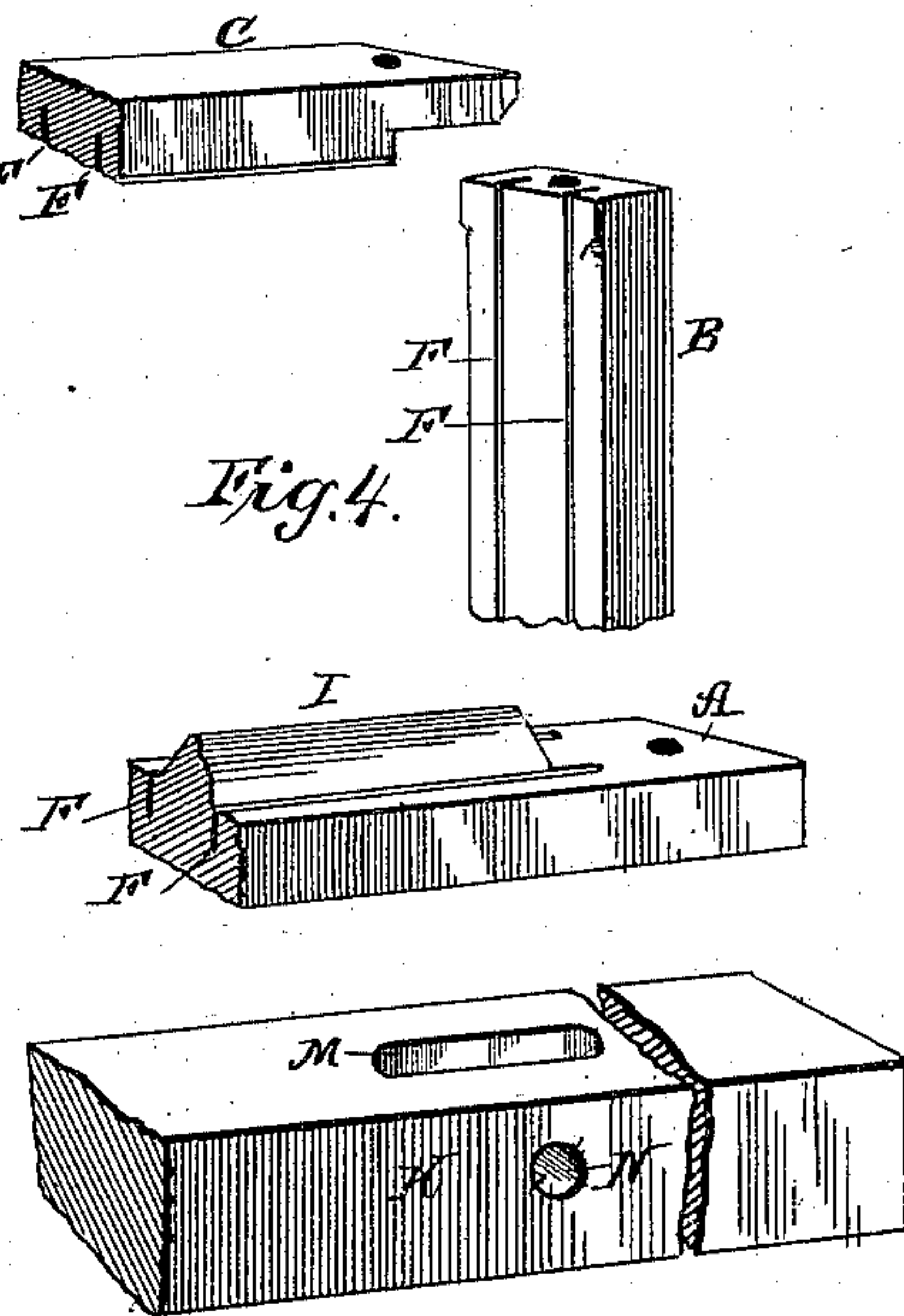
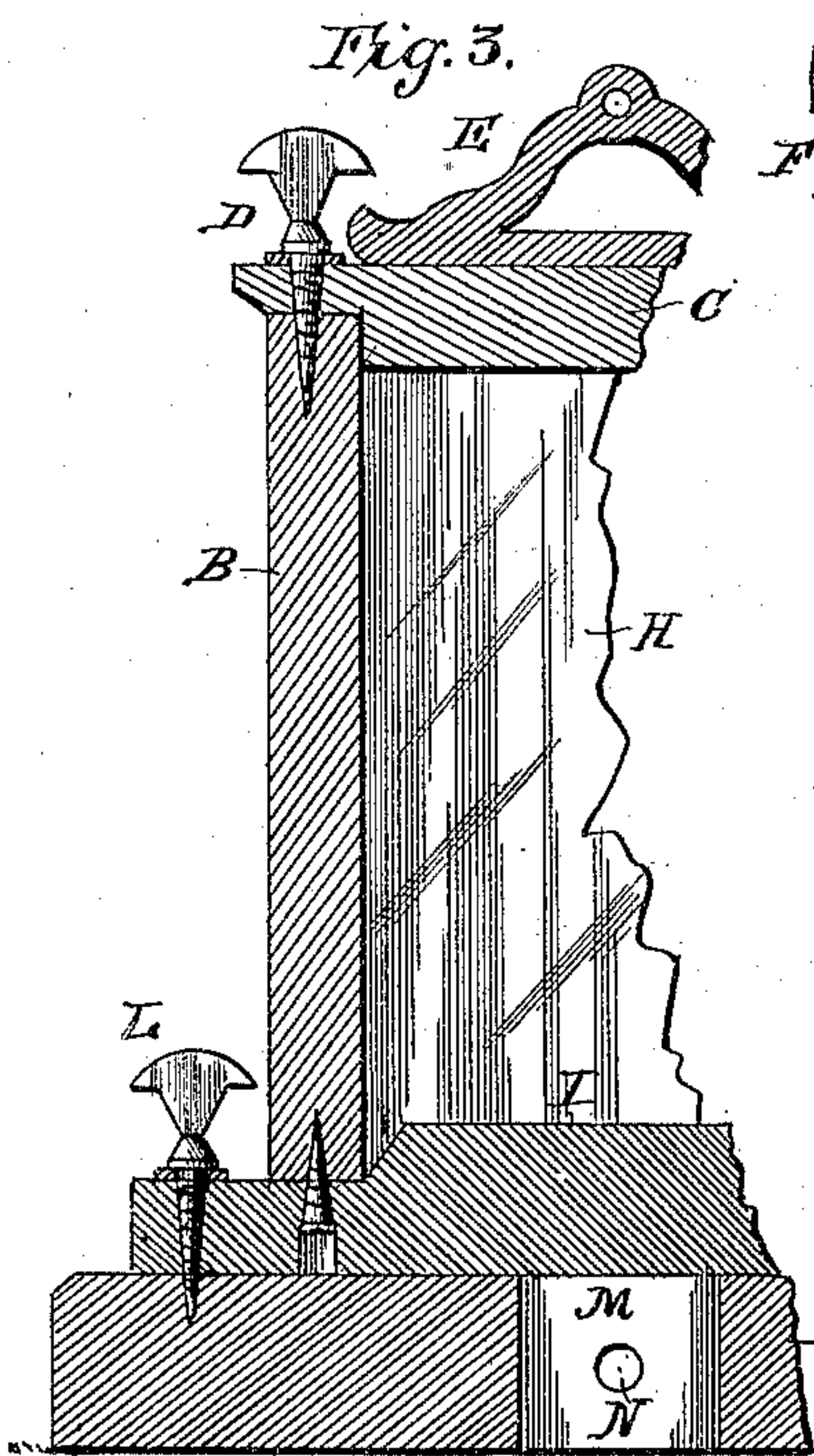
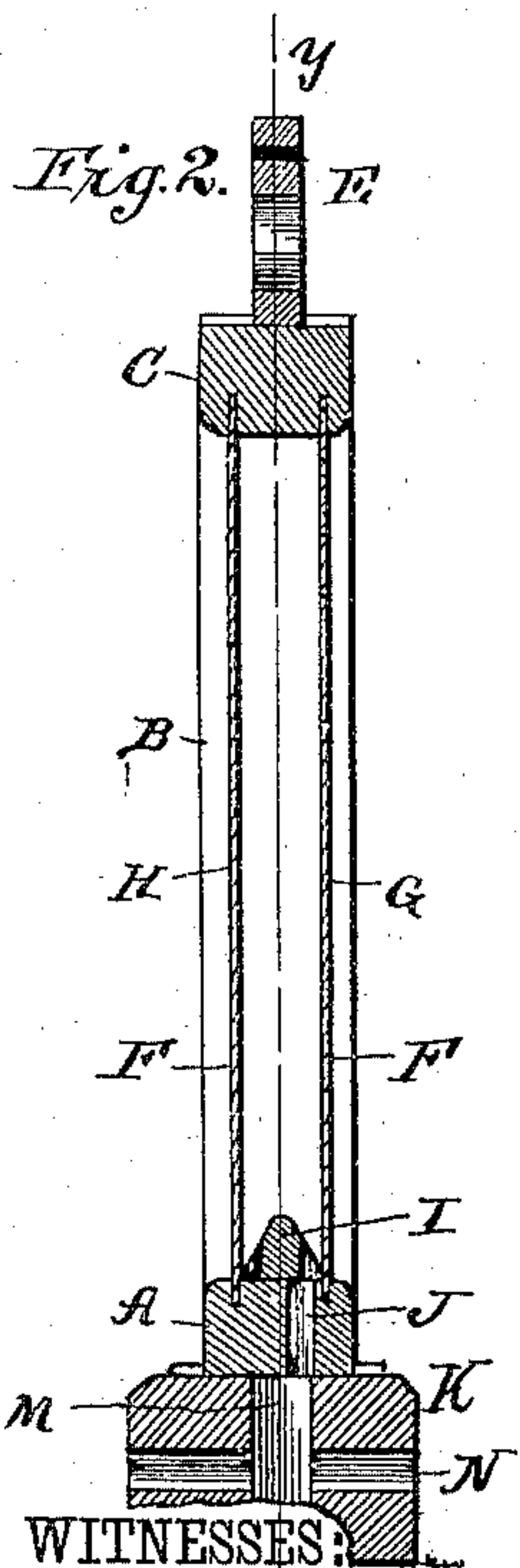
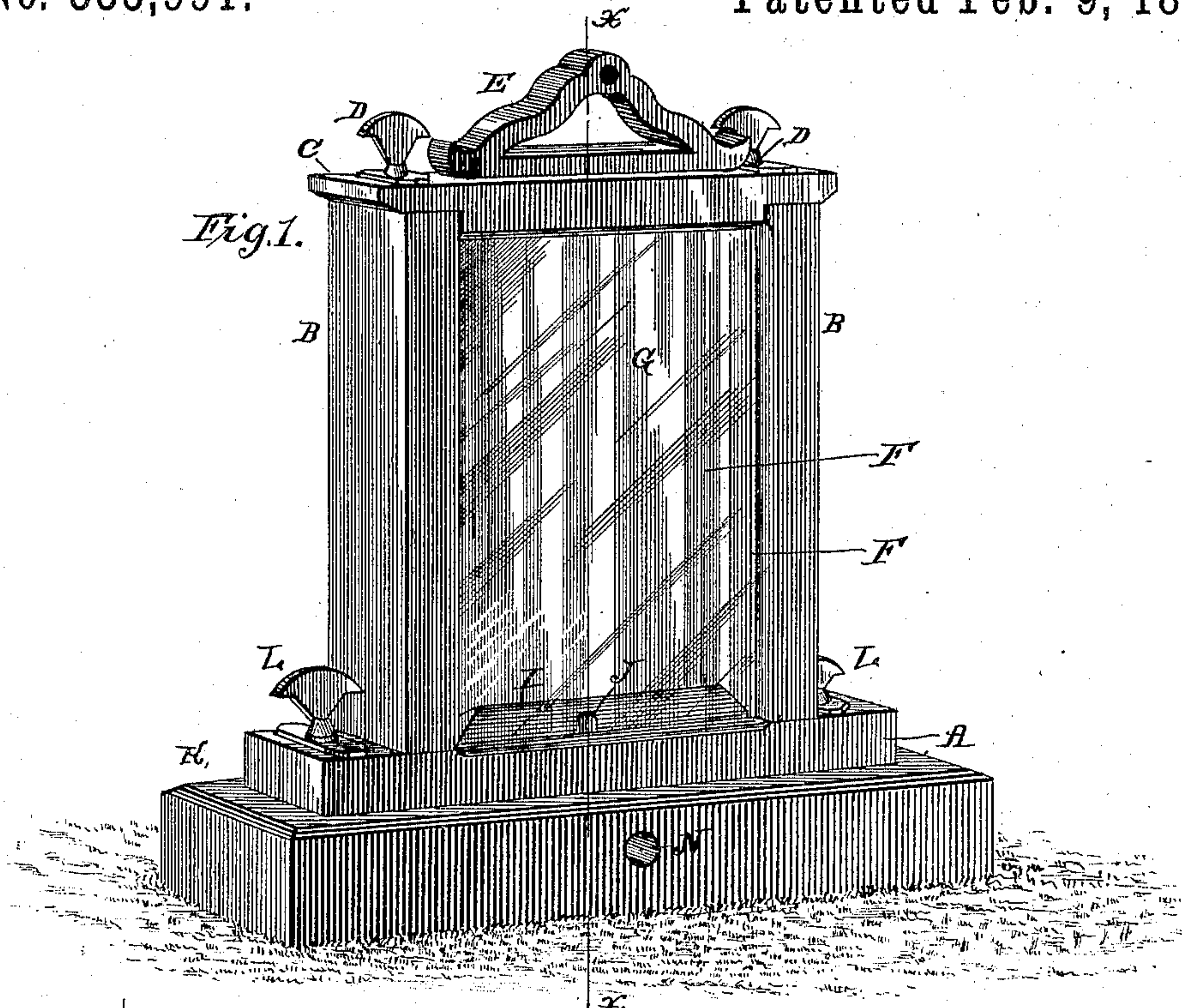
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## MONUMENT.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOHN HENRY BRUBAKER, of Shamokin, in the county of Northumberland and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Monuments; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification, and in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved monument or tomb-ornament. Fig. 2 is a vertical sectional view of the same, taken on the line *x x* in Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a vertical sectional view taken on the line *y y* in Fig. 2, and Fig. 4 is a detail view illustrating the parts of the frame detached from each other.

