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Fig. 1.

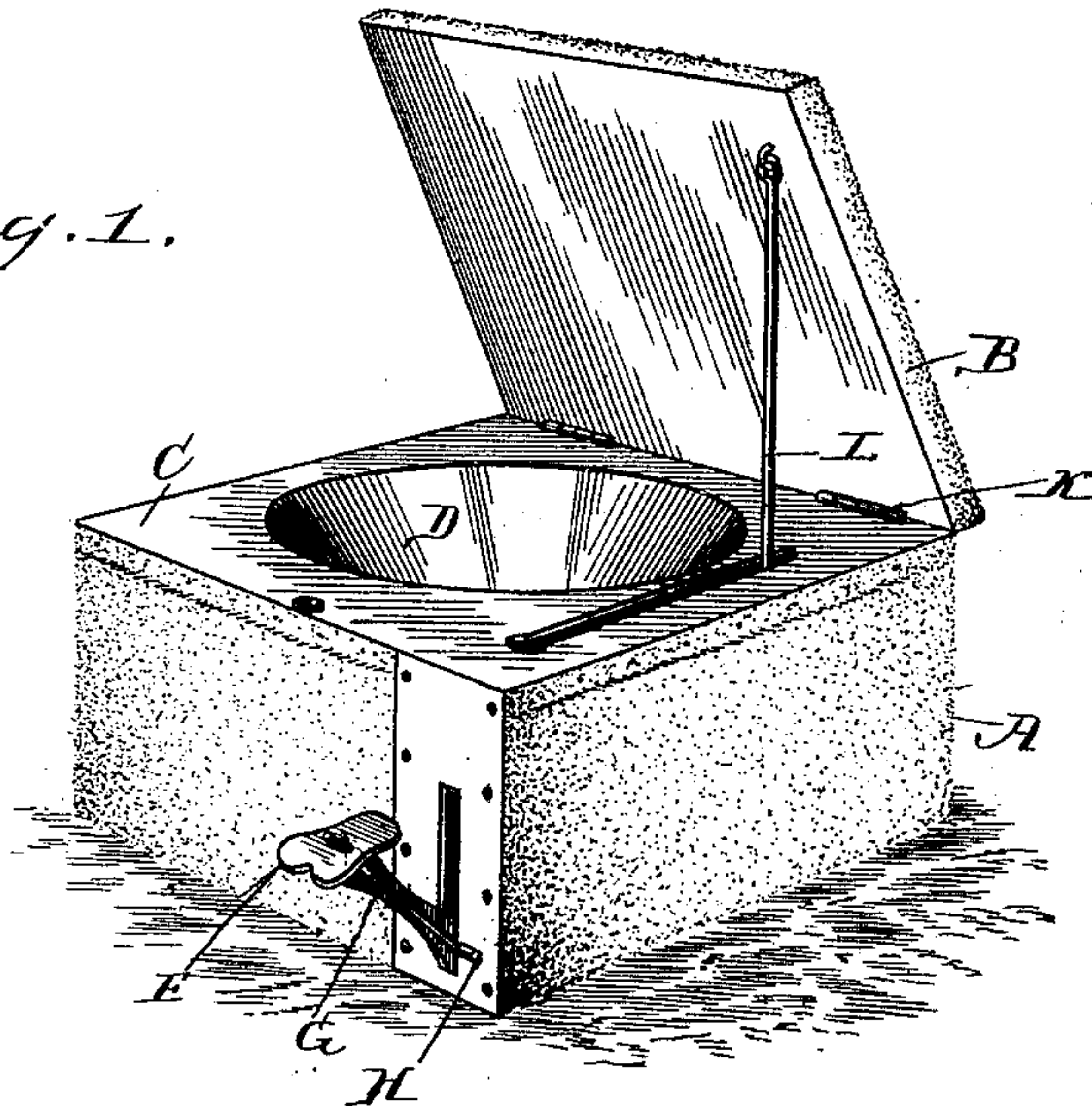


Fig. 3.

