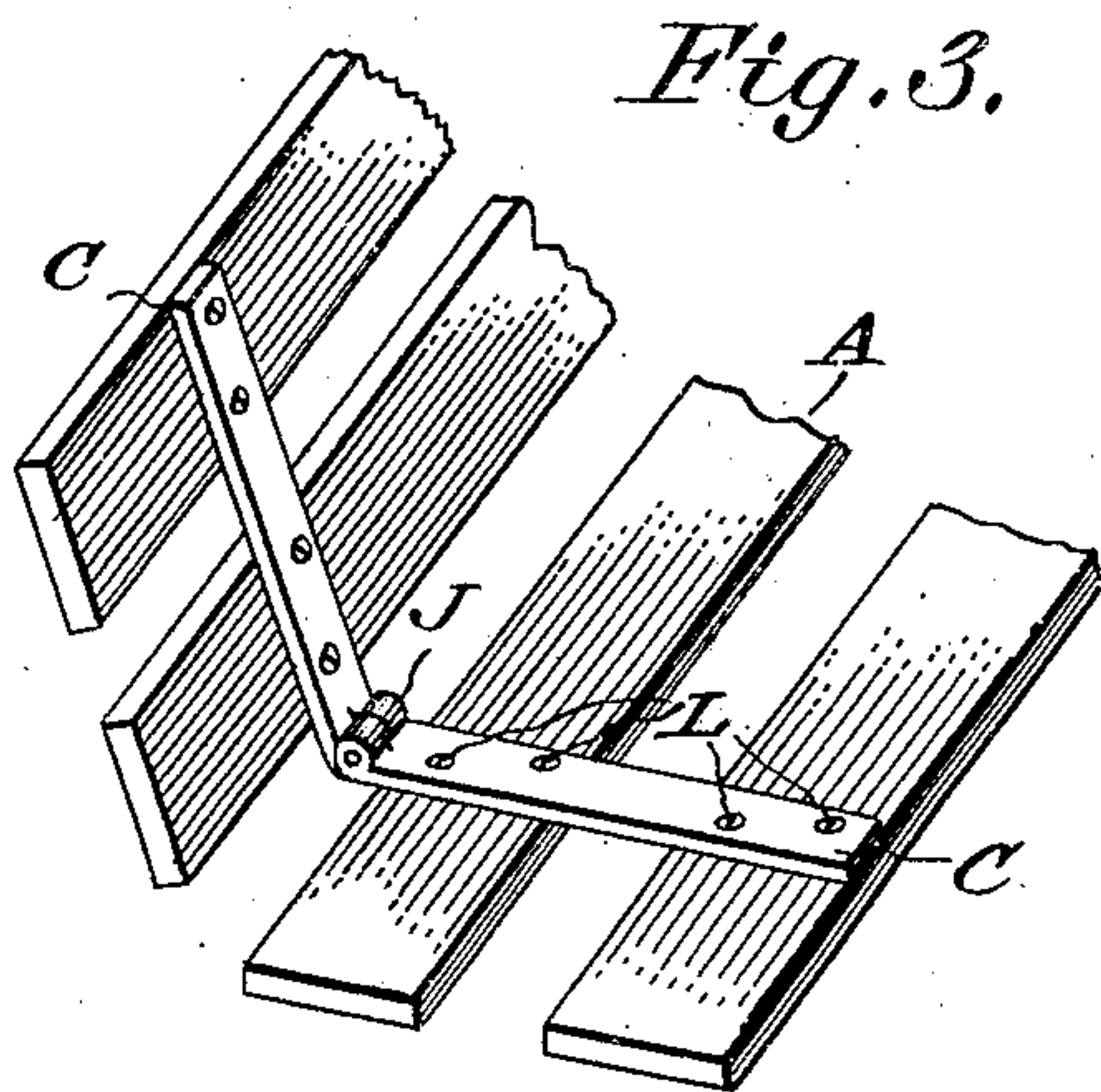
