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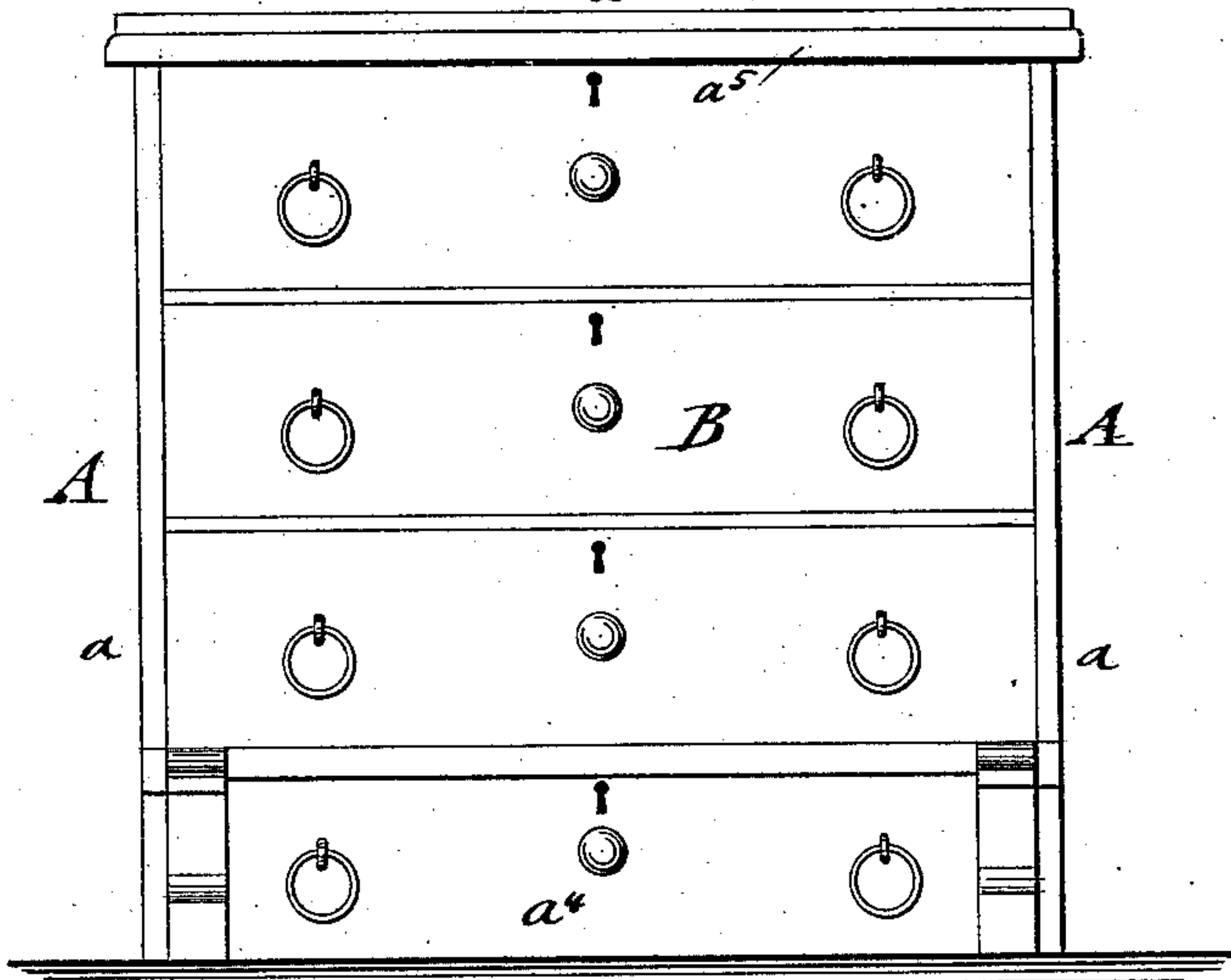
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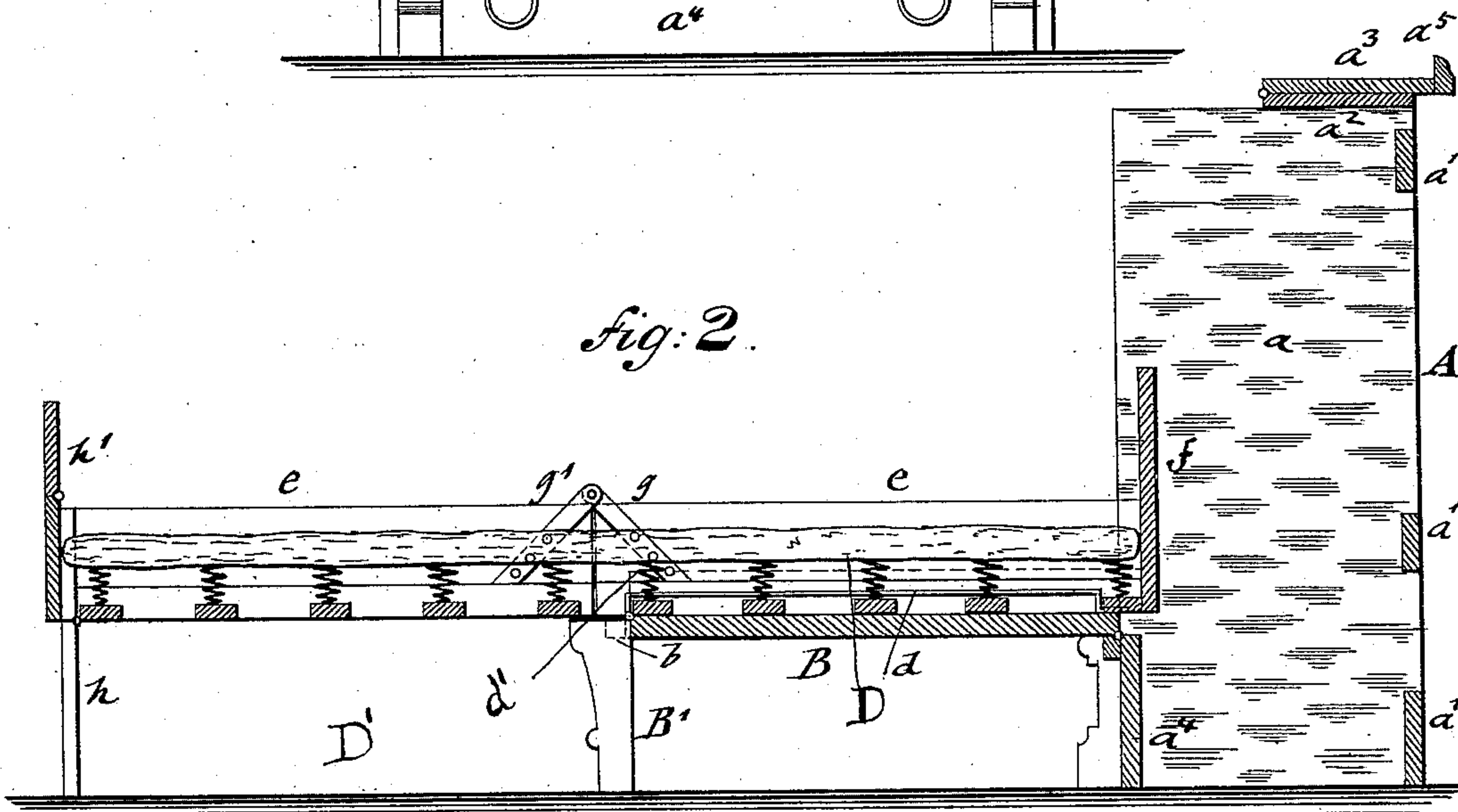
