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Fig. 1.

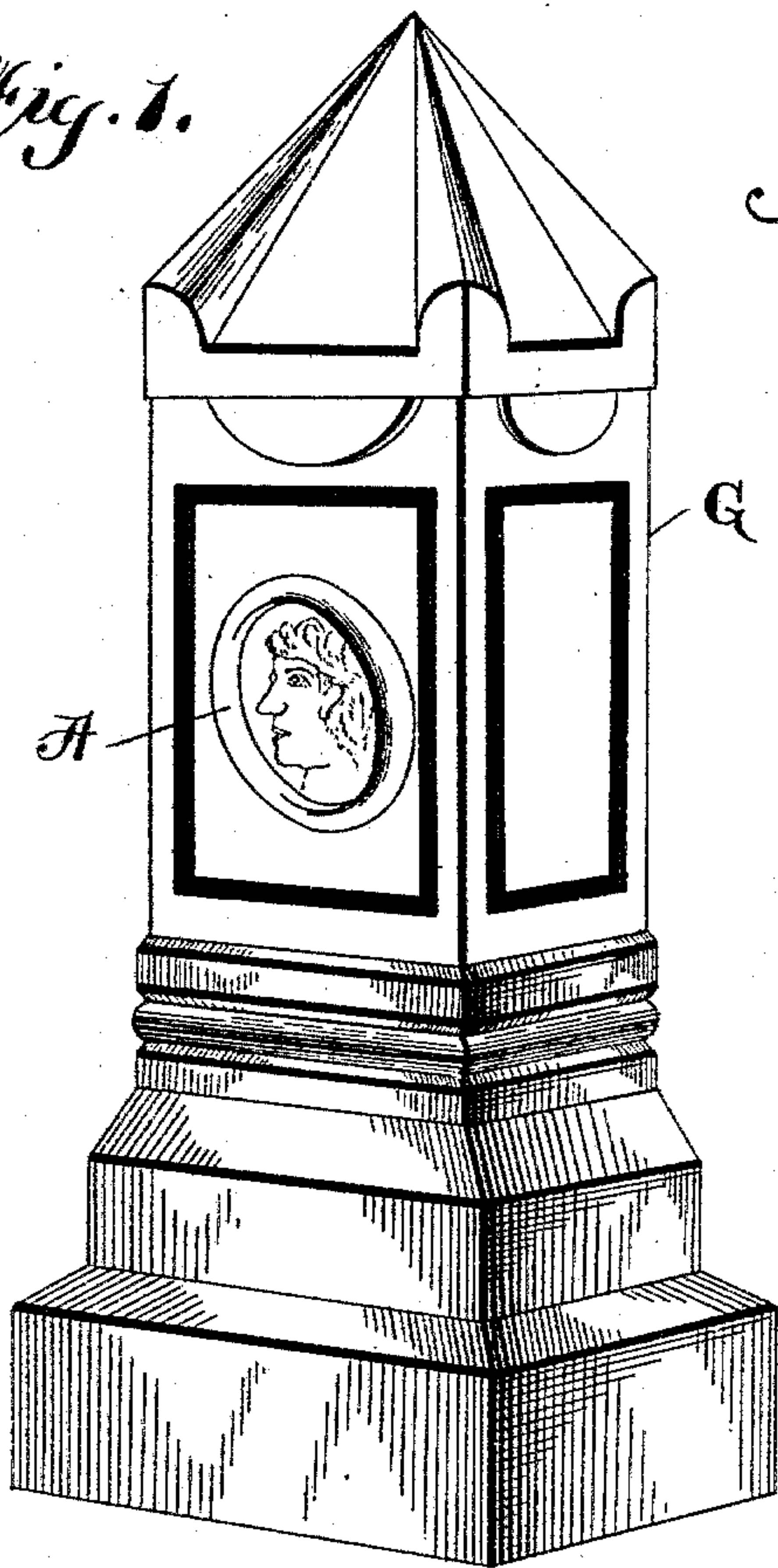


