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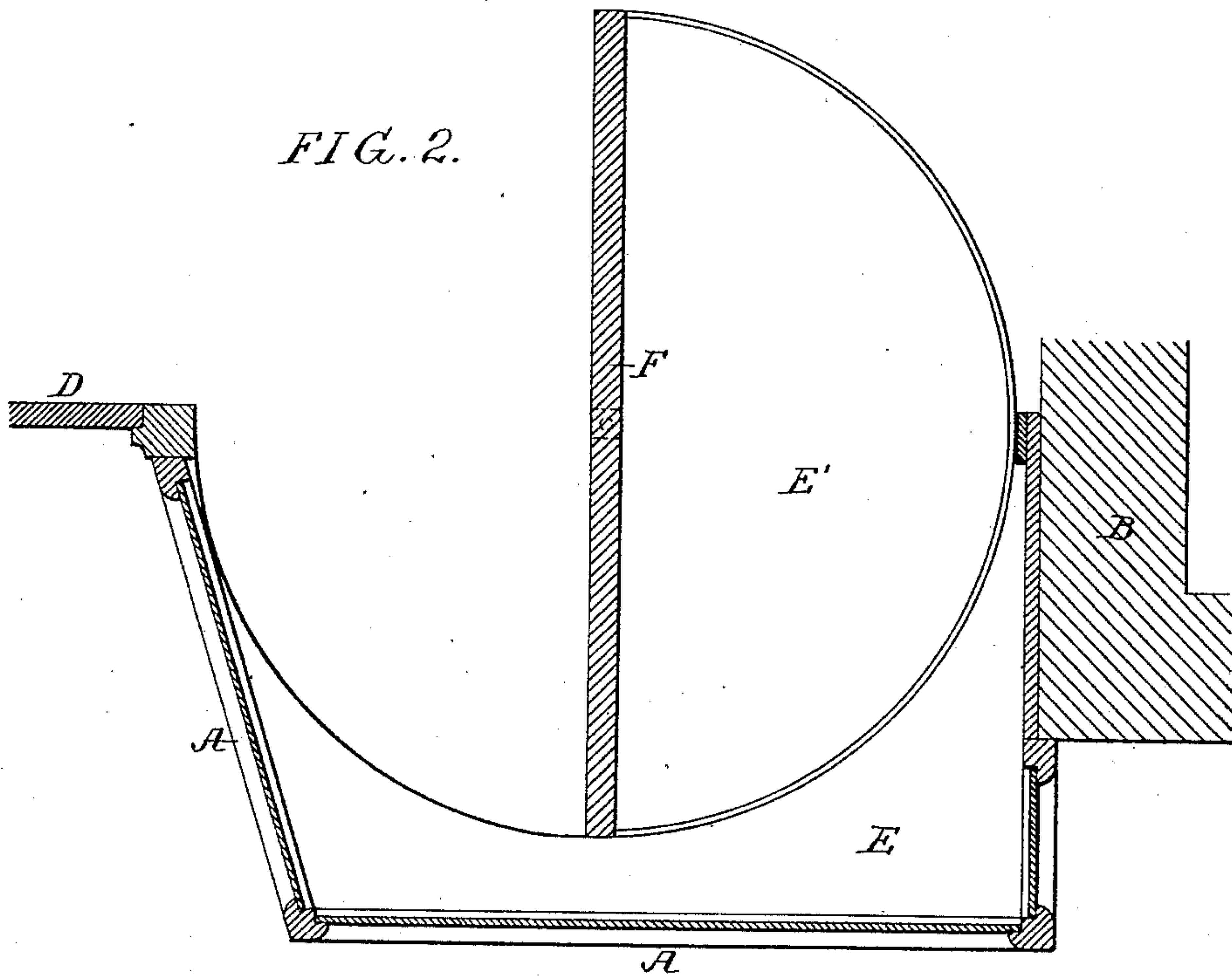
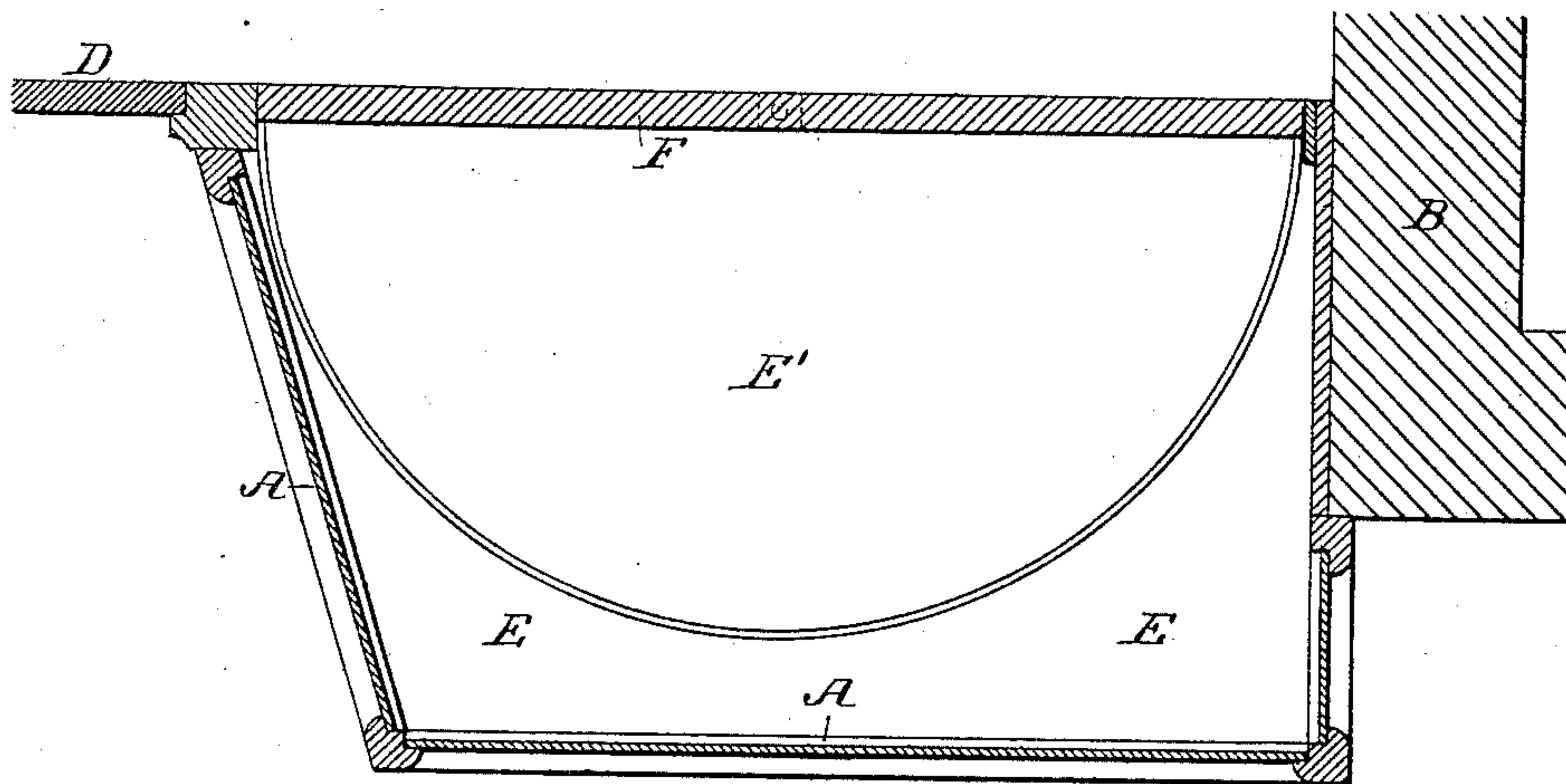


