

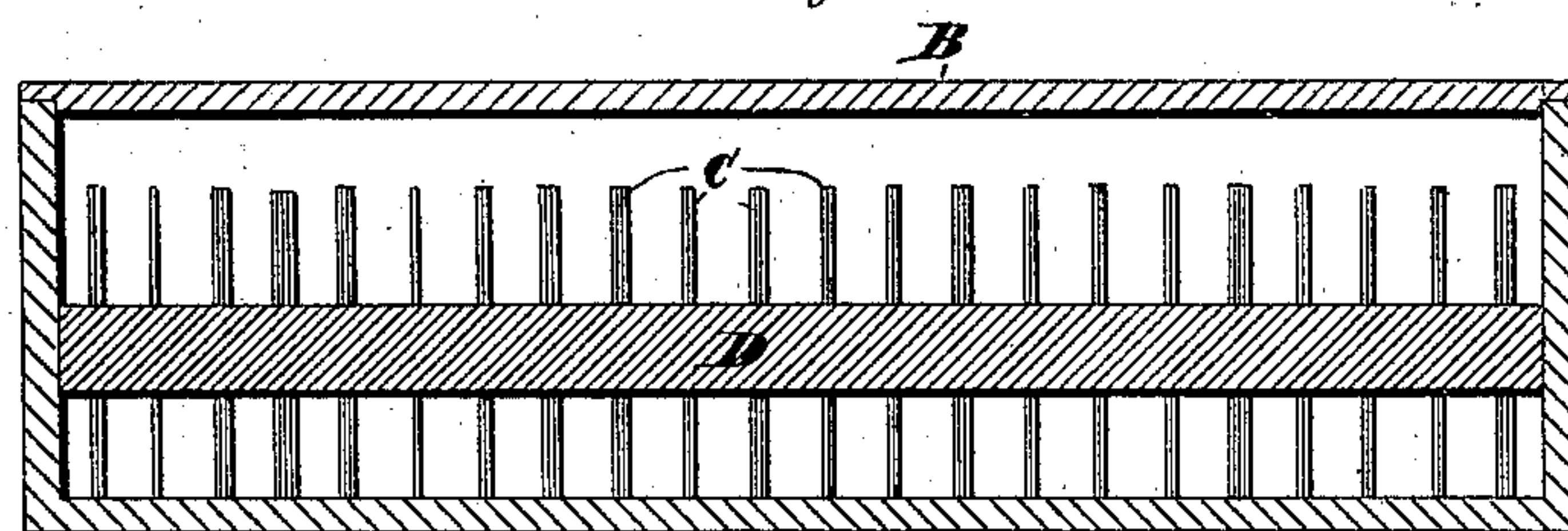
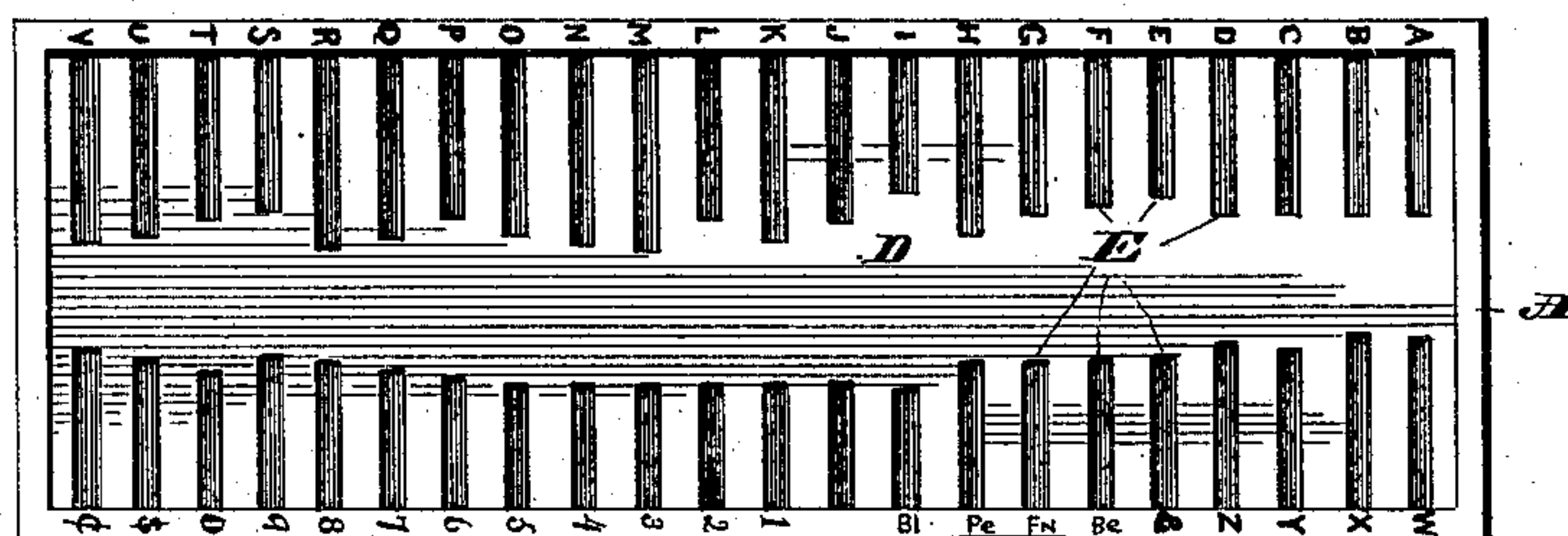
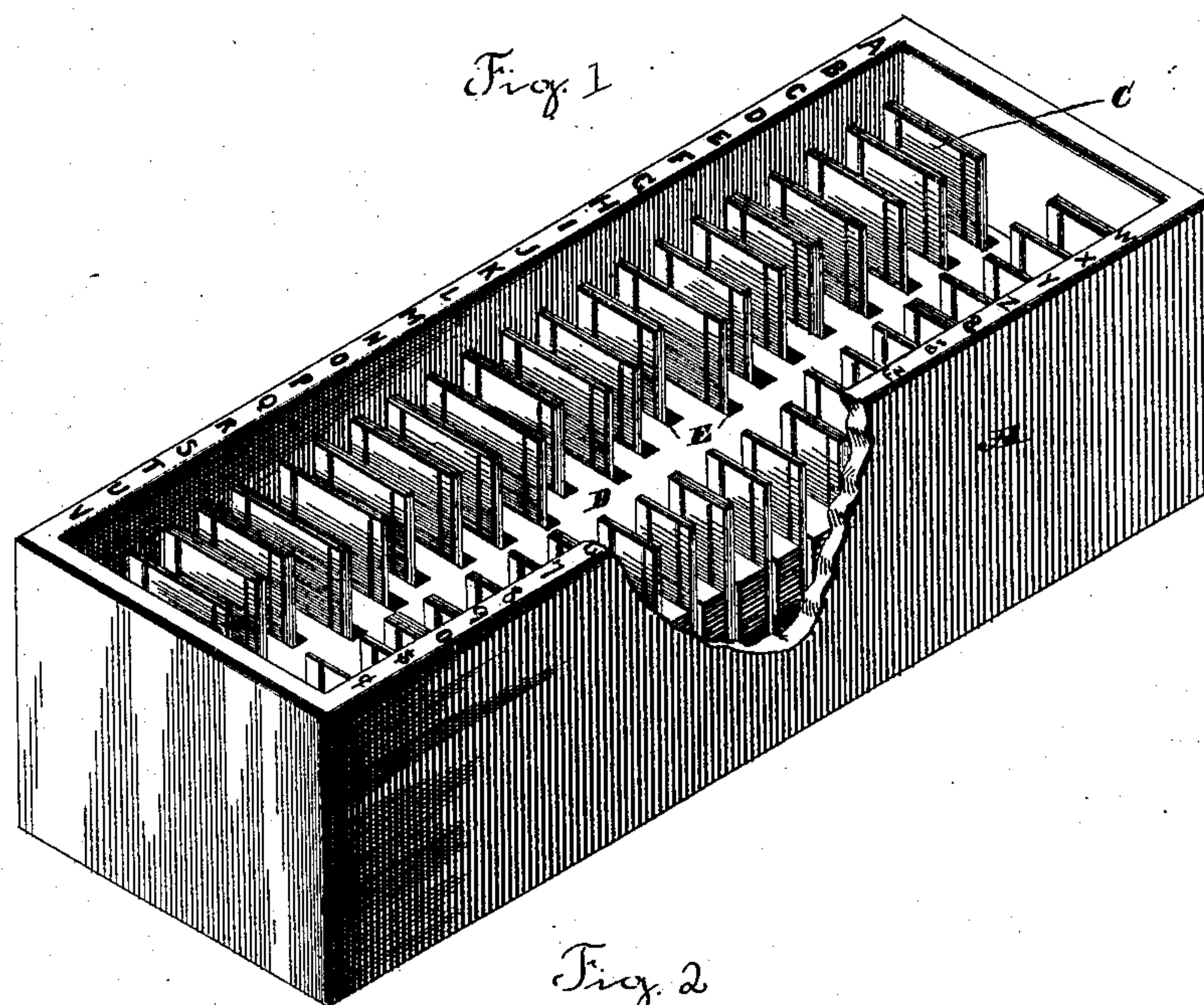
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SAMUEL G. MONCE, residing at Bristol, in the county of Hartford and State of Connecticut, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Portable Compartment-Cases for Interchangeable Lock-Stencils; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification.