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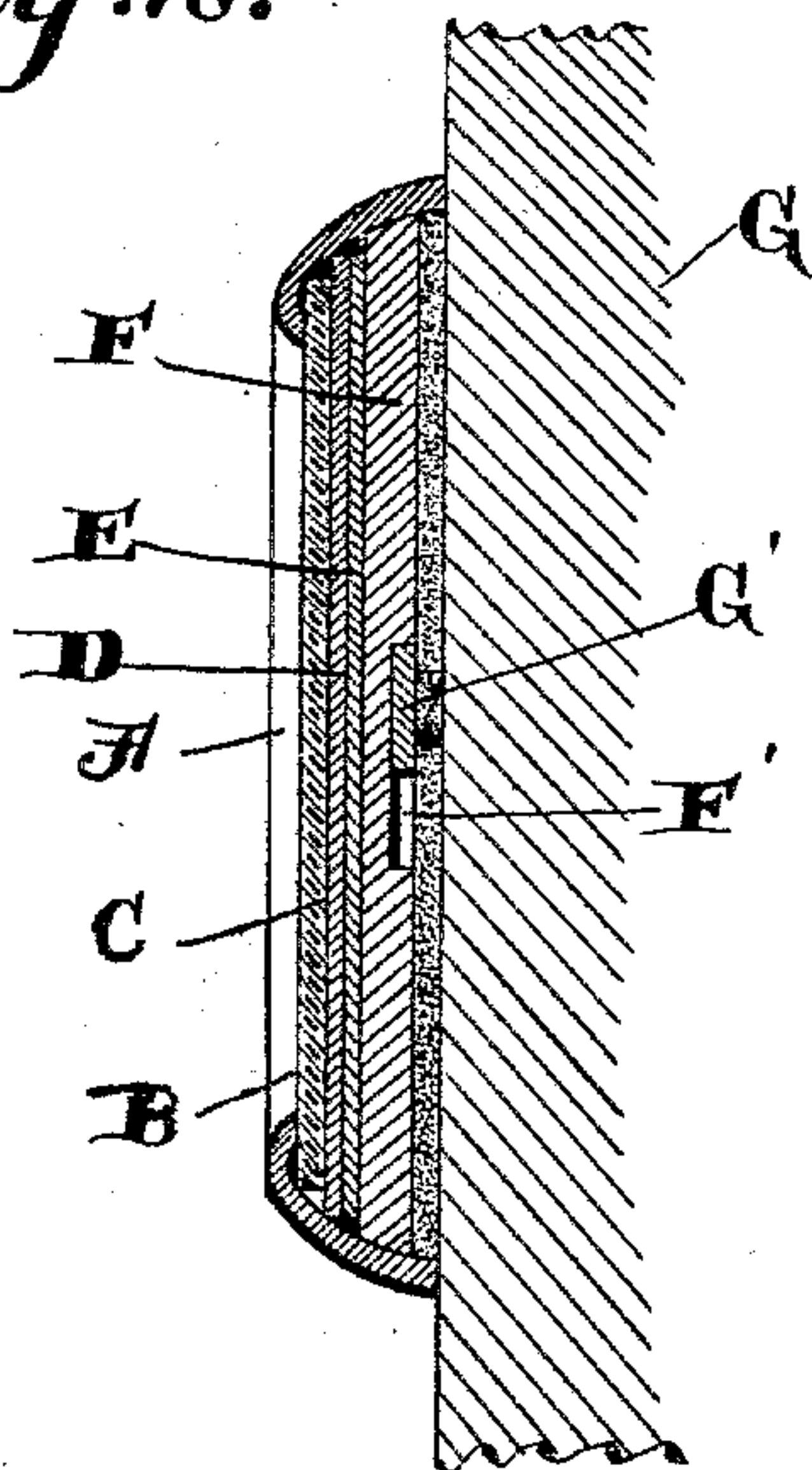


