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HAND APPLIANCE FOR MASSAGE.

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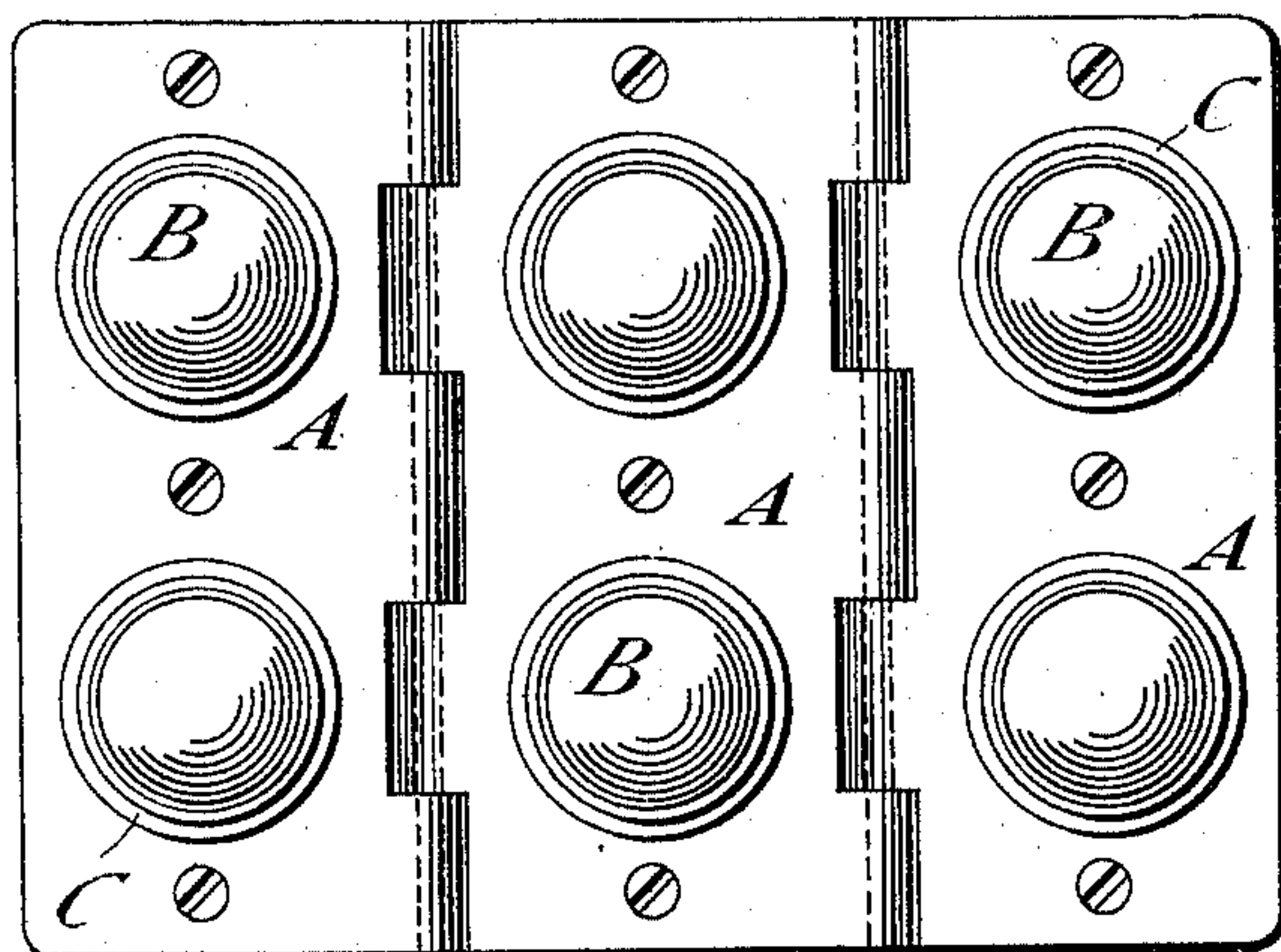


Fig. 1.

