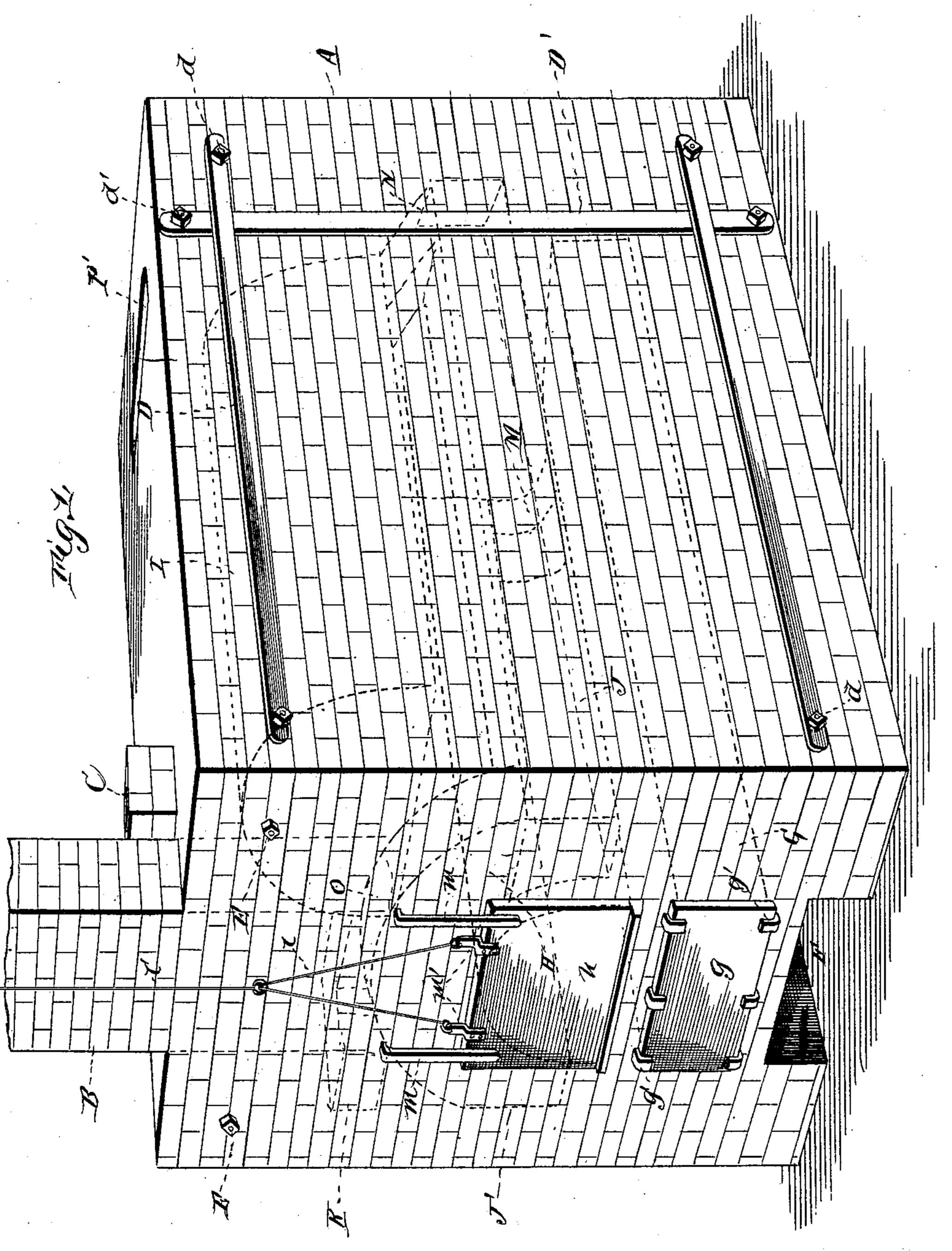
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