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HEAD REST.

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Fig. 1.

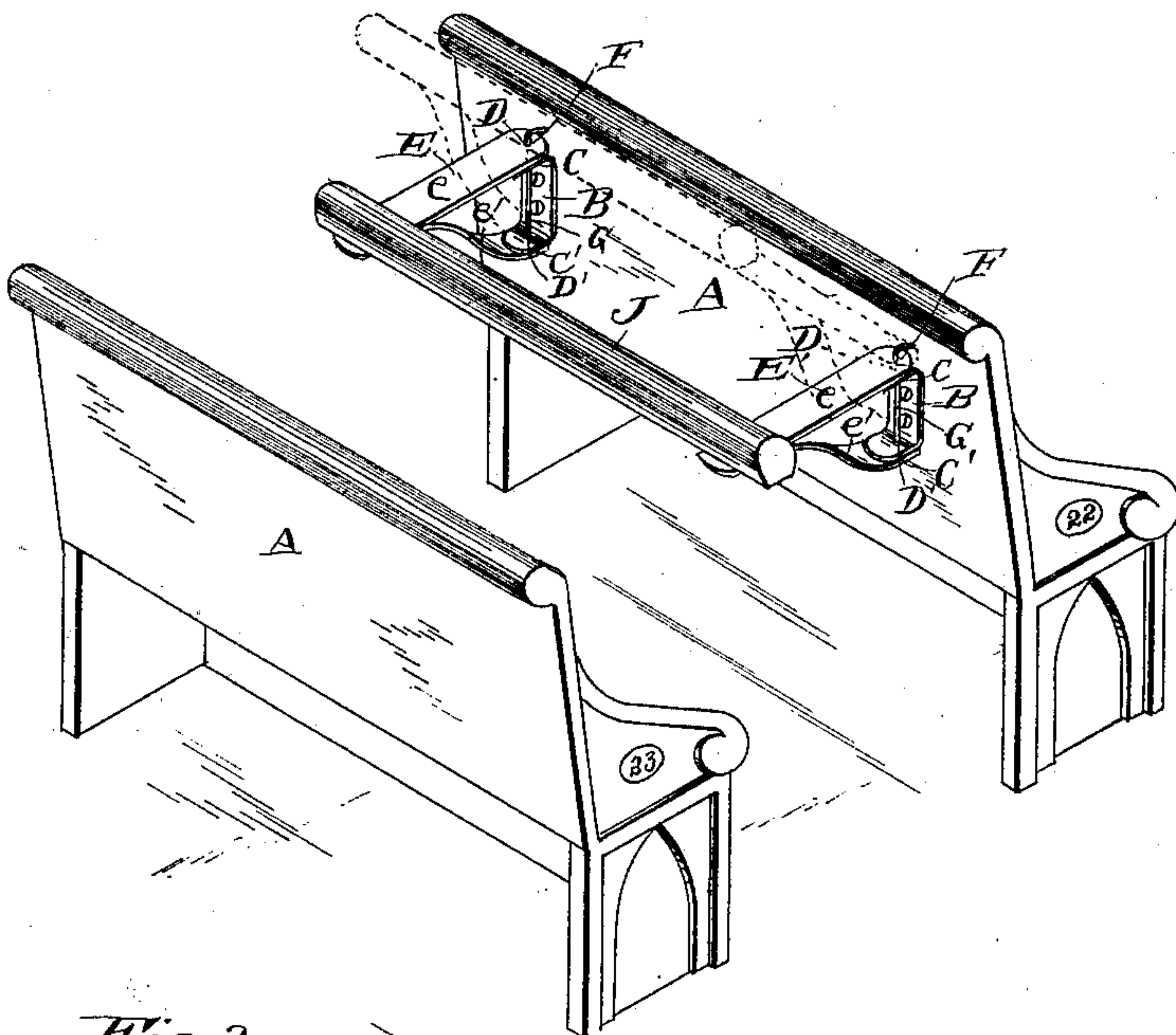


Fig. 2.

