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CARTRIDGE BOX.

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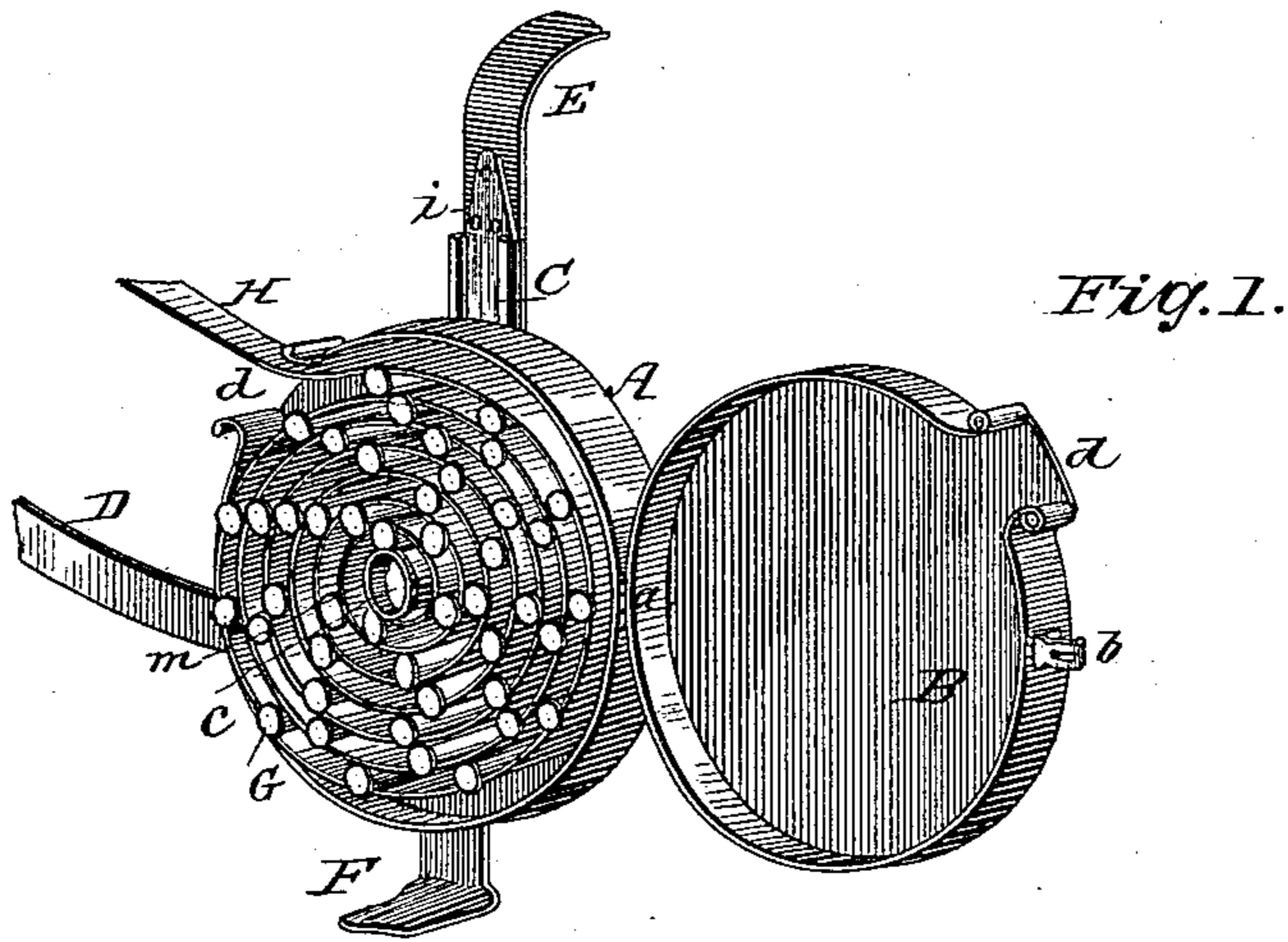