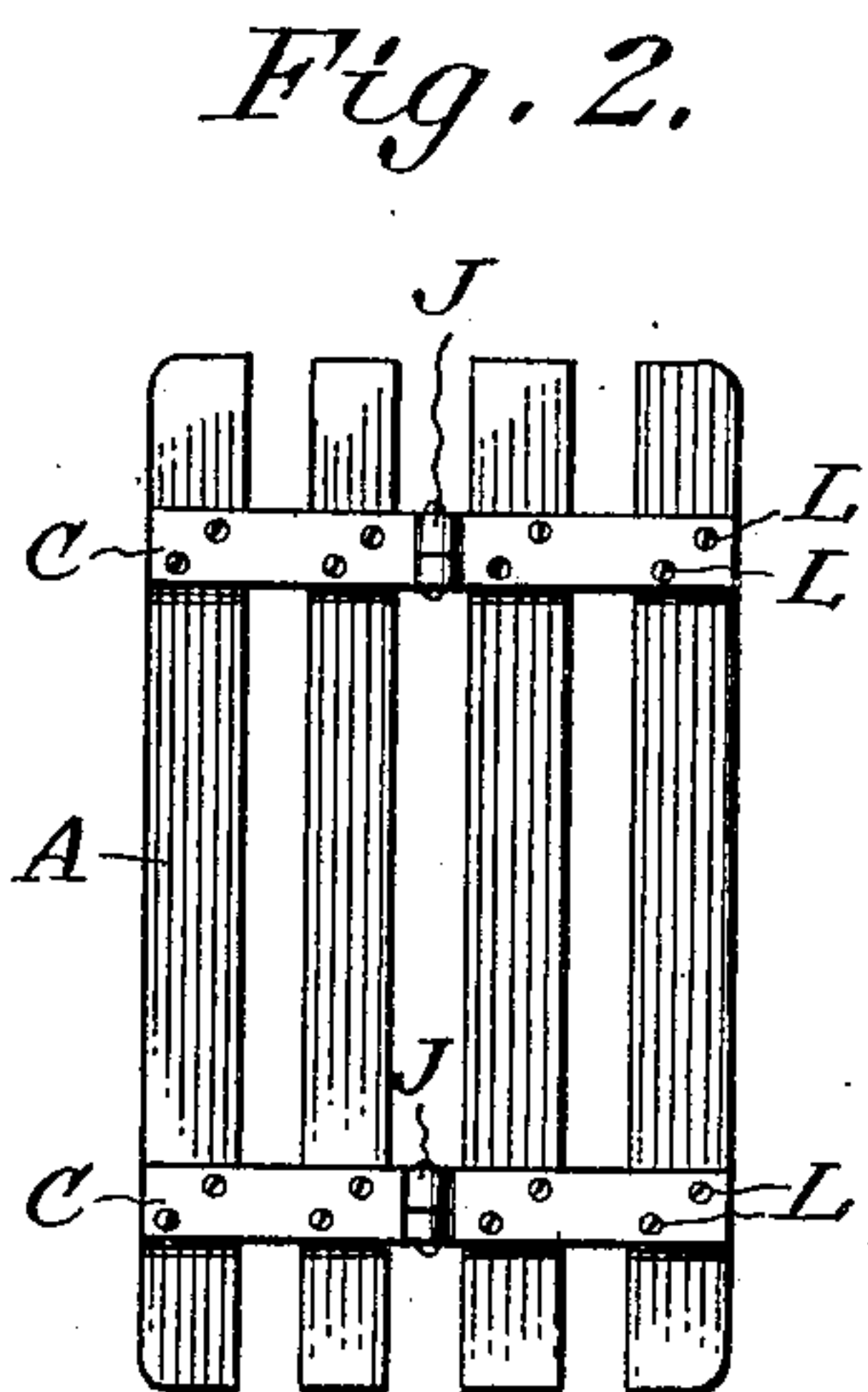
