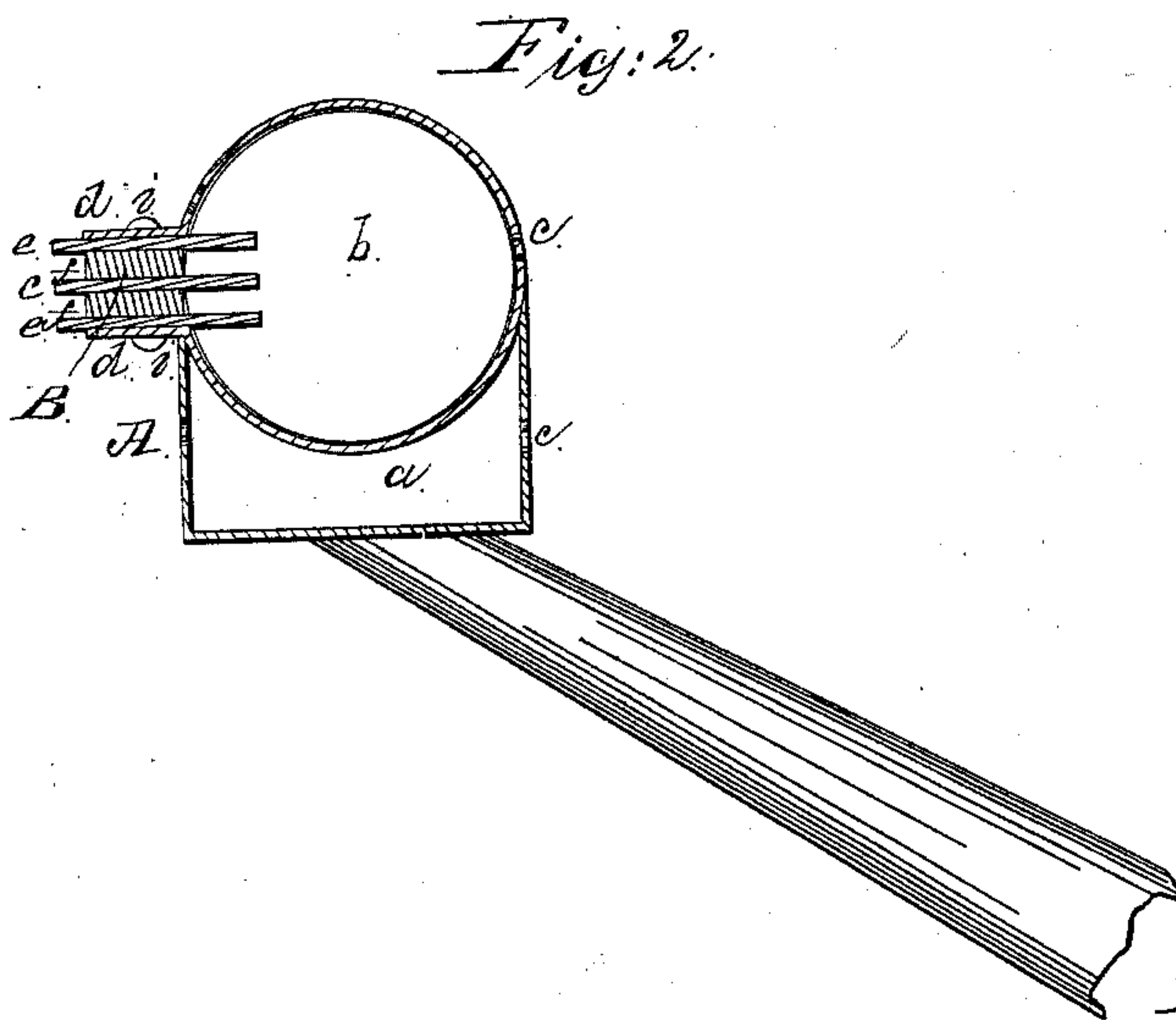
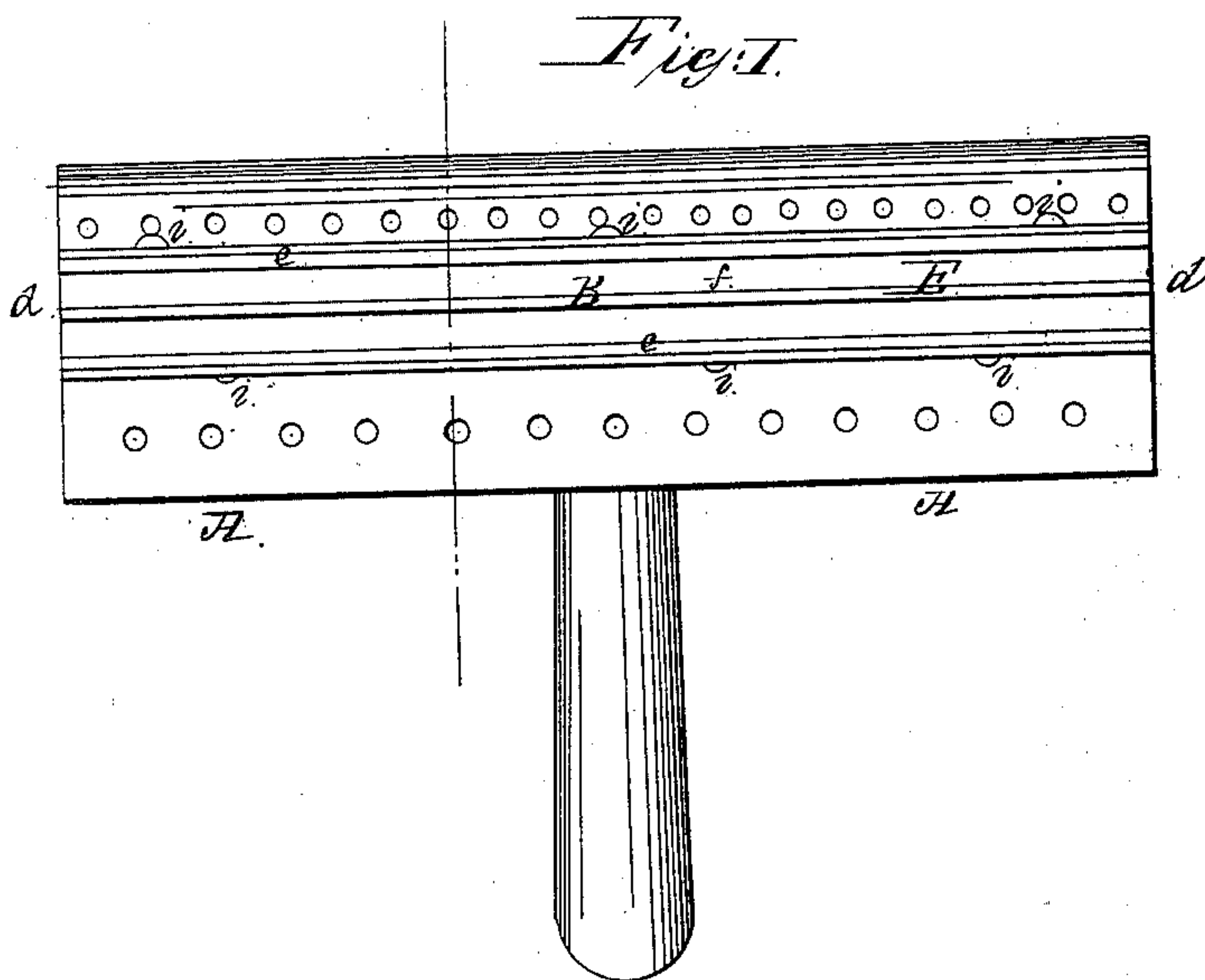