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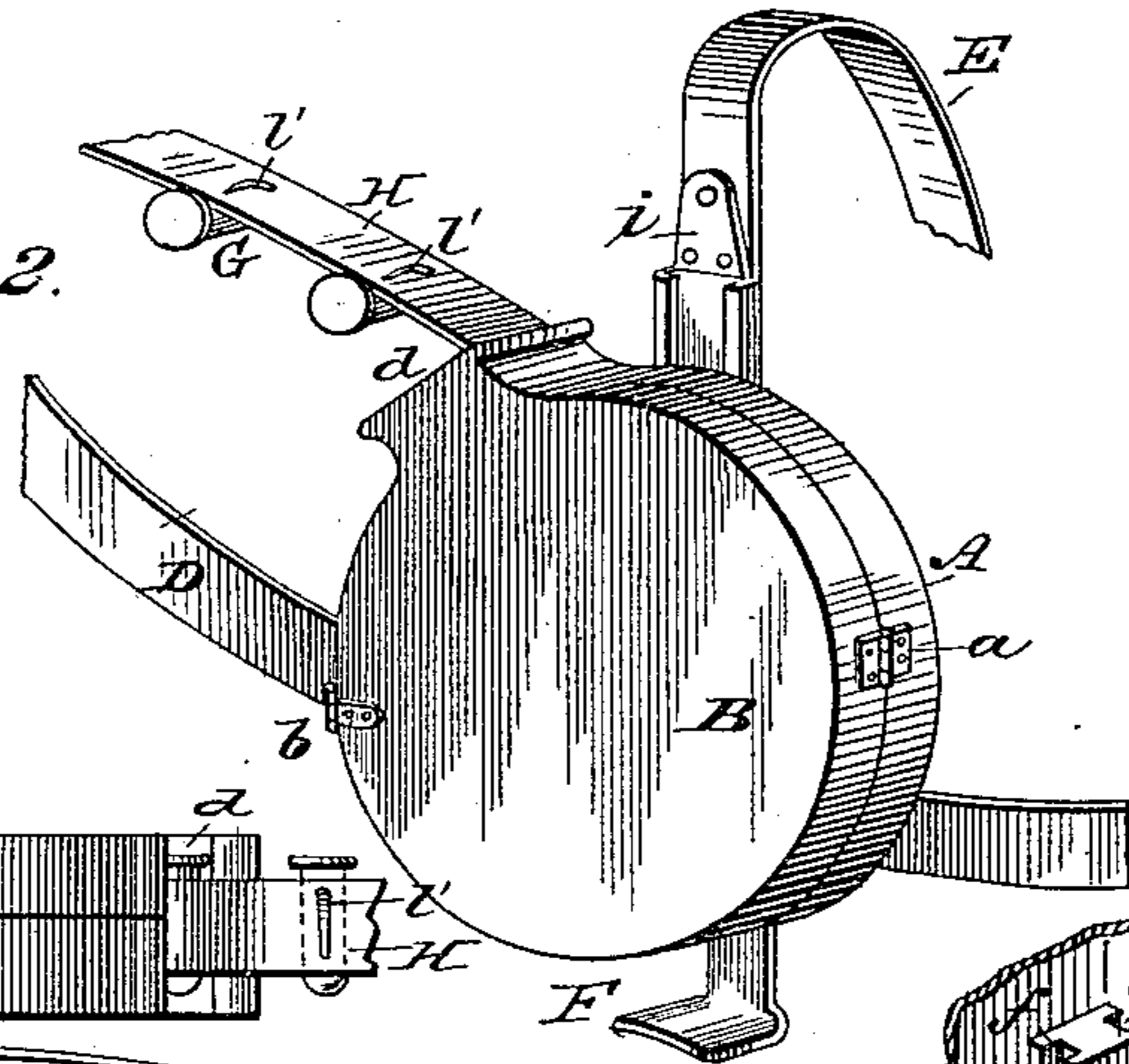