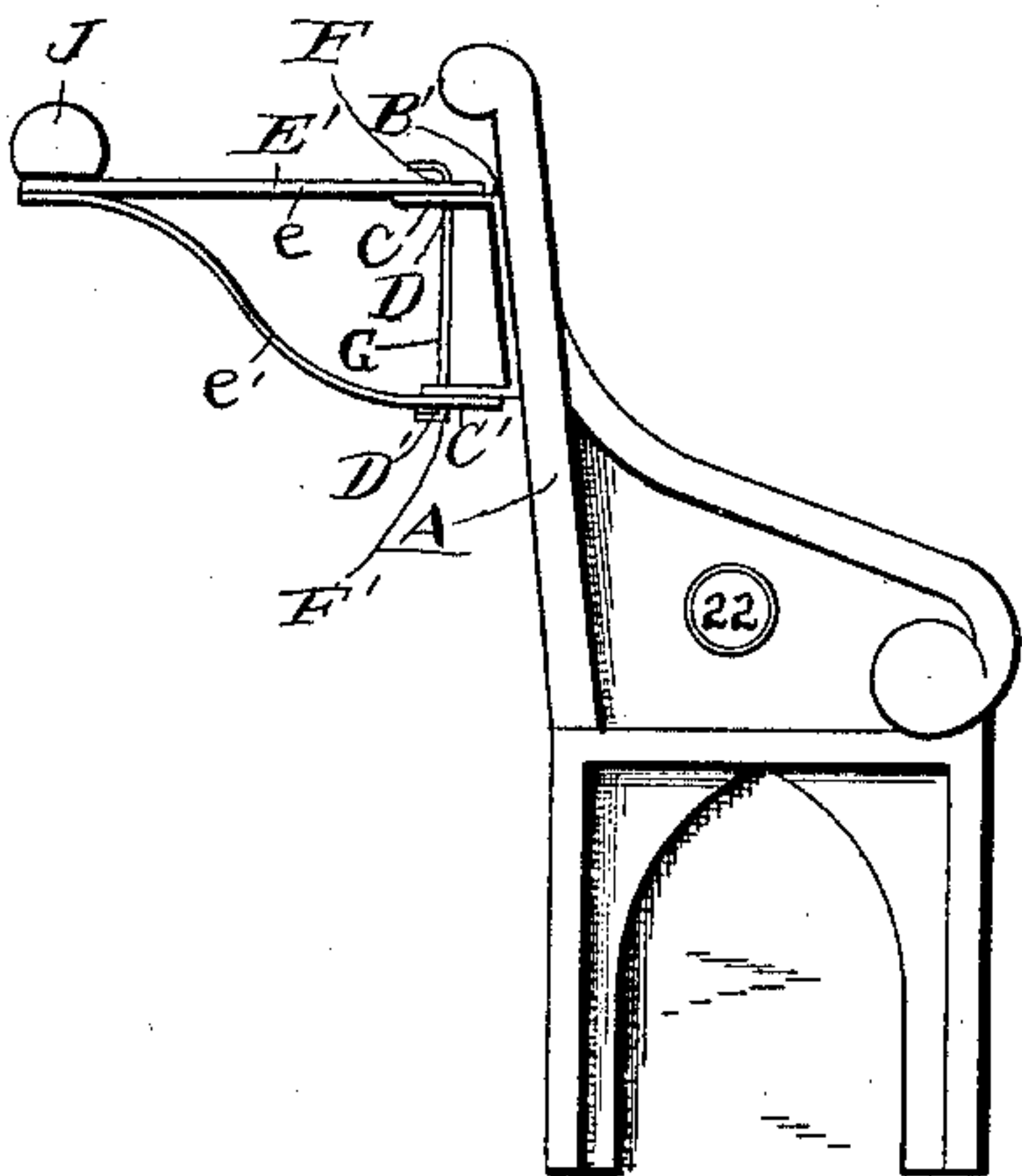