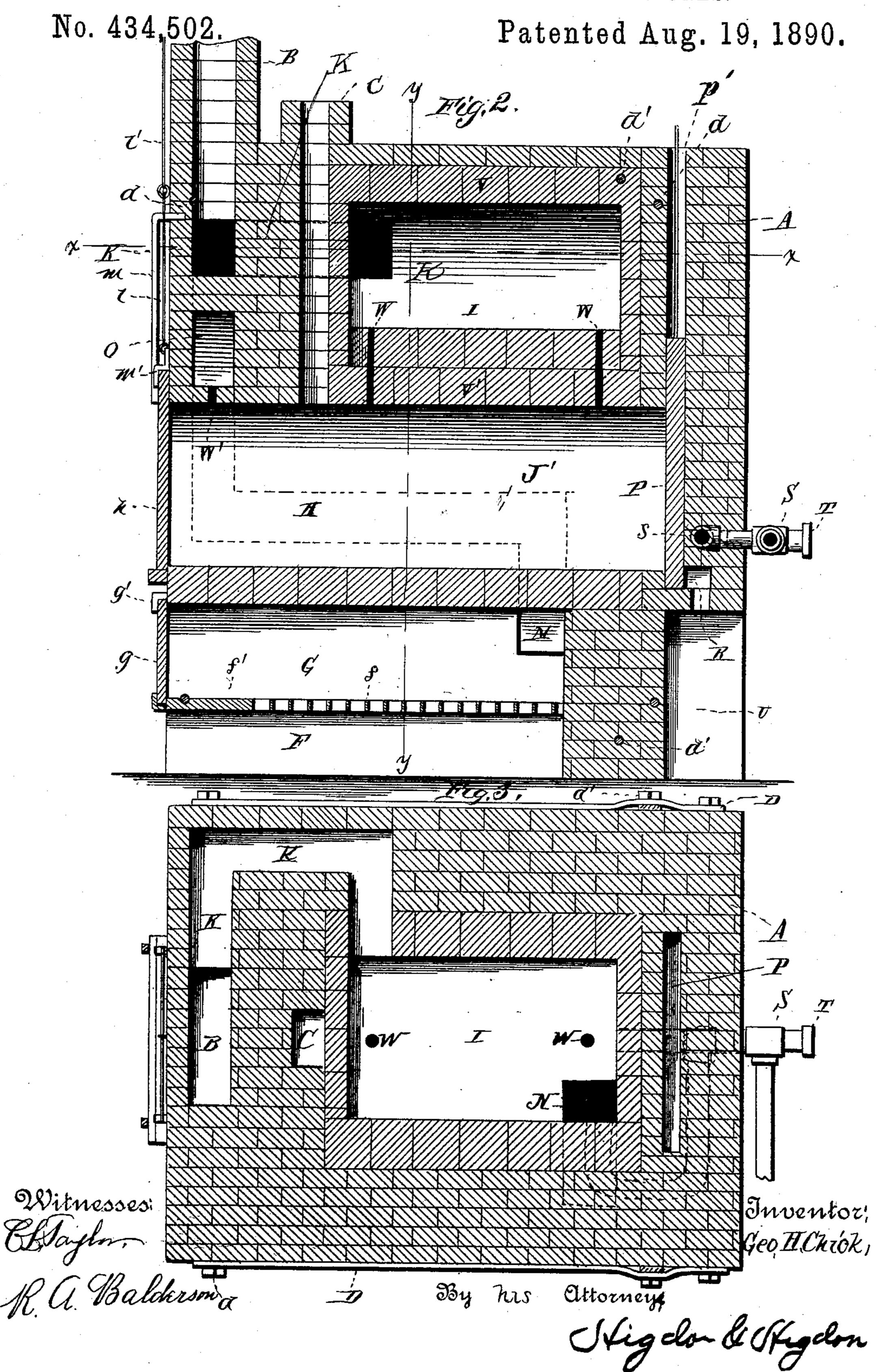