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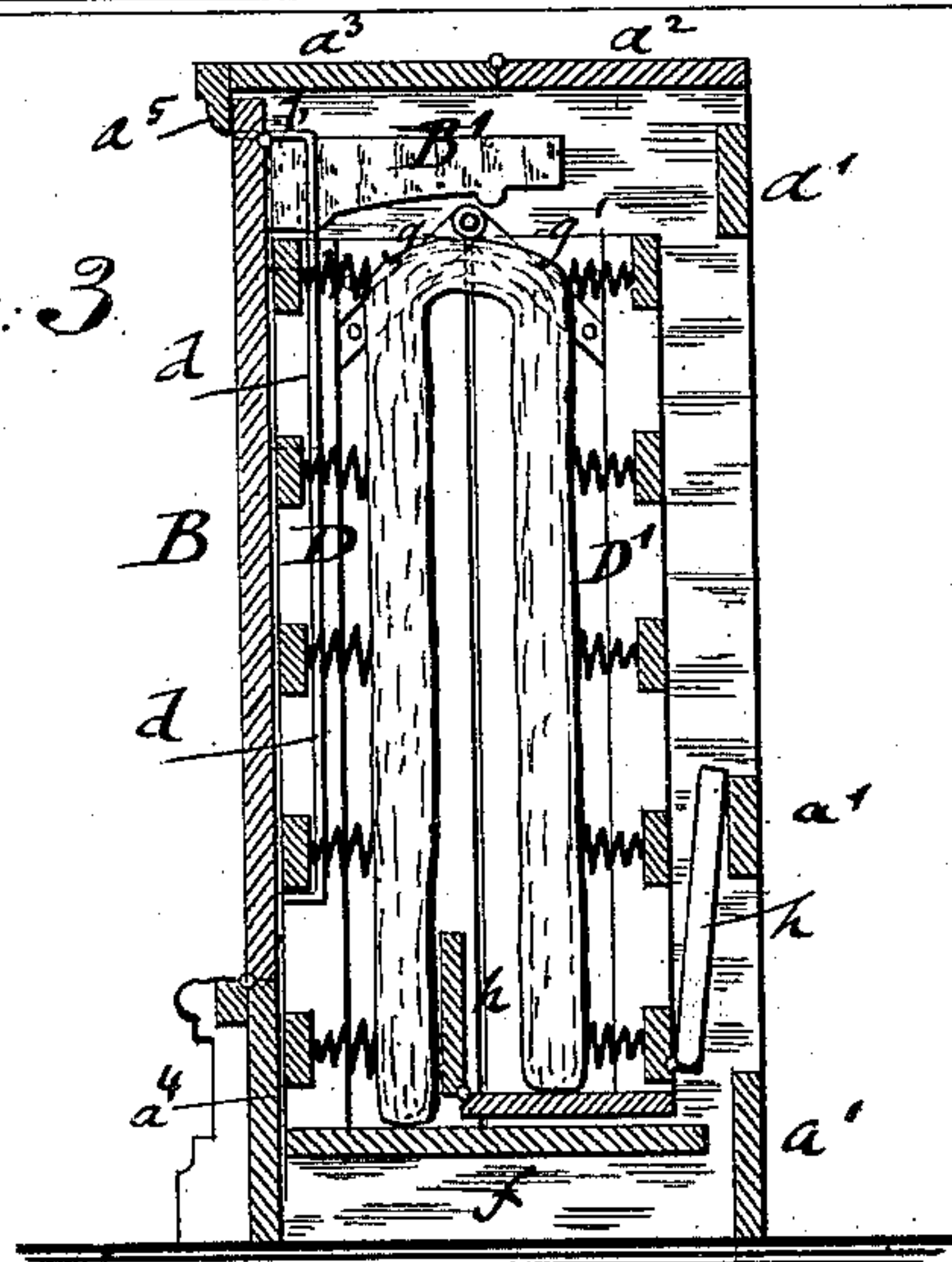
*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 3.*



