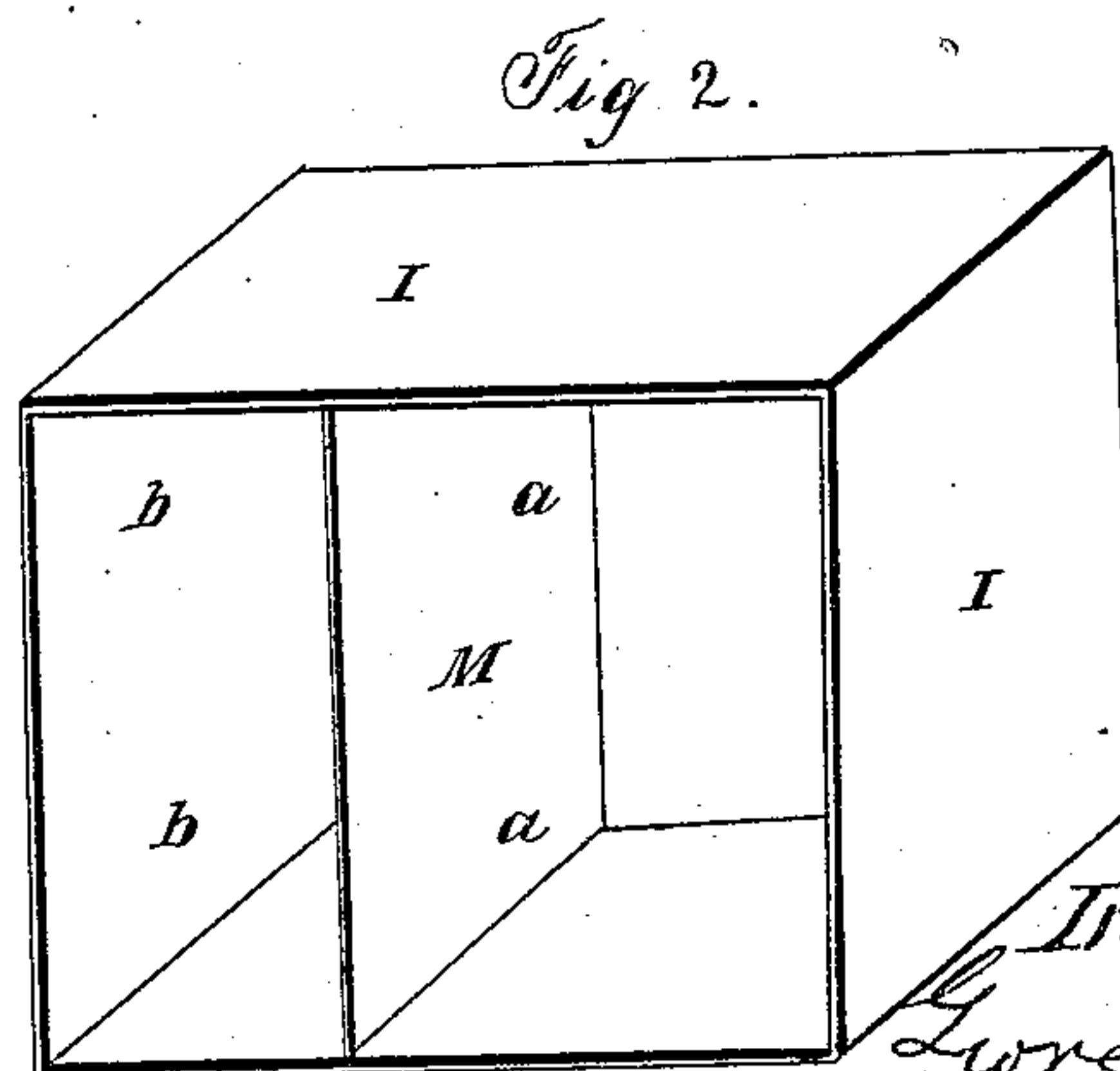
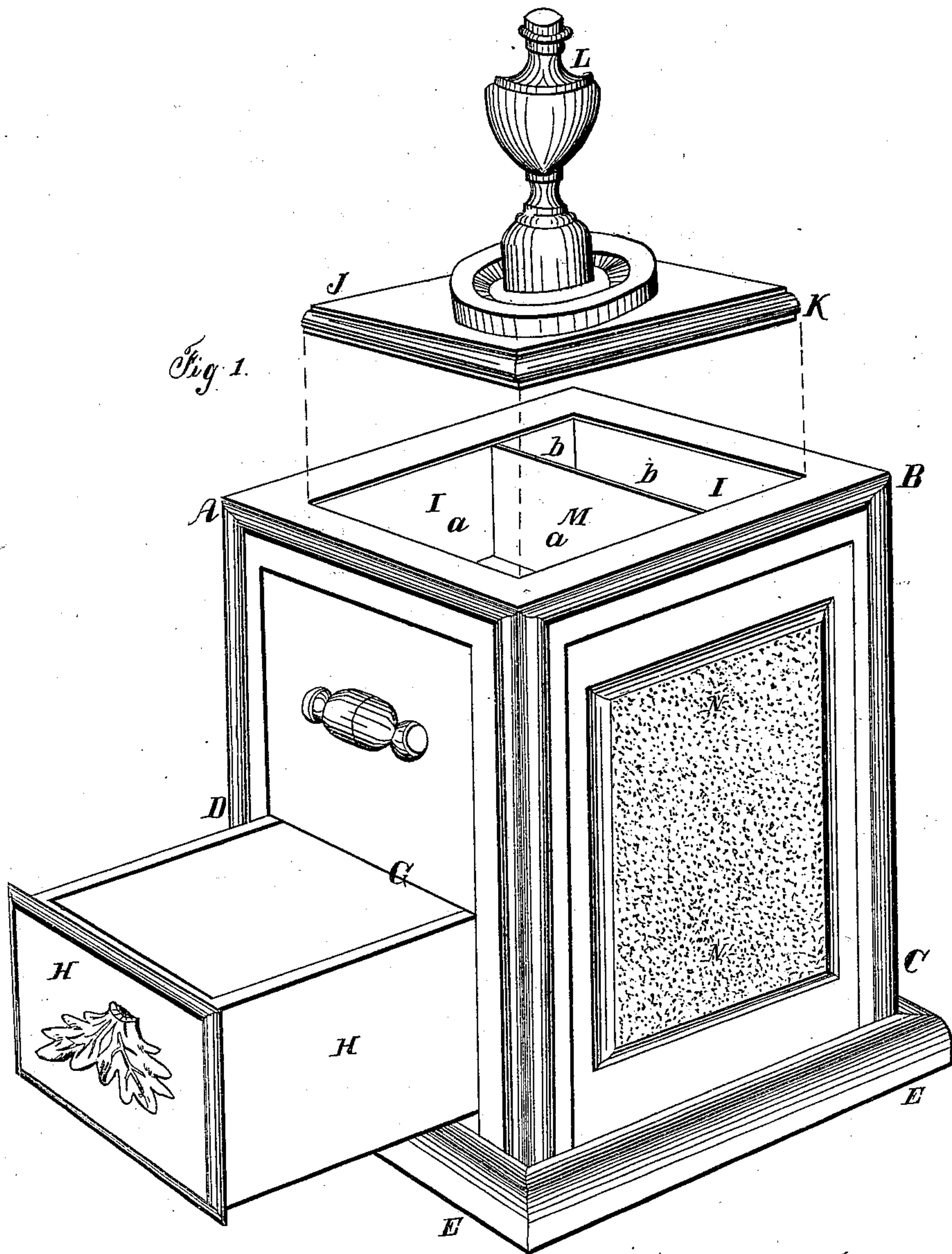