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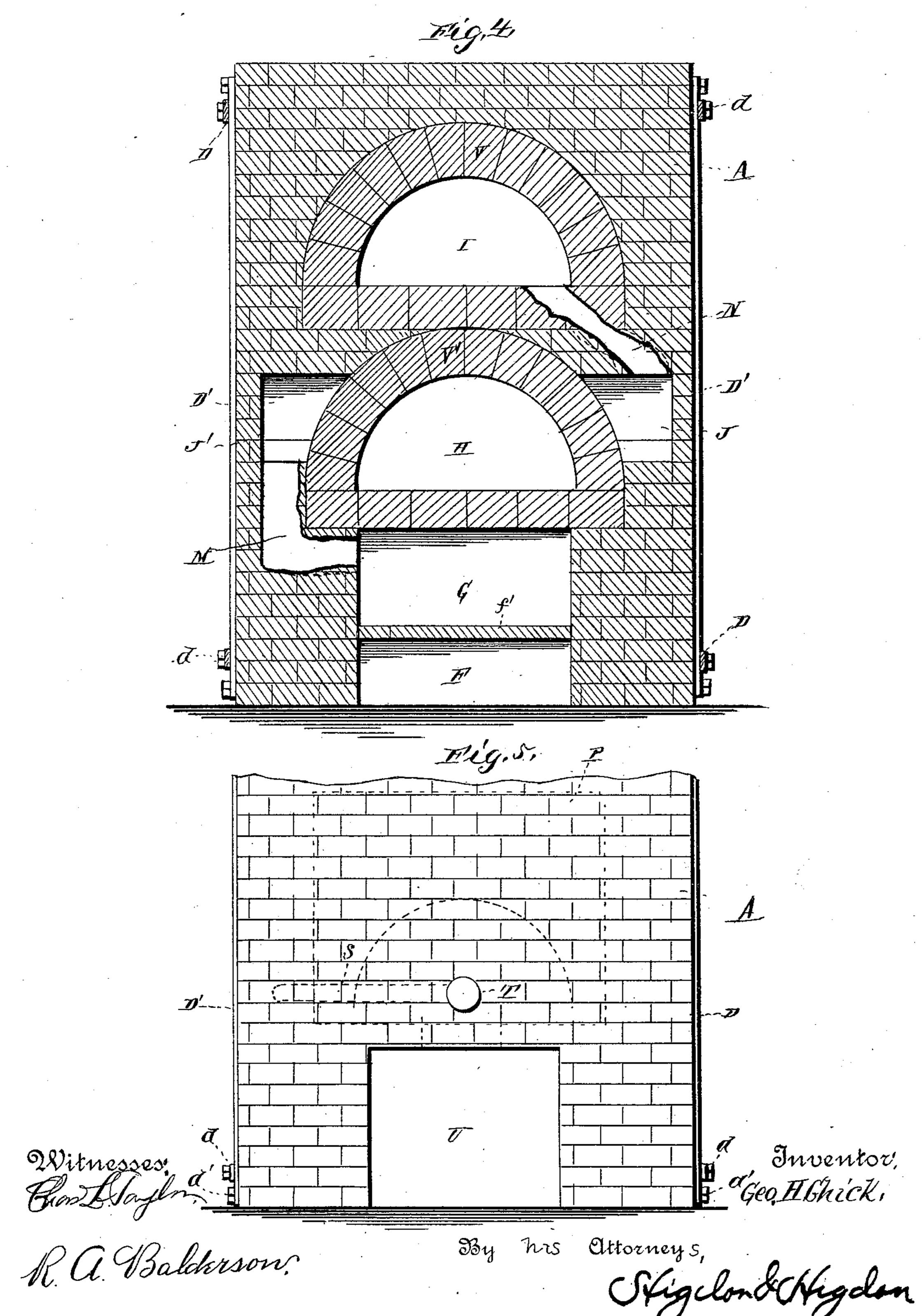


