

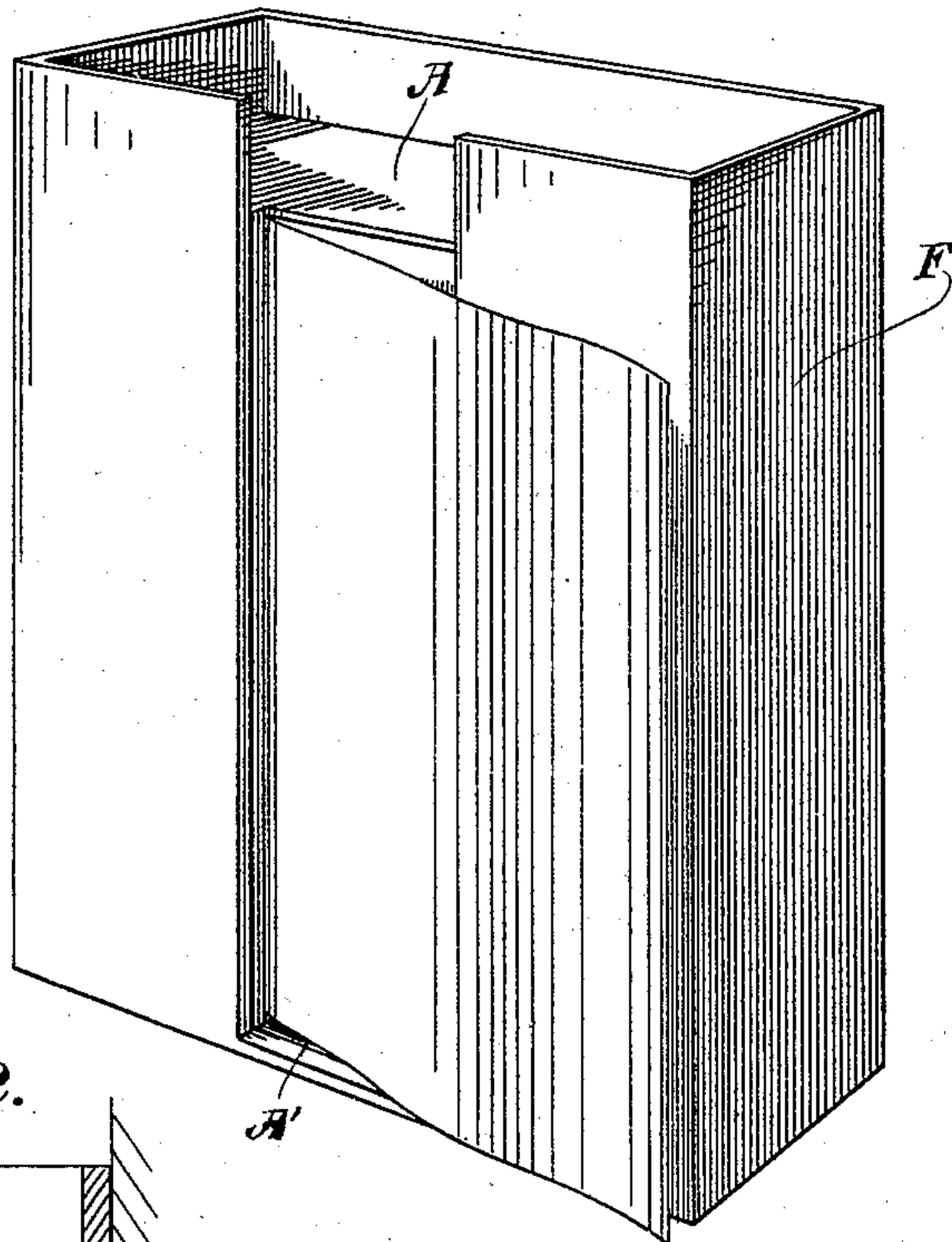
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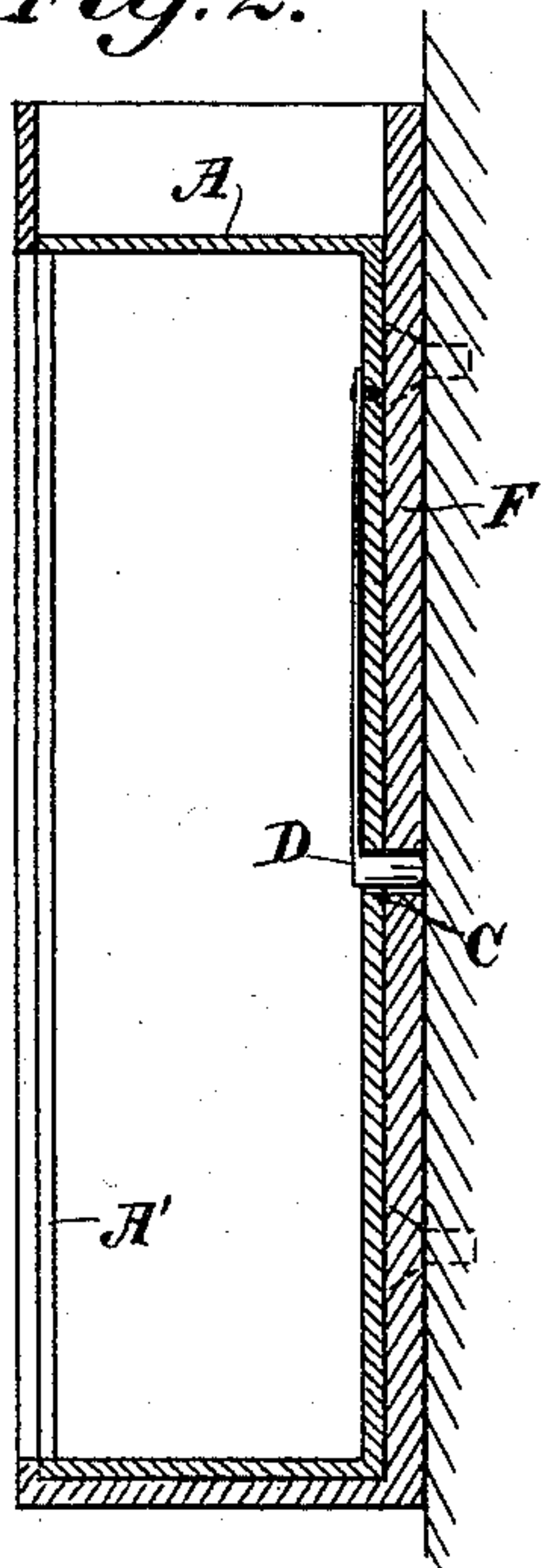
