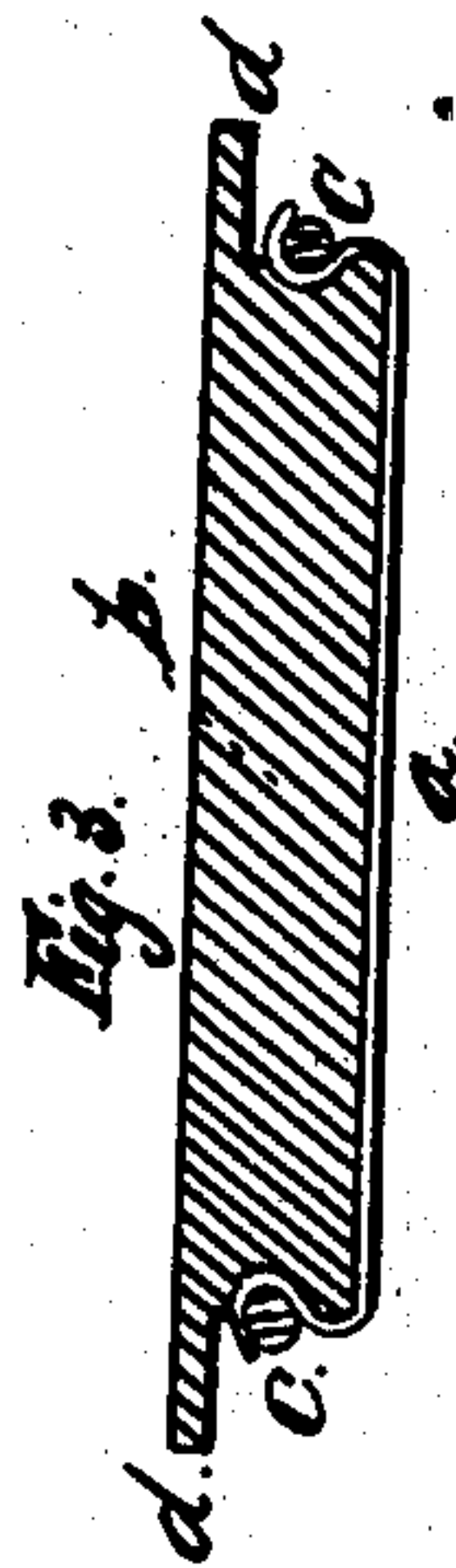
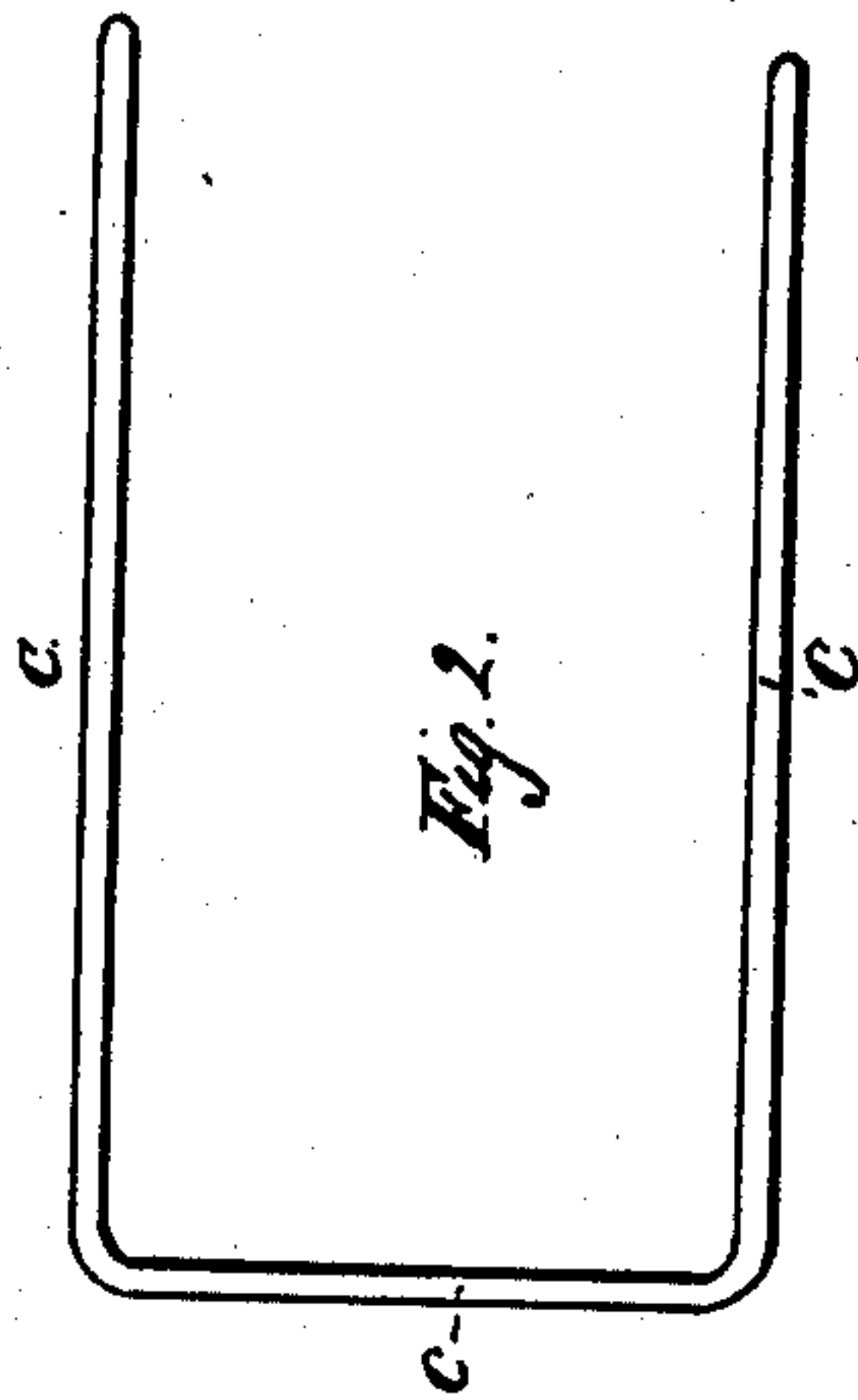
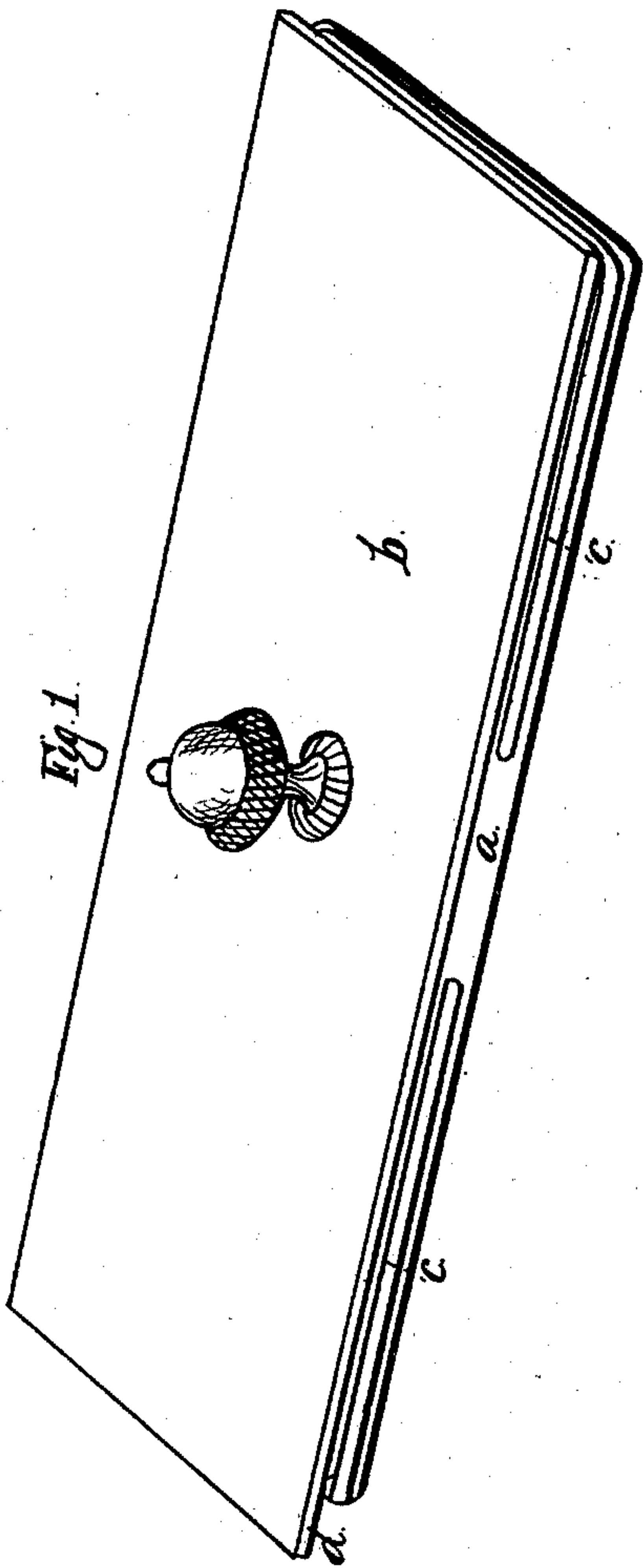