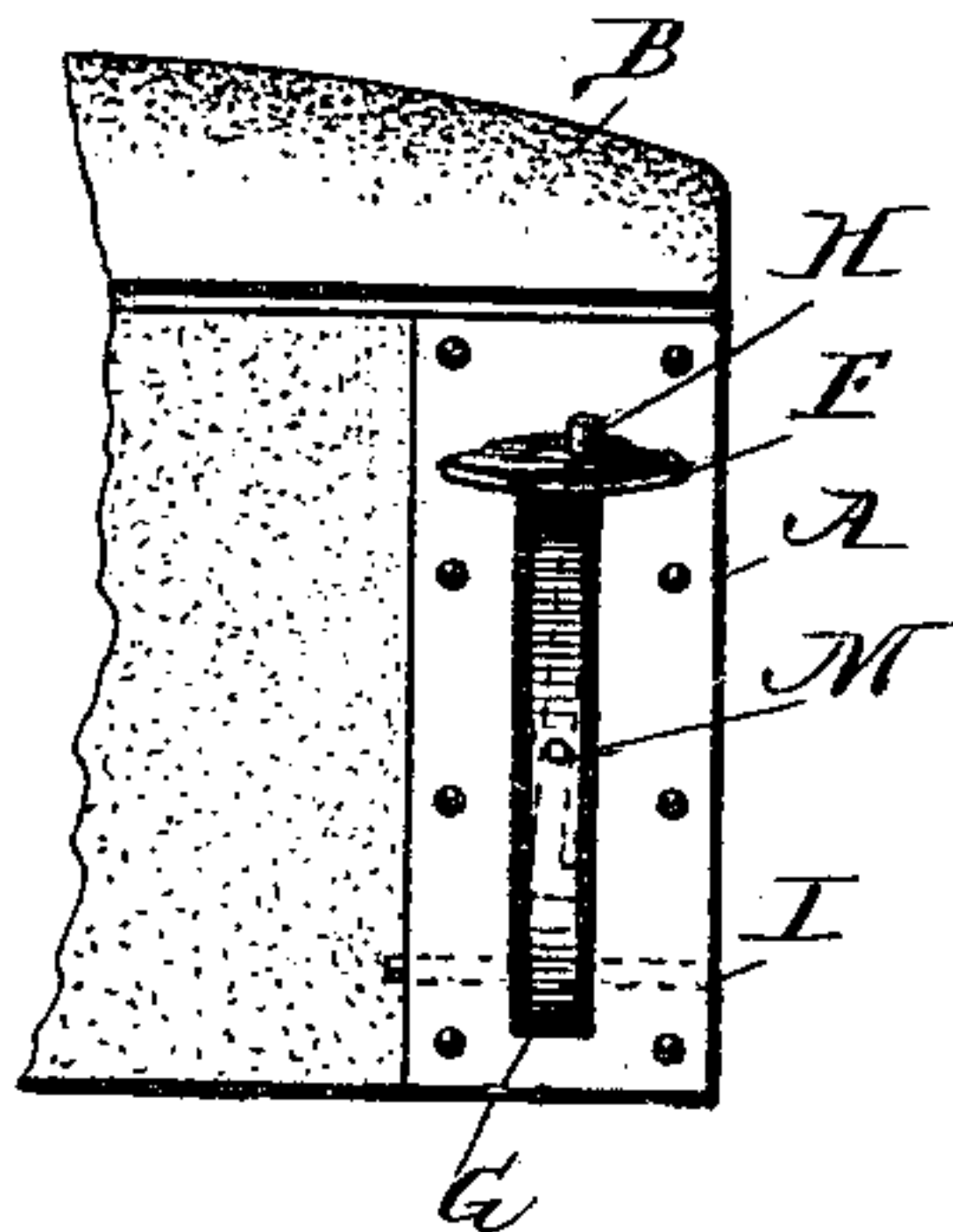