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## MATCH-STAND.

*The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.*

### TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that I, GEORGE G. TAYLOR, of Charlestown, in the county of Middlesex, and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, have invented a new and useful Improvement in the Manner of Constructing Safes or Cases for Keeping and Using of Friction-Matches; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description thereof, it being what I term an Ornamental Match-Safe; and I hereby refer to the accompanying drawings, making a part of this specification, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, in which said drawings—

Figure 1 shows a perspective view of the safe with all its parts, and

Figure 2 the movable pan or box taken from its case and shown separately.

I construct my safe by forming, first, a square or rectangular box or case of wood, A B C D, standing upon its base, E F, and enriched with such mouldings and other ornaments as may be desired. On one side of this box I make the opening G, and adapt the same to receive the drawer H H, so that it may slide closely yet easily into place. This drawer I make of such dimensions inside that it may receive the ordinary friction-matches, either when the same are laid across the drawer horizontally, or when they are set up vertically within the same. The whole inside of this drawer I line with tin plate or other sheet metal, and fix a plate of the same material over the drawer within the case A B C D, so that when the drawer is closed, the matches packed therein shall not be in contact with any wood whatever.

In the top or upper portion of the case A B C D, I place the pan or box I I, made of sheet metal, and of such size as to slip easily within the cavity of the case. The depth of this pan should be such as to occupy most of the space remaining above the drawer, and yet admit of suitable stops or ledges, or a partition across the case, on which the pan may rest when in place. The height of this pan is also to be such that it shall not, when in place, prevent the putting on of the cover J K, according to the dotted lines, by which the matches laid in the pan are tightly and securely shut up. This cover is provided with the ornamental handle L for its better management, and the lower surface is lined with sheet metal, as before described. This cover I likewise, in some cases, provide with hinges at one side, so that it may be turned over instead of lifted up directly.

I furthermore divide the pan I I by a metallic partition, M, into two unequal portions or chambers, of which the larger, *a a*, is to be used for holding unburned matches for immediate use, while the smaller, *b b*, is employed to receive the remnants and bits of matches after burning; so as to prevent their contact with other combustibles. The partition M is to be as high as the sides of the pan, and should reach the under or metallic surface of the cover J K.

When the chamber *b b* becomes filled with remains of burned matches, or when it is desired to clean it out, it is to be removed from its place by lifting out the partition M, when it may be cleared of all its contents.

The surface for igniting the matches I place on one side of the case, at N N, covering it with emery or grit, in the usual manner.

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

As an article of manufacture, a safe for matches, containing the drawer H H and the movable pan I I, with the two chambers formed therein, and either made of or lined with metal, together with an igniting-surface N N on one side thereof, the whole constructed in the manner and for the purposes substantially as above set forth.

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