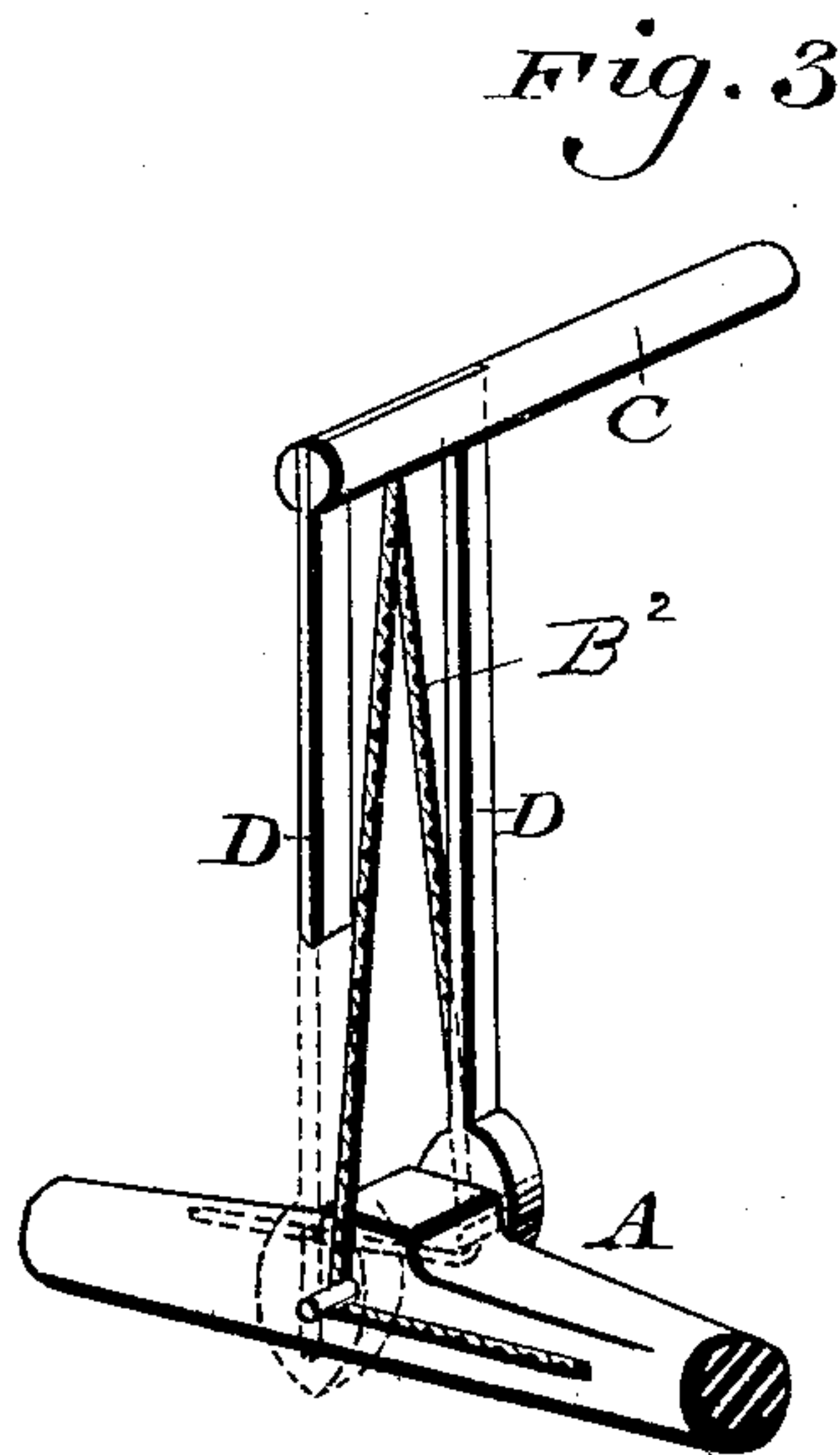
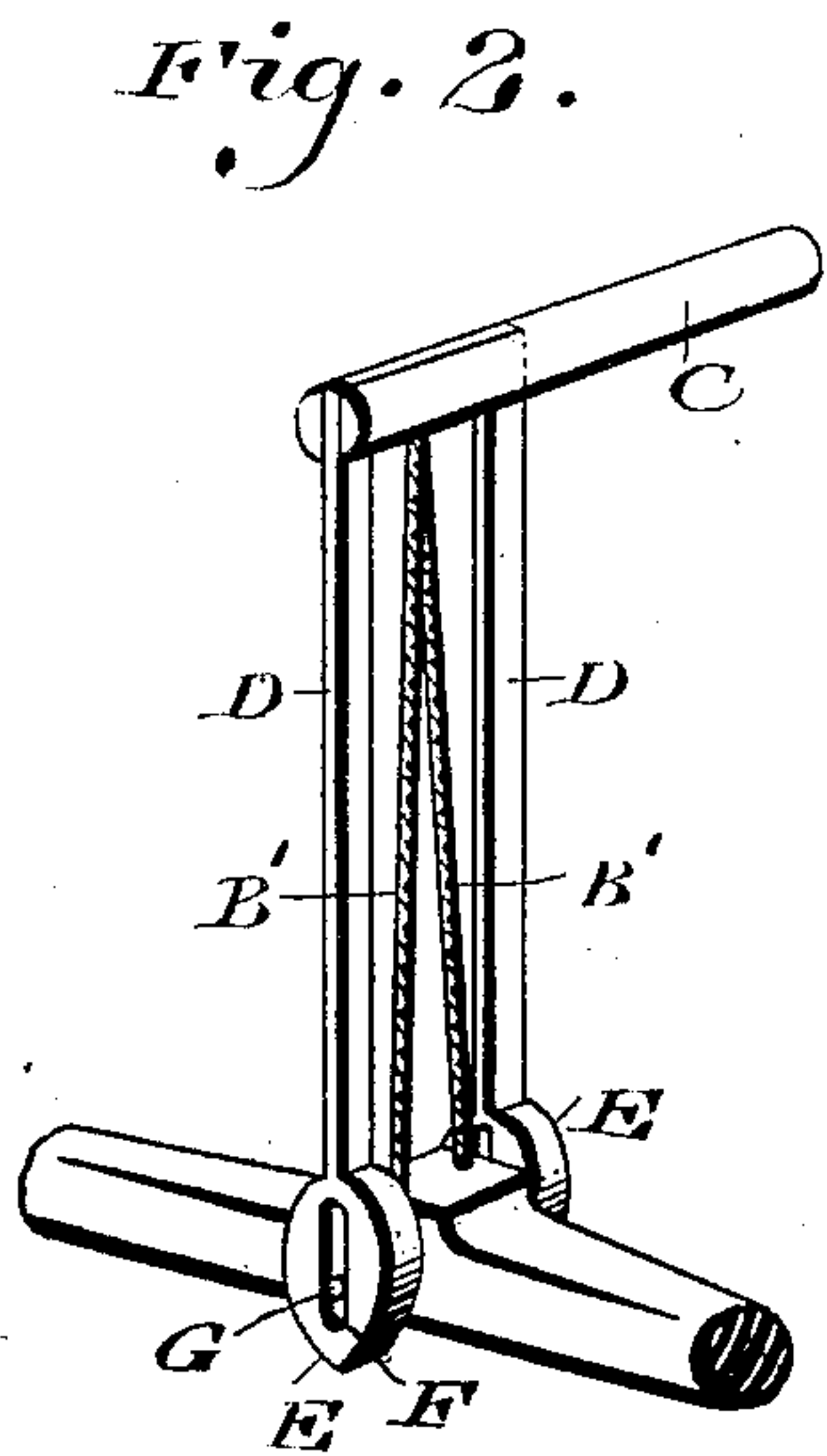
