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Fig. 1.

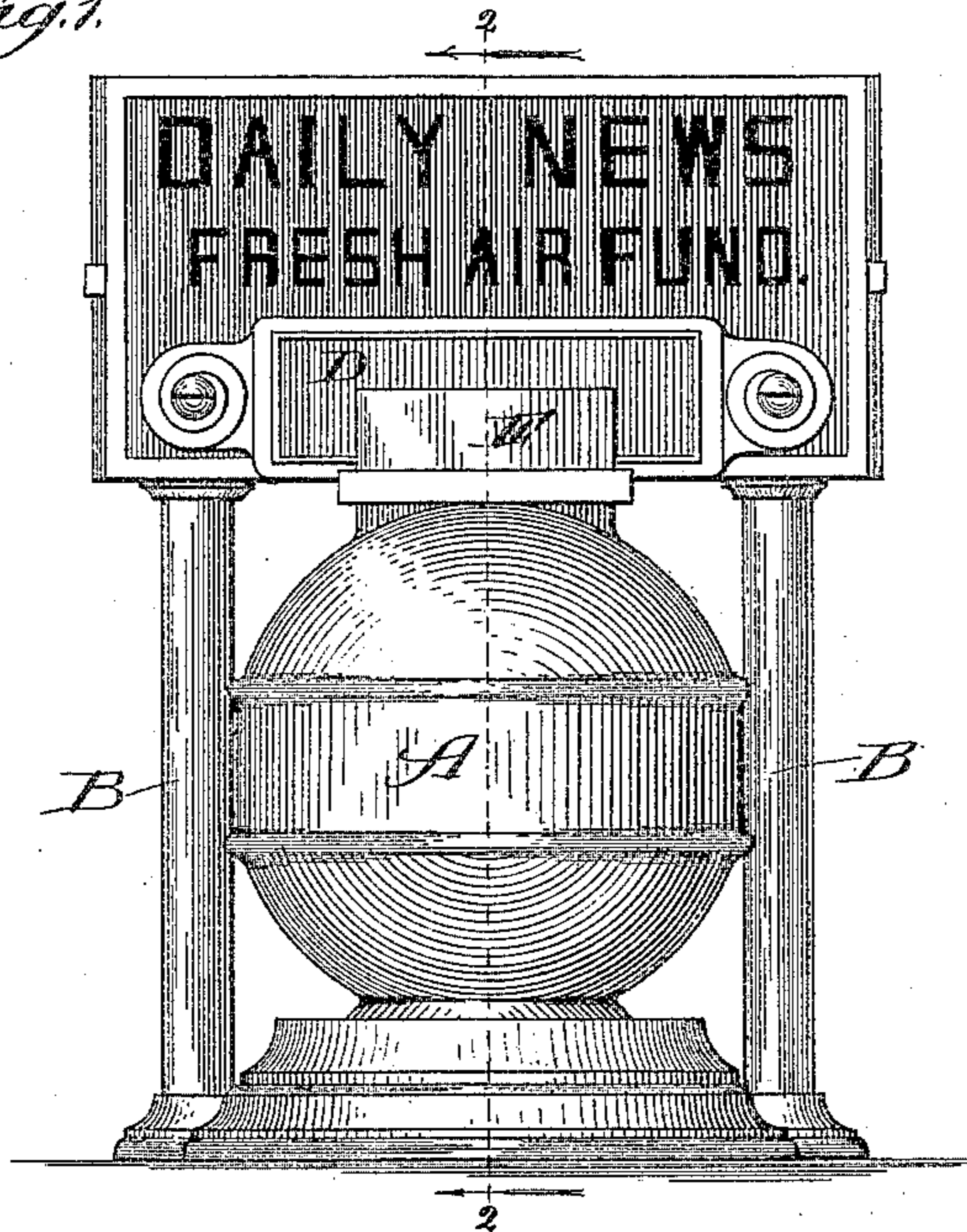


Fig. 2.