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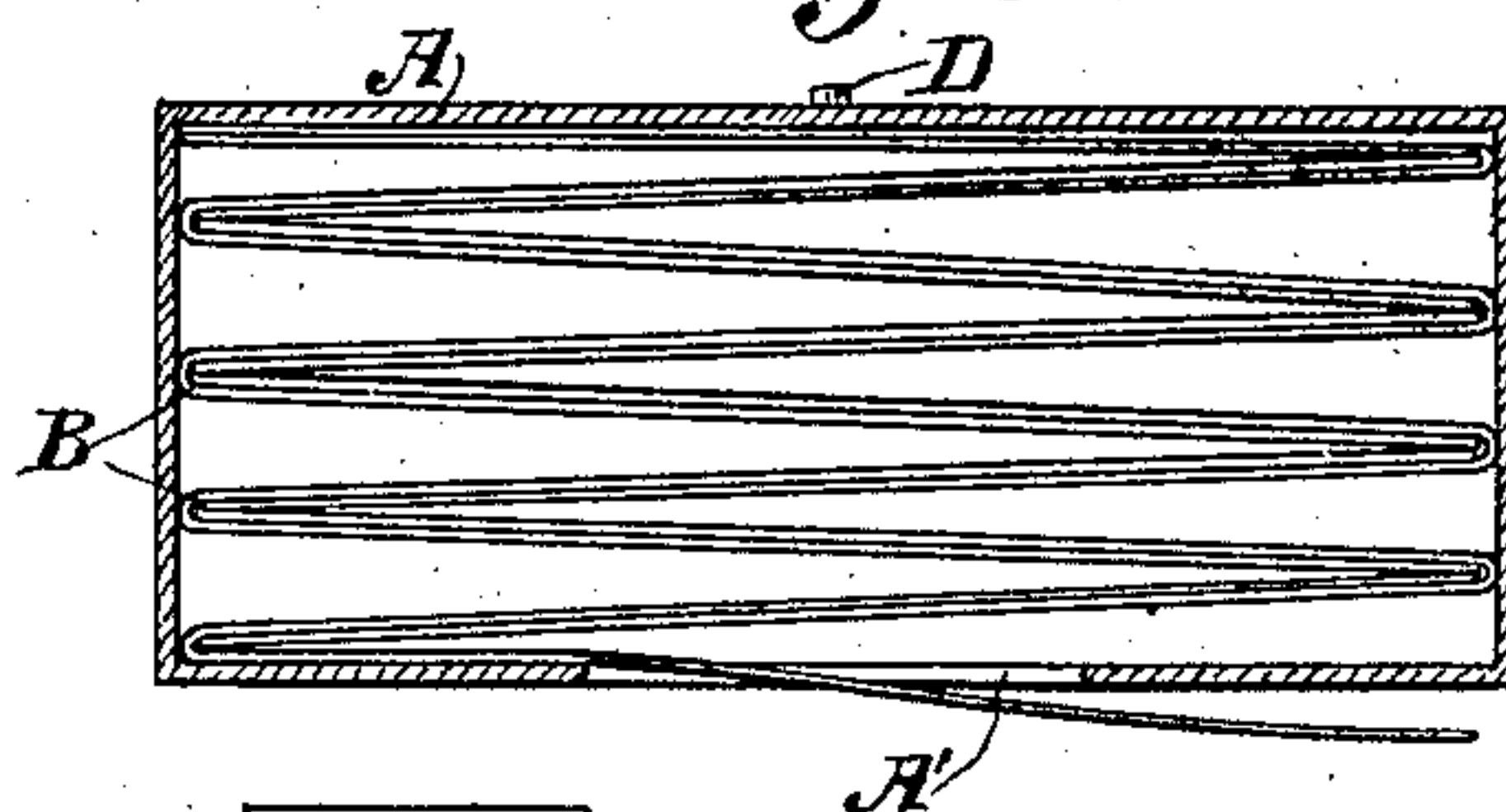
*Fig. 1.*



