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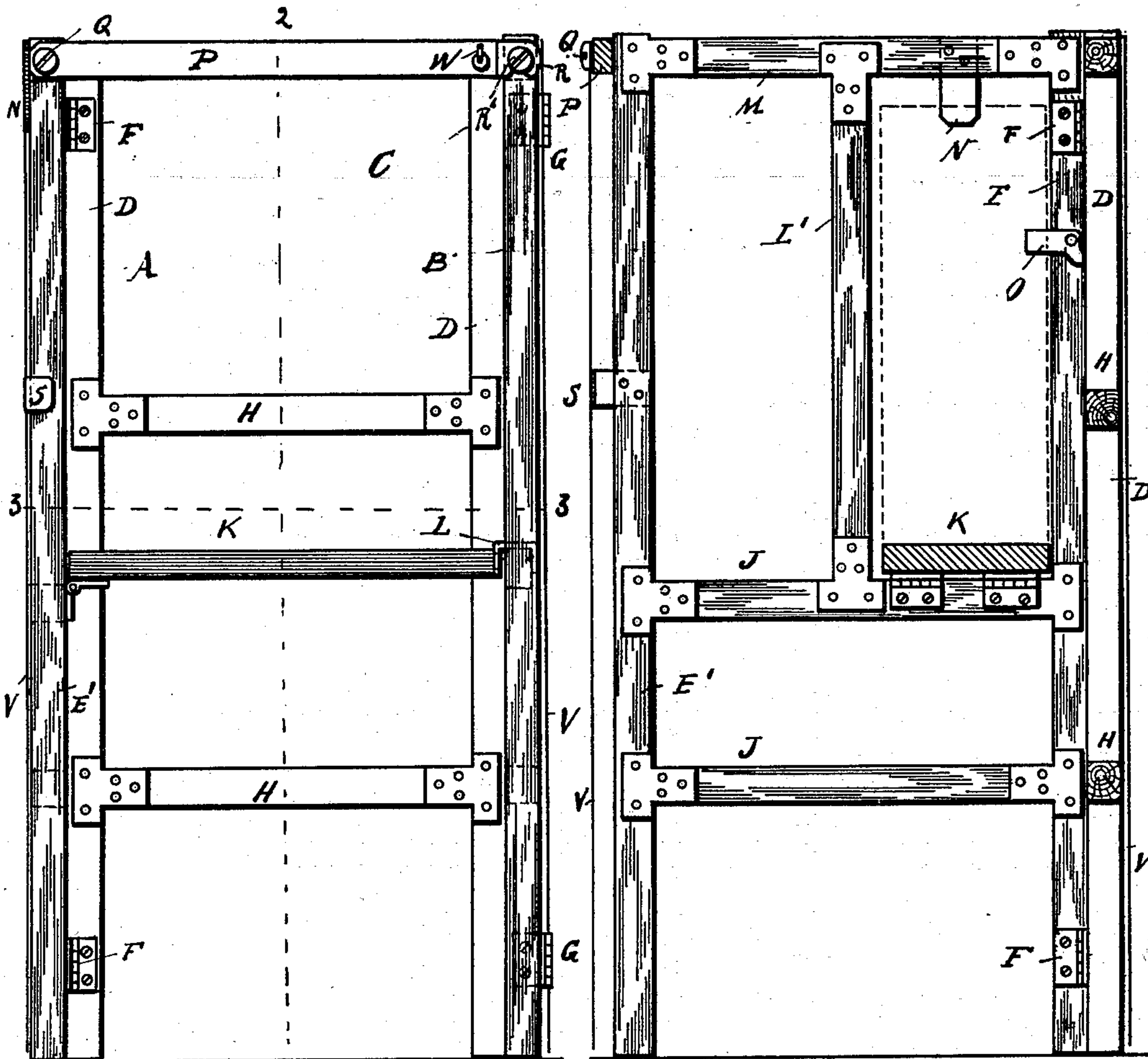