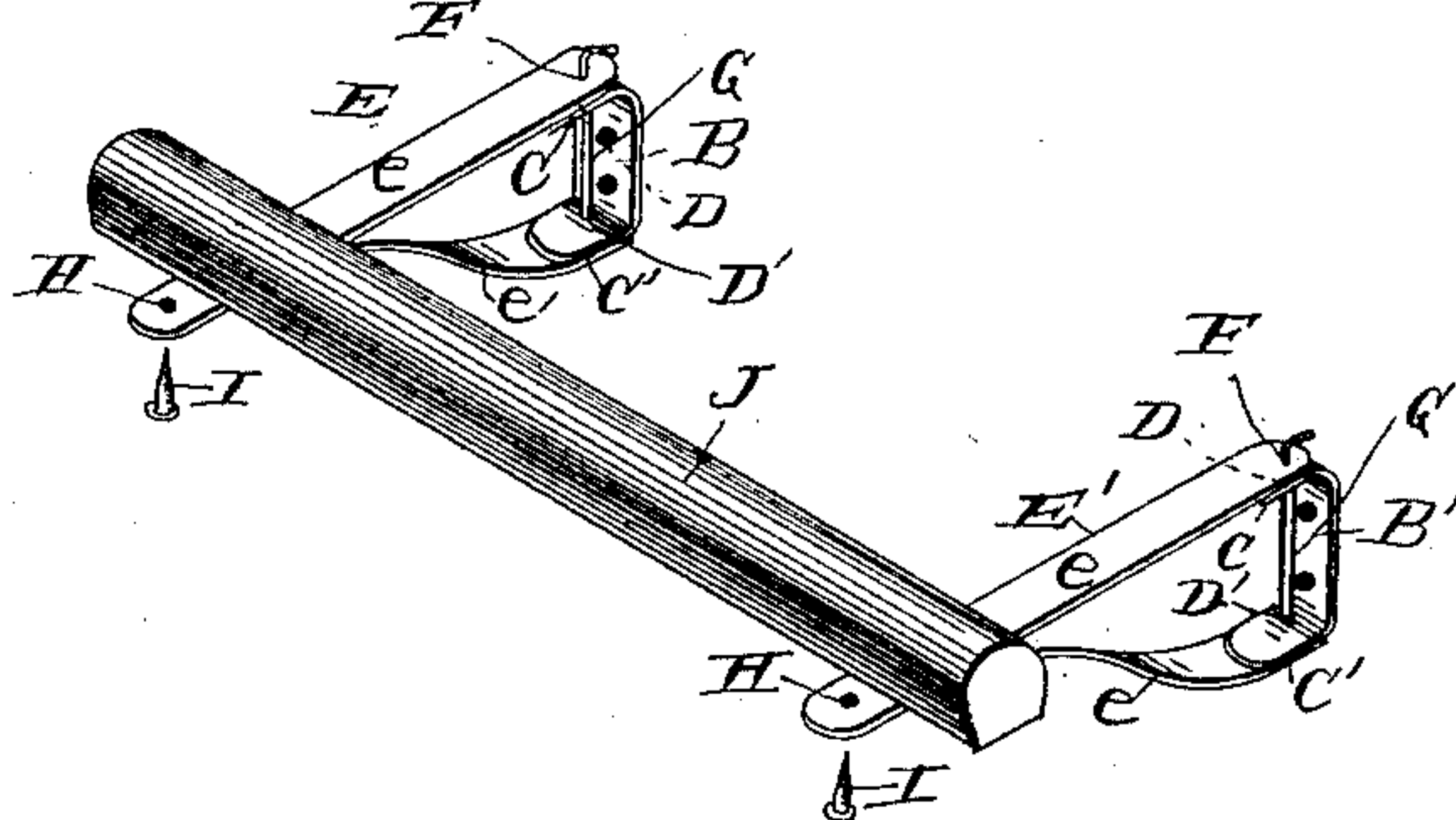


