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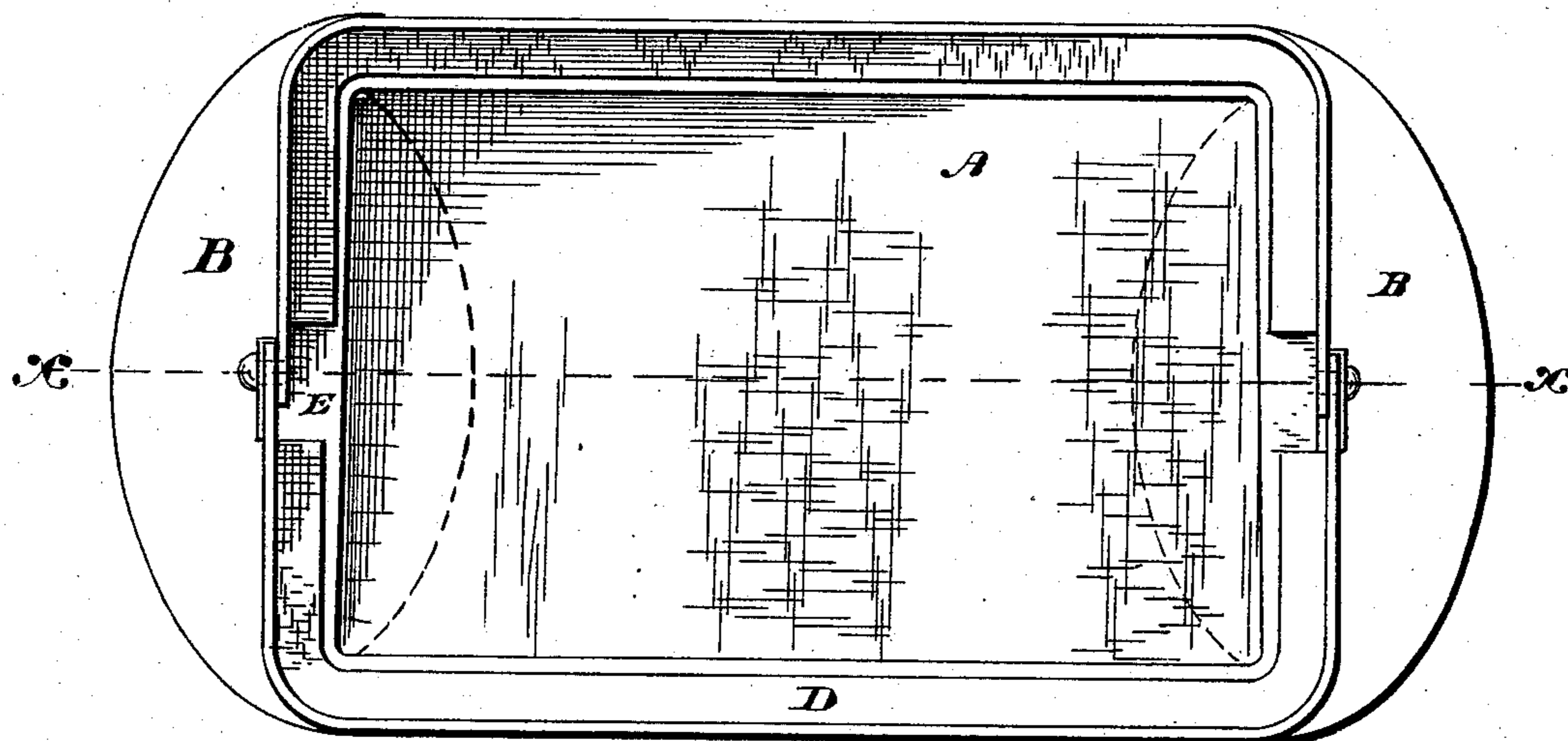


Fig. 1.