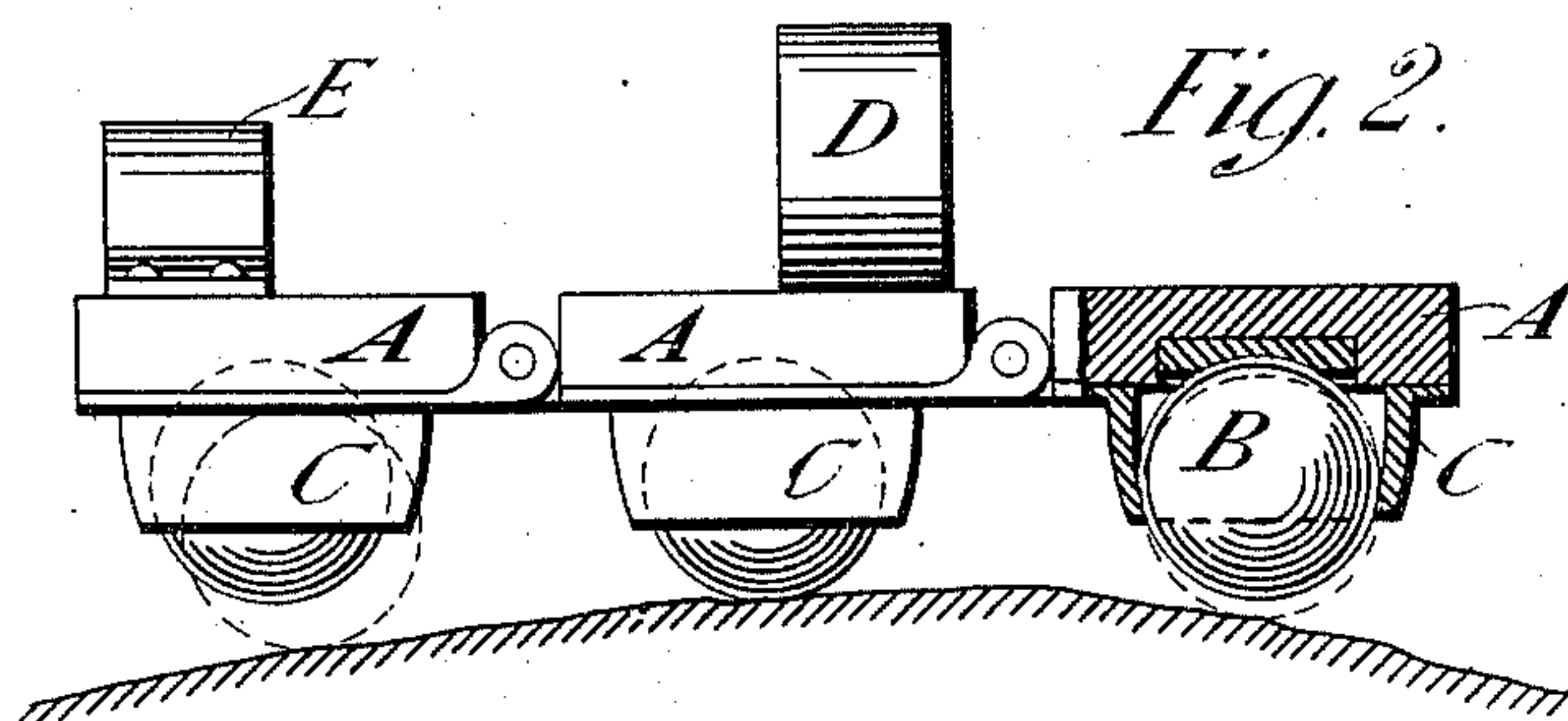


Fig. 2.

