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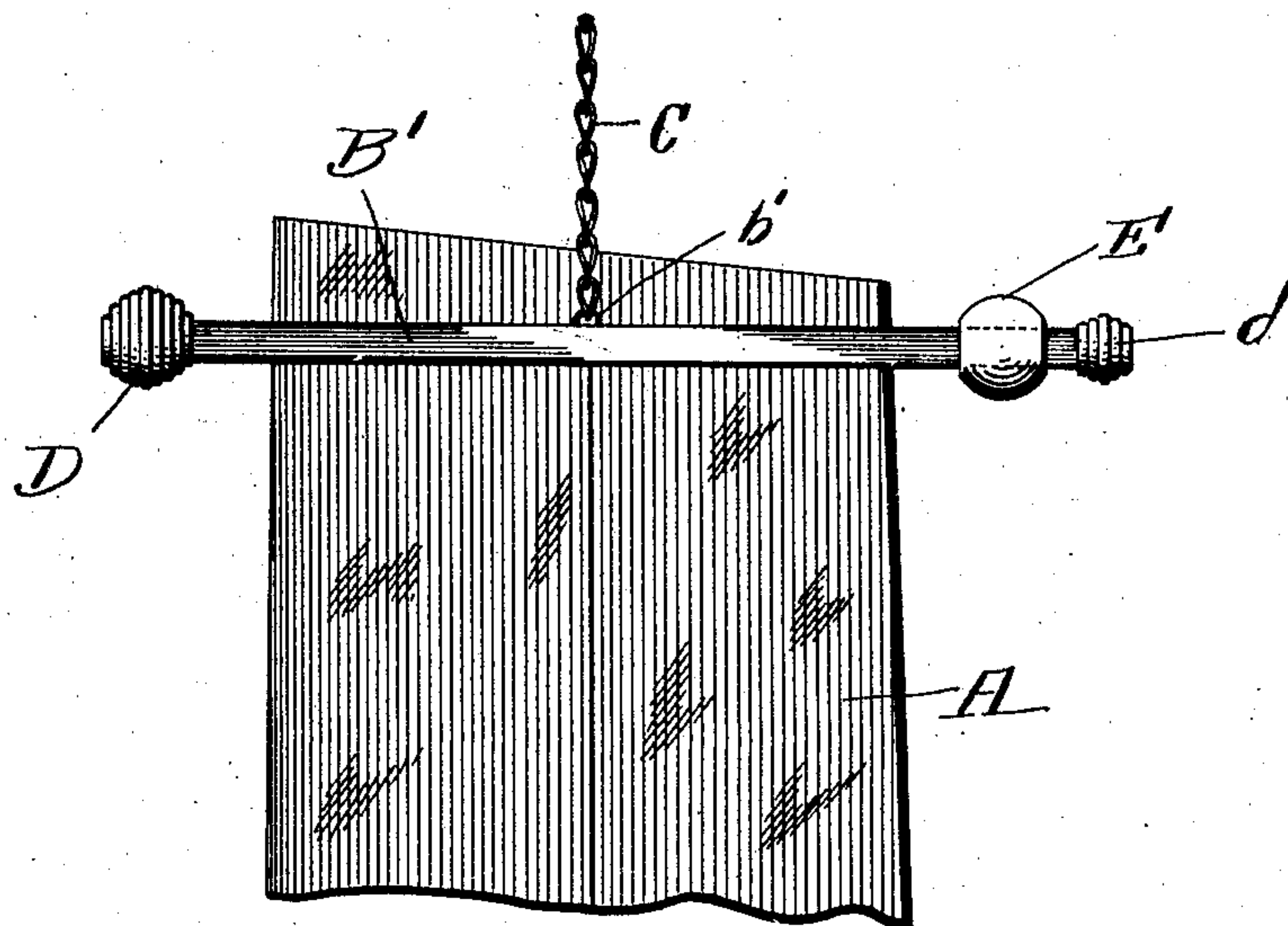


Fig. 1.