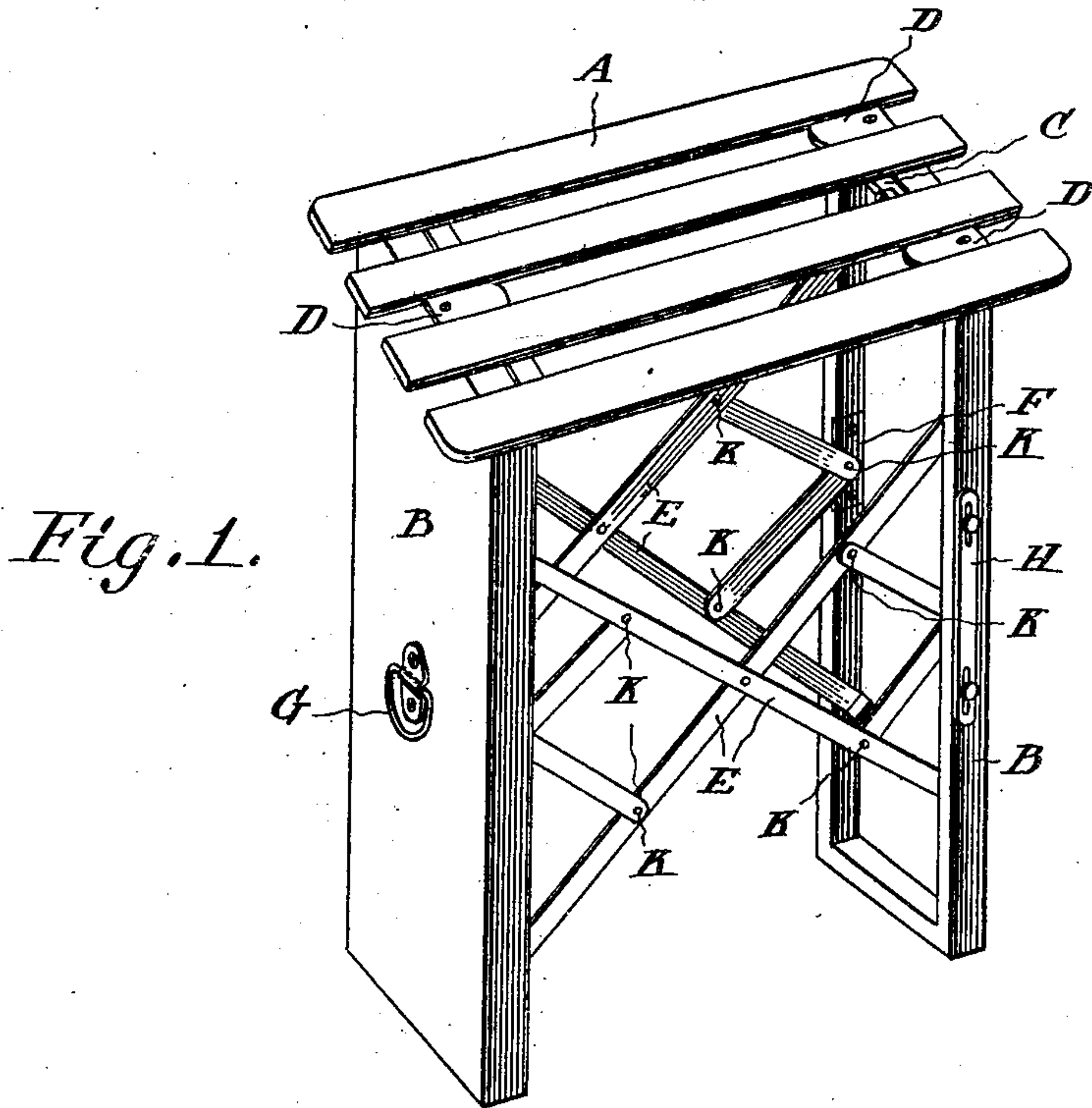