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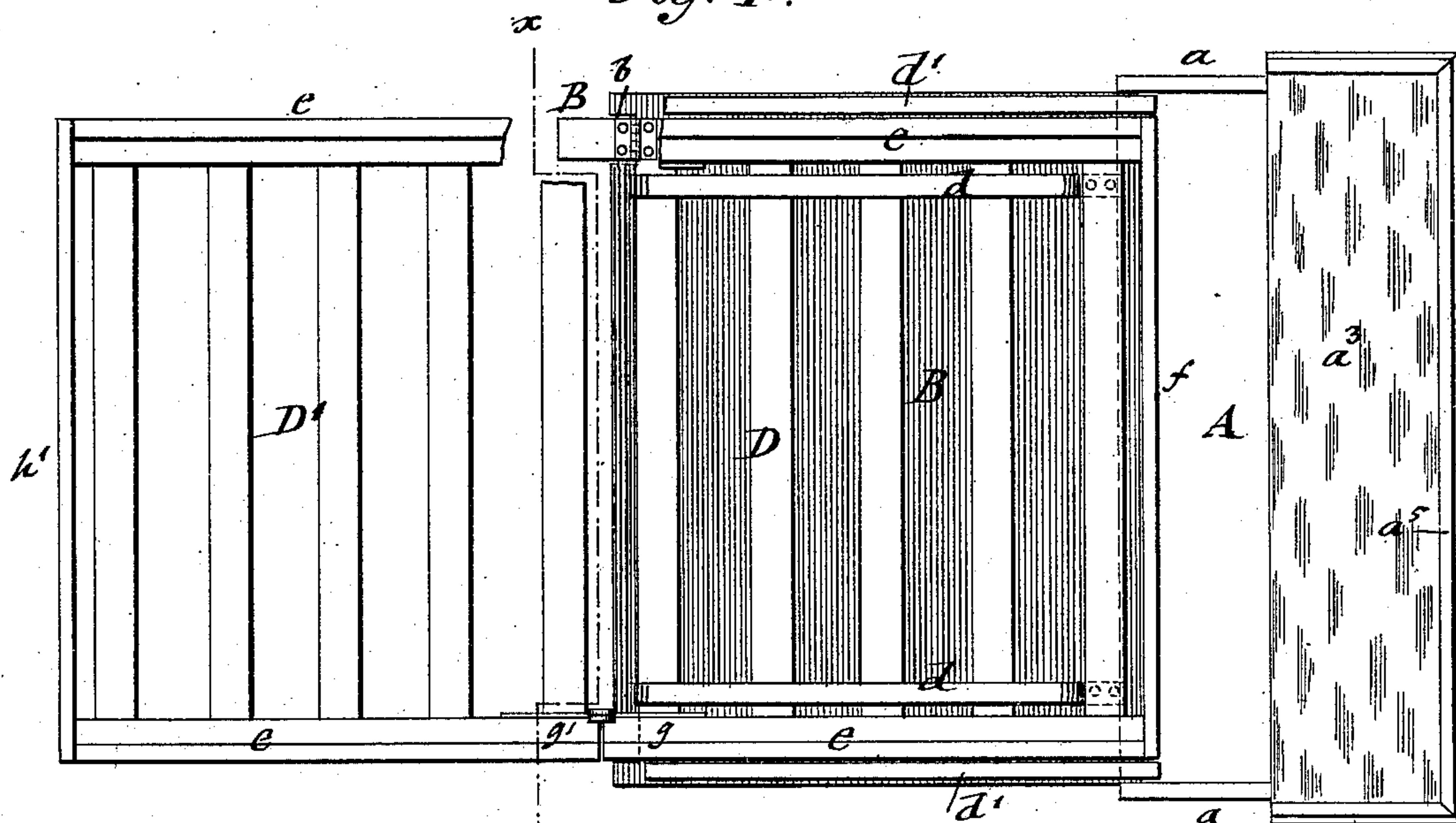
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