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Fig. 1.

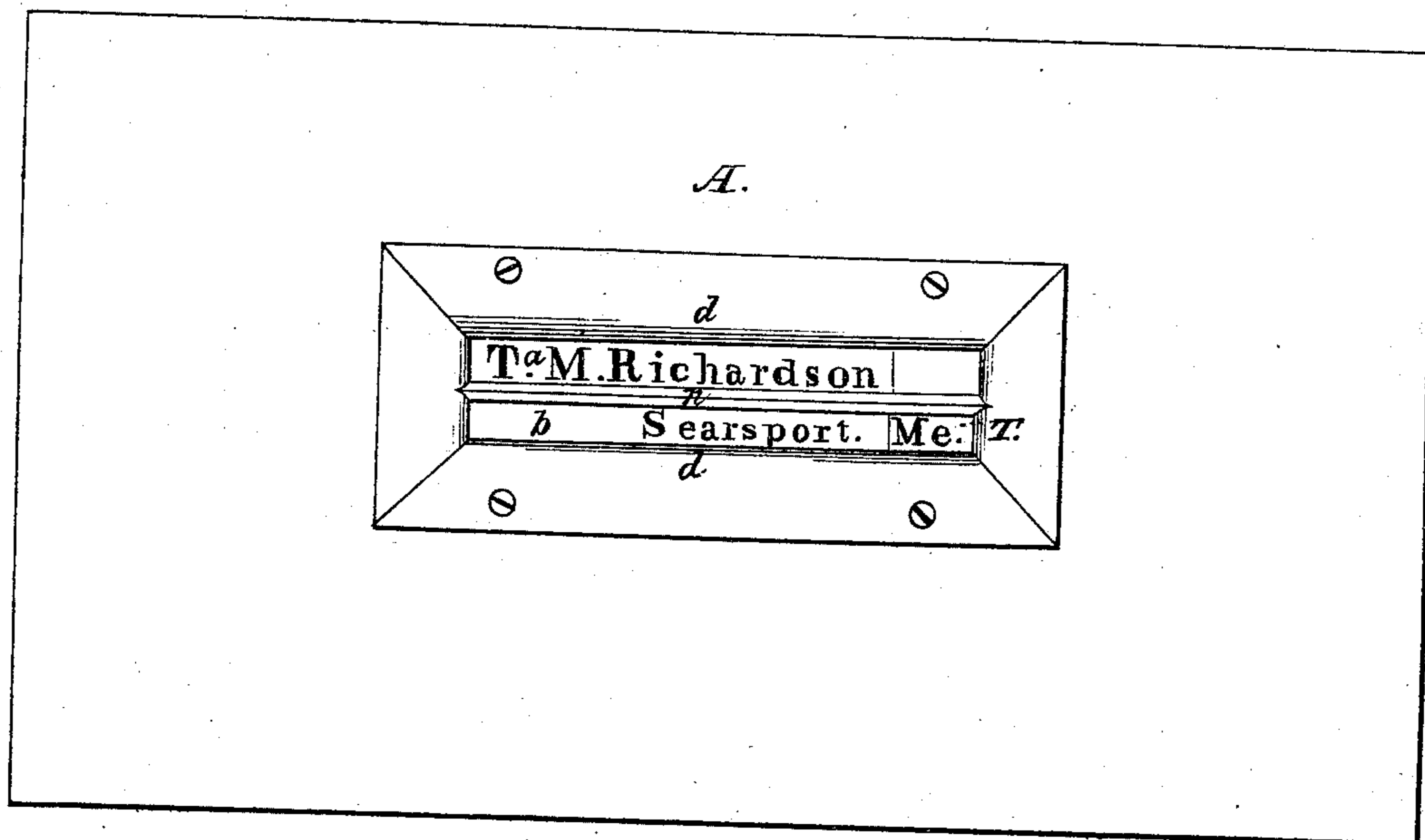


Fig. 2.