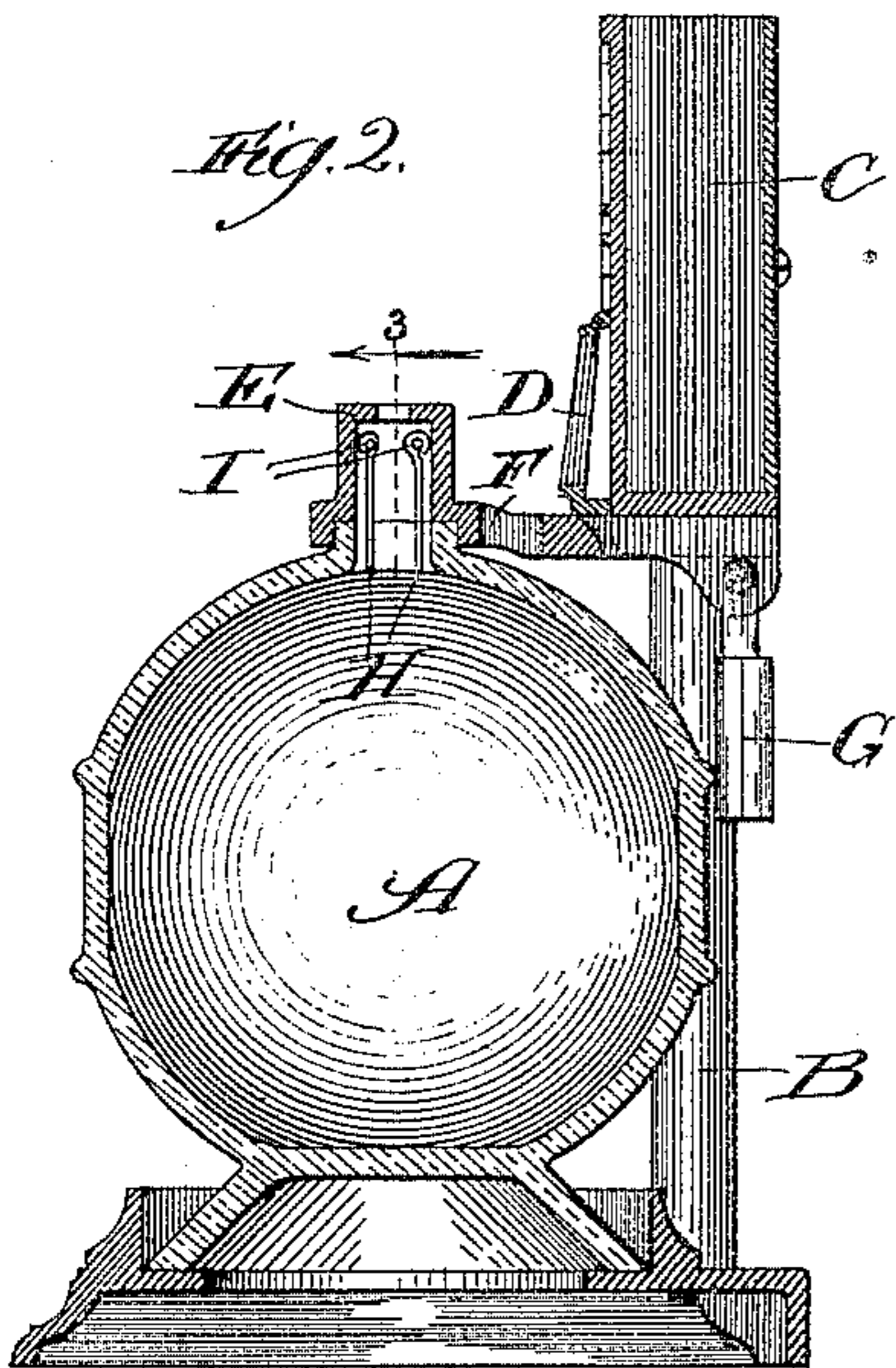
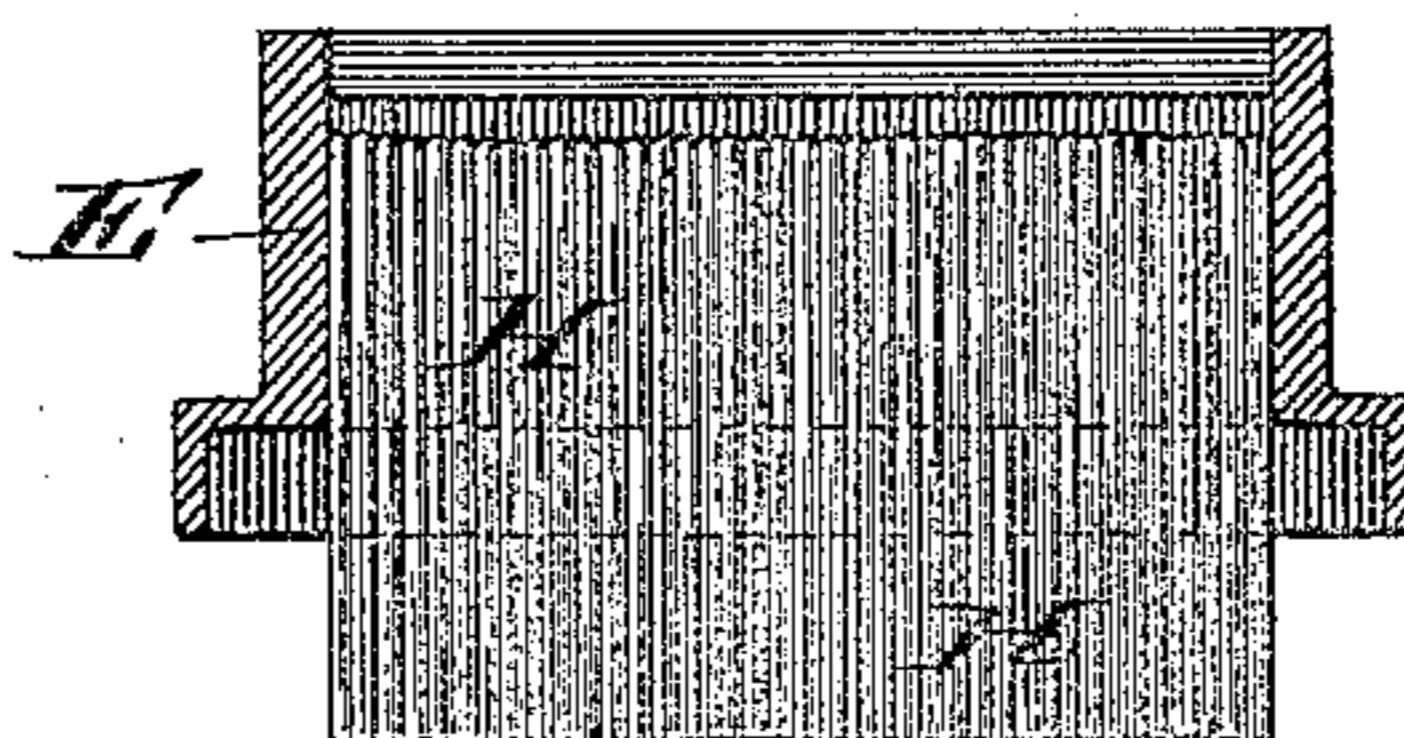