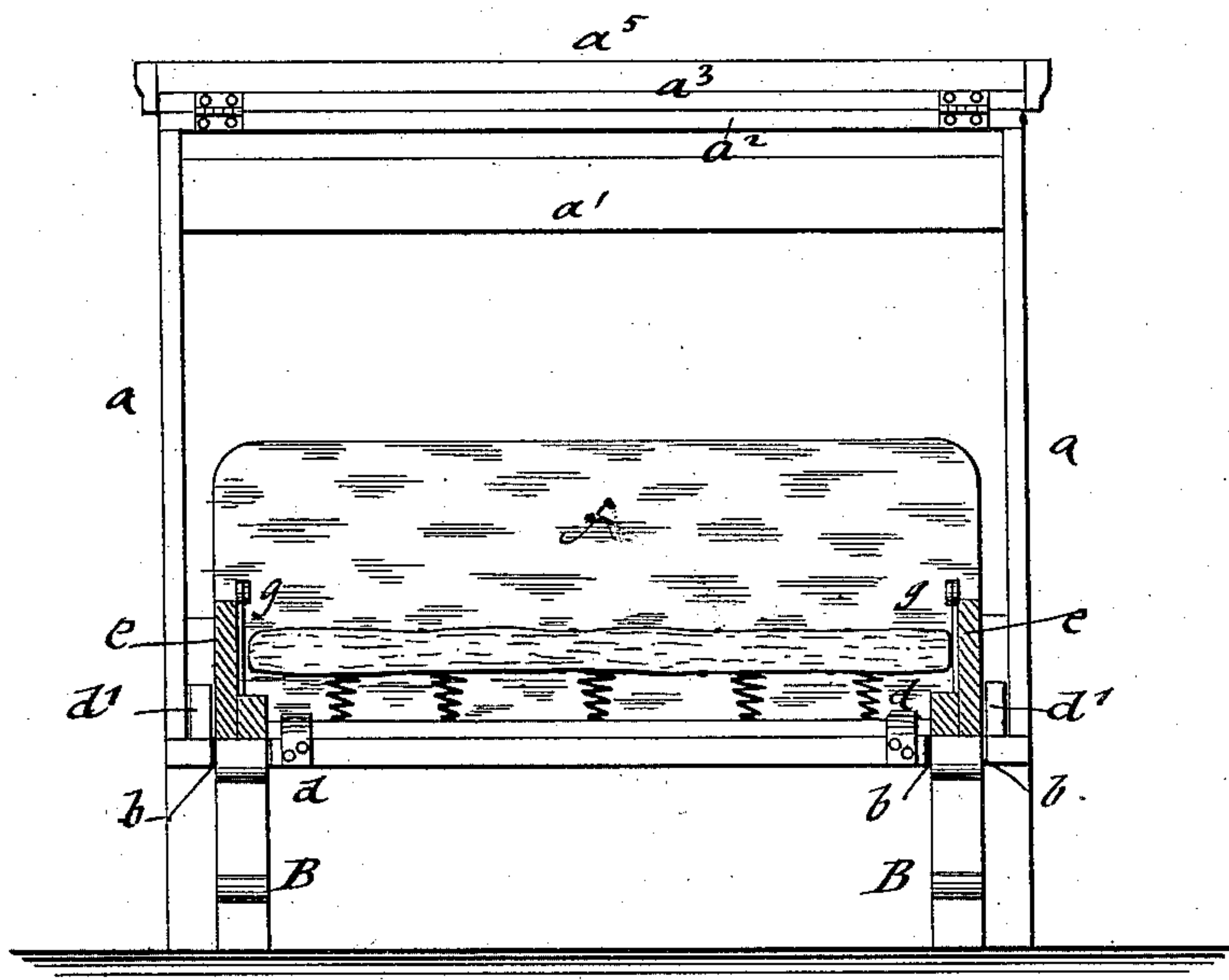
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*Fig. 5.*