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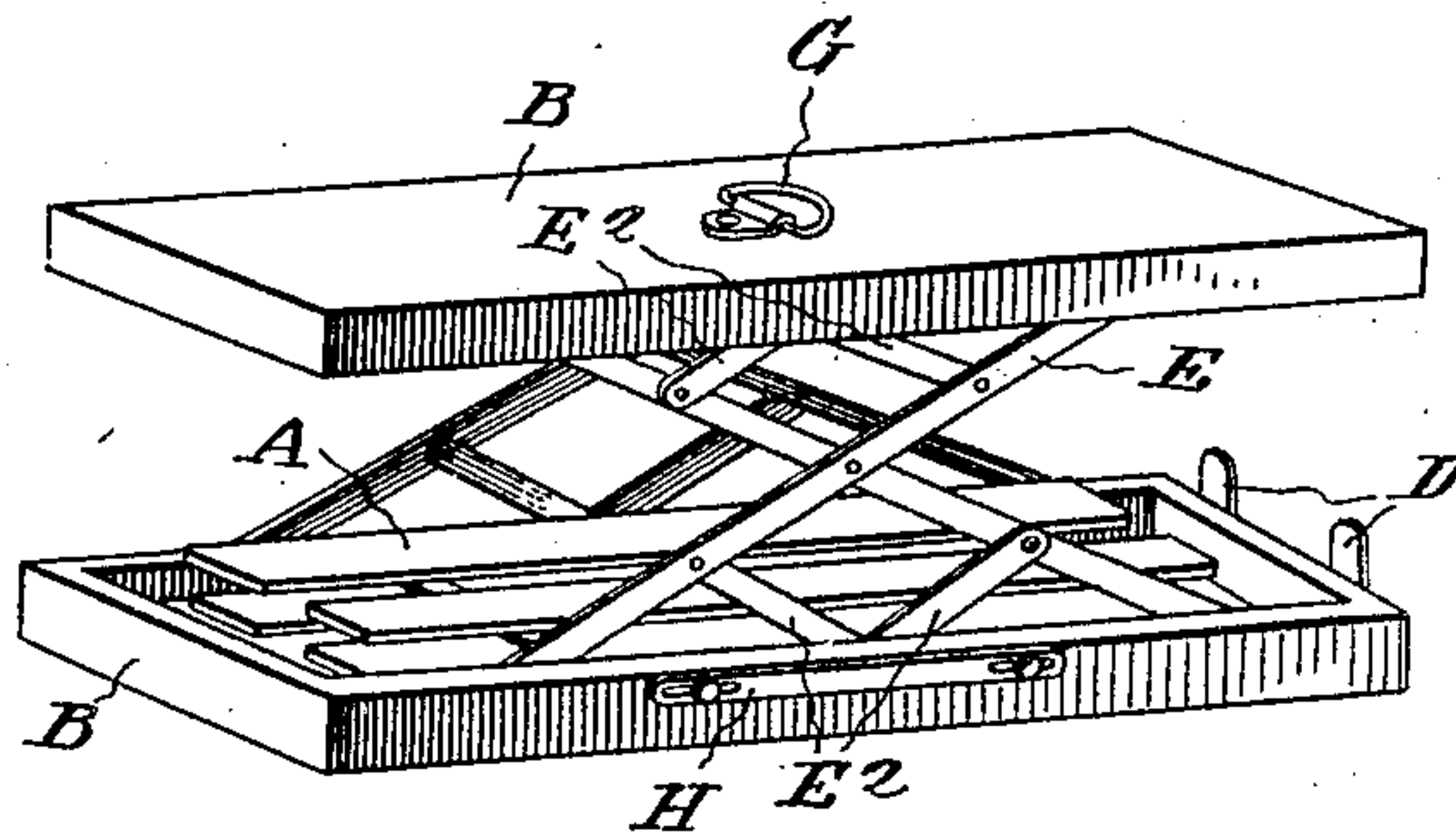