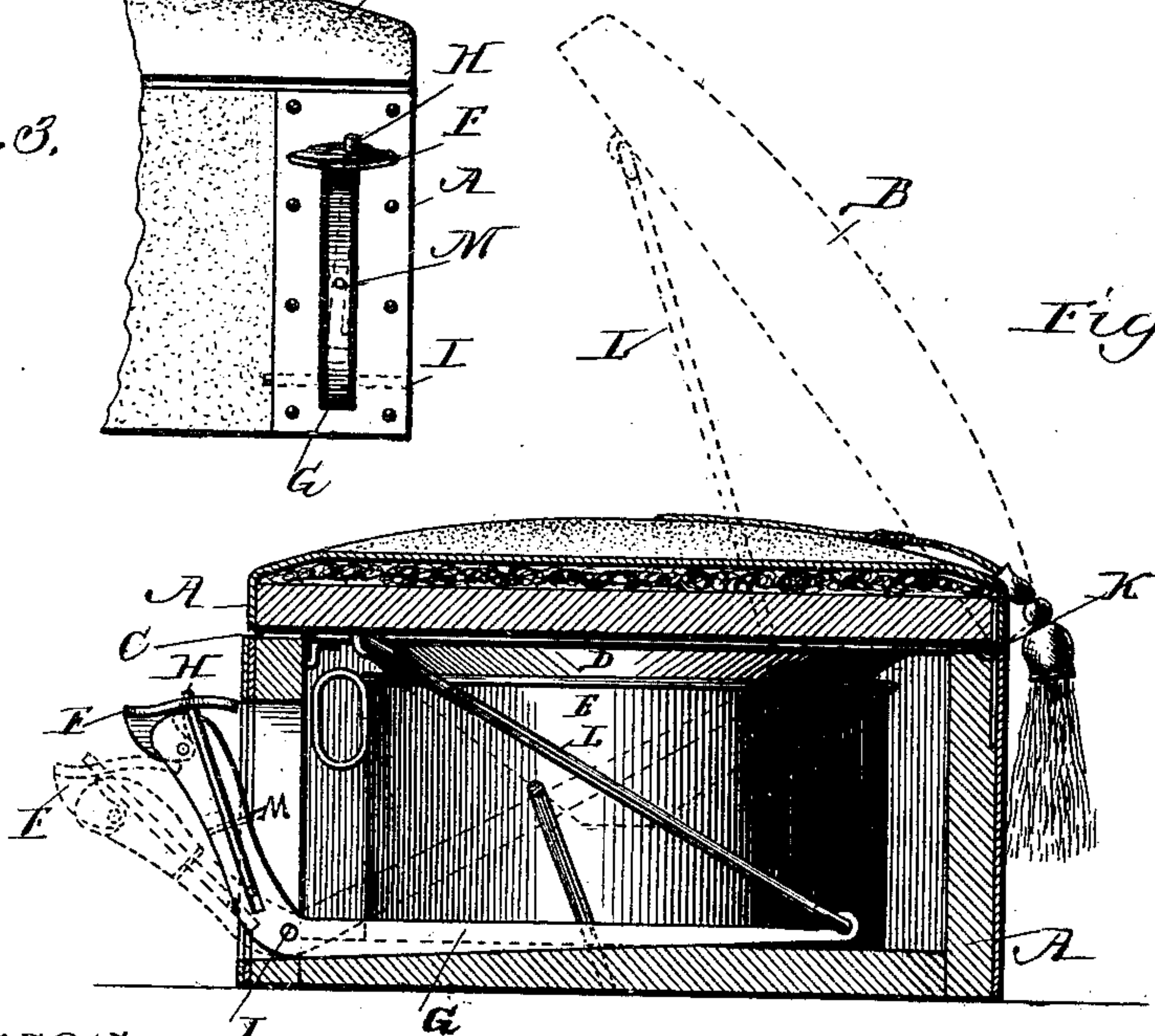