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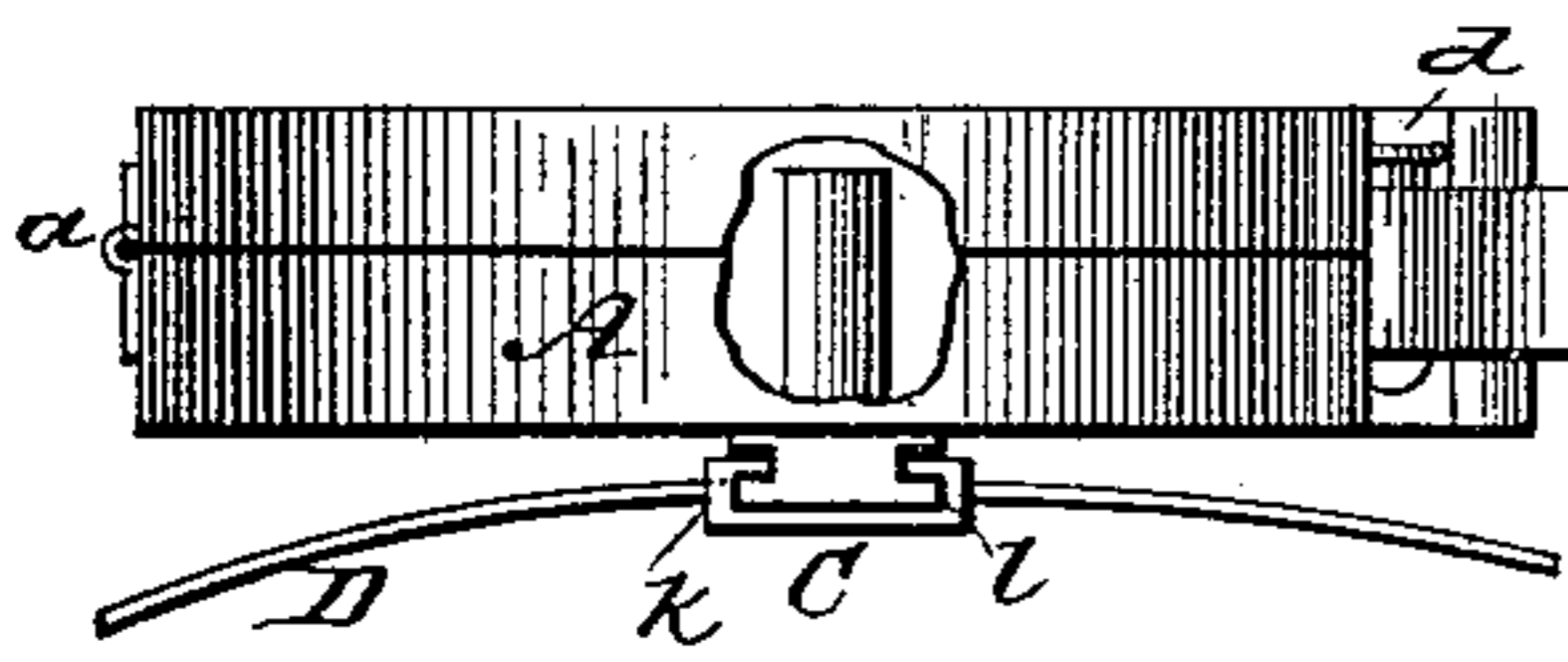


