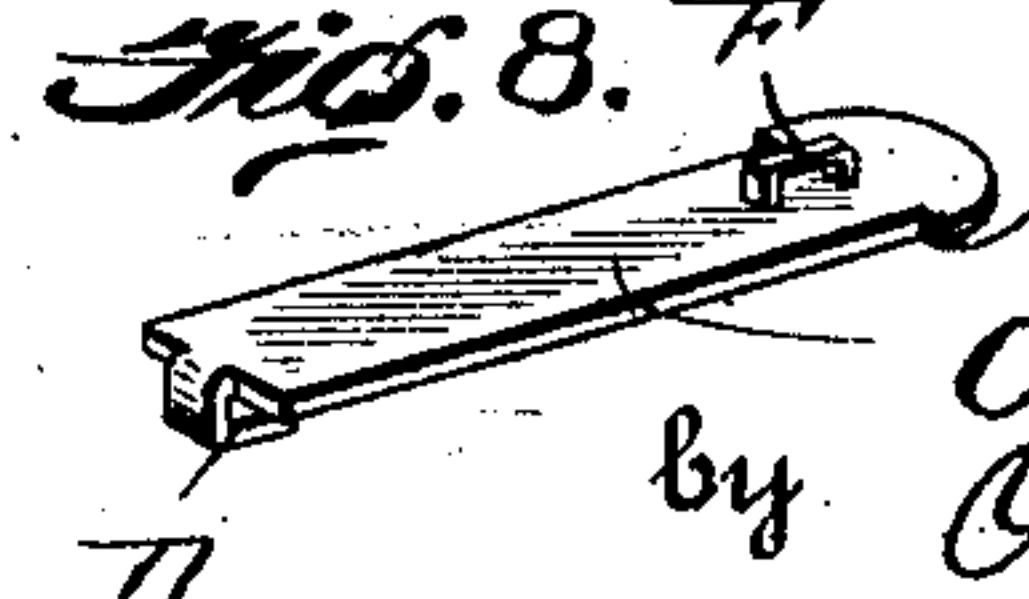
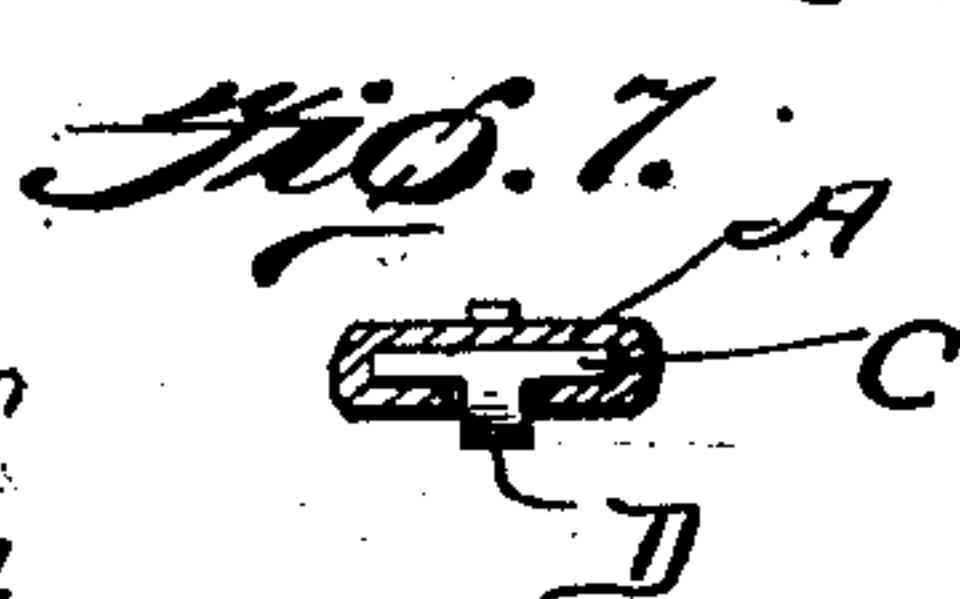