My invention relates to an improvement in portable compartment-cases for interchangeable lock-stencils, the object being to produce an article which shall be simple and cheap in construction, durable and convenient in use, and combine the functions of a case and shipping-package.

With these ends in view my invention consists in a box adapted in depth for the stencils to stand upright in it, and a core located in such box and parallel with the bottom and cover thereof, and having its opposite edges transversely slotted to receive the stencils.

My invention further consists in certain details of construction and combinations of parts, as will be hereinafter described, and pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a case embodying my invention with the cover removed. Fig. 2 is a plan view thereof with the cover and stencils removed, and Fig. 3 is a view of the case in vertical central longitudinal section with the cover in place.

The box A is of oblong rectangular form, provided with a cover, B, and made of sufficient depth for the stencils C to stand up in it. The upper edges of its sides are provided with characters corresponding to and identifying all of the stencils, such characters being concealed and protected by the cover when the case is not in use and exposed to aid in the selection of the stencils when the cover is removed.

The core or rack D consists, as herein shown, of a strip of wood secured in the said box just

below the center and parallel with the cover and bottom thereof, with a space above and below it, and having each of its edges intersected by a series of transverse slots, E, varying in depth or in their inward extension, and so adapted to the width of the stencils, adapted in width to receive duplicate plates, if desired, sufficiently separated for the ready removal and restoration of the stencils, and arranged in alignment with the characters aforesaid, so that the stencils may be selected by simply consulting the same.

If desired, the core may consist of a block, slotted as described, but made thicker and resting upon the bottom of the box.

A case made in accordance with my invention forms a compact and neat shipping-package for the stencils, and as a case is very convenient and saves much time from the facilities it offers of selecting the plates.

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

1. A portable case for stencils having a box adapted in depth to have the stencils stand upright in it, and a core located in such box and parallel with the bottom and cover thereof, and having its opposite edges transversely slotted to receive the stencils, substantially as set forth.

2. A portable case for stencils having a box adapted in depth to have the stencils stand upright in it and provided with characters identifying them, and a core located within such box and parallel with the bottom and cover thereof, and having its opposite edges provided with transverse slots varying in depth and arranged in alignment with the characters on the box, substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof I sign this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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