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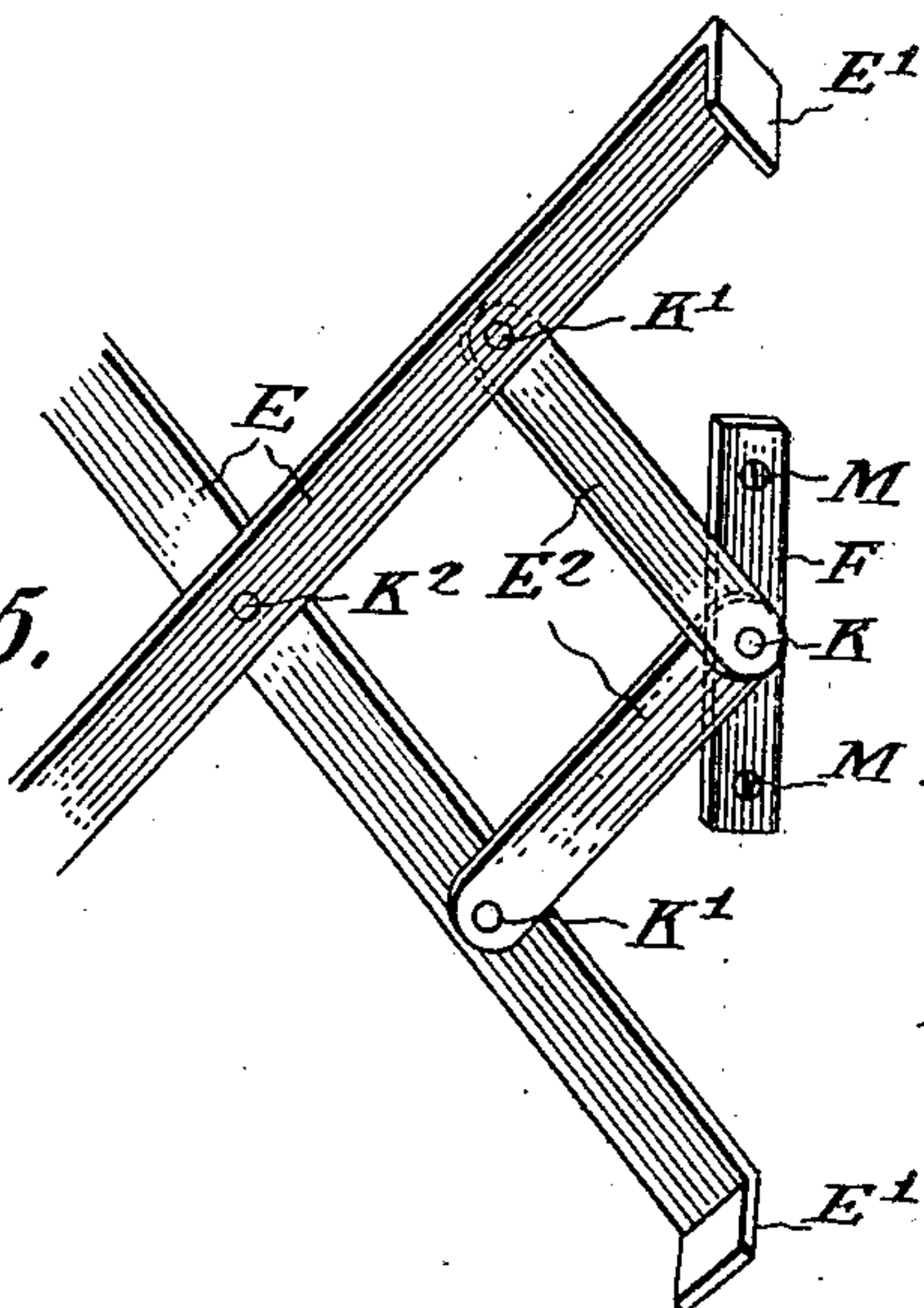