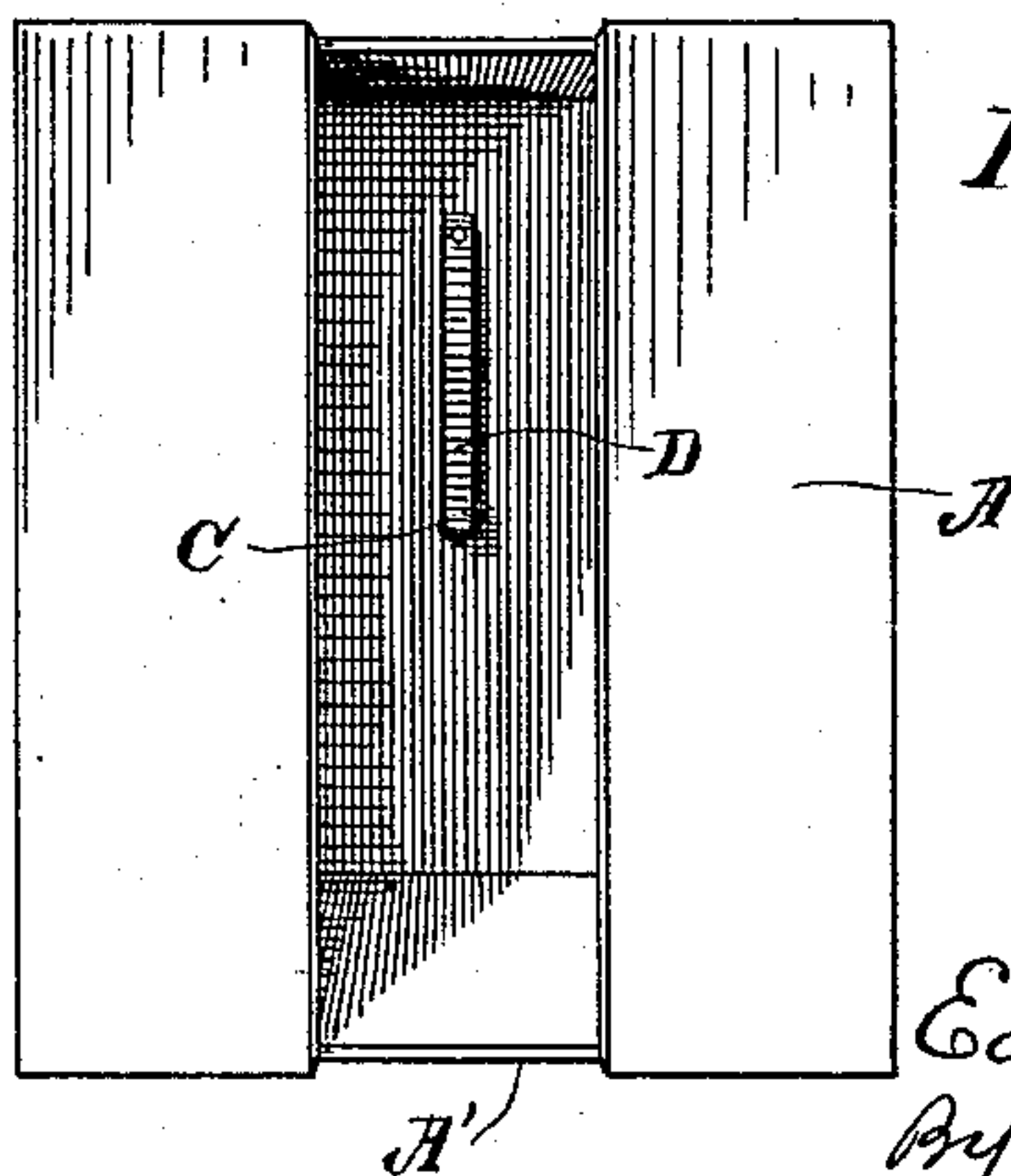
*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 3.*