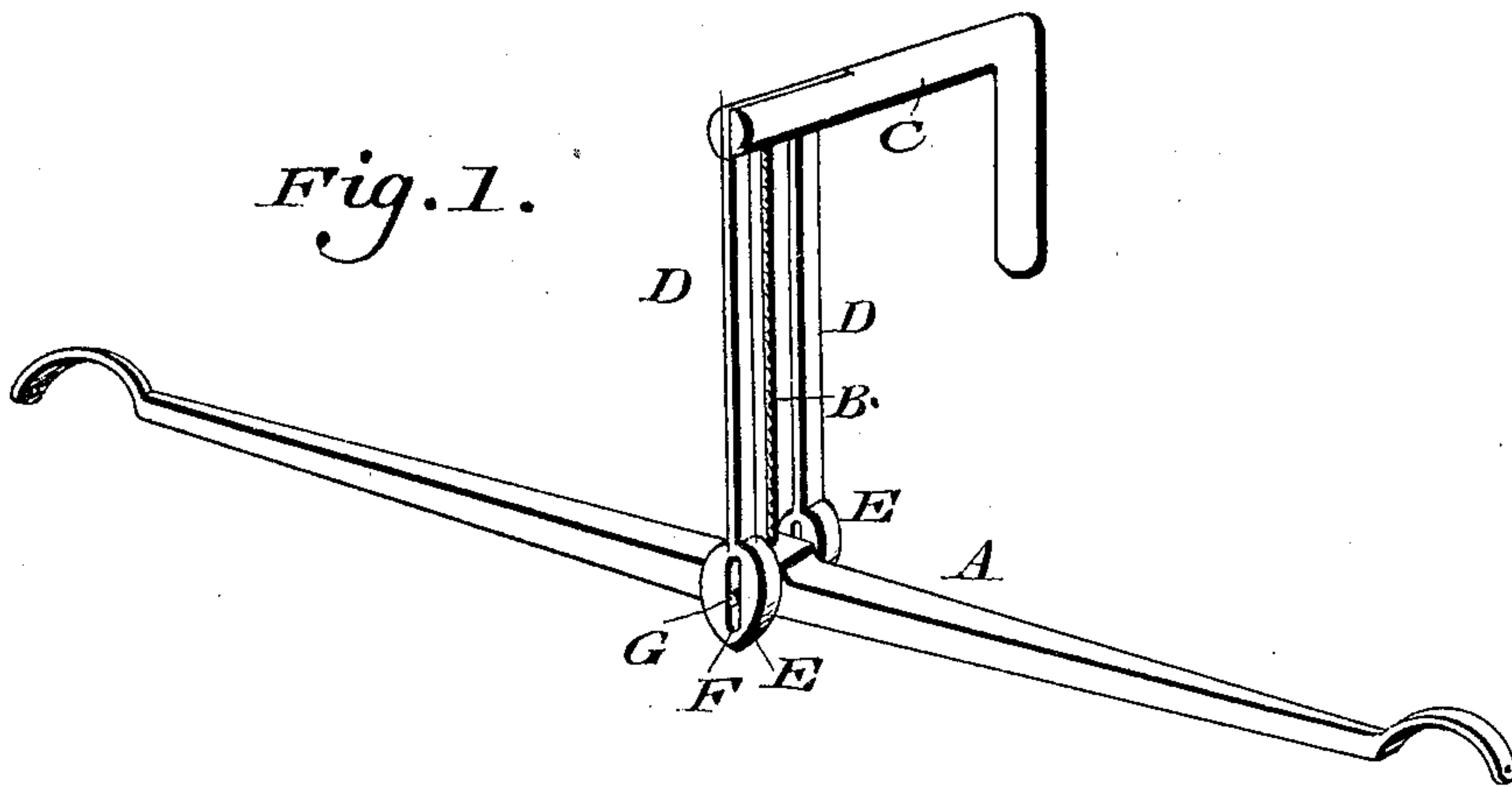