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## BUREAU-BED.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ANTON KULICH, of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Bureau-Beds, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a folding bed of that class which can be folded up into the shape of a bureau and changed from the same to a bed in an easy and convenient manner; and the invention consists of a bureau-bed made of a supporting-casing or frame composed of vertical side walls, a hinged top lid, and a transverse front panel at the lower part of the frame of a front wall hinged to said front panel and provided with guide-straps and side guide-rails for the bed-sections. The bed-sections are hinged together at their adjoining sides, the head being provided with a fixed head-board and the foot-section with a hinged foot-board and hinged and folding legs. To recesses at the upper edge of the front wall of the supporting-frame are hinged legs, which extend below the adjoining edge of the foot-section, so as to support both bed-sections when they are placed into open position, but which are folded inwardly at right angles to the front wall when the hinged bed-sections are folded up and stored away in the supporting-casing.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 represents a front elevation of my improved bureau-bed. Figs. 2 and 3 are vertical longitudinal sections showing the same, respectively, in position as a bed and as a bureau. Fig. 4 is a plan of Fig. 2; and Fig. 5 is a vertical transverse section on line  $x-x$ , Fig. 4.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

Referring to the drawings, A represents the casing of my improved bureau-bed, which casing is made of two upright side walls,  $a$ , transverse rear pieces,  $a'$ , a fixed transverse top piece,  $a^2$ , a hinged top lid,  $a^3$ , and a transverse front panel,  $a^4$ , at the lower front part of the casing A.