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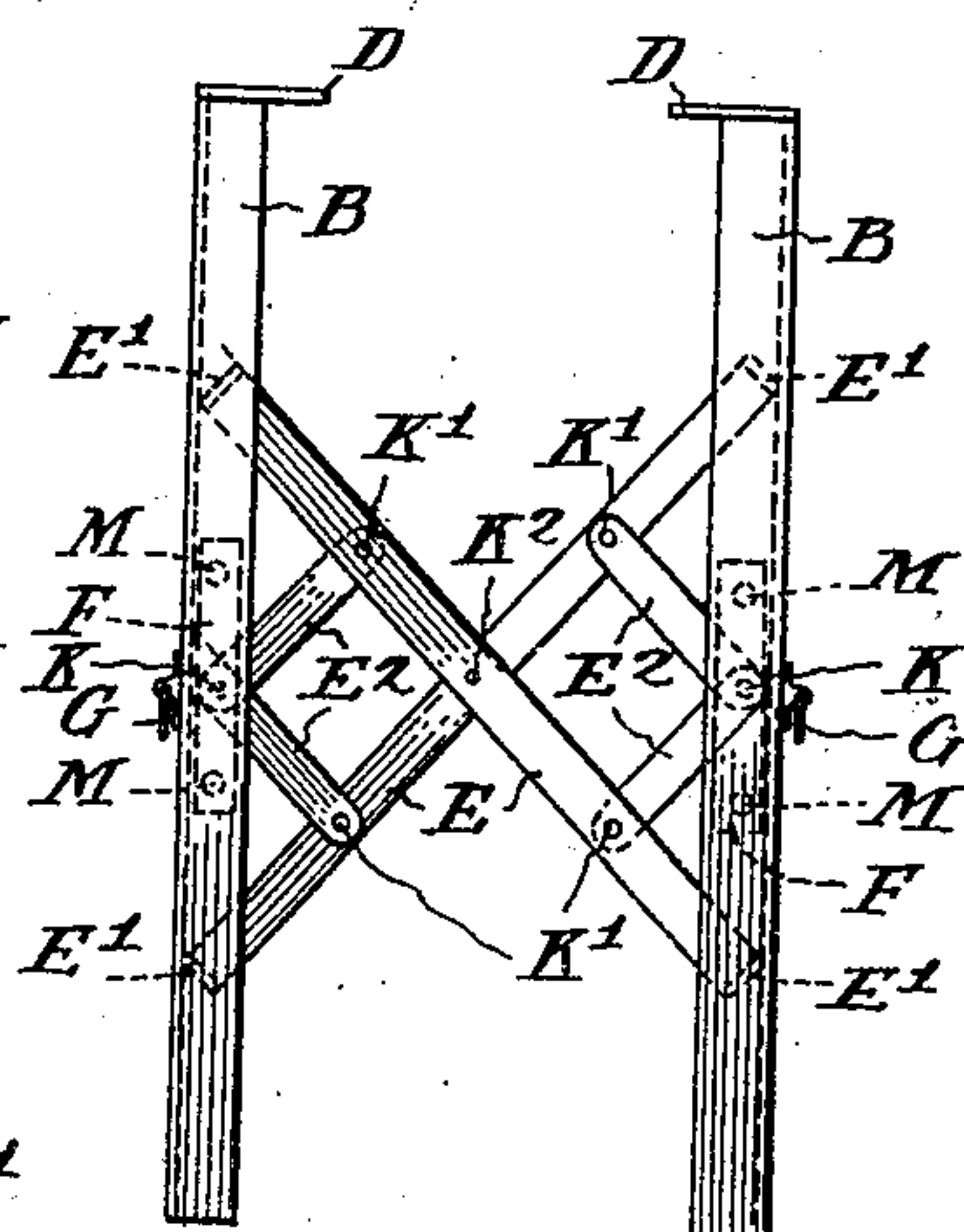
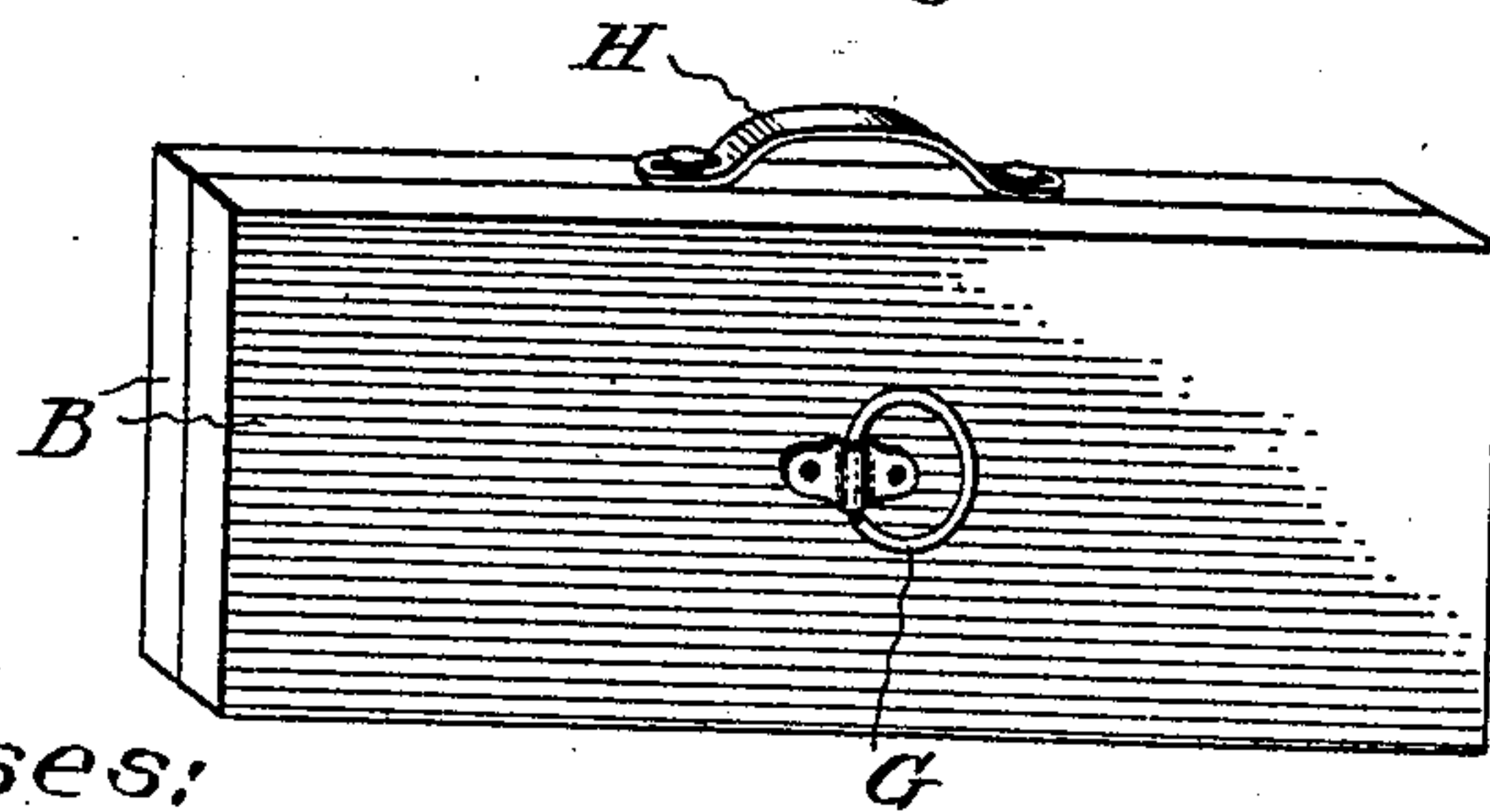