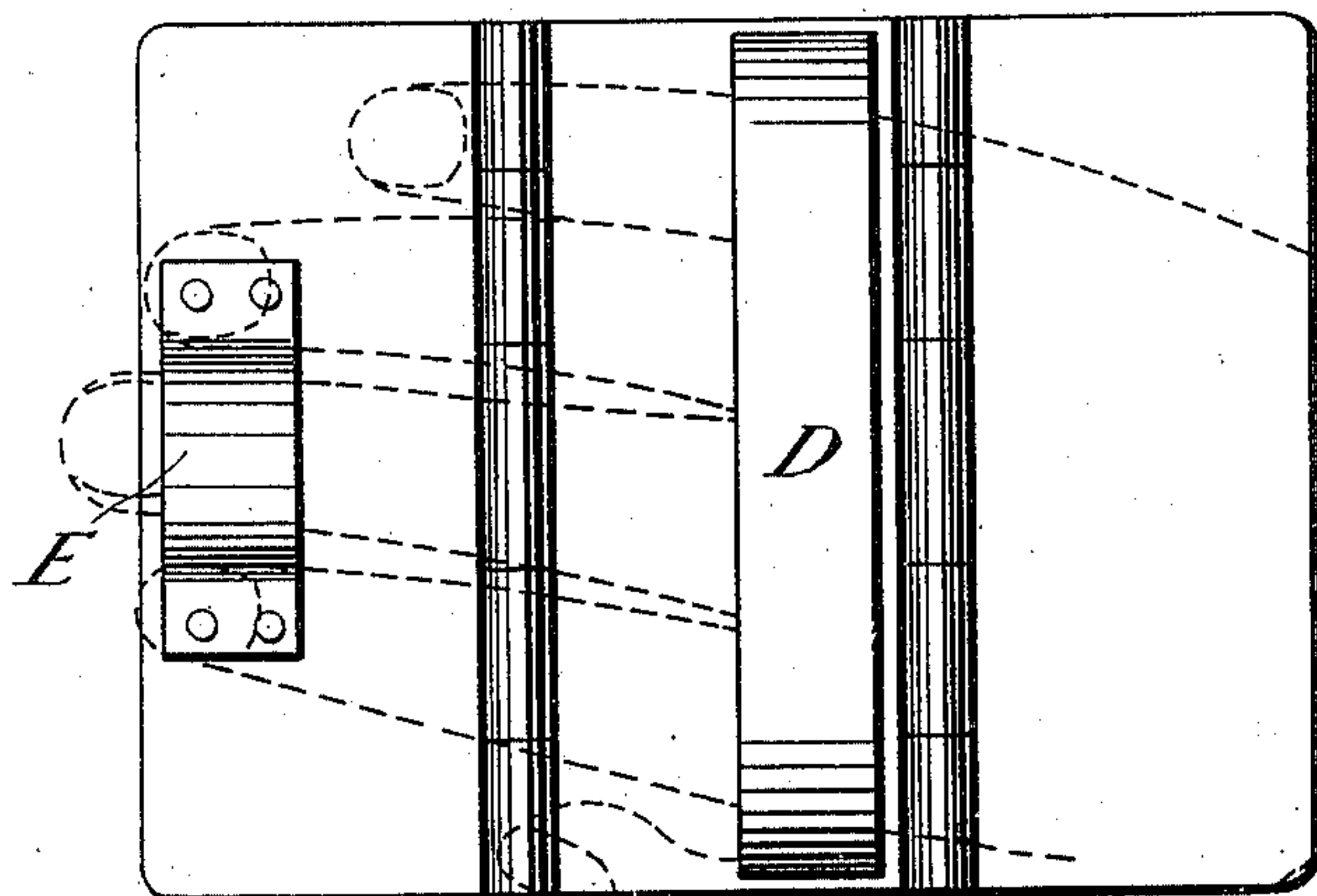


Fig. 3.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, AUGUSTUS FIGGE, engineer, a citizen of Germany, residing at Weser Haus, Hameln, in the German Empire, have invented a certain new and useful Hand Appliance for Massage, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to an appliance adapted to be held in the hand and applied to parts of the body for massage purposes, as I shall describe, referring to the accompanying drawings.

Figure 1 is a front view, Fig. 2 is a side view, partly in section, and Fig. 3 is a back view, of an appliance according to my invention.

It consists of several, preferably three, plates A, hinged or otherwise flexibly connected together, each plate having on its front several, preferably two, sockets C, each containing a ball B, free to revolve, but prevented from falling out by the lip of the socket C being smaller in diameter than the ball. On the back of the plates are fixed straps D and E, of leather or other suitable flexible mate-

rial, into which straps the hand of the operator can be inserted, so that he holds the appliance as a glove and can effect massage by pressing and moving the balls over any part of the body of the patient.

Having thus described the nature of this invention and the best means I know of carrying the same into practical effect, I claim—

A massage appliance consisting of several plates hinged together, each provided with sockets on its under side; balls secured in said sockets and free to revolve therein and straps attached to said plates by which the appliance can be readily grasped and held by the hand, substantially as and for the purpose described.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification, in the presence of two subscribing witnesses, this 2d day of August, A. D. 1897.

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