To the upper edge of the front panel,  $a^4$ , is hinged a front wall, B, which, when placed in upright position, is retained by a lip or molding,  $a^5$ , of the hinged top lid,  $a^3$ , as shown in Fig. 3. The upper edge of the front wall, B,

is provided, near the corners thereof, with recesses  $b$ , and with supporting-legs  $B'$ , which are hinged to the front wall, B, at the inner edge of said recesses, said legs being of sufficient width to project beyond the upper edge of the front wall B when the legs are turned in outward direction into a position at right angles to the front wall of the casing, as shown in Fig. 2, or so as to bear against the same when they are turned inwardly at right angles to the front wall, as shown in Fig. 3. In this position the legs  $B'$  fill up the recesses  $b$  and form supports for the front wall, B, when the same is lowered into horizontal position, as shown in Fig. 2. The front wall, B, is provided at its inner side with two raised iron guide-straps,  $d$ , which are parallel to the sides of the front wall and rigidly screwed thereto, and which serve to guide the transverse bottom slats of the head-section D of the bed, as shown in Figs. 2, 3, and 4. The frame of the head-section D is provided with fixed side boards,  $e$ , and a fixed head-board,  $f$ , the frame being guided by the straps  $d$  and fixed side rails,  $d'$ , of the front wall, B, which side rails prevent the lateral motion of the head-sections D on the front wall, B.

To the head-section D is hinged a foot-section,  $D'$ , by inclined straps  $g$ , which are attached to the frames of said sections, as shown in Fig. 2. The foot-section  $D'$  is provided with hinged legs  $h$  and a hinged foot-board,  $h'$ . When the sections D  $D'$  are to be folded up and stored away in the supporting-casing A, the foot-section  $D'$  is first folded over the head-section D, and then both sections pushed forward sufficiently to permit the inward swinging of the legs  $B'$ . Both sections D  $D'$  are then lifted with the front wall, B, so that they slide slowly during the lifting operation on the straps  $d$  and rails  $d'$ , in downward direction along the front wall, until the next adjoining slats of the head-section D are stopped by the straps  $d$ , as shown in Fig. 3, which takes place when the front wall, B, arrives in upright position, and is retained by the lid of the casing A. In this position a bureau-bed is formed in which nearly the entire interior space is utilized for storing away the bed-sections, as shown in Fig. 3.

When it is desired to change the bureau



into a bed, the lid is opened, the front wall lowered, the legs B' turned in outward direction, so as to support the front wall, the folded foot and head sections moved forward on straps and guide-rails of the front-wall panel, the foot-section swung on its hinge-connection, with the head-section in horizontal position on a level with the same, as shown in Fig. 2, in which position both head and foot sections are supported on the legs B' as the same extend beyond the adjoining part of the foot-section D' and form bracket-shaped supports for the same without change of position, either laterally or in forward or backward direction, owing to the guide-recesses of the front wall, B, and the form of the foot-section D'.

The reliable support furnished by the legs B' to both bed-sections prevents the wobbling and shaking of the bed, and imparts stiffness to the bed even when moving the same over the floor. A very compact and easily-manipulated bureau-bed is thus obtained, which can be made at a comparatively low cost, as there are no expensive parts in it.

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

1. The combination of a supporting-casing having a front panel, a front wall hinged to the front panel and provided with raised guide-straps at the inner side, and folding head and foot sections, said head and foot sections being guided by said straps along the front wall, substantially as set forth.

2. The combination of a supporting-casing having a front panel, a front wall hinged to said front panel, raised guide-straps attached to the inner side of the front wall, legs hinged

to recesses at the upper edge of the front wall, and folding head and foot sections, the head-section of which is guided on the straps of the front wall, substantially as set forth.

3. The combination of a supporting-casing having a front panel, a front wall hinged to said front panel, raised guide-straps and side rails at the inner side of the front wall, legs hinged to the recesses at the upper edge of the front wall and adapted to be placed at right angles to the front wall, at either side thereof, and folding head and foot sections, the head-section of which is guided on the front wall, so that both sections can be more conveniently stored away in the casing, substantially as set forth.

4. The combination of a supporting-casing formed of upright side walls, a transverse front panel, and a hinged top lid having a retaining lip or molding, a front wall hinged to the front panel, raised guide-straps and side rails attached to the inner side of the front wall, legs hinged to the recesses at the upper edge of the front wall, a head-section guided along the front wall, and a foot-section hinged to said head-section, the legs of the front wall extending below the frame of the foot-section, so as to support the same when in extended position, substantially as set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention I have signed my name in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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