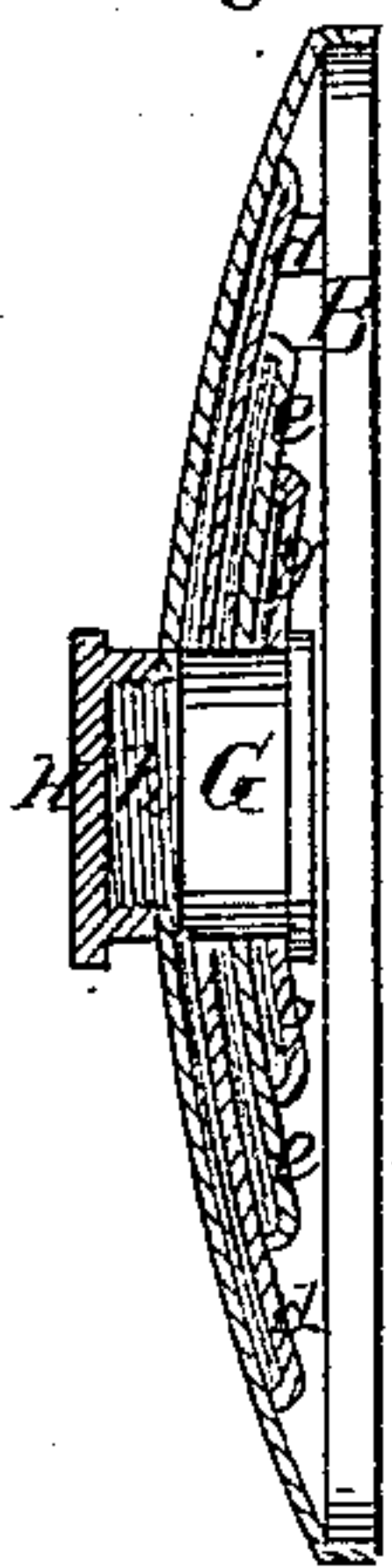


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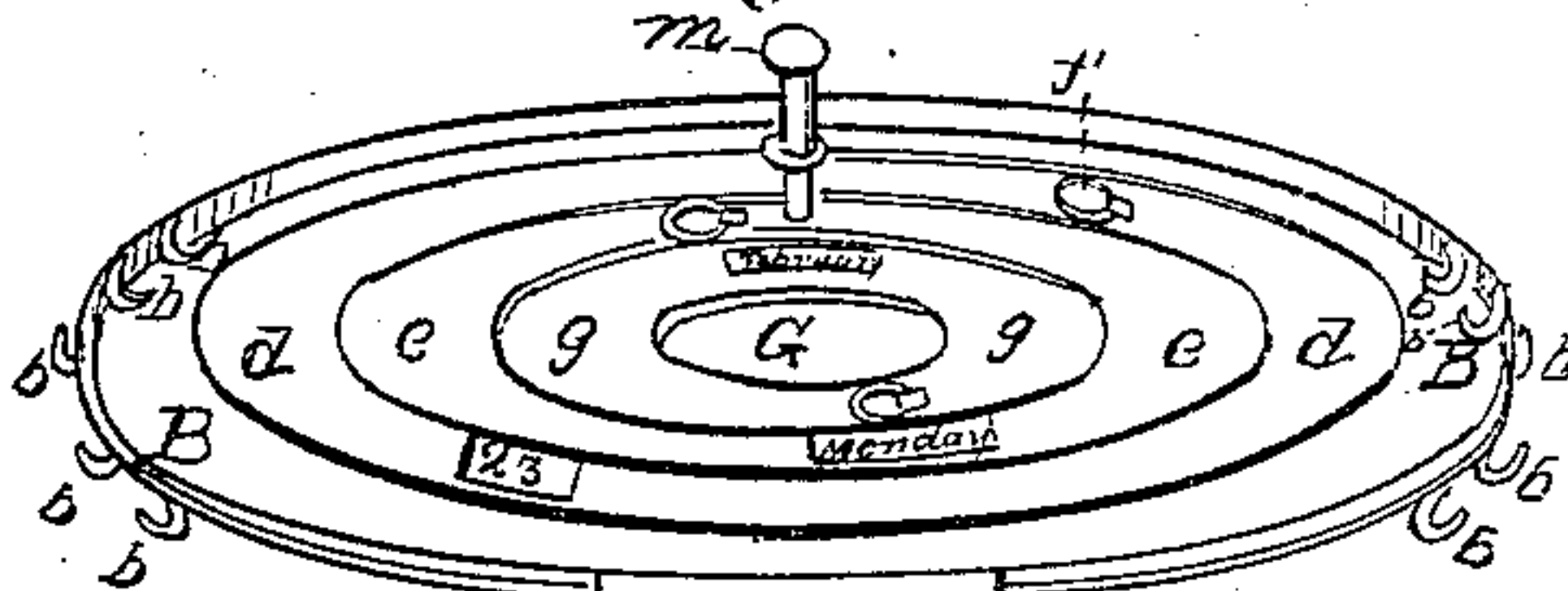