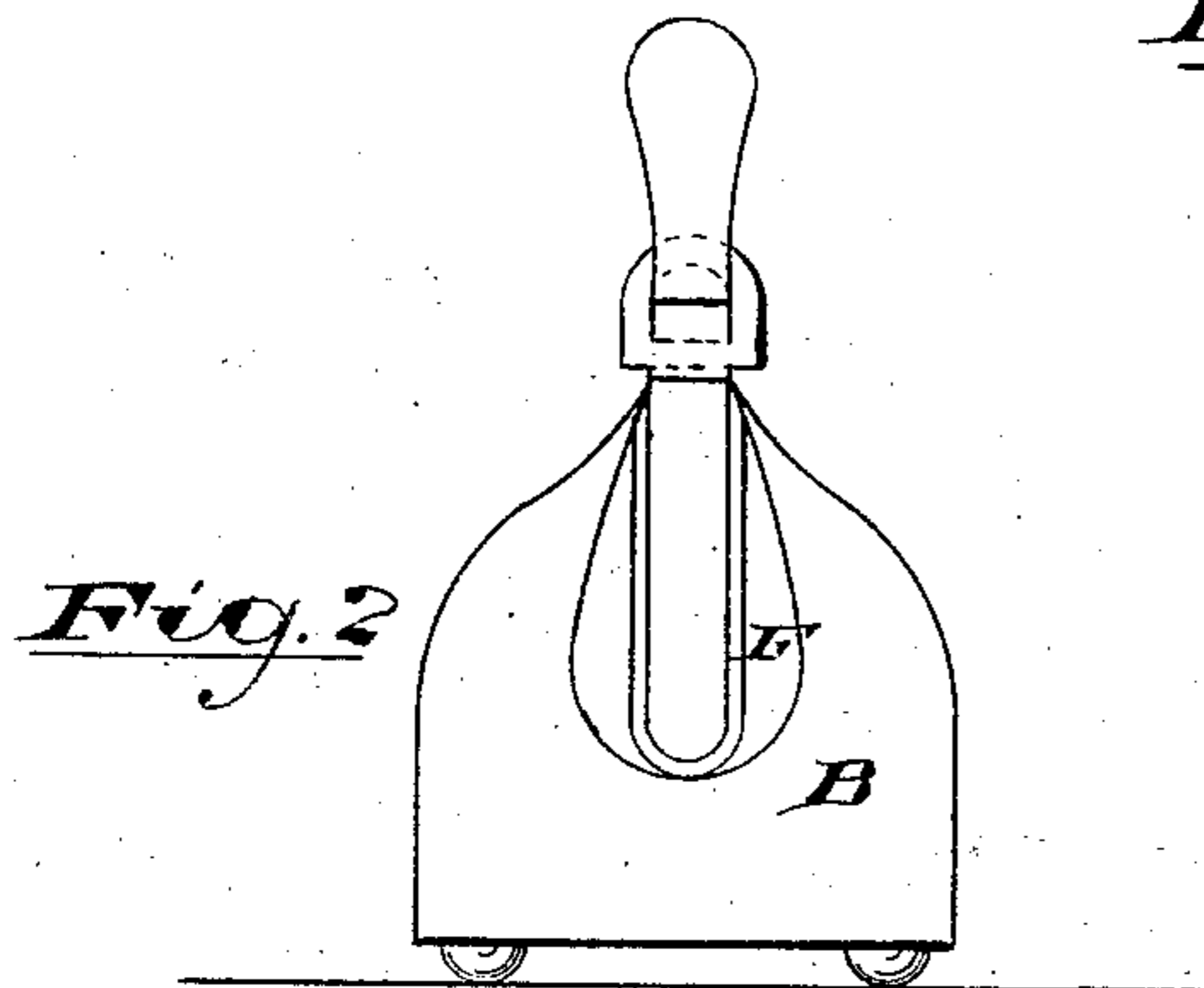


Fig. 2.