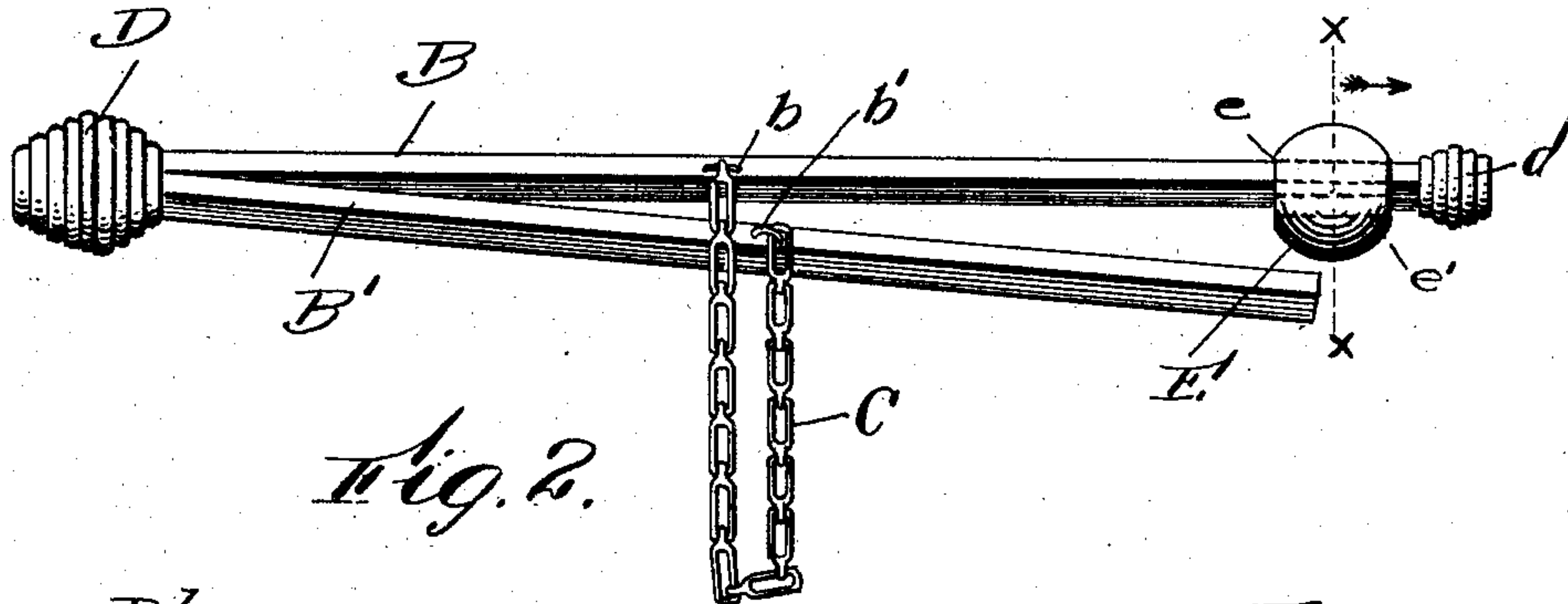


Fig. 2.