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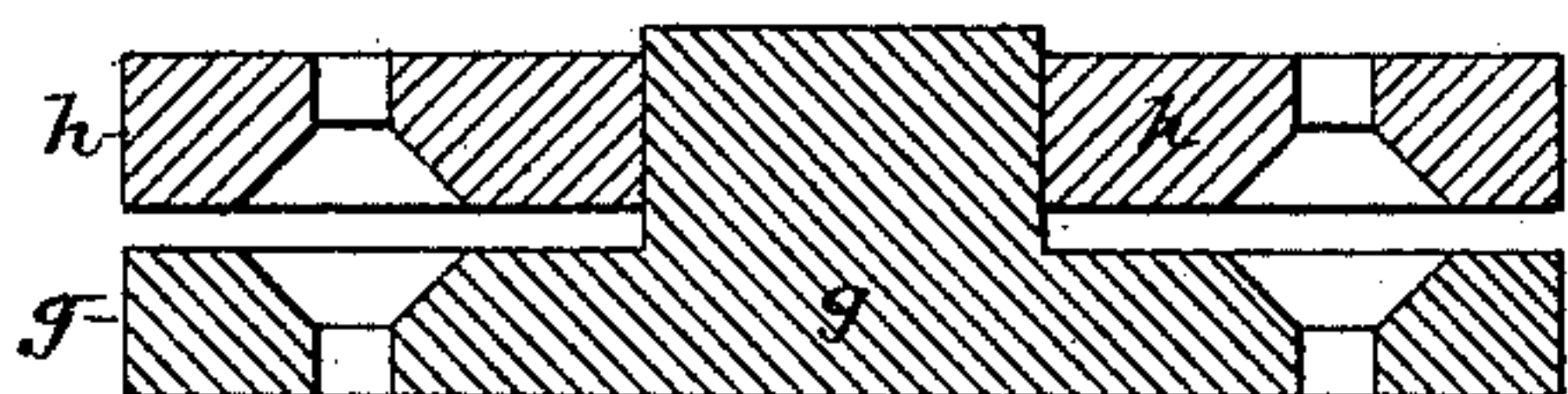