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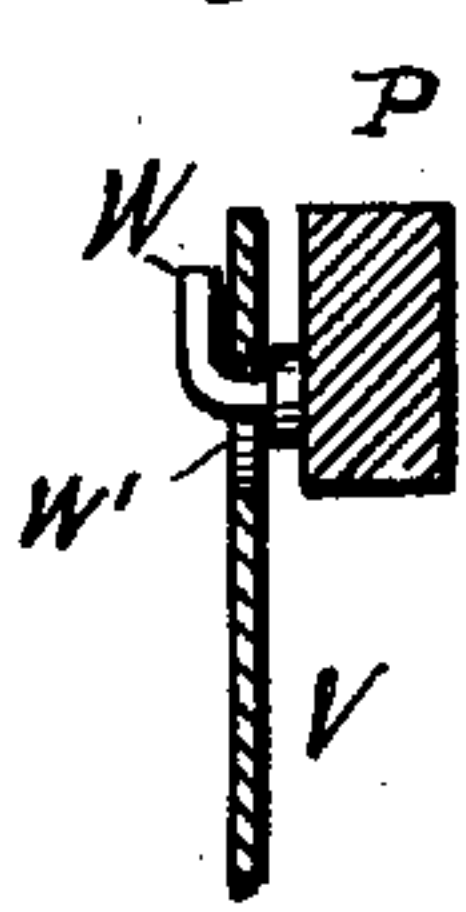


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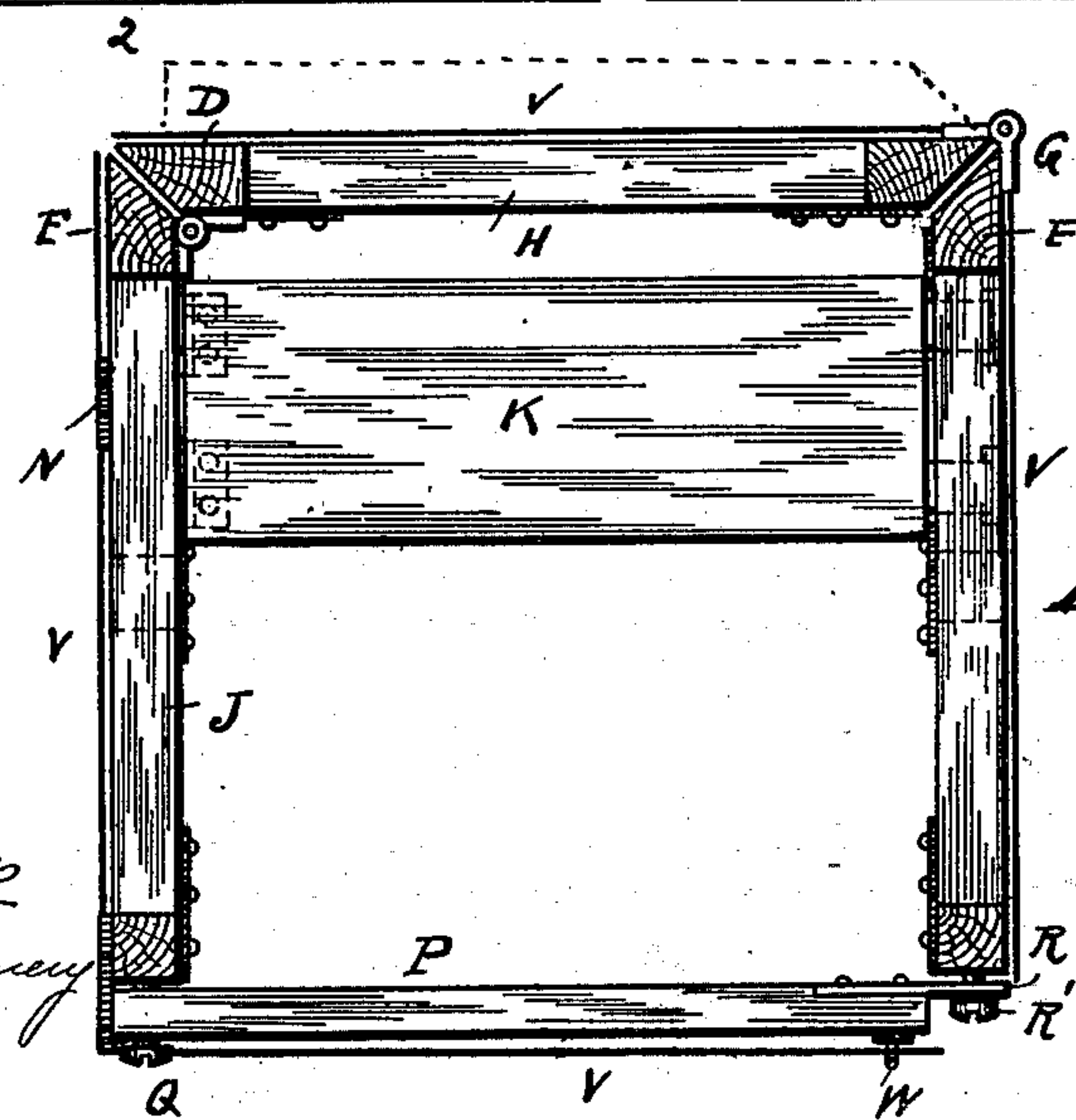