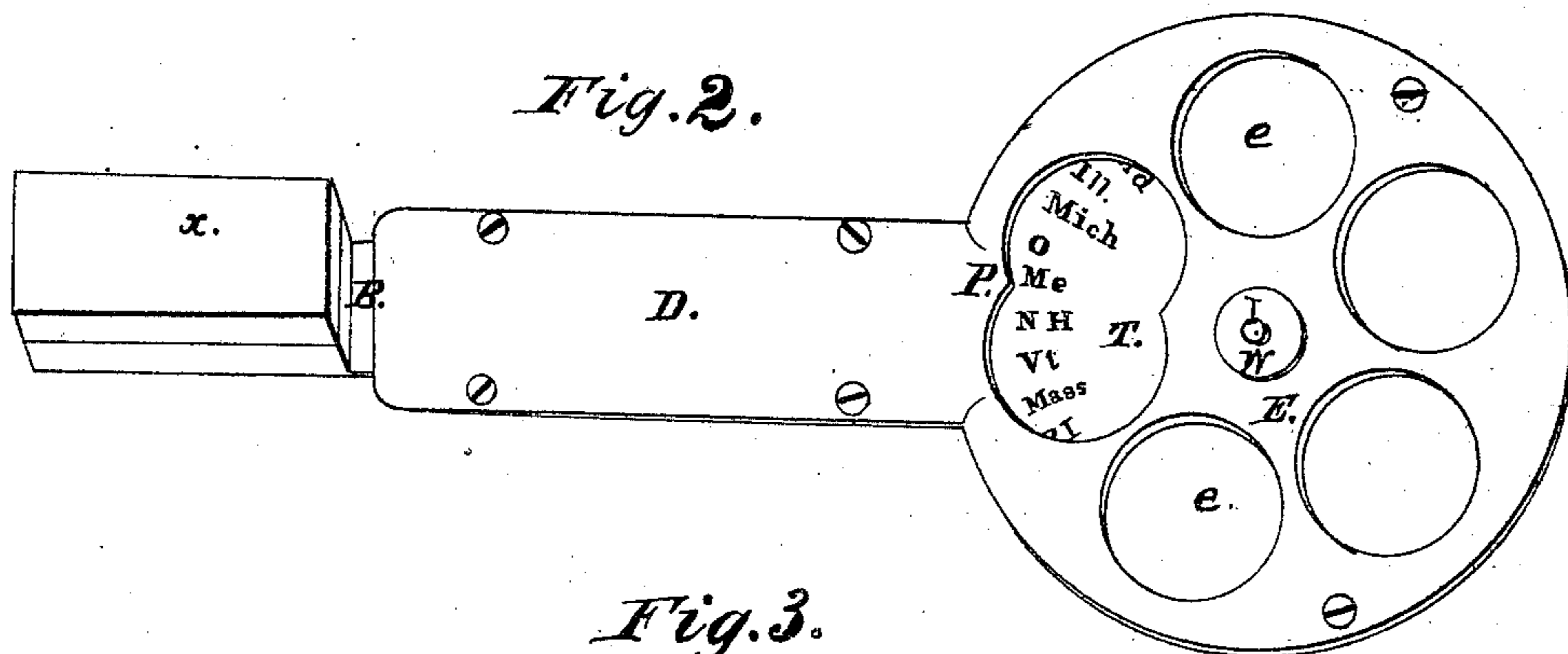
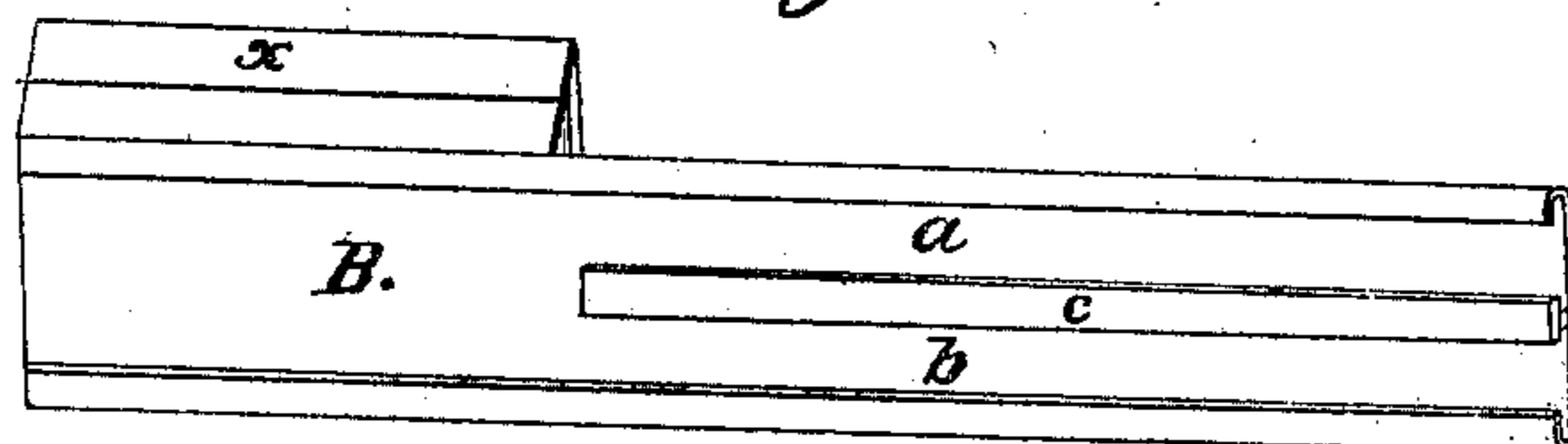


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, T. M. RICHARDSON, of Searsport, in the county of Waldo, in the State of Maine, have invented a new and useful or Improved Baggage-Director; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings and to the letters of reference marked thereon.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the outside of the director, Fig. 2 being a perspective view of the inner side of the director, and Fig. 3 being a perspective view of the font, and typeholder.

The nature of my invention consists in providing trunks valises and other baggage with a director, consisting of an outer and inner metallic shield, a revolving disk, containing the abbreviated names of all or any desired number of States, a font of type, and type holder, by which the name of the traveler and place of destination may be shown.

In the drawings A is a section of a trunk, *d, d*, is the outer shield which is formed to correspond to the thickness of the trunk in which it is inserted, this shield has two apertures *a* and *b*—separated by bar *n*—which are closed by a plate of glass inserted in shield *d, d*.

D is the inside shield which is formed to receive and retain in position the type holder B and disk T, as shown. The disk has the abbreviations of the States upon

both sides, and so arranged that by placing the desired name at point P, the same will be shown upon the outside at T, Fig. 1. The disk is actuated by the cap W, in combination with pivot *i* which passes through the disk, a small spring placed between the disk and shield at E, retains the disk at any desired point.

X, is the type font and is supplied with a sufficient number and variety of letters to represent the name and destination of the traveler. The typeholder B, is formed with two channels *a* and *b*—Fig. 3—separated by bar *c*—which receive the type, representing the name of the owner and place of destination—and when the holder is inserted in the shield D, the names are shown at *a* and *b*—Fig. 1.

Among the advantages of my invention may be enumerated its position it being such that the label cannot be fraudulently changed, while it is effectually protected from loss, or injury from any cause, and the traveler can in a few moments, without writing materials, direct his baggage to any desired place.

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

The baggage director substantially as described and for the purposes specified.

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