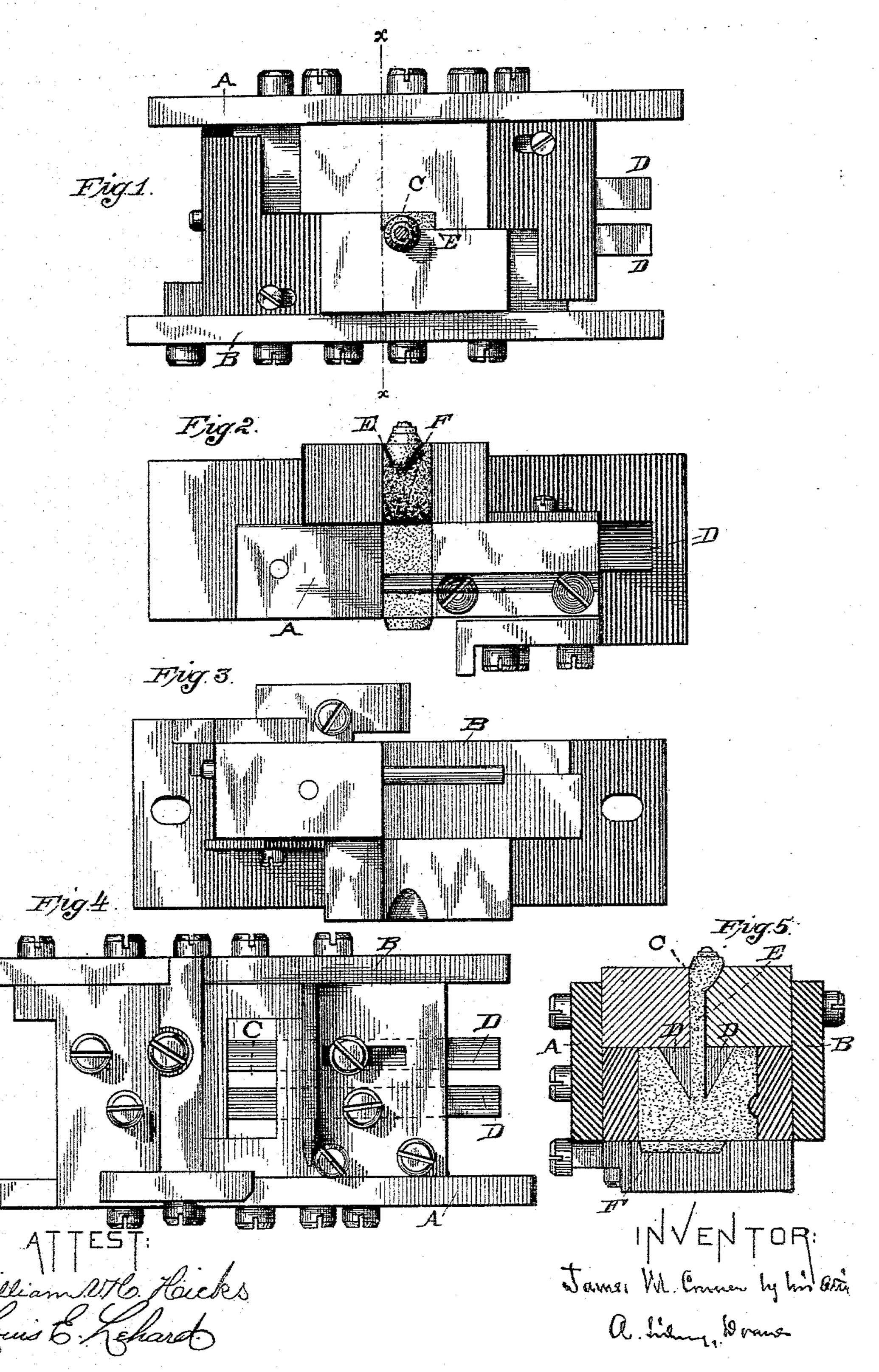
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES M. CONNER, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented Improvements in the Construction of 5 Molds for Casting Metal Type; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and correct description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making part of this specification, and to the letters of 10 reference marked thereon, in which-

Figure 1 is a top view of my improved mold. Fig. 2 is a view of one portion of the mold. Fig. 3 is a view of the other portion of the mold. Fig. 4 is a top view of the mold, the 15 type having been removed threfrom. Fig. 5 is a cross-section on the line x x, Fig. 1.

In the drawings like parts of the invention are designated by the same letters of reference.

The nature of the present invention relates to 20 improvements, as hereinafter set forth, in the construction of molds for easting metal type, the object of the invention being the production of a mold for casting metal type of the larger sizes—say, from what is technically 25 known as "four-line pica" upward—by which the types are cast with a hollow body, by which the weight of the body in each type cast | is materially reduced. To accomplish this I combine with a type-mold the movable pris-

30 matic strips, as hereinafter set forth. To enable those skilled in the arts to make and use my invention, I will describe the same.

A and B show, respectively, the two sections of which the type-mold is composed, and 35 Cshows the opening in the mold for the introduction of the molten metal from which the type is to be formed. The section A of the mold is provided with the strips on each side l

of a central plate, E, within which are fitted the movable prismatic strips D, the position 40 of which to each other and to the mold may be regulated as required by the screws a.

F shows a type as cast in the mold.

The operation may be thus described: The mold and the movable prismatic strips are ad- 45 justed to the width of the type to be cast, the metal enters the mold through the opening C, passes to the opposite side of the mold, and the letter is formed, the body of the letter being provided with the inclined sides ex- 50 tending from the central point to the base of the type and a "jet" formed of a strip depending from this central point and provided with a ball-like termination, as clearly shown in Figs. 2 and 5 of the drawings. 55 After the type has been removed from the mold this jet may be broken off, and the result is a type the weight of which is materially reduced by reason of the hollow body formed as shown. Thus a type of less weight, 60 and necessarily produced at a lower cost than if cast in the ordinary way, is produced.

Having now described my invention, I claim as new-

The combination, with a type-mold composed 65 of the sections A and B, of the movable prismatic strips D, placed in advance of the opening C, and between it and the opposite side of the mold, and central plate, E, constructed and operating substantially as and for the pur- 70 pose specified.

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