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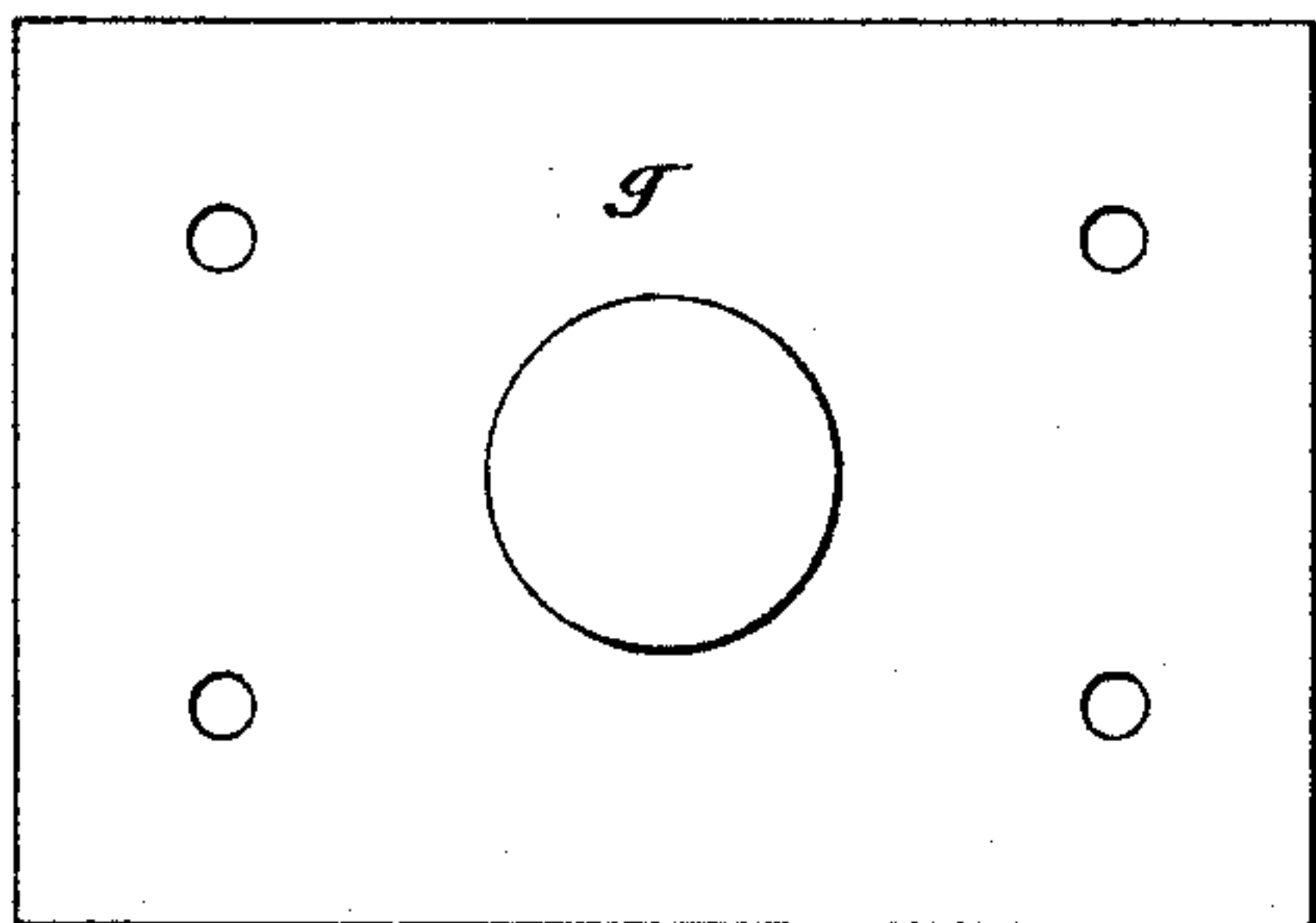
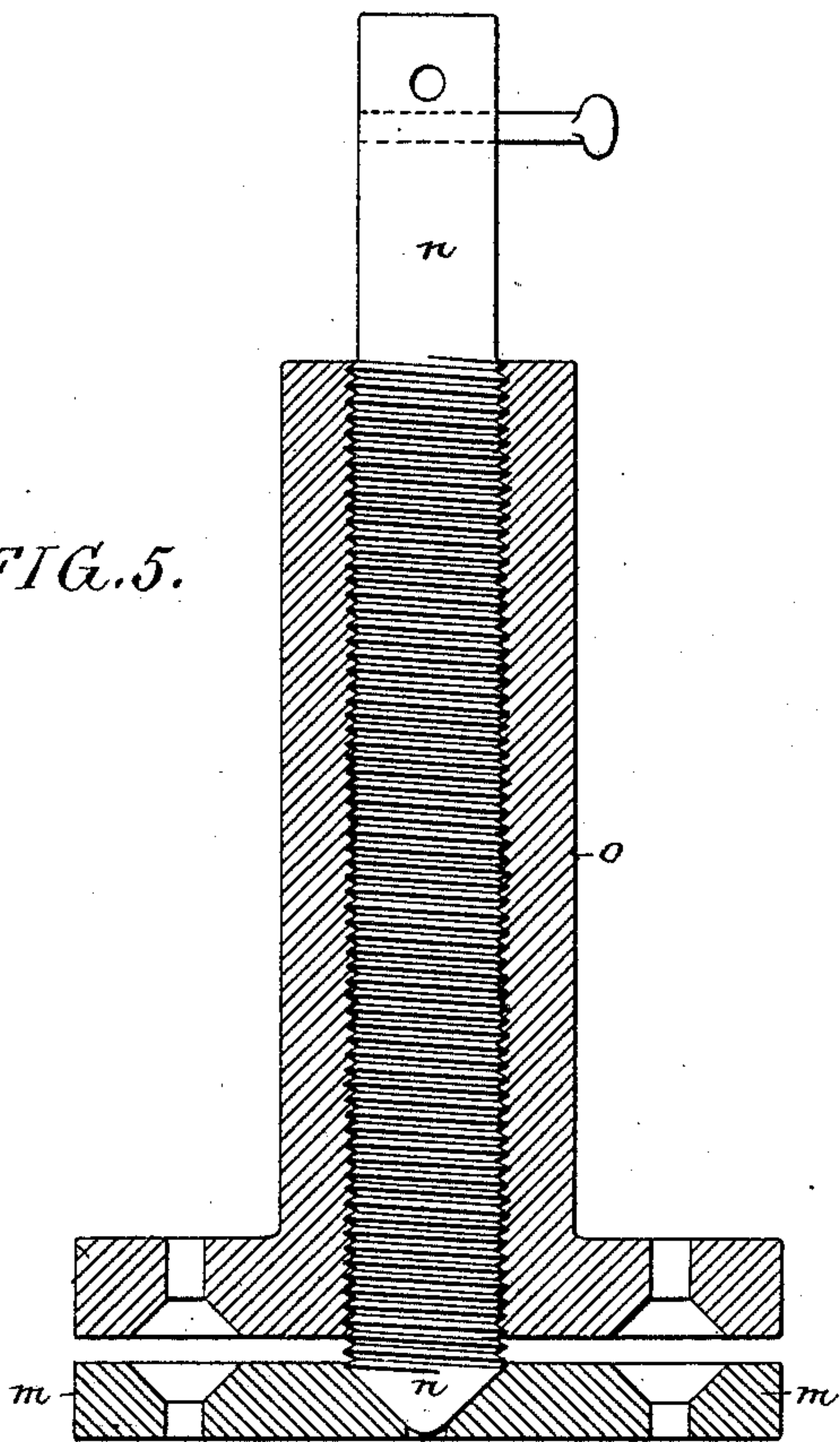