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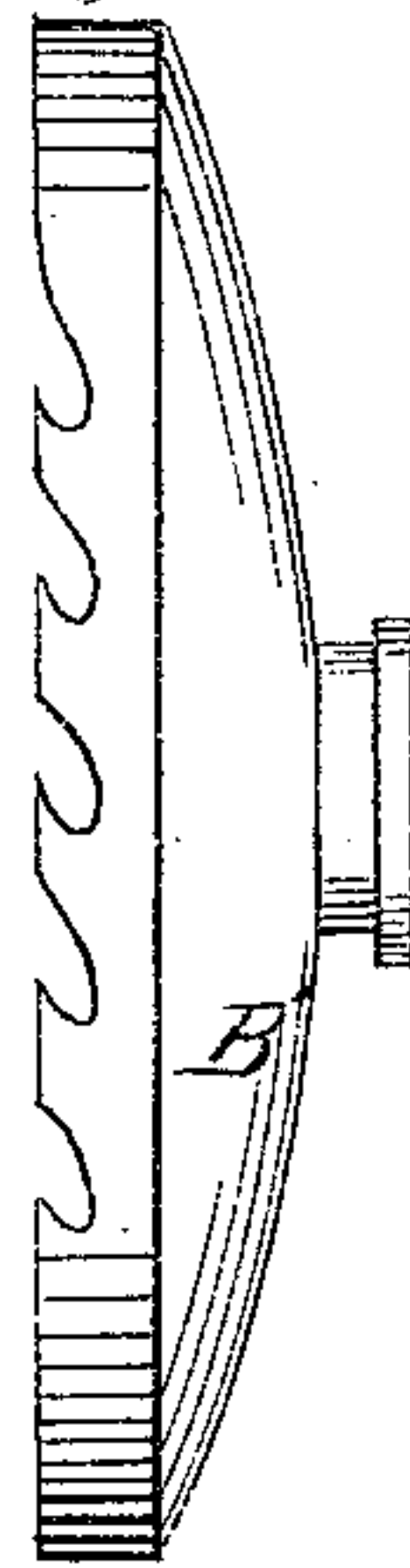
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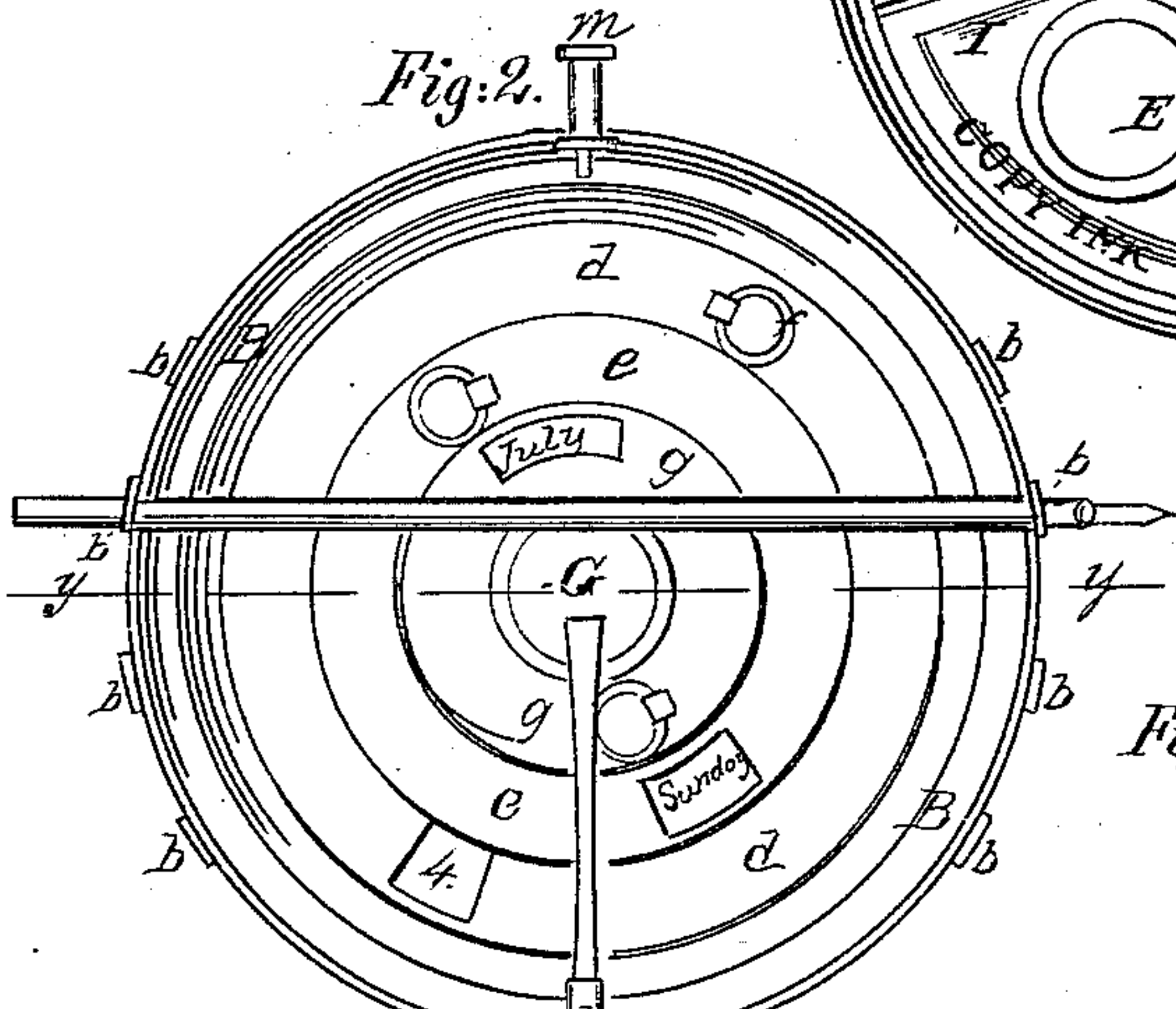