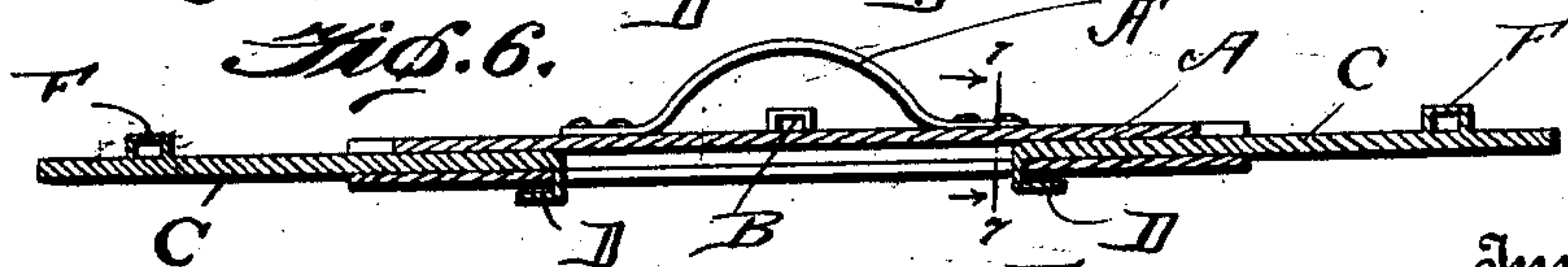
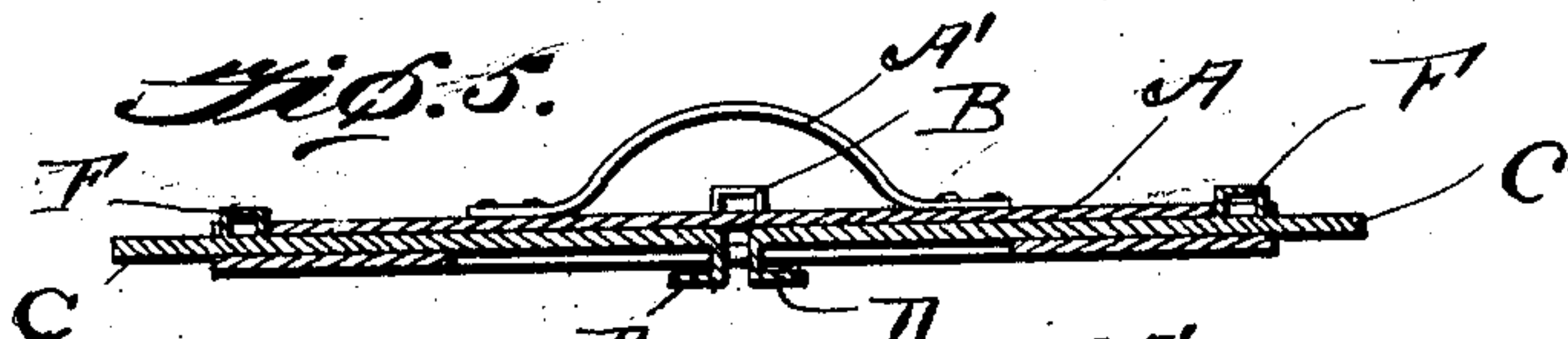