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ROBERT H. DURAND, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of St. Louis, in the State of Missouri, have invented a new and Improved Outing-Stool, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention has for its object to provide an outing stool, simple in construction, effective in operation, durable in use, and adapted to be closed into a very small space, neat in appearance, and so arranged as to be readily carried by the user in the hand or with a strap over the shoulder as one would carry a satchel.

This invention consists in the novel construction and simple combination of parts as is hereinafter described and defined in the appended claim.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings forming a part of this specification in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures.

Figure 1, is a perspective view of the improved seat arranged for service. Fig. 2, is a view of the underside of the seat. Fig. 3, is a fragmentary view of the under side of the seat, on a larger scale showing the mode of folding the same. Fig. 4 is a perspective view of the box form sides or legs, slightly separated, and shows the top folded and placed between ready as it were to be closed. Fig. 5 shows a detail view of the extension bars. There being two of these in a stool. Fig. 6, is an end elevation of the device or of the box formed legs showing how the extension bars are connected to the legs, and the bracing effect the extension bars have on the legs. Fig. 7 represents a perspective view of the device in its closed position.

This invention has for its object a seat to be carried, and when a temporary seat is required, it can be easily adjusted for service, and will support a weight of 300 or 400 pounds, and will not sink into the ground or the sand.

A, represents the top or seat composed of wood or metal slats, held together by means of strap hinges C, which show in Fig. 2. The top is inverted in the sketch, and hinges are on bottom fastened with screws L. The hinges are at joint T, and close in center making only half of the width when closed. Fig. 3, shows mode of closing.

B, represents the box formed sides or legs.

There are two of these indicated by letter B. E, represents extension bars. There are two sets of these bars. They are fastened to the inside of the edges of the box form legs. There is a small metal plate F, which fastens with screws M, to inside of edges of box formed legs, and to plate F, the short bars E<sup>2</sup>, are pivoted at K, and at K<sup>1</sup>. The bars E<sup>2</sup>, are pivoted to bars E, the bars E are pivoted in center at K<sup>2</sup>, the ends of bars E, are bent at right angles at E<sup>1</sup>, so that they will have a wide bearing against the inside of box formed legs B, and thus by having a wide bearing, they prevent box formed legs B from wearing by friction against box.

When plate F, is screwed to the center of edges on inside of box formed legs B, the ends of bars E, at E<sup>1</sup>, touch the inside of box formed legs, and when the box form legs are separated by putting the fingers in and pulling on the loops G, the center plate on which bars E<sup>2</sup>, are pivoted, remain stationary, but the ends of bars E, at E<sup>1</sup>, come closer together but work parallel with inside of box formed legs B, and when at proper distance, act as braces.

In closing, the extension bars act reversely and bent ends E<sup>1</sup>, go farther apart until when box is closed, the extension bars are hid from view.

In opening or closing, bars E, E<sup>2</sup>, all the pivots act as bearings, and bars work easily on them. When the two box form legs are separated, they should be separated far enough to allow the hinge strap C, to drop down in between the small lugs D, which are located on the top ends of box formed legs B. Then when top is put on box formed legs B, and the hinge, straps under top A, are in between lugs D, the box formed legs B, can be slightly pushed together about  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch, and the lugs D, which appear between slats of top A, in Fig. 1, pass over the hinge strap C, thus holding top A, and when taking hold of top A, the whole seat can be lifted. These lugs D, appear thus, two on one box side or leg, and one on the other box side or leg so that they fit between the slats of seat A, which are about  $\frac{3}{8}$  inch apart, and by putting lugs D in the manner described, the box formed legs B, can be closed, and the lugs D, do not interfere with each other.

When taking top or seat off, put fingers in loops G, on outside of the box formed legs B, and pull them slightly apart about  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch, till lugs D have cleared themselves from off



of hinge straps C, then lift top A, off of box side legs B, fold top A, in center acting on hinge pins T, then hold box formed legs B, horizontally as in Fig. 4, place top A, in between box formed legs B, and close them, thus forming box or satchel form as in Fig. 7.

H., represents handle.

What I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent is—

In a combined seat and box, the combination with two sides forming the box, of bars pivoted to said sides, extension bars pivoted to said first named bars and to each

other, said extension bars being formed with right angled portions at their ends, said right angled portions being adapted to bear against the sides of the box, and a foldable seat detachably connected to the ends of said sides, all substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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