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Fig. 1.

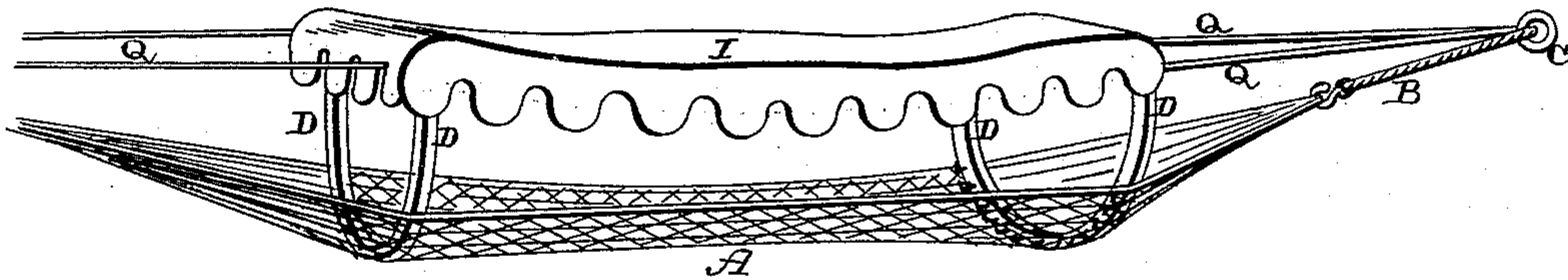
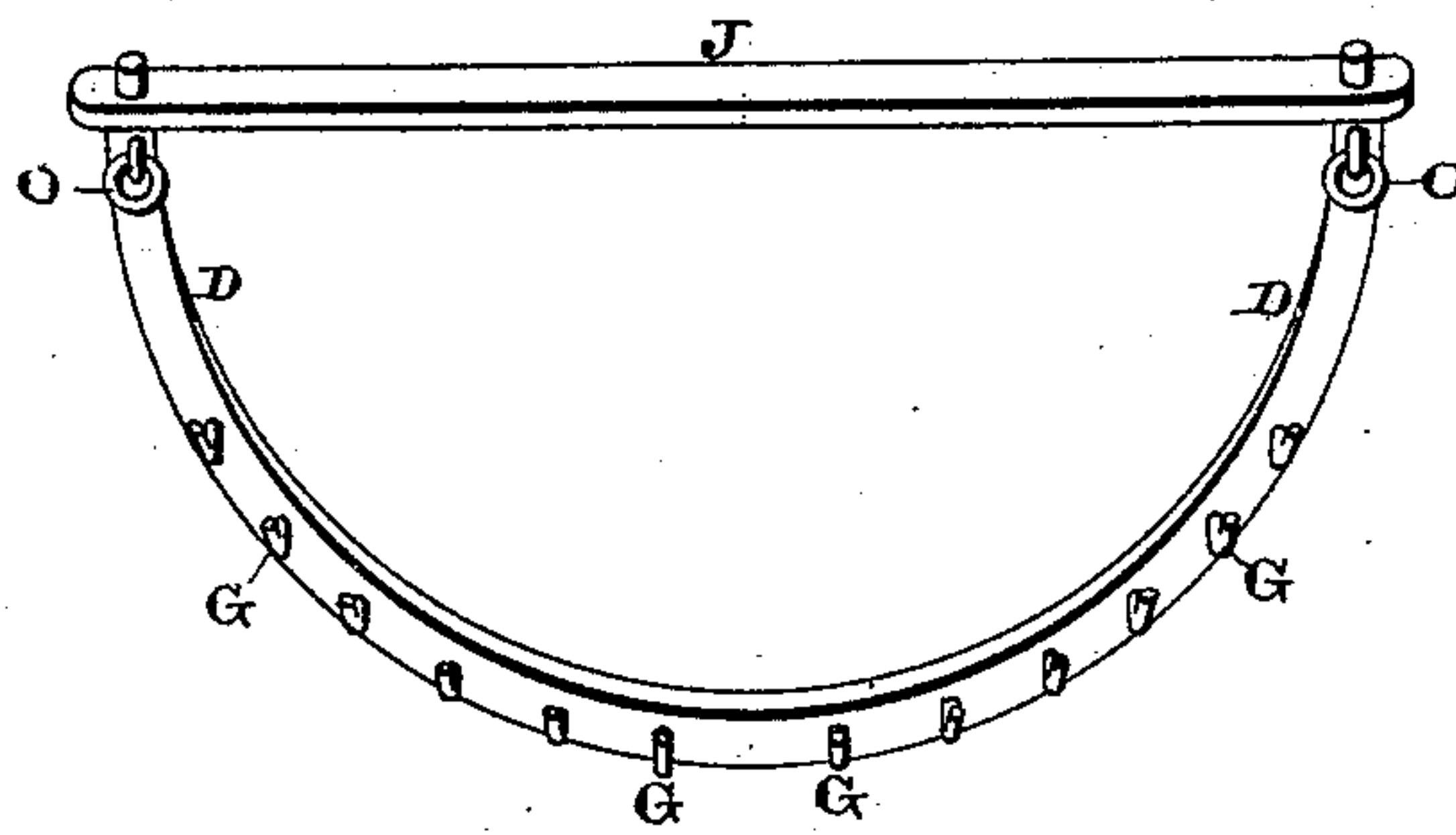