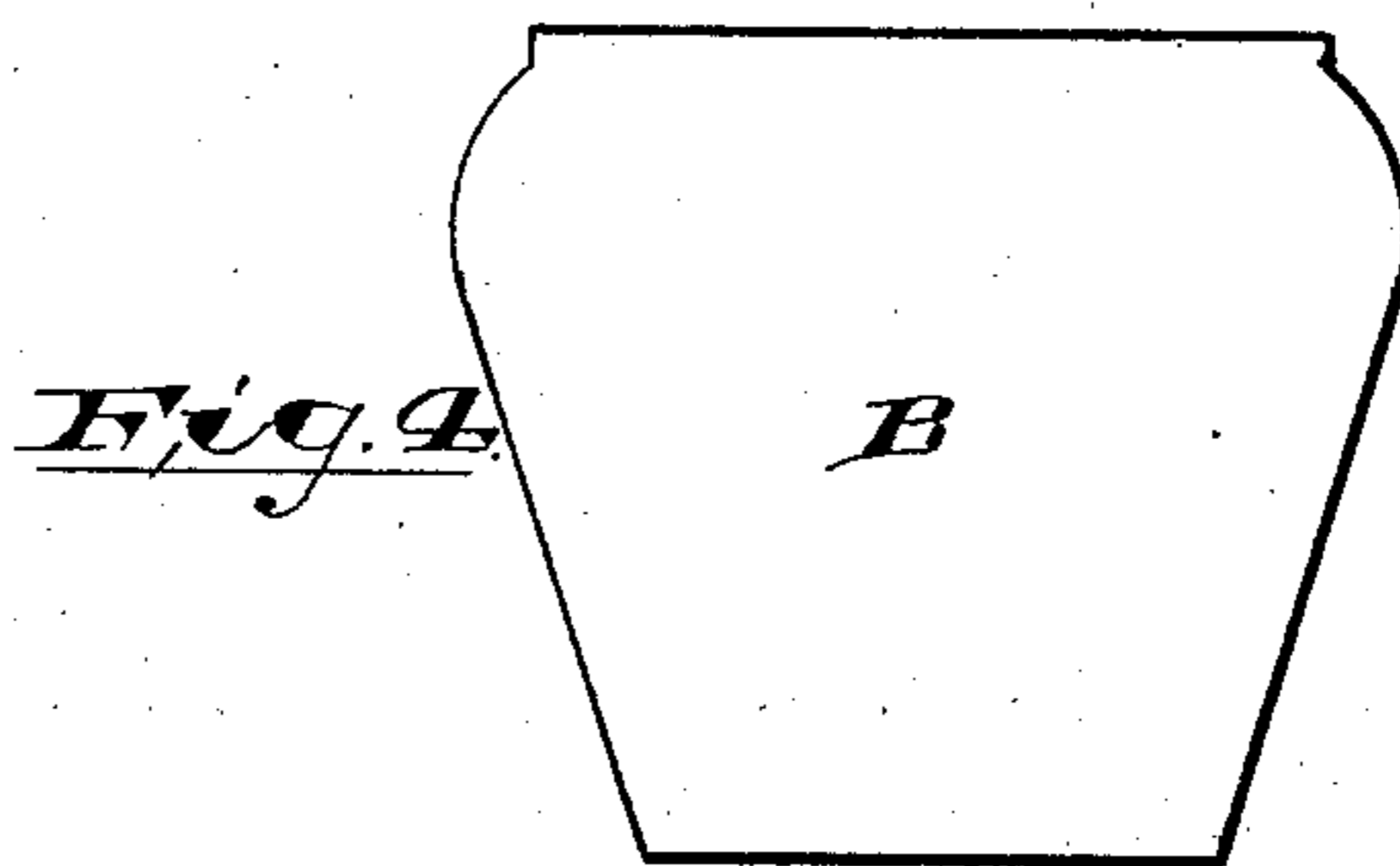


Fig. 4.