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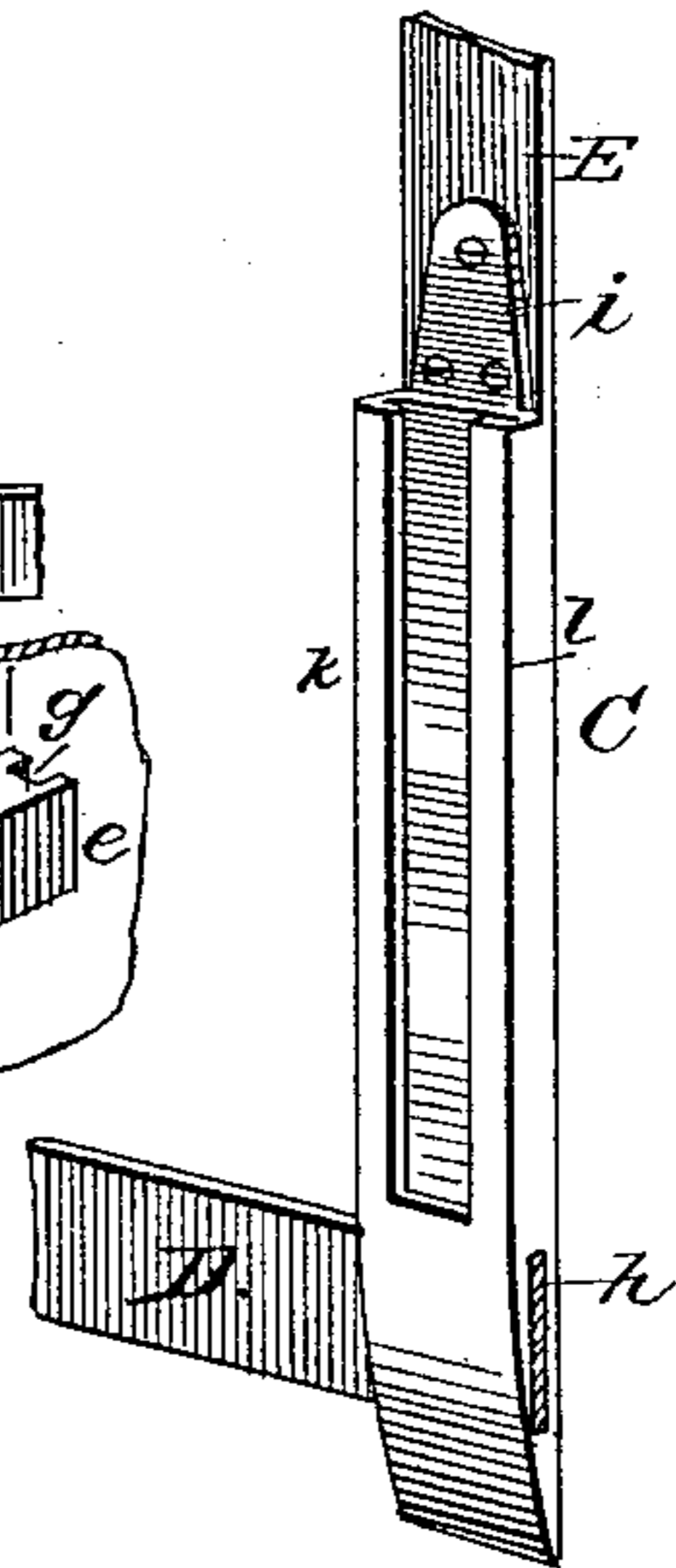
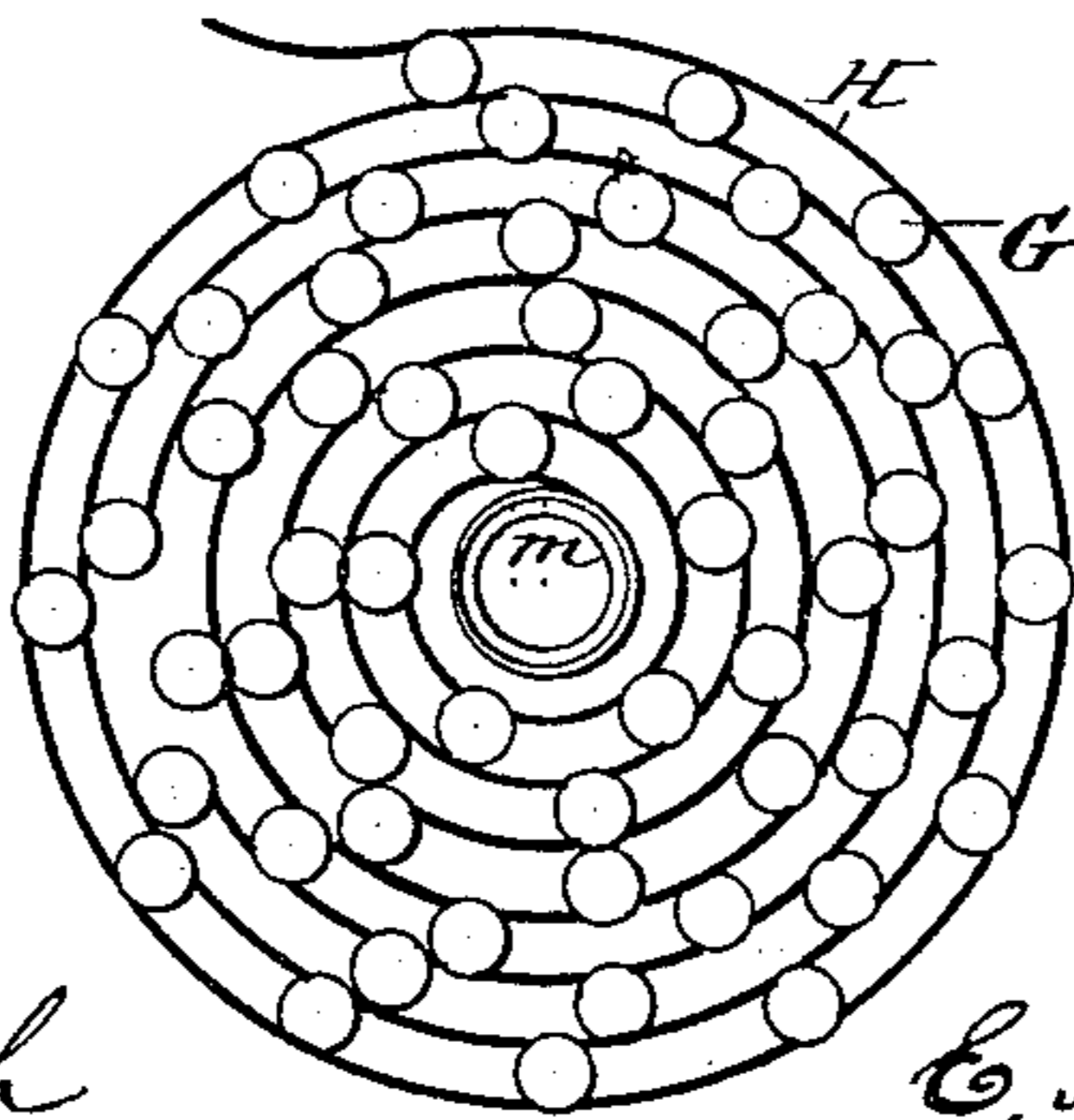