Fig. 2.



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## ADJUSTABLE HAMMOCK-CANOPY.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, WILLIAM FRANK WRIGHT, of Keokuk, in the county of Lee and State of Iowa, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Adjustable Hammock-Canopies; 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 pertains to make and use it, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form part of this specification.

My invention relates to an improvement in adjustable hammock-canopies; and it consists in the combination of two or more curved awning-supports provided with hooks or catches upon their inner sides, and upon which the hammock is made to catch, cross-bars which unite the ends of the supports together and hold them rigidly in position, and ropes which support the canopy at its center and along its sides, as will be more fully described hereinafter.

The object of my invention is to produce a hammock with supports for a canopy, the supports being curved, so as to stretch the hammock and hold it open.

Figure 1 is a perspective of a hammock which embodies my invention. Fig. 2 is an edge view of one of the supports.

A represents an ordinary hammock, which is attached to the ropes B at its ends, and these ropes are fastened to suitable supporting-rings C, or tied around any suitable object in the usual manner. At each end of the body of the hammock is placed either a semicircular or a circular support D, which is preferably formed of wood, and which is provided with hooks or catches G on its inner side, in or over which the hammock is made to catch, both for the purpose of keeping the supports D in position and for the purpose of holding the hammock open. If circular supports are used, the canopy I is stretched over their tops; but if semicircular supports D are used, as here shown, they are provided with tenons on their upper ends, and these tenons pass through openings made in the ends of the cross-pieces J, by means of which the ends of the supports are connected rigidly together, and end supports for the

canopy are formed. Secured to these supports G are the guiding rings or loops O, through which the two ropes Q are made to pass for the purpose of forming supports along the edge of the canopy, and thus preventing it from sagging down at its center. These ropes Q are fastened to the ring C or other object the same as the ropes B. By having the ends of the supports project upward, as is here shown, a canopy-support is formed, by means of which a canopy can be stretched across the top of the hammock, as shown, so as to protect the person using the hammock.

Having thus described my invention, I claim—

1. The combination, with a hammock, of a spreader near each end thereof, having a lower circular portion provided with hooks for catching in the hammock and its upper portion extending above the hammock a suitable distance to support a canopy, the canopy having its ends secured thereto, and supporting-ropes having one end secured to the upper ends of the spreader and their opposite ends to a suitable support, substantially as shown.

2. As a new article of manufacture, a combined spreader and canopy-support for hammocks, consisting of a lower circular portion provided with hooks adapted to engage the hammock, and having its ends extending considerably above the hooked portion, whereby it is adapted to have a canopy secured thereto and support it a suitable distance above the hammock, substantially as shown.

3. A combined spreader and canopy-support for hammocks, consisting of a lower circular portion having hooks which engage the hammocks, the upwardly-extending ends, and the cross-bar which connects the extremities of said extended ends, whereby a canopy can be secured to and supported thereby, substantially as shown.

In testimony whereof I have affixed my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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