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SHOW-WINDOW.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN P. DOUGHTEN, a citizen of the United States, residing in Wilmington, Newcastle county, Delaware, have invented an Improved Show-Window, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to provide a store-window with a movable show-stand which, when opened out, will occupy less room within the store than movable show-stands as heretofore made and will also be more easily operated, and this object I attain in the manner which I will now proceed to describe.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a sectional plan view of a store-window provided with my improvement, and showing the stand in the closed position. Fig. 2 is a corresponding view showing the stand open. Fig. 3 is a vertical section of the stand, and Figs. 4 and 5 are enlarged sectional views of the pivoting devices I prefer to use for the top and bottom of the movable stand.

Movable show-stands have heretofore been provided for store-windows—as, for instance, that illustrated in the patent granted to me March 12, 1872, No. 124,555—but in such structures, so far as I am aware, the show-stand has been mounted to travel on rollers on the floor of the store, and the main part of the show-stand had to be pulled into the store when it was desired to get at the articles on the stand, and thus a large amount of floor-space had to be left for the show-stand within the store itself. The mounting of the stand upon rollers also caused such a shaking motion of the stand when it was pulled out that frequently articles would be shaken down from their supports when the stand was moved. To meet these objections I mount my show-stand on central pivots at top and bottom, so that when it is desired to get at the goods the stand can be easily turned around upon its pivots, as illustrated in Fig. 2, and the space required within the store for the movement of the stand, owing to the central pivoting thereof, will be greatly diminished.

In Figs. 1 and 2, A is the bulk-window of a store. B is the side wall, and D represents a portion of the door. E is the fixed portion

of the shelf or bottom of the show-window cut out, with a large circular recess for the reception of the corresponding shelf, E', carried by the movable back or partition F.

Any desired form of supporting rods or brackets—such as used in ordinary display-windows—may be provided, being secured either directly to the partition F or mounted on the stand; but I prefer, for the sake of firmness, to secure such rods or brackets both to the partition itself and to its display-shelf E', as indicated by dotted lines in Fig. 3. The partition F thus provided with a shelf or rods or brackets or other devices for displaying the goods constitutes what I may term an upright “exhibiting-partition” for the inclosing-back of the bulk-window of the store, and mounted on central vertical pivots.

The movable show-stand or exhibiting-partition thus constructed is mounted on central pivots, P P', at top and bottom, and for this purpose I prefer to use the pivoting devices illustrated more fully in Figs. 4 and 5. To the top of the partition is secured a plate, g, having a pivot-pin adapted to a corresponding bearing in a plate, h, while on the floor is secured a plate, m, having a tapering step-bearing for the reception of the tapering end of the adjustable pintle n on the partition F. This pintle is adjustable in the partition to make up for wear by being screw-threaded, and adapted to a correspondingly-threaded socket, o, secured to the partition F. By applying a suitable tool to the head of the pintle through a convenient slot left in the partition, Fig. 3, the pintle may be adjusted in its socket as found desirable.

I claim as my invention—

1. The herein-described show-window having inclosing its back an upright exhibiting-partition mounted on central vertical pivots on which it can be turned around, substantially as set forth.

2. A store-window having an inclosing-back composed of a partition mounted on central vertical pivots and provided with an exhibiting-shelf, substantially as set forth.

3. A store-window having an inclosing-back composed of a partition mounted on central

vertical pivots and provided with a shelf and rods or brackets on which the goods may be exhibited, substantially as described.

4. The combination of a store-window having a recessed fixed shelf with a centrally-pivoted inclosing-back carrying a corresponding circular shelf fitting and turning within the recess in the fixed shelf, substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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