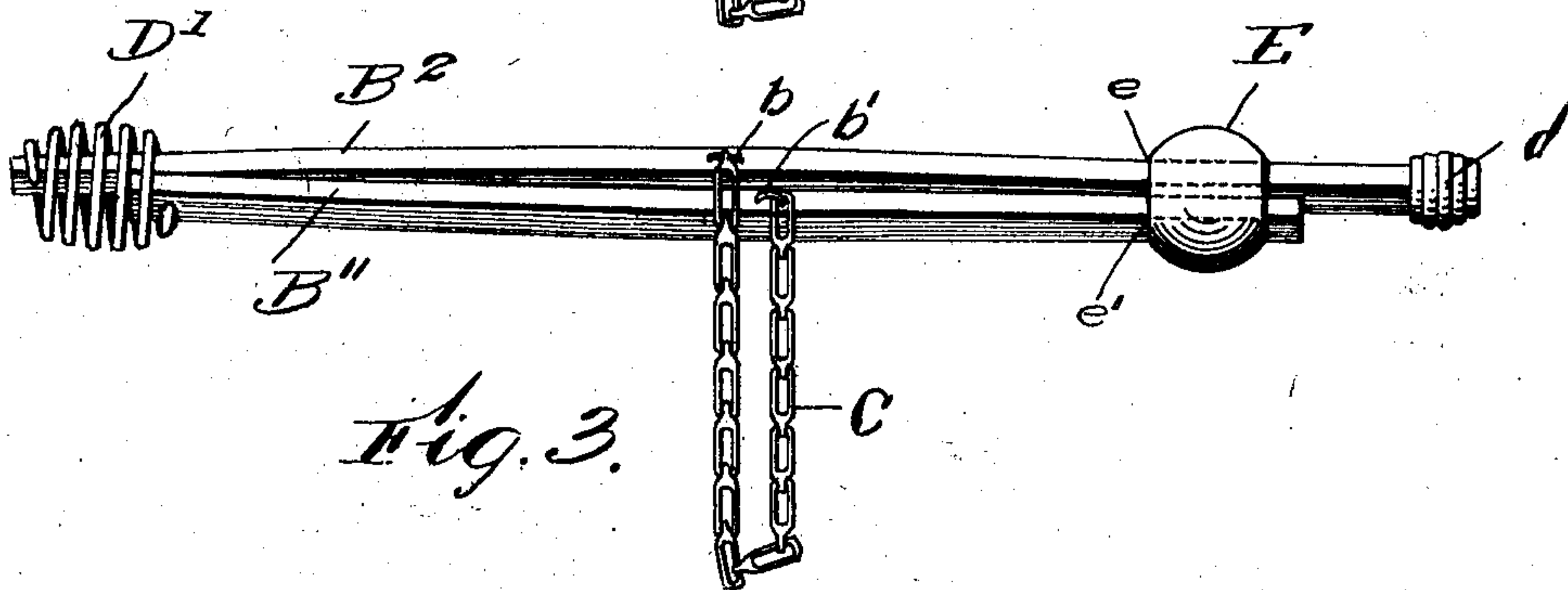
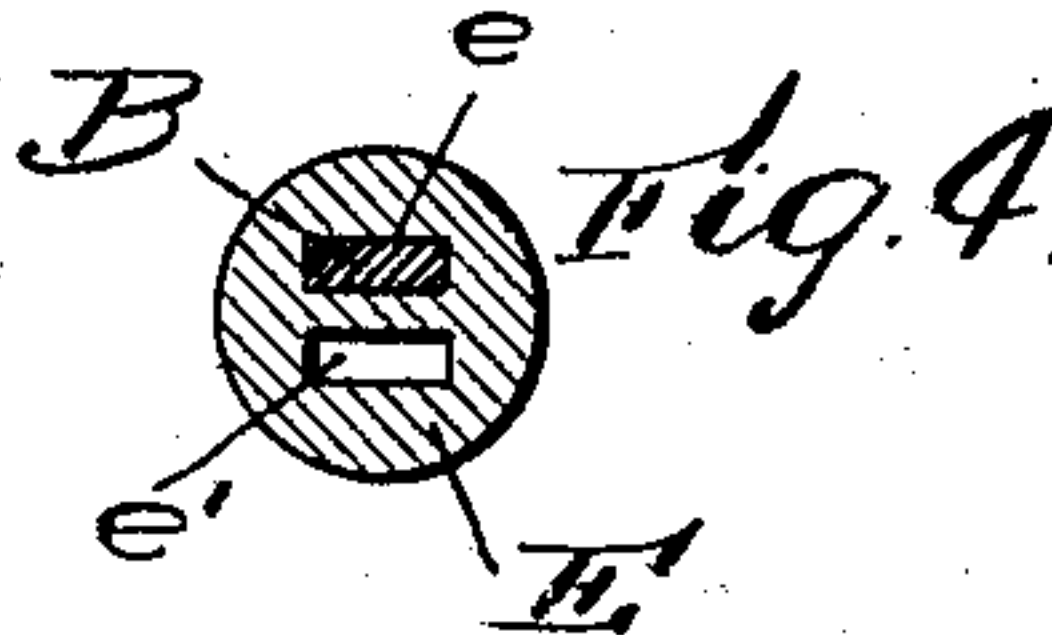


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## TROUSERS-HANGER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, MICHAEL J. FARRELL, of Leominster, in the county of Worcester and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Trousers-Hangers; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same.

This invention relates to garment-hangers, and particularly to a device designed to be utilized for hanging trousers.

An object of this invention is to provide a device which is capable of clamping the lower ends of the leg portion of the trousers, whereby the said trousers may be suspended with the weight acting to stretch or bring the leg portion of the trousers into shape.