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## IMPROVED SCRUBBING-BRUSH.

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, R. M. BROOKS, of Griffin, in the county of Spaulding, and in the State of Georgia, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Scrubbing-Brushes; and do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon.

The nature of my invention consists in the combination of a water-chamber and a sand-chamber with a scrubbing-brush, arranged in such a manner that the water and the sand will be discharged and sprinkled over the floor by the movement of the brush, thereby saving a great amount of labor.

In order to enable others skilled in the art to make and use my invention, I will now proceed to describe its construction and operation, referring to the annexed drawings, which form a part of this specification, and in which—

Figure 1 is a bottom view, and

Figure 2 a transverse section of my invention.

A represents a case, which forms the head of the scrubbing-brush, and is divided into two chambers, *a* and *b*, to hold, the one sand and the other water.

These chambers are provided with one or more holes *c c* on top, for the purpose of filling them with sand or water; and they are also provided with a series of small holes on the bottom, as shown in fig. 1, for the discharge of the same, the chamber intended to hold the sand, of course, having the holes on its bottom a little larger than those of the other chamber which contains the water.

On the bottom of the case A, flanges extend downward in such a manner as to form the recess *d*, between the series of holes on the two chambers, into which recess the scrubbing-brush B is placed.

This brush may be made in any manner and of any material out of which brushes may be manufactured, but I design it more particularly for an India-rubber floor-scrub, made of strips of India rubber *e e*, divided by and fastened to wooden strips *f f*, and inserted into the recess *d*, and there fastened by means of screws *i i* on each side thereof.

These screws are so arranged that those on one side penetrate into the last strip of wood on the other side, but do not go through, and in the same way the screws on the other side only penetrate into the first strip of wood on the former, thus forming a clamp to hold the brush in its place.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The head A, of a brush, when constructed as described, so as to form two chambers *a* and *b* for the purpose of holding sand and water, and a recess, *d*, for inserting the brush, substantially as and for the purposes herein set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing, I have hereunto set my hand, this 2d day of June, 1868.

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