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE HORATIO CHICK, of Kansas City, Jackson county, Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Muffle-Furnaces for Desulphurizing Ores, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part hereof.

My invention relates to improvements in muffle-furnaces for desulphurizing ores; and it consists in the novel construction and arrangements hereinafter set forth and de-

scribed.

In the drawings which illustrate the manner of carrying out my invention, Figure 1 is a perspective view of my furnace, showing the arches, flues, &c., in dotted lines. Fig. 2 is a central longitudinal section through the same. Fig. 3 is a sectional plan view taken on line x x of Fig. 2. Fig. 4 is a vertical cross-section taken on line y y of Fig. 2; and Fig. 5 is a rear view, partly broken away, showing the opening in which the receptacle is placed for catching the ores when the discharge is made.

Referring to the drawings by letter, A represents a brick furnace constructed in the manner illustrated and provided at its front

30 with a smoke-stack B.

C is a feed-chute constructed directly behind the smoke-stack leading to the desulphurizing muffle-chamber H. (More clearly

illustrated in Fig. 2.)

D and D' are suitable iron braces properly bolted to the sides of said furnace by rods d and d'. These rods pass entirely through the brick-work of the furnace and serve to hold it firmly together.

E are rods running longitudinally through the furnace, which serve the same purpose as

rods d and d'.

F is the ash-pit, built in the ordinary manner under the fire-box, said fire-box being provided with suitable grates f and tile f'.

H is a desulphurizing muffle-chamber in which the ores are placed. At the rear of said chamber H is an air-chamber S, provided with a cap T, which may be removed for admitting air into said furnace when found desirable.

I is an arched chamber built directly over the desulphurizing-chamber H, through which the blast passes from the fire-box G, said chambers H and I being connected by vents 55 W, which allow the accumulating gases to escape from the desulphurizing - chamber H through arched chamber I, and from thence through flue K up through smoke-stack B. When the fire is started in fire-box G, the blast 60 finds an outlet through flue M, as shown in dotted lines in Fig. 1. This flue M is at the rear of said fire-box G. The blast thus passes forward parallel with the desulphurizingchamber H through flue J', and is carried 65 over front of said chamber through flue O, as illustrated in Figs. 1 and 2. The blast then passes back along another flue J, which runs parallel with chamber H, and then through passage N into arched chamber I, 70 where it circulates over the top of desulphurizing-chamber H, and then around flue K into smoke-stack B, this latter passage being more clearly illustrated in Fig. 3. The flues J and J', which run parallel with desulphurizing- 75 chamber H, are constructed in the manner illustrated in Fig. 4, thus giving greater heating-surface to said chamber.

g is a tile door, which closes the front of fire-box G, said tile door g being secured and 80 held in position by the angle metallic bars or guides g', which allow said tile g to slide laterally when fire-box G is to be replenished with fire. h is a similar tile door, which operates vertically in front of chamber H. This 85 door h is drawn out of position by suitable wire rods i, which are secured in the lugs m', said wires i and i' being operated by overhead levers constructed in any suitable manner, the depending guide-rods m serving to 90 keep the door vertical when sliding

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P is a vertically-moving tile secured at the rear of desulphurizing-chamber H. This tile operates in the slot P' and is for the purpose of closing the rear of said chamber H, and is 95 secured in such a manner that it may be raised when it is necessary to make a discharge, thus allowing the desulphurizing ores to pass from chamber H through the discharge-passage R into the opening U at the rear of said furnace. Said tile P is operated by a wire in the same manner as the front

tile h. All these chambers and flues are to have a lining of suitable fire-brick, built in a proper manner.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as being new, and desire to se-

cure by Letters Patent, is—

1. An ore-roasting furnace having a muffle-chamber adapted to receive the ore, a fire-chamber, a series of communicating passages surrounding the ore-chamber and communicating with the fire-chamber, a supplemental chamberlocated above the muffle-chamber and also with the passages described, and a stack in communication with the supplemental chamber, substantially as described.

2. An ore-roasting furnace having a roasting-chamber H, a fire-chamber G beneath the

same, the passages M, J', O, J, and N, surrounding the heating-chamber, the supple-20 mental chamber I, located above the heating-chamber and in communication with the same by means of the passages W, the supplemental chamber being in communication with the fire-chamber by means of the passages M, J', 25 O, J, and N, the stack B, passage K, connecting the stack and chamber I, the feed-chute C, and discharge-opening R and door P, for controlling said opening, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in

presence of two witnesses.

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