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES GOLDEN, a citizen of the German Empire, and a resident of the city of Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, in the United States of America, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Combined Footstool and Cuspidor, of which I declare the following to be a full, clear, complete, and accurate specification.

My invention relates to that class of household furniture in which are combined an ornamental appearance and a variety of uses.

My invention in its external appearance is an upholstered footstool or hassock, the top of which is hinged to the body thereof, and placed within its hollow interior is a cup or other receptacle for such matter as may be desired to be received in a cuspidor or spittoon. Above the said cup is a funnel-shaped hopper to guide the course of matter intended to enter the cup, this hopper being surrounded by a metallic flange resting upon the upper edge of the body of the footstool directly under the cover. Extending from the body of the footstool is a short arm, to which is attached a pedal, and extending from this arm to the hinged cover are a series of levers so arranged that a slight pressure of the foot upon said pedal will cause said hinged cover to open upward and expose the cuspidor for use, and attached to said arm I construct a locking device, whereby the said cover may be locked back, if desired.

The specific construction of my device may be more fully described by reference to the accompanying sheet of drawings, which is hereby made a part of this specification.

In the said drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of my invention with the cover open and locked back. Fig. 2 is a side section showing the relation of the lifting-levers to pedal, arm, and cover, and also showing the cup or receptacle hopper and flange inside the body of the footstool. Fig. 3 is a front elevation of a portion of my invention, showing pedal, arm, and locking device.

In the several figures like letters of reference indicate like parts.

A is the body of the footstool, which may

be either square, round, or any desired shape, covered usually with the upholstery, and has a hollow interior.

B is the cover or top of the footstool, also covered usually with upholstery and hinged to the body A.

C is a metal flange extending from hopper D and resting upon upper edge of body A, as apparent in Figs. 1 and 2.

D is a hopper, the position of which is apparent in Figs. 1 and 2, being attached to flange C and directly above cup E.

E is a cup or receptacle, of any desired shape, size, or material, set within the hollow interior of body A and beneath the hopper D.

F is a pedal attached by a swivel to arm G, and is intended as the receptacle of pressure or power from a foot to operate connecting-levers operating cover B.

G is an arm attached to pedal F. Said arm plays upon a fulcrum I, so that when the pedal is pressed downward the inner end of said arm rises, and by means of connecting-rod L operates cover B, as fully shown in Fig. 2.

H is a wire or small rod, the upper end of which extends upward through the end of pedal F, following arm G downward to a point slightly above pivot I, where its lower end is bent to a right angle. Its general shape is shown in dotted lines in Fig. 3. About midway of its length it is affixed by a pivot M, upon which it plays, so that a sidewise motion of the foot pressing upon its upper end will throw its lower or bent end outward to catch and lock upon the outside of body A, as shown in Fig. 1, and by a reverse motion be unlocked.

I is the pivot upon which arm G is operated, as above described.

L is a connecting-rod attached to the cover B, and at its other end attached to inner end of arm G, and transmits the raising motion from side arm to cover.

M is the pivot upon which rod H operates, as above described.

In the operation of my invention to open it a slight pressure upon the pedal forces the outer end of arm G downward, its inner end rising, thus forcing rod L upward and opening cover B. If it be desired to keep it open, it may be locked by rod H, as above described.

If it is desired to clean or empty the cuspidor, hopper and flange may be raised and cup E lifted out for that purpose.

Having thus described the utility, construction, and operation of my device, I claim as my invention—

In a combined footstool and cuspidor, the combination of the outer casing A, the cover B, hinged to the casing, the L-shaped lever G, pivoted to the casing at I, and the rod L, connecting the cover with the inner end of the lever, said lever being provided with a

locking device for holding the cover in position when open, consisting of the pedal F, pivoted at the top of the vertical arm of the lever and provided with a slot, a rod H, projecting therethrough, pivoted near the middle of the vertical arm and having its lower end bent at right angles and adapted to fit within a recess in the lever.

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