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HAY CAP.

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FIG. 1-

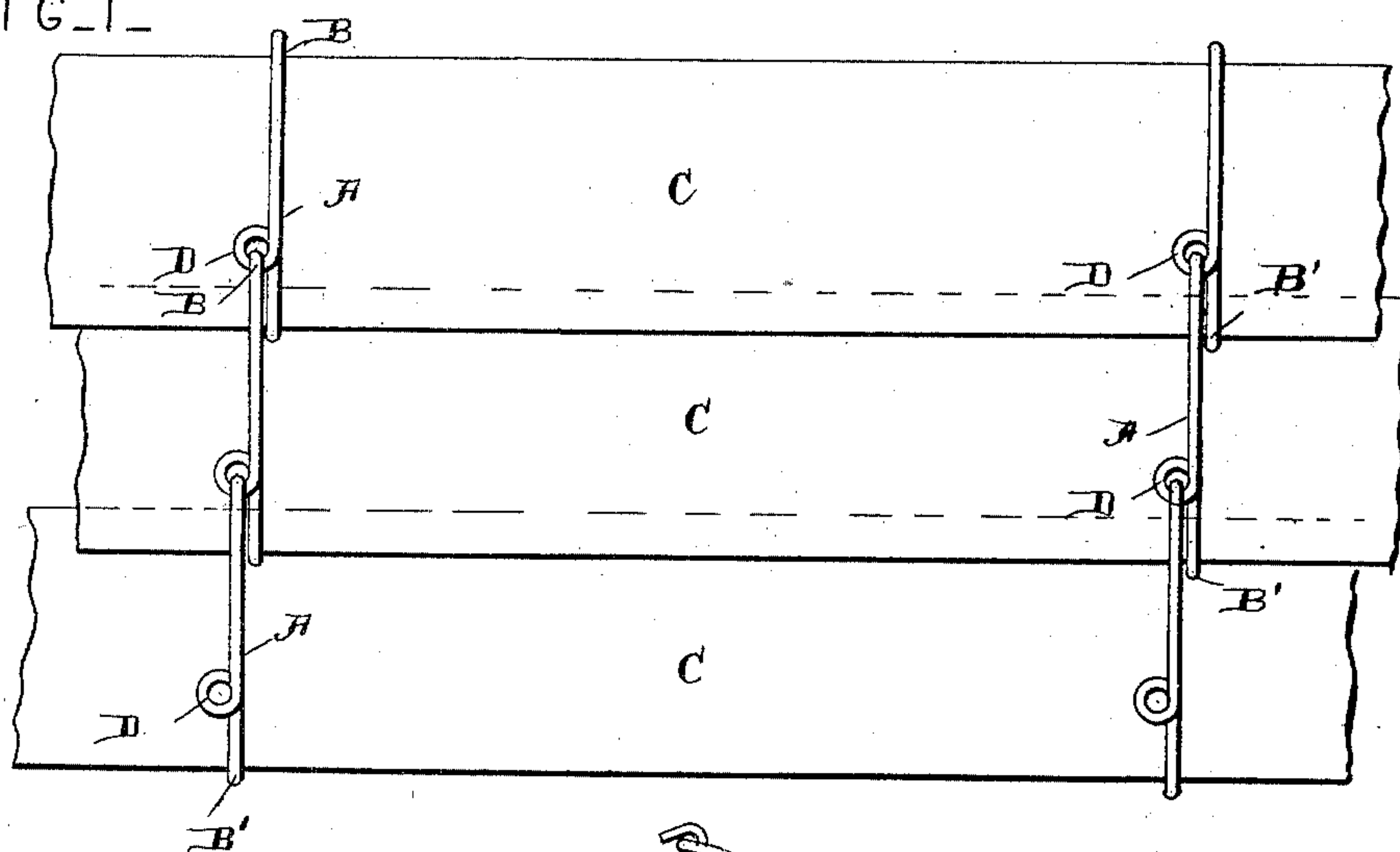


FIG. 2-

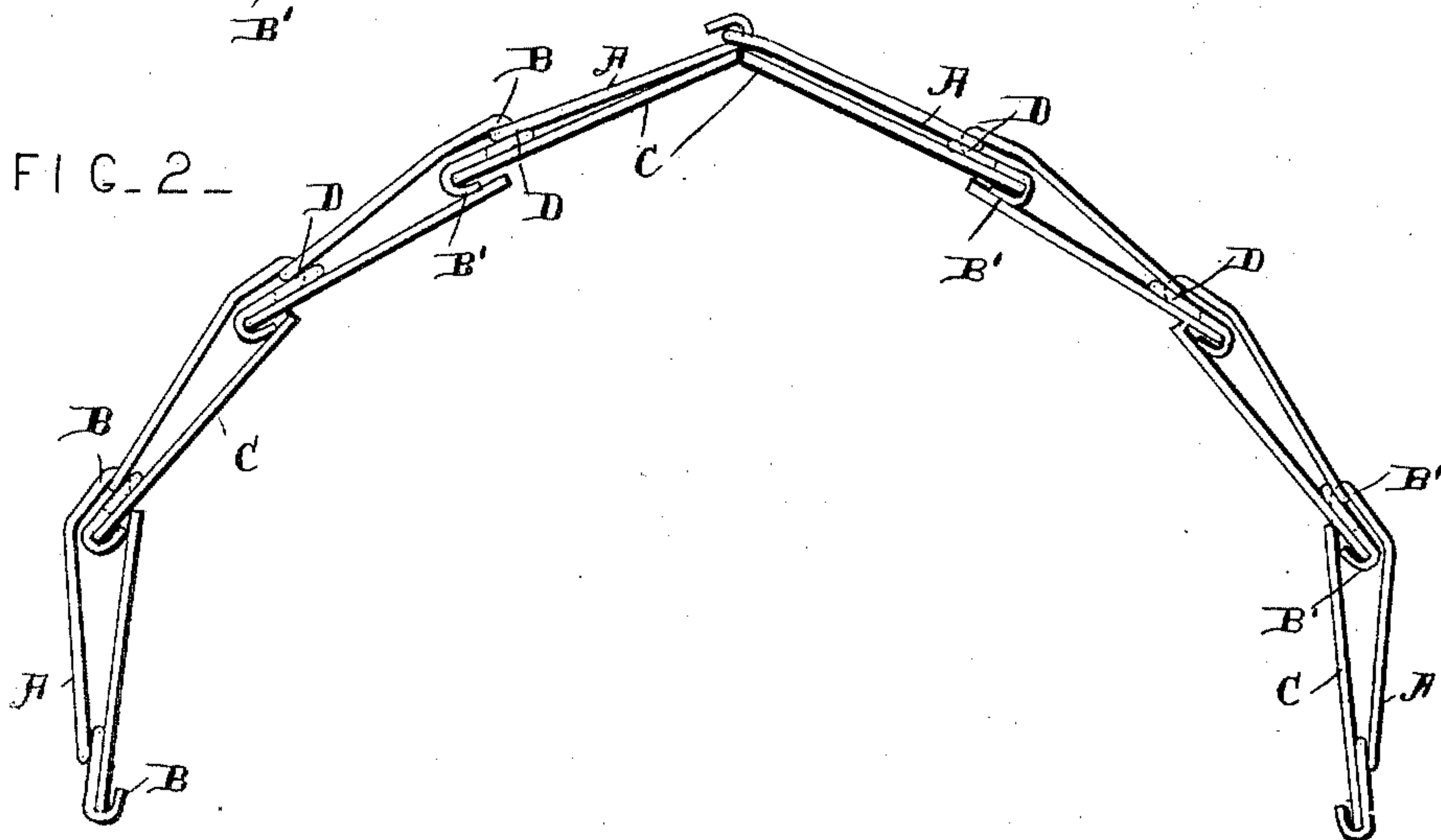
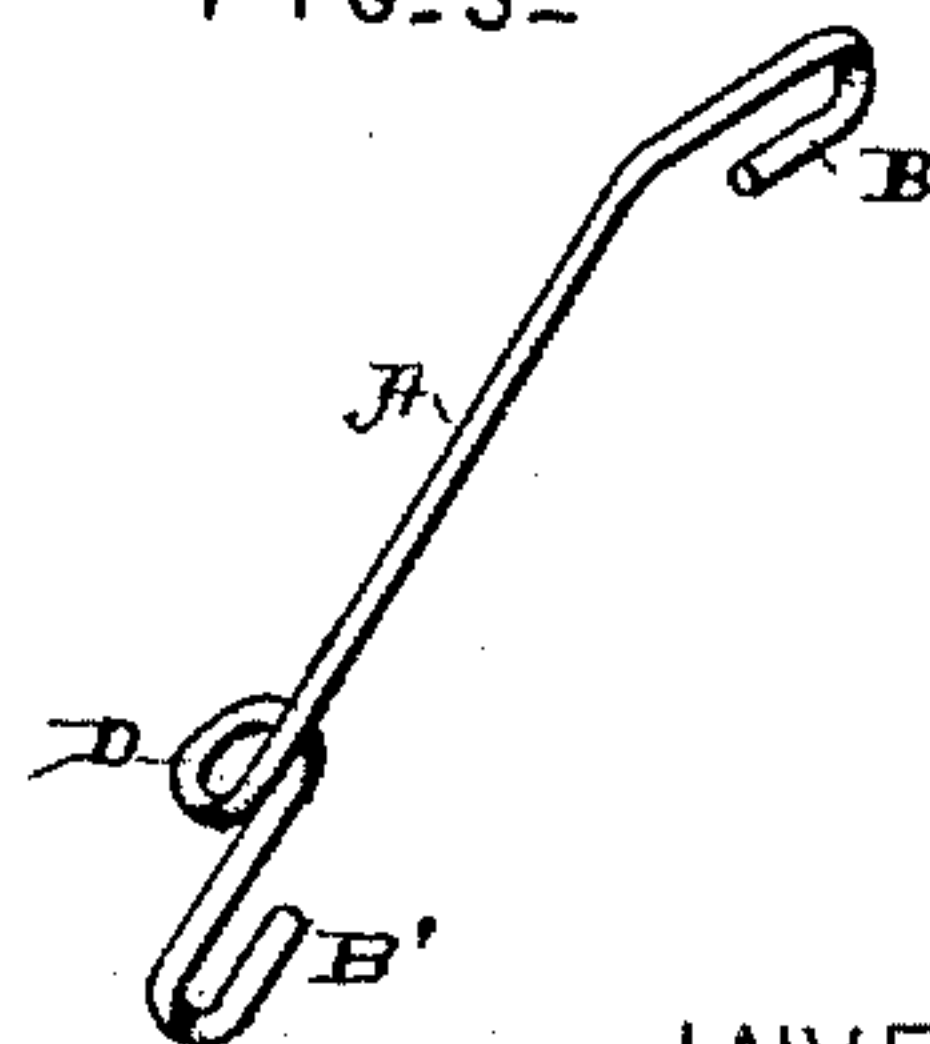


