

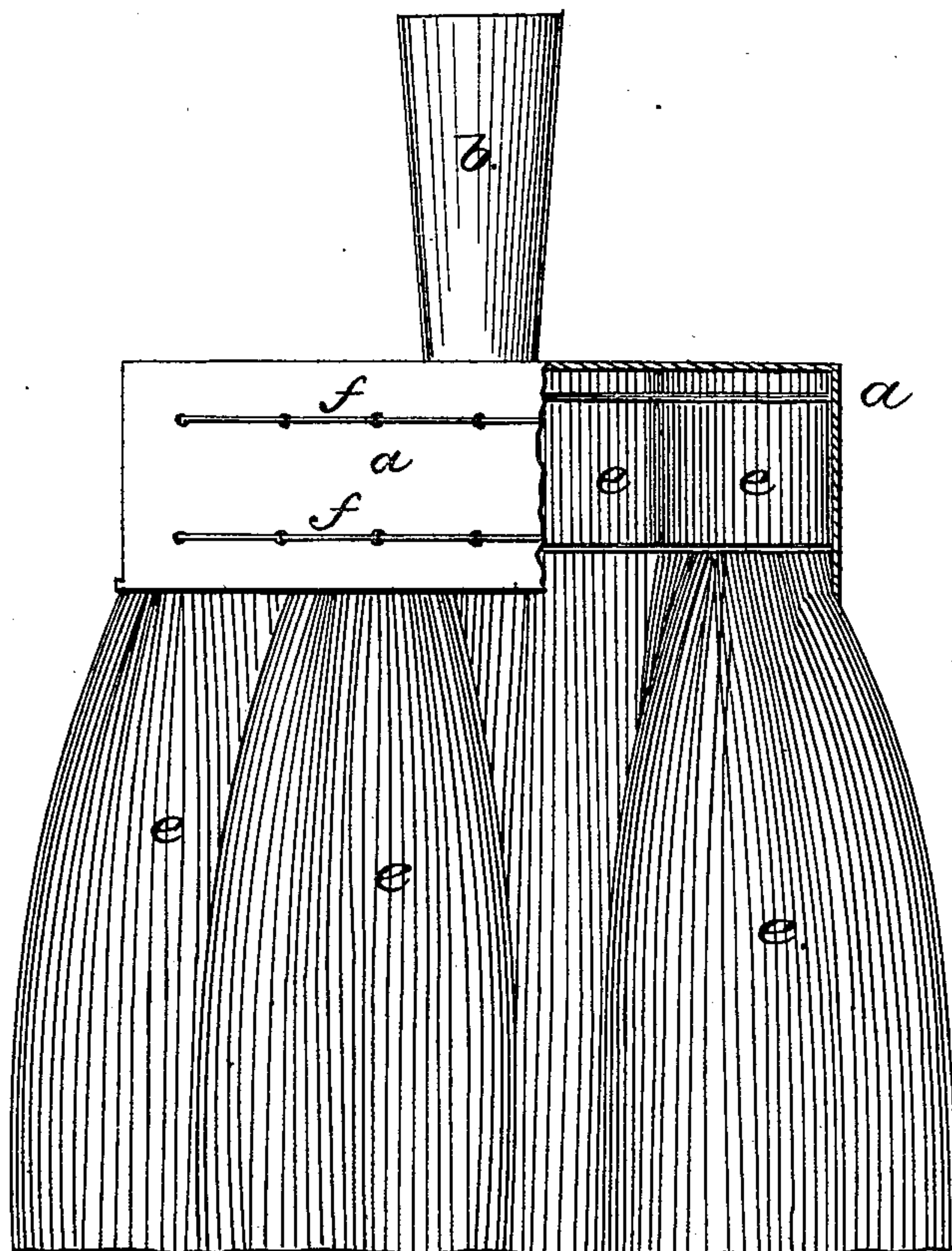
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Broom.

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Fig. 1.



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BROOM OR BRUSH.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 51,423, dated December 12, 1865.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MARCUS L. BYRN, of the city and State of New York, have invented, made, and applied to use a certain Improvement in Brooms or Brushes; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawing, making part of this specification, wherein I have shown a side view of a broom with a portion of the metal case containing the material in section.

Brooms and brushes have been made of a variety of materials; but they generally are of a nature that the nap of garments and the fiber in carpets, &c., are speedily worn off by their use, and the said material is costly.

The nature of my said invention consists in a broom made of corn-husks stripped up and united to a head or socket, said broom being soft but durable, and being a new article of manufacture.

In the drawing, *a* is a metal head, made of sheet-tin or other suitable material. *b* is a

socket upon the same for an ordinary wood handle.

e e are the strips of corn-husks. These are to be placed together so as to form small bundles, and I prefer that the ends be secured together by glue or cement before being placed in the head *a*, and I make use of wires, as shown at *f*, passing through the head and husks, to retain them firmly in place.

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

A broom or brush made of bundles of corn-husks secured together at one end by glue or cement and placed within a metal head and secured by wire or sewing, as set forth, and provided with a metal socket for the handle, as specified.

Dated this 23d day of October, A. D. 1865.

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