

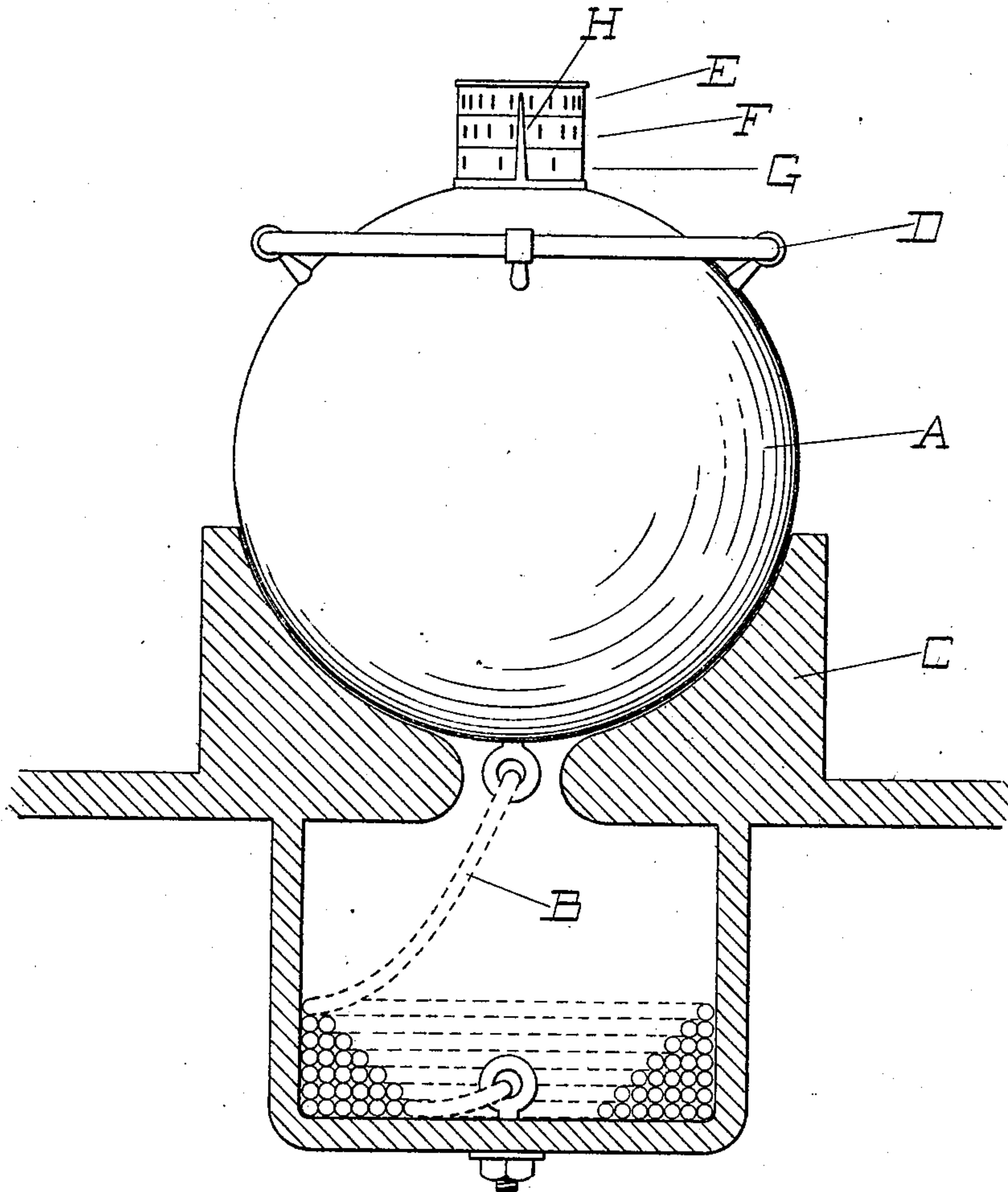
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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, WILLIAM W. NOYES, a citizen of the United States, residing at Montpelier, in the county of Washington and State of Vermont, have invented a new and useful Buoy Attachment for Boats, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to mark the place where a sunken boat can be found, the date of its sinking, and also a life-saving device.

The accompanying drawing is referred to and made a part of this specification, which shows my device attached to a boat.

In said drawing, A represents a hollow globe-shaped buoy; B, a rope or cable connecting it to the boat, which may be of any desired length, with a measure or scale marked upon it showing the depth of the water where the sunken boat is.

C shows that part of the boat where buoy A is kept when the boat is afloat.

D represents a rail around buoy or float A, that serves as a handle, and also persons in the water after the boat has sunk may cling to the rail and escape sinking and drowning.

E, F, and G represent a calendar which shows the date when the boat was wrecked or

sunk. H designates a pointer on a movable ring surrounding the said cylindrical calendar. Before the boat sinks the said ring is turned to indicate the date on the latter.

The buoy or globe A may be of any suitable material or size or shape. It may have the name of the boat (if the boat has a name) to which it is attached printed upon it.

The calendar being set at the date of the last day the boat was afloat shows when it was wrecked.

The globe A is attached at any convenient point to the boat by means of a long line or cable, so when the boat sinks the globe A will float and remain attached to the boat by means of the long line B, which unwinds as the boat descends in the water. The globe A may have more than one rail D upon it, if desired.

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

A buoy carrying a cylindrical, graduated calendar and a ring and pointer movable around the latter, substantially as set forth.

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