*Fig. 4.*



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## TOILET-PAPER HOLDER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, EDWIN DAKE CASTERLINE, a citizen of the United States, residing at San José, county of Santa Clara, State of California, have invented an Improvement in Toilet-Paper and Holders; and I hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same.

My invention relates to serving apparatus, and particularly to devices for holding toilet-paper; and it consists of the parts and the constructions and combinations of parts which I shall hereinafter describe and claim.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a view of the holder in its place in the hanger. Fig. 2 is a sectional view showing the locking device. Fig. 3 shows the manner of folding the paper. Fig. 4 is a view of the holder detached.

The holder consists of a box A, which may be made of pasteboard or any cheap material sufficiently stiff to retain its shape.

The front of the holder has a centrally-located slot A' made in it from end to end, and the paper is packed into this box as follows: The sheets of paper are folded once, so that the double sheet is of just the size to fit within the box. Each sheet is interlocked with the next adjacent sheet, as shown at B, so that all the sheets are thus connected by each being folded alternately over one leaf of the next preceding sheet. The edge of the outer sheet projects through the slot or opening A' at the front of the box, and when this edge is drawn out it draws the bight or fold from the opposite side, and when the sheet is pulled away so as to be free it leaves the edge of the next sheet which interlocks with it also projecting through the slot and ready to be removed. In this way each sheet when removed withdraws the edge of the next succeeding sheet, so that they can be taken out one at a time until all are exhausted.

In the back of the box is made a hole or slot C, through which projects the edge of a spring D, which is here shown as secured to the inside of the box, covered and concealed by the paper as long as any remains within the box.

The permanent hanger F may be of cast-iron or other suitable metal or material and

is adapted to be conveniently secured to a wall or other point to be readily accessible. This hanger has a back with a slot or channel made in it, adapted to receive the projecting end of the spring when the primary holder has been introduced and pushed down so as to rest upon the bottom of the hanger. The sides of the hanger project to a point equal to the depth of the holder, and the front extends over the holder, so that its edges terminate approximately at the edges of the slot in the temporary holder, the two thus coinciding and the outer metal hanger protecting the holder and preventing its being removed or destroyed. The top of the hanger is open, so that the holder can be pushed in from the top, the spring being retracted and sliding along the back of the hanger until it arrives at the notch or slot therein, when its elasticity forces it into the notch, and thus locks the holder in place.

Whenever the paper has been entirely removed from the holder the spring is revealed, and it can be lifted up and disengaged from the slot in the hanger and the holder slipped out and disposed of, a new one being introduced to take its place.

The holders are made of cheap material and may be thrown away whenever exhausted, and the whole construction is simple and economical.

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

1. A holder for a serving apparatus consisting of a box closed upon all sides and having a centrally-located discharge-slit, in combination with a hanger, open at its top to receive said holder and having an opening coinciding with said slit, and a locking device on the inside of the holder, adapted to project through a wall thereof and to engage and interlock with the hanger.

2. A holder for toilet-paper consisting of an inclosed box having a centrally-located slit in the front, said holder adapted to contain a filling of paper formed of sheets folded so that each double sheet approximately fits the interior of the box, the inner flap of each sheet being interlocked with the outer flap of the next adjacent sheet, a permanent hanger

having a back, bottom and sides, the front  
overlapping the holder to the edge of the slit,  
a locking device consisting of a spring-tongue  
fixed to the holder, and a slot in the hanger  
5 with which it is adapted to engage when the  
holder has been pushed into the hanger from  
the top so as to rest upon the bottom thereof.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my  
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