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CARTRIDGE-BOX.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EMMANUEL AMODEO-SALVATOR, of the United States Navy, and a citizen of the Republic of France, have invented certain
5 new and useful Improvements in Cartridge-Boxes; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use
10 the same.

The invention relates to a cartridge-box, and has for its object the construction of a box to be worn on the breast of the person using a magazine fire-arm. The box is especially
15 adapted for holding cartridges secured to a belt or ribbon, as shown in my application filed February 5, 1886, No. 190,893, and another filed herewith, No. 193,779, but is not limited thereto, as other forms of fastening
20 may be used.

The invention will be hereinafter described, and particularly pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification, Figure 1 is a perspective of the box open with the cartridges
25 in position. Fig. 2 is a similar view of the box closed. Figs. 3 and 4 are details, and Fig. 5 is a perspective view showing a package of cartridges.

Prior to my invention cartridge-boxes for containing cartridges secured to a belt or ribbon have been elongated and provided with two studs, over which the belt was stretched,
35 and only a small number of cartridges could be carried. By my invention the cartridges are wound around a thimble placed in the box and fed to a fire-arm through an opening in the periphery of the box.

Reference being had to the drawings and the letters of reference marked thereon, A
40 represents the box, which is provided with a cover, B, having hinge *a* and a hasp, *b*, for securing the cover to the body of the box. In the center of the lower half or body of the box is a stud or shaft, *c*, and in the periphery of the box is formed an opening, *d*, through which the cartridges are withdrawn. On the
45 back of the box is a projecting stud, *e*, in which are formed longitudinal grooves *f g*.

50 C is a support attached to a horizontal belt,

D, worn around the body of the person using the box, and is secured thereto by passing the belt through the slot *h*.

E is a belt worn over the shoulder, and is also secured to the support at *i*. The support
55 C is provided with projecting flanges *k l*, with which the grooves *f g* of the stud *e* engage, and upon which the box slides freely.

Instead of the connection between the box and the support shown, the ordinary dovetail
60 projections and corresponding seat may be used, or any other suitable form of sliding connection may be substituted for that shown without departing from the spirit of my invention.

F is a foot-piece which projects from the
65 body of the box, and is adapted to rest upon the leg or thigh of the gunner when in a kneeling posture, and support the weight of the box and at the same time permit it to slide freely in the guides on the support C.

The cartridges G may be secured to the belt or ribbon H in any suitable manner; but preference is given to the form shown in the drawings, in which *l* is a spring-prong formed integral with the cartridge and attached there-
75 to near the front end of the cartridge. The prong is inserted through the belt or ribbon and secures it thereto.

The belt containing the cartridges may be of any suitable fabric, and is wound around a
80 thimble, *m*, in any suitable manner and placed in the box, the thimble encircling the stud or shaft *c*, and the end of the ribbon projecting through the opening *d*. The box is then closed and the cover secured by the hasp or latch *b*,
85 when it is ready for use.

The box may be made of metal or any other suitable material, and is designed to be worn on the breast of the gunner.

In another application filed herewith, Serial
90 No. 193,779, I have claimed the construction of the cartridge for attachment to a ribbon.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim is—

1. A cartridge-box provided with a rest or
95 foot projecting from the lower side thereof and adapted to bear upon the leg of the user when in a kneeling position, in combination with a support provided with belts for attachment to the person and a sliding connection
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between the box and the support, whereby the former may reciprocate on the latter, substantially as described.

2. A cartridge-box, in combination with a
5 revoluble coil of ribbon having cartridges attached thereto, substantially as described.

3. A cartridge-box having a central stud, in combination with a revoluble coil of ribbon having cartridges attached thereto and a

thimble in the center of said coil, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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