Fig. 3.



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HEAD-REST.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES H. YARRINGTON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Cheshire, in the county of New Haven and State of Connecticut, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Head-Rests, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in head-rests; and it consists in the details of construction, combination, and arrangement of parts, as hereinafter described, and particularly pointed out in the claims.

The primary object of my invention is the provision of a head-rest especially adapted for attachment to the back of a pew, to support the head during the devotional exercises of church.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved head-rest attached in position to a pew. Fig. 2 is an end view; and Fig. 3 is a view of the bracket and attaching-plate detached from the pew.

Referring to the drawings, in which similar letters of reference denote corresponding parts in the several figures thereof, A designates a portion of the back of a church-pew to which my improved head-rest is applied.

B and B' designate metal plates, which may be constructed of brass, iron, or steel, as preferred. These plates B and B' are turned outward at their upper and lower ends to form the angle plates, arms, or extensions C and C', and are secured to the back of the pew by screws or like fastening means, which pass through the openings in the plates provided for the same and firmly secure the plates in position. The extensions or arms C and C' are provided with openings D and D', which openings are in alignment with each other.

E and E' designate supporting-brackets, which consist of the straight arm *e* and the inclined or curved arm *e'*. These arms, which form the two branches of the brackets, are secured together at their front or outer ends, and at their rear or inner ends the arms are separated and left open. In the open end of these arms are provided perforations F and F', which are aligned with each other.

Through the aligned openings D and D' of the arms C and C' and the openings F and F'

in the free or open ends of the arms *e* and *e'* is passed a rod or bolt, G, which secures the brackets E and E' to the plates B and B', and also forms a pivot to allow the ready and easy lateral movement of the said supporting-brackets on the plates.

In the outer ends of the supporting-brackets are provided openings H, through which openings pass screws or bolts I, to secure a rod or supporting-bar, J, upon the upper face of the said supporting-brackets. This supporting bar or rod J may be covered with cloth or other soft material, to afford an easy and comfortable rest for the head; or the entire head-support may be covered by a cushion.

Heretofore it has been the common practice to rest the head upon the back of the pew or to place the hands upon the pew-back and support the head upon the same during prayer. The first expedient is very objectionable, for the reason that it is very uncomfortable to rest the head upon the hard wood of the pew, while in the latter plan, when the head is rested upon the hands, it is equally objectionable, from the fact that the weight of the head upon the fingers is uncomfortable. By the employment of my device these objectionable features are entirely overcome, as I provide a head-rest which can be attached to any pew and which will form an easy support for the head.

It will also be seen that my head-rest takes up but very little room, and when it is not in use it can be swung against the back of the pew and be entirely out of the way. It is also neat and ornamental in appearance, and can be attached very readily in position and without much expense.

When the device is not in use, it is swung horizontally toward the back of the pew and folds directly against the same. This action is facilitated by reason of the vertical pivot-pins G', as will be readily understood.

I claim—

1. As a new article of manufacture, a head-rest comprising suitable supporting-brackets pivotally attached to the back of a pew and a rest pivotally attached to the brackets for supporting the head, as set forth.

2. The herein-described head-rest, comprising the plates B and B', secured to the back of

the pew, and suitable supporting-brackets carrying a supporting bar or rest pivoted to the brackets, said brackets being pivotally connected to the plates, as set forth.

5 3. In combination with the plates B and B', having arms or extensions C and C', the supporting-brackets E and E', pivotally connected to the arms of plates B and B' by a rod or bolt, G, and a bar or rest, J, pivoted to and connect-
10 ing the brackets E E', as set forth.

4. In combination with the plates B and B', having the arms C and C', of the supporting-

brackets E and E', comprising rods or arms e and e', having openings F and F' and pivoted to the arms or plates B and B', and a rod or bar, 15 J, pivoted to and carried by the brackets and serving as a rest for the head, as set forth.

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

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