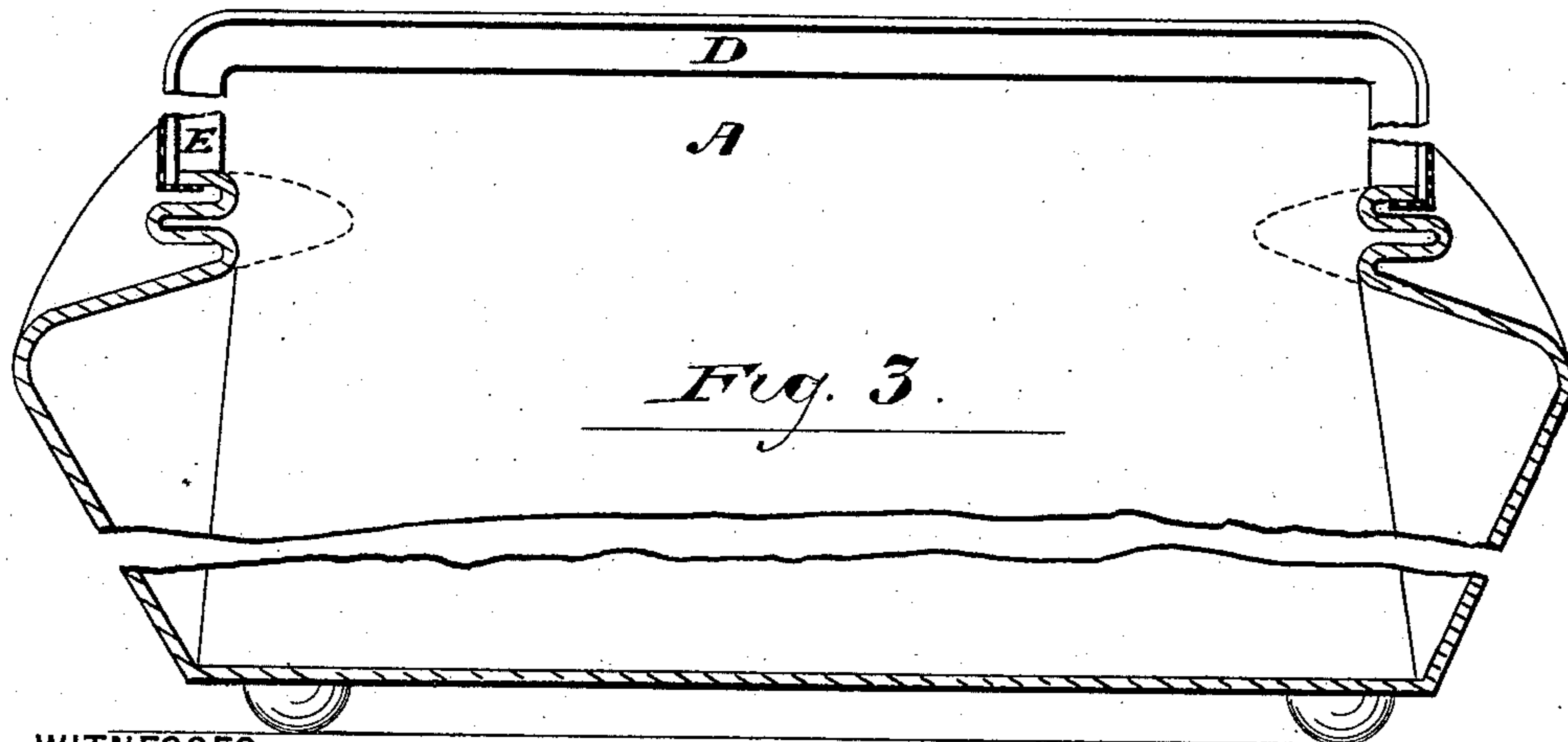


Fig. 3.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES OSWALD, a citizen of the United States, residing at Newark, in the county of Essex and State of New Jersey, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Satchels or Traveling-Bags; 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 the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

The object of this invention, which relates more especially, though not exclusively, to what are known as "club" bags, is to overcome an objection which exists in respect to bags and satchels of this character as heretofore constructed—to wit, the contraction of the mouth of said bags; and it consists in certain novel features of construction by which said objection is entirely removed and the bag at the same time rendered more sightly and symmetrical.

The improvement will be hereinafter shown and described, and finally pointed out in the claim.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, in which similar letters of reference indicate like parts in each of the several figures, Figure 1 represents a plan view, the mouth being open, of a satchel embodying my improvement; Fig. 2, an end view; and Fig. 3, a vertical longitudinal section through line X of Fig. 1. Fig. 4 represents the form of a blank from which the end pieces or gussets are blocked or folded into the required shape.

In said drawings, A represents the sides of the bag, B the end pieces or gussets, and D E the frame. Said sides and frame are constructed in the usual manner, the improvement being more especially connected with the formation of the end pieces or gussets.

As heretofore constructed a considerable portion of the stock of the end pieces or gussets where they connect with the frame pro-

jects inside of the bag, as indicated by the dotted lines in Figs. 1 and 3, thereby taking up from three to six inches of valuable space, according to sizes of bags, at the mouth thereof, contracting the same, and forming a serious obstruction when filling the bag. In order to remove this obstruction, I form in said end pieces or gussets one or more folds, as F, or what may be termed a "double fold," and project the same outward, as indicated in Fig. 3. This is done upon a block or form of corresponding shape, as will be readily understood. One or more of such folds may be formed, and in this way the fullness or surplus stock, which heretofore has projected inside the bag, is taken up and thrown outside, at the same time improving the appearance of the bag.

The gusset may be formed from one piece, cut in the usual shape, as shown in Fig. 4, or it may be from two or more pieces joined or sewed together, as will be obvious. The gussets are sewed or otherwise secured to the sides and bottom of the bag, and secured to the frame in the usual manner, and extend outwardly when the satchel is open, as shown. The fold or folds are arranged at the sides and around the bottom of the ends of the frame, which arrangement will be clearly understood by referring to Figs. 2 and 3.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new is—

In a satchel, a gusset having therein one or more outwardly-projecting folds, as F, adjacent to the end of the frame of said satchel, said gusset being secured to said frame and to the sides and bottom of the satchel, and expanding outwardly when the satchel is opened, as described, and for the purposes herein set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand this 8th day of February, 1887.

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