Fig. 3

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## FOLDING VOTING-BOOTH.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, CHARLES EUGERT, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of New York, borough of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Folding Voting-Booths, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in folding election-booths; and the object of my invention is to provide a new and improved folding election-booth which is simple in construction, strong, light, durable and can easily and rapidly be erected for use and folded very compactly for storage.

In the accompanying drawings, in which like letters of reference indicate like parts in all the views, Figure 1 is a front view of my improved folding election-booth erected for use, the canvas covering being omitted. Fig. 2 is a vertical transverse sectional view of the same on the line 2 2 of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a horizontal sectional view on the line 3 3 of Fig. 1. Fig. 4 is a detail view of parts.

The booth is constructed with two side frames A and B and the rear frame C, which are hinged to each other in such a manner that one side frame can be folded on one side of the rear frame and the other side frame on the other side of the rear frame, as shown on dotted lines in Fig. 3. For this purpose the side standards D of the rear frame C have their outer edges beveled at an angle of forty-five degrees and the inner or rear standards E of the side frames A and B have their rear edges beveled accordingly. The side frame A is hinged to one side standard of the rear frame C by hinges F, secured to the inner surfaces of the adjacent standards of the frames A and C, so as to adapt the side frame A to swing inward on the frame C, and the side frame B is hinged to one side standard D of the rear frame C by hinges G, attached to the outer surfaces of the adjacent standards, so as to adapt the frame B to swing outward against the rear frame C. The rear frame C has horizontal tie-bars H H and the side frames have horizontal tie-bars J J.

A desk board or shelf K is hinged at one

end to the upper tie-bar J of the side frame A and is provided at its free end with hook-clips L, which can embrace the upper tie-bar J of the side frame B when this desk-board is in lowered position, as shown in Fig. 1.

When the booth is to be folded for storage the desk board or shelf K is swung upward between the rear standard E of the side frame A and an upright L', extending from the upper tie-bar J of the said side frame A to the top bar M of said side frame, the free end of the said shelf resting against a downwardly-extending clip N, attached to the outer surface of the top bar M of the side frame A. The shelf is held in raised position by the latch O, pivoted to the inner side of the rear standard E of the side frame A. A locking-bar P, forming the top of the front of the booth when erected for use, is hinged at Q to the front surface of the front standard E' of the side frame A and is provided at its free end with a hook R, that can engage a headed stud R' on the front surface of the front standard E of the side frame B at the top of said standard. When the booth is folded, said locking-bar is swung down in front of the front standard E of the side frame A and is confined within an angle-clip S on said standard. The locking-bar P holds the several frames in proper position when the booth is erected for use, and the folding desk board or shelf K also serves for this purpose.

A canvas or other fabric or like covering V is attached to the top bars of the side frames A and B and the rear frame C and is of sufficient width to lap over on the front of the booth, the free upper corner of this covering being provided with an eyelet W', by which it can be hooked on a hook W on the front of the locking-bar P near or at the swinging end of the same.

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

A folding voting-booth constructed with a wooden rear frame and two wooden side frames, one side frame being hinged to the rear frame on the inner surface of the rear frame and the other side frame being hinged



to the rear frame on the outer surface, the adjacent faces of the adjacent end standards of the rear and side frames being beveled to permit of folding one side frame on one surface  
5 of the rear frame and the other side frame on the other surface, substantially as herein shown and described.

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