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSEPH R. WITZEL, a citizen of the United States, residing in the city and county of Philadelphia, State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Scales, which improvement is fully set forth in the following specification and accompanying drawings.

My invention consists of a scale having a flexible device for suspending the beam thereof, whereby several advantages result, as will be hereinafter set forth.

Figures 1, 2, and 3 represent perspective views of portions of a scale embodying my invention.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the several figures.

Referring to the drawings, A designates a scale-beam to which is centrally secured the piece B of flexible material, such as cord, the upper end of which piece is connected with the limb C of the standard of the scale, it being noticed that the beam is suspended from said limb by means of said piece B.

Connected with and depending from the limb C are vertical bars or rods D, whose lower ends carry the eyes E, in whose slots or openings F freely project the gudgeons G, which extend horizontally from the sides of the center of the scale-beam and thus prevent swinging or swaying of said beam.

In Fig. 2 I show two flexible pieces B' for the suspension of the scale-beam from the

limb C, the same flaring at bottom and being connected with the center of the beam near the sides thereof.

In Fig. 3 the flexible pieces B² pass under the gudgeons of the beam and are secured to the sides of the beam; but in either case the beam is supported by the flexible pieces, which avoids friction on the beam, as it has no bearings, and knife-edges are dispensed with. There is accuracy in weighing.

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

1. A scale-beam having gudgeons thereon, a support having depending bars on opposite sides of said beam and a flexible piece connecting said beam and support.

2. In a scale, a support, bars depending from said support and having eyes therein, a scale-beam having gudgeons in said eyes and a flexible piece connecting said beam with said support.

3. A scale-standard having depending bars with eyes at their lower ends, a scale-beam with gudgeons on opposite sides of the center thereof, and a flexible piece connecting said standard and beam and carrying the latter, said bars being on opposite sides of said beam forming guides therefor.

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