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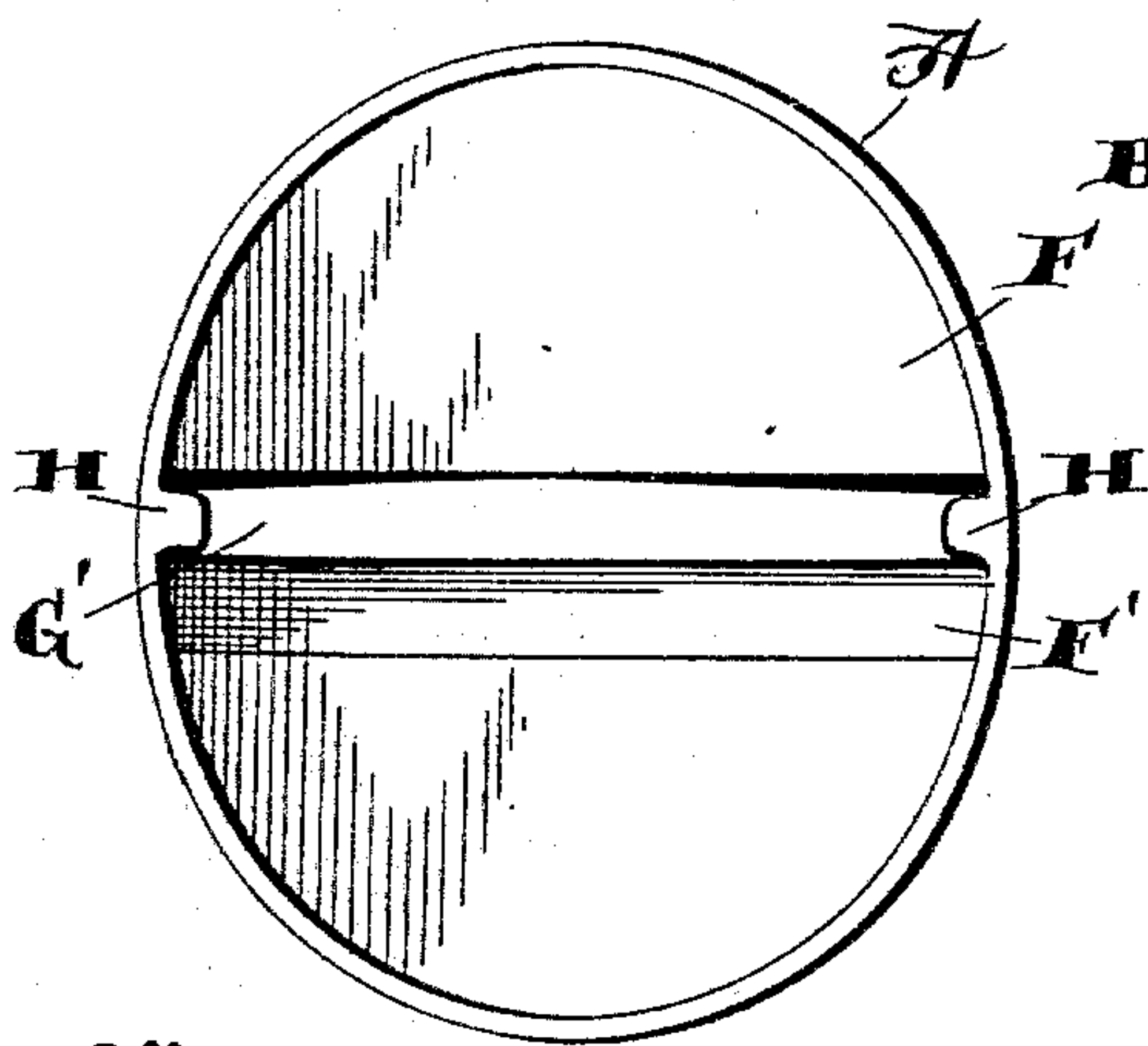
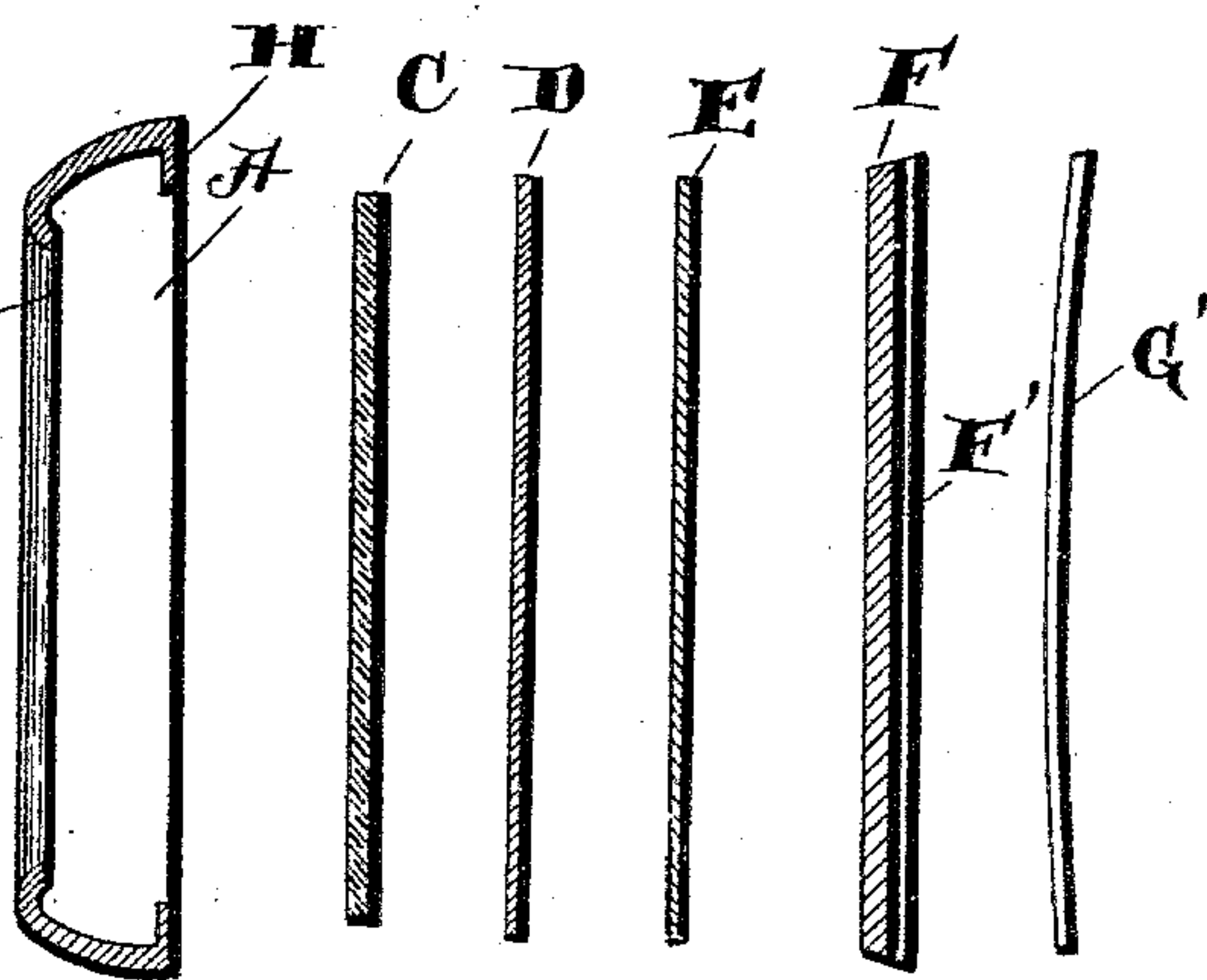