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

This invention relates to monuments of that class which are designed especially for the ornamentation of graves; and it has for its object to produce at a small expense an ornamental and attractive monument, which shall be durable, not liable to be affected by the weather, and in every respect useful.

With these ends in view the invention consists in the improved construction and arrangement of the constituent parts of the said monument, which will be hereinafter fully described, and particularly pointed out in the claim.

The frame of my improved monument may be constructed of wood, metal, stone, concrete, or any other material or combination of materials; and it consists of a sill, A, having uprights B B, arranged a suitable distance apart, and connected at their upper ends by a top piece or cap, C, which may be secured in position by means of ornamental screws, or in any other suitable manner, as at D. The cap-piece C is also to be provided with ornamentation E, of any nature desired. The inner sides of the sill A, uprights B B, and cap C are each provided with two parallel grooves, F F, the ends of which register at the intersection

of the sill, uprights, and cap. The said grooves serve to receive glass plates G and H, which form the front and rear sides of the monument, and which may be readily inserted or slid into place when the cap is removed, said cap when in position serving to retain the glasses securely. The sill A is provided between the uprights B B with an inverted-V-shaped ridge, I, from the lower edges of which perforations J J extend vertically through the said sill for the escape of any moisture which may find its way between the front and rear glass plates. The sill is mounted upon a base, K, where it may be secured by ornamental screws L L, said base being provided with a vertical slot, M, registering with the perforations J J, and pierced by a transverse perforation, N. By this construction access of moisture through the sill of the monument is prevented.

The inscription, together with any desired ornamentation, is in practice to be painted, engraved, etched, or otherwise formed upon the front glass plate. The rear plate is to be covered, first, with a layer of white or other light paint or substance, and afterward with a dark paneling, whereby the inscription upon the front plate will be shown up well. The distance between the glasses enables the insertion of flowers, wreaths, or other matter, when desired, and a solid filling of plaster-of-paris or other material may be employed when desired. Such filling will be found especially useful for the purpose of strengthening the monument when thin glasses are used.

From the foregoing description, taken in connection with the drawings hereto annexed, the operation and advantages of my invention will be readily understood. It is simple, inexpensive, durable, and it presents a handsome and attractive appearance.

It is obvious that this invention is subject to various changes with regard to the construction of details of the same, and I therefore desire to have it understood that I do not limit myself to the precise construction herein shown, but reserve to myself the right to all such modifications as may be resorted to without departing from the spirit of my invention.

Having thus described my invention, I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States—

5 The combination, in a monument, of a frame, with vertical perforations, a base having a vertical slot registering with the said perforations, and a transverse perforation, substantially as and for the purpose herein set forth.

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

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