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### SPECIFICATION.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that I, DAVID WALKER, of the city of Newark, in the county of Essex, and State of New Jersey, have invented certain improvements in Blotters; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full and exact description of the same, reference being had to the drawings that accompany the specification making part of the same.

The nature of my improvement consists in the manner of securing the blotting paper to the holder. Around the edges of a piece of wood of the required length, breadth, and thickness, a rabbet is made, leaving the upper edge to project half an inch, more or less, beyond the lower, and in the bottom of the rabbet a semi-circular groove is sunk to receive spring clasps that press the edges of the blotting paper down into the groove, and secure it to the holder.

Figure 1 shows the blotter complete.

Figure 2 is the spring clasp.

Figure 3 a cross-section of the blotter showing the position of the parts.

The paper blotter, *a*, laid upon the face of the holder, *b*, and its edges turned over, A spring *c*, fig. 2, reaching nearly one-half its length, put on from each end, presses the paper in the groove and secures it in its place. The projecting edges, *d*, shield the uncouth edges of the blotting paper from the eye, and are a guard to the springs, giving a neat finish to the article. I disclaim all elastic rubber bands; also all bands that are in one continuous piece around the edges of the holder. I disclaim a convex surface to the face of the holder upon which the blotting paper is placed.

What I claim as my improvement, and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States, is—

Securing the paper to the holder by the springs constructed and arranged substantially as shown. Also the projecting edges of the holder when in combination with the springs.

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