Furthermore, an object of this invention is to provide a device which is readily applicable to and removable from the garment, yet affording a positive gripping action which would prevent accidental disengagement or release of the garment.

Furthermore, an object of this invention is to provide means whereby the engaging members of the hanger are in such relation as to prevent disengagement of the members one from the other, so that the parts cannot be lost by reason of their being disengaged.

Furthermore, an object of this invention is to provide a clamp which is capable of holding several garments, as the clamping-bars are made sufficiently yielding to embrace the leg portions of more than one pair of trousers, this latter feature depending upon the resiliency of the material from which the clamping-bars are formed.

Finally, an object of this invention is to provide a hanger for trousers which comprises few inexpensive parts which will prove efficient and satisfactory in use.

With the foregoing and other objects in view the invention consists in the details of construction and in the arrangement and combination of parts to be hereinafter more fully set forth and specifically claimed.

In describing the invention in detail reference will be had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, where-

in like characters denote corresponding parts throughout the several views, in which—

Figure 1 is a view in elevation of the hanger with a fragment of a garment applied thereto. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the hanger detached from the garment. Fig. 3 is a view illustrating a modified form of the invention. Fig. 4 is a sectional view on the line *xx* of Fig. 2.

In the drawings, A denotes the trousers having its ends projecting between the bars of the clamp, the said clamp comprising two bars B and B', each of which is provided with a staple *b* and *b'*, respectively, to which is attached a flexible connection C, by which the clamp is suspended. The bars B and B' are integral with the ornamental head D, though it will be apparent that the said head may be a separate member from the bars B and B' and being provided with a recess to receive the ends of said bars may serve to hold the said bars at one end.

I may in practice form the head D' of metal by coiling wire about the ends of the bars B'' and B'' and anchoring the ends of said wire to the bars. This construction would afford a yielding socket for the bars, so that the bars themselves need not be of any great resiliency, but dependence would be placed in the yielding socket for the adjustment of the arms.

The retaining member E comprises a body having an aperture *e*, which receives the bar B, so that the said member E may be slidable on said bar and retained thereon at all times. This member E is also provided with an aperture *e'* for the reception of the end of the bar B'. Thus when the trousers are placed between the bars and the free end of the bar B' is pressed into engagement with the bar B the retaining member is moved longitudinally of the bar B until the end of the bar B' engages the member E by reason of the member E passing over the end of said bar. It would be apparent, therefore, that the trousers will be clamped by the bars and that the retaining member E is readily manipulated to engage or release the clamping-bars.

It is obvious that the distance between the end of the bar B' and the ornamental head



$d$  must be slightly greater than the width of the retaining member E in order that the said bar B' may be free to move when the member E is in contact with the ornamental head  $d$ .

5 The construction, operation, and advantages will, it is thought, be understood from the foregoing description, it being noted that various changes may be resorted to in the proportions and details of construction for suc-  
10 cessively carrying the invention into practice without departing from its scope.

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

15 1. In a garment-hanger, two approximately parallel bars united at one end, one of said bars being of less length than the remaining bar, a sliding member on the longer arm hav-  
20 ing a perforation adapted to engage the shorter bar and a stop on the longer bar for confining the movement of the sliding member in one direction.

2. A garment-hanger comprising a plurality of bars united at one end, a member having a  
25 plurality of apertures adapted to slidably engage the bars, and a stop on one of the bars for confining the movement of the member in one direction.

3. A garment-hanger comprising a plurality of bars yieldingly united at one end, a mem- 30  
ber having a plurality of apertures adapted to slidably engage the bars, and a stop on one of the bars to confine the movement of the member in one direction.

4. A garment-hanger comprising parallel 35  
bars united at one end, a member having parallel apertures adapted to slidably engage the bars, and a stop on one of the bars for confining the movement of the member in one di-  
40 rection, and means for suspending the device.

5. A garment-hanger comprising bars united at one end by a coiled connection, a member slidable on one of the bars and adapt-  
45 ed to engage the remainder and a stop for confining the movement of the member in one di-  
rection.

6. A garment-hanger comprising bars, a wire coiled about the ends of the bars, the wire being anchored in each bar respectively, and a member slidable on one of the bars and 50  
engaging the remainder.

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