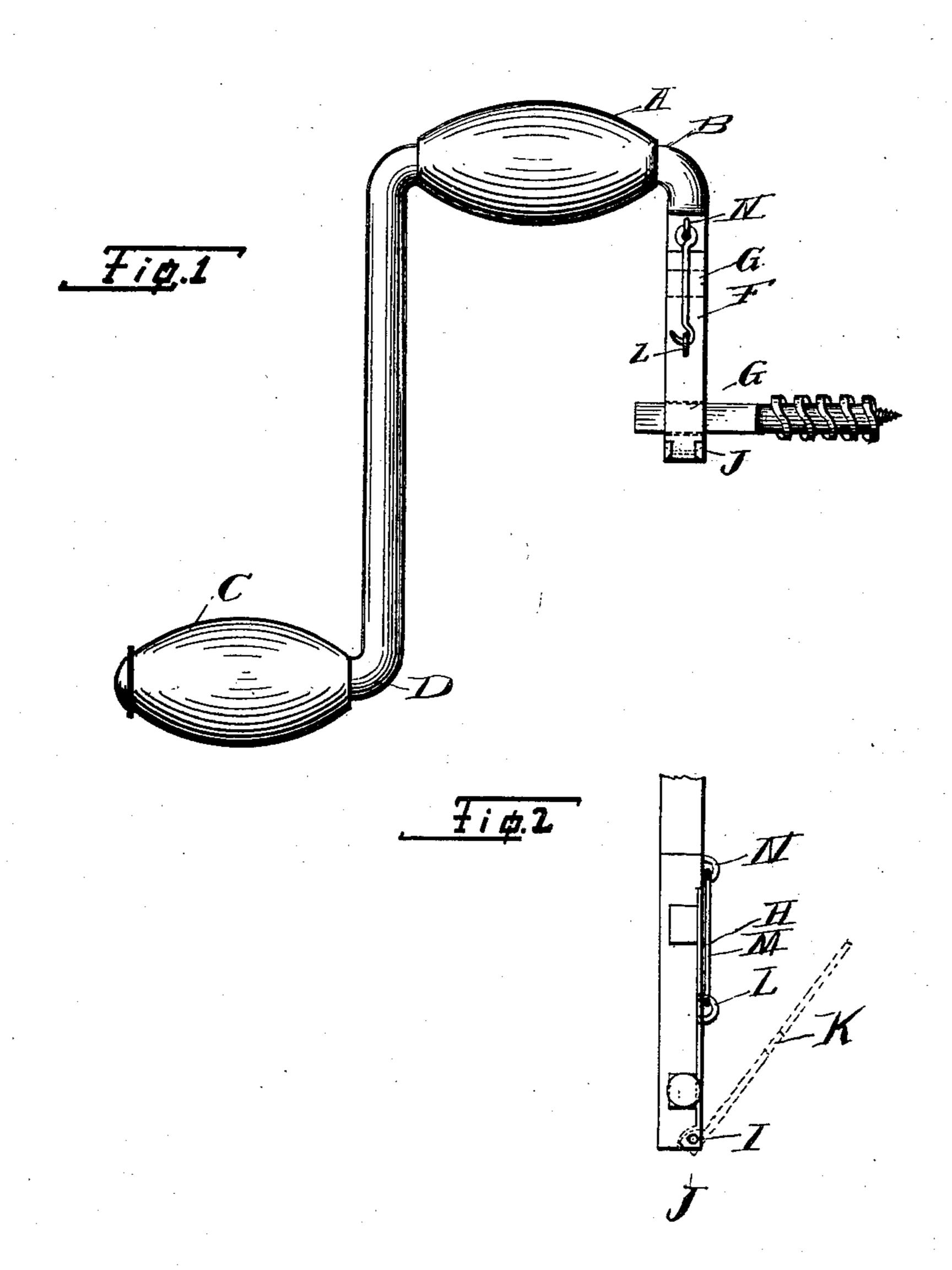
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## BIT-STOCK.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Joseph Foit, a citizen of the United States, residing at Wellston, in the county of Jackson and State of Ohio, have 5 invented certain new and useful Improvements in Bit-Stocks, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to bit-stocks, and more particularly to that class of bit-stocks 10 adapted for use in mining, though it may be used with satisfactory results as a wood or iron

working tool.

The object of my invention is to provide a bit-stock with a series of bit-sockets so ar-15 ranged that a bit may be easily and quickly locked therein or removed, as may be desired, and one that will efficiently perform all of its intended functions.

Another object of my invention is to pro-20 vide a bit-stock having a series of bit-sockets arranged in such a manner that it will enable one to manipulate the stock comparatively close to a wall and to also increase or diminish the leverage, according to the nature of the 25 material upon which it is desired to work.

To this end my invention consists in the particular construction of the various parts and in the novel manner of combination and arrangement of said parts, all of which will be 30 hereinafter more fully described, and specific-

ally pointed out in the claims.

In the drawings forming a part of this specification, Figure 1 is a view in side elevation. Fig. 2 is a top plan view of the arm or that 35 portion of the stock which is provided with the bit-sockets.

Referring by letters to the drawings, A represents a handle mounted upon a perpendicular arm B, one end of the arm B being bent 40 at right angles, so as to form a horizontal arm C, which is also bent at right angles to form · the perpendicular arm D, which is parallel to the arm B and is provided with a handle E. The other end of the arm B is bent back at 45 right angles beneath the arm C and parallel with respect thereto. This arm is approxi-

mately one-half the length of the arm C and is made square upon its free end, as shown at F. This square portion is provided with a series of notches G, adapted to receive a square 5° shank of a bit, the bit being held therein by the plate H, which is pivoted to the free end of the arm, as plainly shown at I, and is adapted to fold down upon the cut-away face J upon the said square portion over the 55 notches. The plate is provided with a slot K, which engages a staple or loop L, brazed or otherwise secured upon the arm between the notches, and is locked in position by a hook M, which is also attached to the said arm by 60 a staple or loop N; though it may be secured to the plate. However, I prefer to secure it to the arm for the reason that it tends to strengthen the construction.

It will thus be seen that I provide a bit- 65 stock which is exceedingly cheap and simple and one that will efficiently perform its in-

tended functions.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters 7° Patent, is—

1. In a bit-stock, a handle having two parallel arms one above the other and at right angles thereto, one of the arms being longer than the other and provided with a handle par- 75 allel with respect to the first-mentioned handle, the shorter arm having a series of bitsockets, substantially as specified.

2. In a bit-stock, a handle having two arms bent at right angles thereto, one above the 80 other and parallel with respect to each other, one of the arms being longer than the other, the longer arm having a handle at a right angle thereto and parallel with respect to the first-mentioned handle, the shorter arm hav- 85 ing a series of bit-sockets adapted to receive bits, and means for locking bits within the sockets, substantially as specified.

3. In a bit-stock, a handle having two arms bent at right angles thereto one above the 9° other and parallel with respect to each other, one of the arms being longer than the other,

the longer arm having a handle at a right angle thereto and parallel with respect to the first-mentioned handle, the shorter arm having a series of bit-sockets, a plate pivoted to the free end of the shorter arm, the said plate adapted to fold down over the said sockets, and means for locking the plate in position,

substantially as shown and for the purpose described.

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