Fig. 3.



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, FRANK W. REILLY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, Illinois, have invented certain new and  
5 useful Improvements in Savings-Banks, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to make a receptacle for money that may either be used as a savings-bank or as a contribution-box;  
10 that may be placed in hotels, depots, and other public places to receive such money contributions as the public may be disposed to make; that will preferably permit the money to be seen, so that the public may see what  
15 contributions are made, and that will prevent the money from being removed until the proper person comes and unlocks the box; and my invention consists in the features and details of construction hereinafter described.

20 In the drawings, Figure 1 is a front elevation of my improved contribution-box; Fig. 2, a vertical transverse section of Fig. 1, taken in the line 2, looking in the direction of the arrow; and Fig. 3 is a vertical section of the  
25 mouth of the box, taken in the line 3 of Fig. 2, looking in the direction of the arrow.

In making my improved savings-bank or contribution-box I make a receptacle A, preferably of glass, so as to be transparent and  
30 admit of its contents being seen from the outside. I arrange this money-receptacle by preference in a frame B, made of iron or other suitable material, which will hold it in a proper upright position and afford means  
35 for locking or fastening it, as herein described. At the top of the frame I preferably arrange a card or circular receptacle, in which printed matter may be kept to inform the public about the particular charity or  
40 object for which the contributions are solicited. In the front of this card-receptacle or in other convenient place may appear the name of the institution, church, society, or persons having charge of the application or  
45 distribution of the funds, so that the confidence of the public may be insured, as illustrated in the drawings. A card or tablet D may also be arranged in any convenient place

on the frame, on which a tally or statement of the contributions may be kept, so that the  
50 public may be kept informed from day to day or from week to week of the amount contributed and of the growth of the funds. The mouth of the money-receptacle is preferably made wide in one direction and narrow in  
55 the other, so as to present a slot of a size to admit of coins of the size of, say, a silver dollar and less. A cap E, of iron or other suitable material, is made to fit over the mouth of the money-receptacle. This cap is provided  
60 with a slot corresponding to that in the mouth over which it is fitted, and with a shank or extension F running out to one side. This shank is adapted to engage with a staple or other proper fastening device under  
65 the card-receptacle and to be locked thereto by a padlock G or other suitable lock, so that the cap cannot be removed from the mouth of the money-receptacle without unlocking  
70 the shank from the staple by the person having the key to the pad or other lock.

Of course any means may be employed for locking or fastening the cap in place until it is desired to remove it.

To admit the money or coins deposited as  
75 contributions, but to prevent them from being removed until the cap is removed from the mouth of the receptacle, I arrange two rows of wires H, suspended on wires I and of a length to hang down into the mouth of  
80 the receptacle. These wires hang loosely in parallel rows while the money-receptacle is in its proper position, but fall together in a confused and intermingled mass as soon as the receptacle is turned upside down or even  
85 inclined to the one side or the other in an attempt to pour out the contents. This makes it impossible to pour out or remove the coins deposited in the box or bank except by taking off the cap, and this only can be done by  
90 the person having a key to unlock the lock fastening the shank of the cap to the bottom of the card-receptacle.

What I regard as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The combination of a money-receptacle, a

cap for the mouth of such receptacle provided with a passage for money, wires suspended at the sides of and unobstructing the passage in the normal position of the receptacle, but intermingling to obstruct the passage when the receptacle is turned upside down or inclined from a normal position, and

means for locking the cap on the receptacle, substantially as described.

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