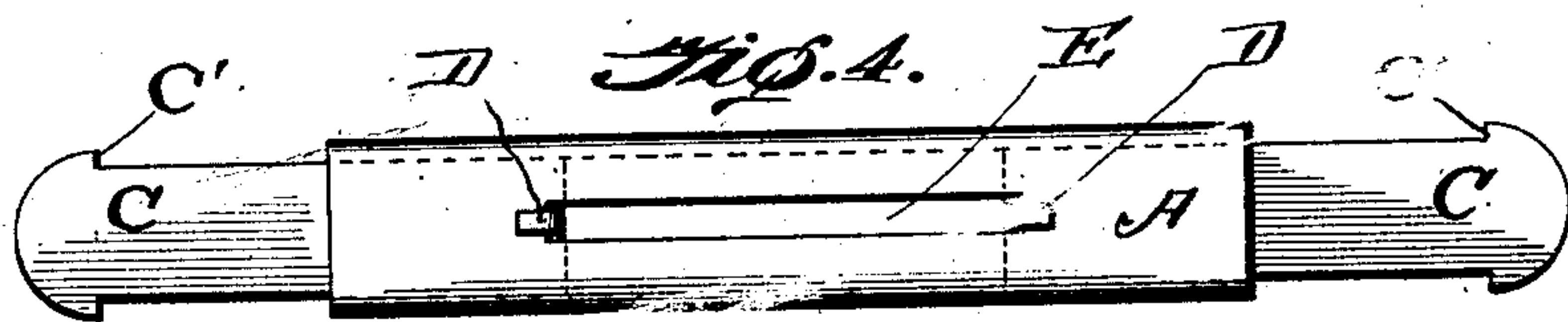
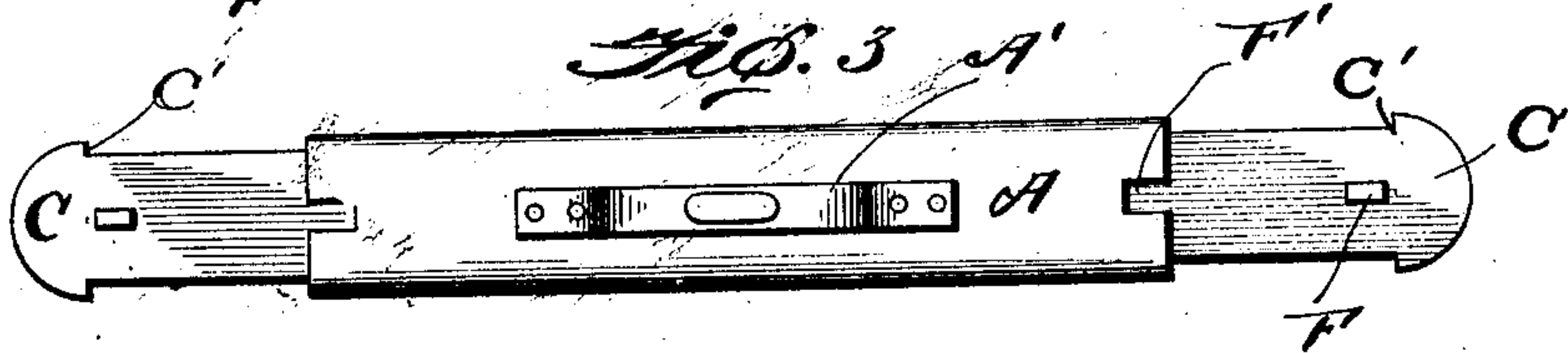