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY F. GRAY, of Columbus, in the county of Franklin and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Photographic Cases for Monuments; 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.

This invention pertains to photographic-cases for monuments; and the object of the same is to provide a case which may be securely and permanently fastened to the monument without cutting or otherwise defacing the same. Cases for the purpose mentioned have been made and used heretofore; but so far as I am aware no means have been provided for securing the cases in position which do not seriously deface the stone. Monuments have been formed with depressions in which the cases fit, and they have also been drilled for receiving securing screws, bolts, and straps; but these modes of fastening are objectionable because expensive, and for the further fact that they usually work loose, owing to the great variance in the expansive and contractive qualities between said devices and the monuments. Now my present invention is designed to overcome the objections noted by providing the case with a backing of the same material, or at least a material having the same expansive and contractive qualities as the monument to which the case is secured, and attaching the same by cement, thus at once securing a cheap effective fastening which in no way involves the defacing of the monument.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a monument provided with my improved photograph-case. Fig. 2 is a vertical sectional view of the same. Fig. 3 is a rear elevation of the case. Fig. 4 is a detail view of the case and the parts inclosed thereby separated.

A is the case-frame having the inwardly-turned retaining-flange B, against which the glass C bears, and against said glass is the picture D, which is here shown as provided

with a backing E of sheet metal. Such arrangement, however, is of minor importance, and I do not limit myself thereto.

The main backing F of the case is formed of stone, and the monument G is also of stone. The said stone backing is set slightly within the rear plane of the frame, so that the latter may fit squarely against the surface of the monument and inclose a slight narrow space between the backing F and the monument for the cement. Thus the securing means is hid from view, and no defacing, either by drilling or otherwise, of the monument is necessary. The mounting of the photograph-case is also less expensive, as any one can secure the casing in place, while when mounted in the usual way the services of a stone-cutter must be called in play to make the necessary depression or do the drilling, as the case may be. The backing F may be secured in the casing in any desired manner, the means here shown being the cross-bar G', extended through depression F' in the backing F, and at its ends secured under lugs H of the casing. The invention is here described as applied to stone monuments, with the case having a stone backing, but I desire it understood that I do not limit myself thereto, as the backing as well as the monument may be of different materials from those stated, all that is necessary being that they have substantially the same expansive and contractive qualities.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The combination of a photographic case or frame open at its rear side and adapted to seat squarely upon the monument-surface, the backing secured within and to the frame so as to leave a space between the backing and the monument, the backing being of substantially the same material as the monument, and the cement inclosed by the casing for securing the backing to the monument, substantially as shown and described.

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

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