FIG. 3-



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HAY-CAP.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, JOHN H. HENN and HORACE M. FULWIDER, of Redmon, in the county of Edgar and State of Illinois, have
5 invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hay-Caps; and we 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
10 pertains to make and use it, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form part of this specification.

Our invention relates to an improvement in hay-caps; and it consists in certain novel
15 features of construction, which will be fully described hereinafter, and more particularly set forth in the claims hereto annexed.

The object of our invention is to construct a portable cover for stacks and heaps of hay
20 while in the field, which will protect them from rain or snow.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a side elevation of our improved cap. Fig. 2 is an end view of the same. Fig. 3 is a detached perspective view of one of the links.
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A represents the links of the chain, which have formed on their ends the downturned hooks B B'. The hooks B', which are larger than the hooks B, are at the lower ends of
30 the links, and supported by these hooks are the overlapping boards C, which lie in against the stack, as shown in Fig. 2. The body of the links are bent to form the eyes D, in which the top hook of the next link below
35 catches, and in this manner the several links of the chain are connected together. At the center of the cap where the sides diverge to

form the apex of the roof or covering the meeting or connecting links are provided with upturned hooks and horizontal eyes, respectively, as shown, so that a flexible hinge-joint is formed at this point. The support-
40 ing-chains may be made as long as desired by simply adding links thereto. The lower edges of the boards rest in the hooks B', and
45 their upper edges lap under the lower edge of the next board above. By this construction the water is passed down over the cap without in any way coming in contact with
50 the hay.

Having thus described our invention, we claim--

1. In a hay-cap, a series of links provided with eyes between their ends, hooks formed on each end of the said links, the upper hook
55 being adapted to engage the eye of the next adjacent link, and overlapping boards supported in the lower links, substantially as shown and described.

2. In a hay-cap, a series of links bent between their ends to form eyes, downwardly-projecting hooks at the upper and lower ends of the said links, the upper hooks being adapted to engage the eyes of the next adjacent link, and overlapping boards supported
65 by the lower hooks, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony whereof we affix our signatures in presence of two witnesses.

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