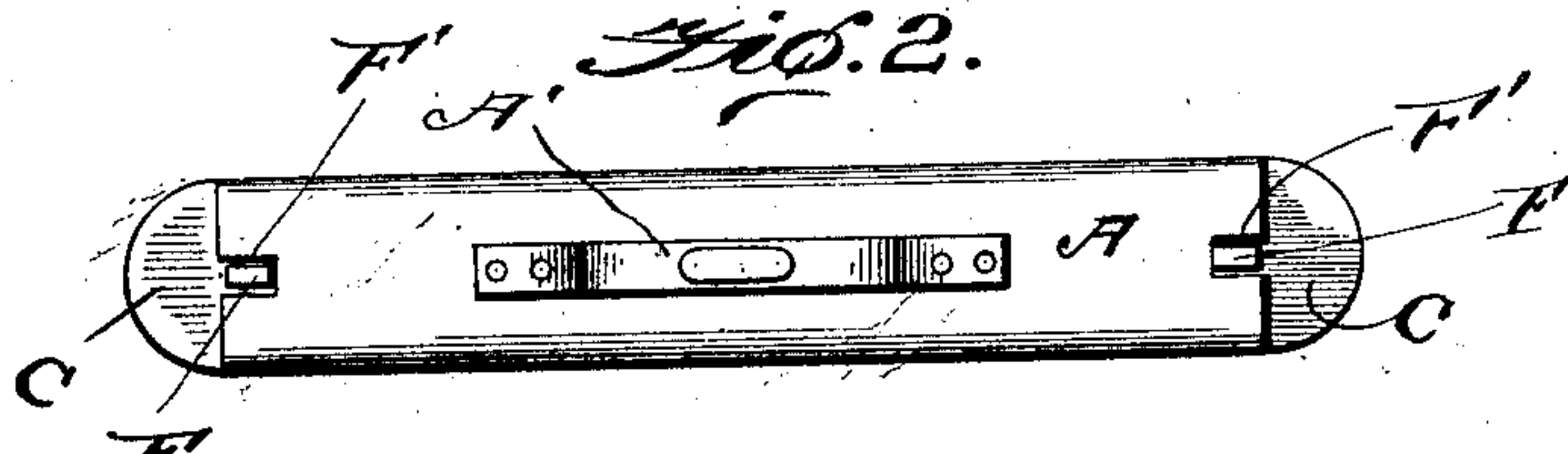
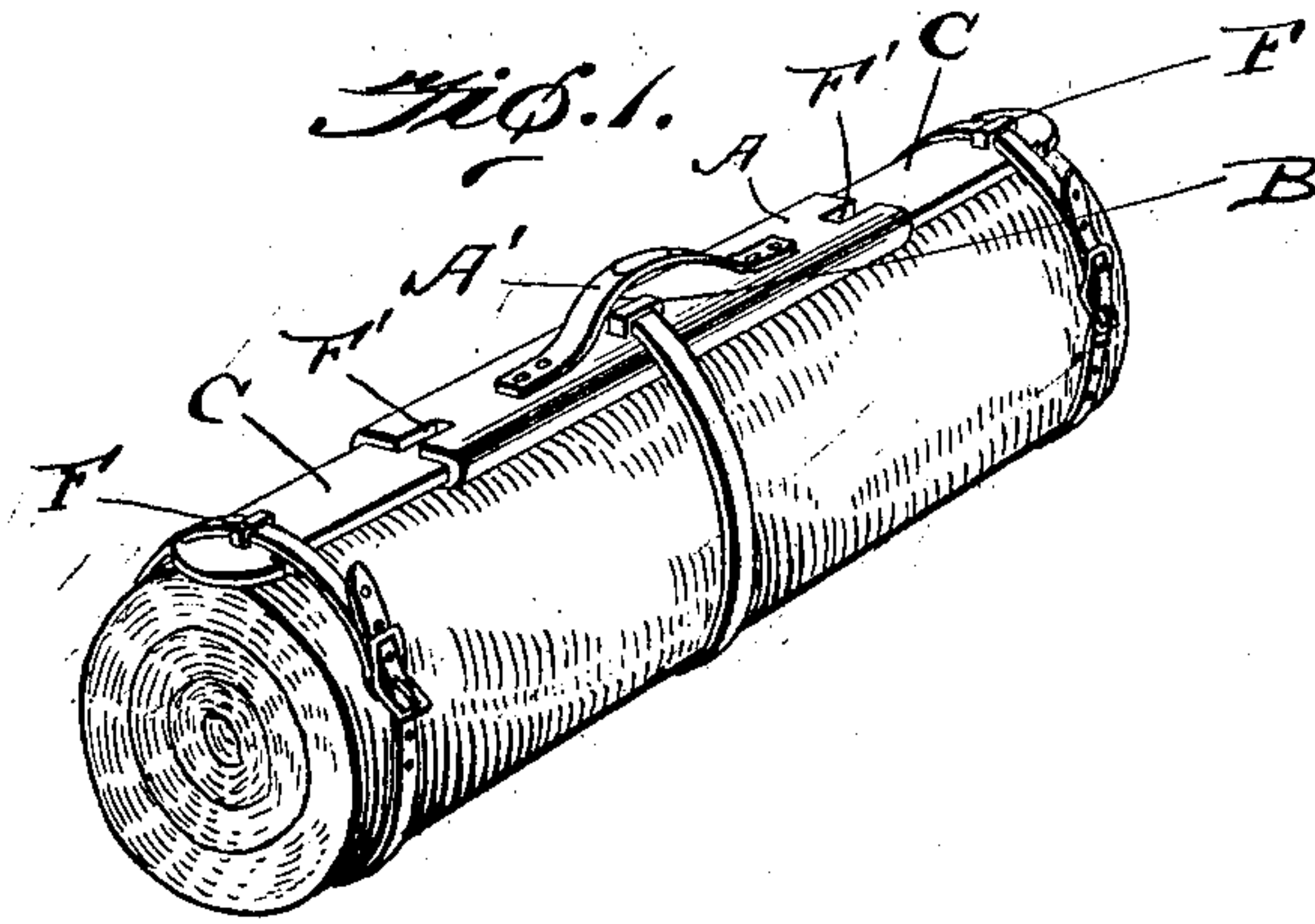


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN CONNETT, a subject of the King of Great Britain, and a resident of Sydney, New South Wales, Australia, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Extensible Shawl-Strap Bars, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates generally to shawl-straps, and more particularly to the bars carrying the straps, the object being to provide a shawl-strap bar of such construction that it can be extended or contracted in length to correspond with the length of the bundle or package to which it shall be applied; and another object of the invention is to provide a shawl-strap bar embodying these characteristics which shall be simple in construction and operation and strong and durable and not liable to get out of order.

With these objects in view my invention consists, broadly, in the employment of a central tubular member carrying adjustable end portions, said central and end portions carrying loops, through which the straps pass, the central portion being also provided with a handle and the end portions provided with means to prevent their dislocation.

The invention consists also in certain features of construction, hereinafter fully described, and pointed out in the claims.

In the drawings forming a part of this specification, Figure 1 is a perspective view showing the practical application of my invention. Fig. 2 is a top view showing the shawl-strap bar closed. Fig. 3 is a similar view showing the shawl-strap bar extended. Fig. 4 is an inverted bottom plan view. Fig. 5 is a vertical longitudinal section of the bar in contracted form. Fig. 6 is a similar view in extended form. Fig. 7 is a transverse section on the line 7 7 of Fig. 6. Fig. 8 is a detail perspective view of one of the end portions or extension-slides.

In the practical embodiment of my invention, I employ a central section A, which is tubular in form and is preferably rectangular in cross-section, as most clearly shown in Fig. 7, and this central section A may be made of any suitable material and any size desired. A handle A' is connected thereto in the usual or any approved manner, and this handle may be provided with a name-and-address plate, or a blank space may be left thereon for the purpose of engraving the name and

address. A loop B is arranged upon the top of the section A and through which the central strap is adapted to be passed.

Sliding in the central section A are the end sections or bars C, preferably made of steel and provided with shoulders C', adjacent their outer ends, which contact with the ends of the central section A and limit the inward movement of the said bars C. The inner ends of the bars C are provided with hooks D, which slide in the slot E, produced in the bottom of the tubular section A, as most clearly shown in Fig. 4, said hooks serving to limit the outward movement of the bars C, and they also tend to prevent any vertical movement of the bars within the central tubular member. Each bar C carries a loop F upon its upper side, adjacent the end thereof, and through which the end straps are adapted to pass, and the ends of the tubular section A are slotted, as shown at F', in order to receive said loops when the shawl-strap bar is arranged in contracted form, as shown in Figs. 2 and 5.

For a short bundle the shawl-strap bar is used in its contracted form; but for a long bundle the bars C are pulled out, and it is obvious that they can be pulled out to their full extent or only part of the said full extent, according to the length or the character of the bundle or package to be carried.

From the foregoing description, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, it will be seen that I provide an exceedingly simple, durable, and efficient form of shawl-strap bar by means of which large or small bundles or packages can be conveniently carried.

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

1. A device of the kind described comprising a central section longitudinally slotted, end sections adapted to slide upon the central section, and depending means carried by the end sections engaging the slot of the central section, and limiting movement of the end sections with respect to the central section.

2. A shawl-strap bar comprising a central tubular section having a handle and a central strap-loop, solid end sections sliding in the central section and each provided with a strap-loop adjacent their outer ends, the inner end of each of the end sections having a

depending hook adapted to slide in a slot produced in the bottom of the central section, as set forth.

3. A shawl-strap bar comprising a central
5 tubular portion rectangular in cross-section and provided with a handle, said central section having a central strap-loop, the ends of said central section being slotted and the bottom of said section having a longitudinal slot,
10 the solid end sections having shoulders adja-

cent their outer ends, the strap-loops carried by said end sections adjacent their outer ends and the depending hooks arranged at the inner ends of the end sections and adapted to slide in a longitudinal slot in the bottom of 15 the central section, as set forth.

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