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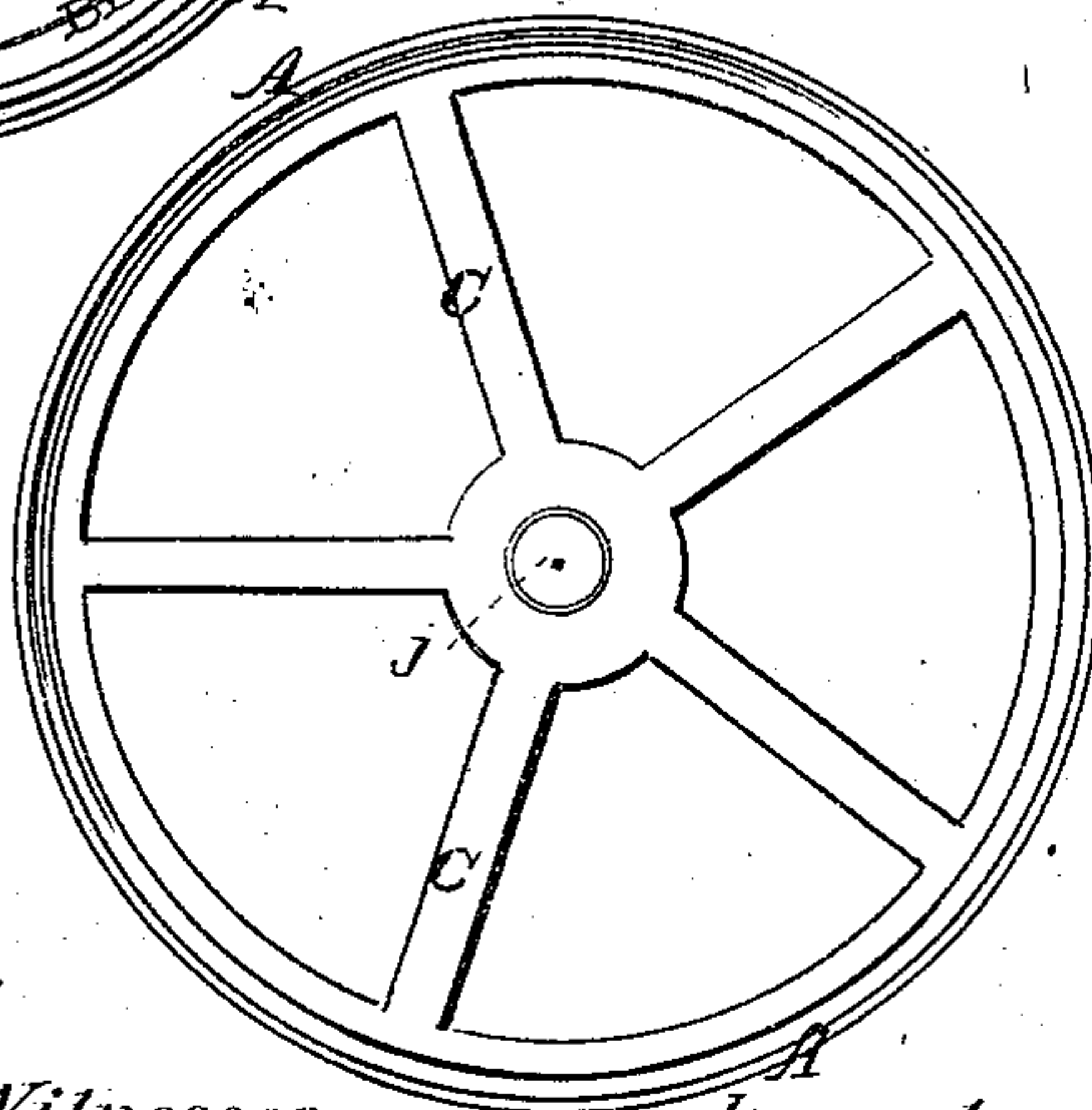
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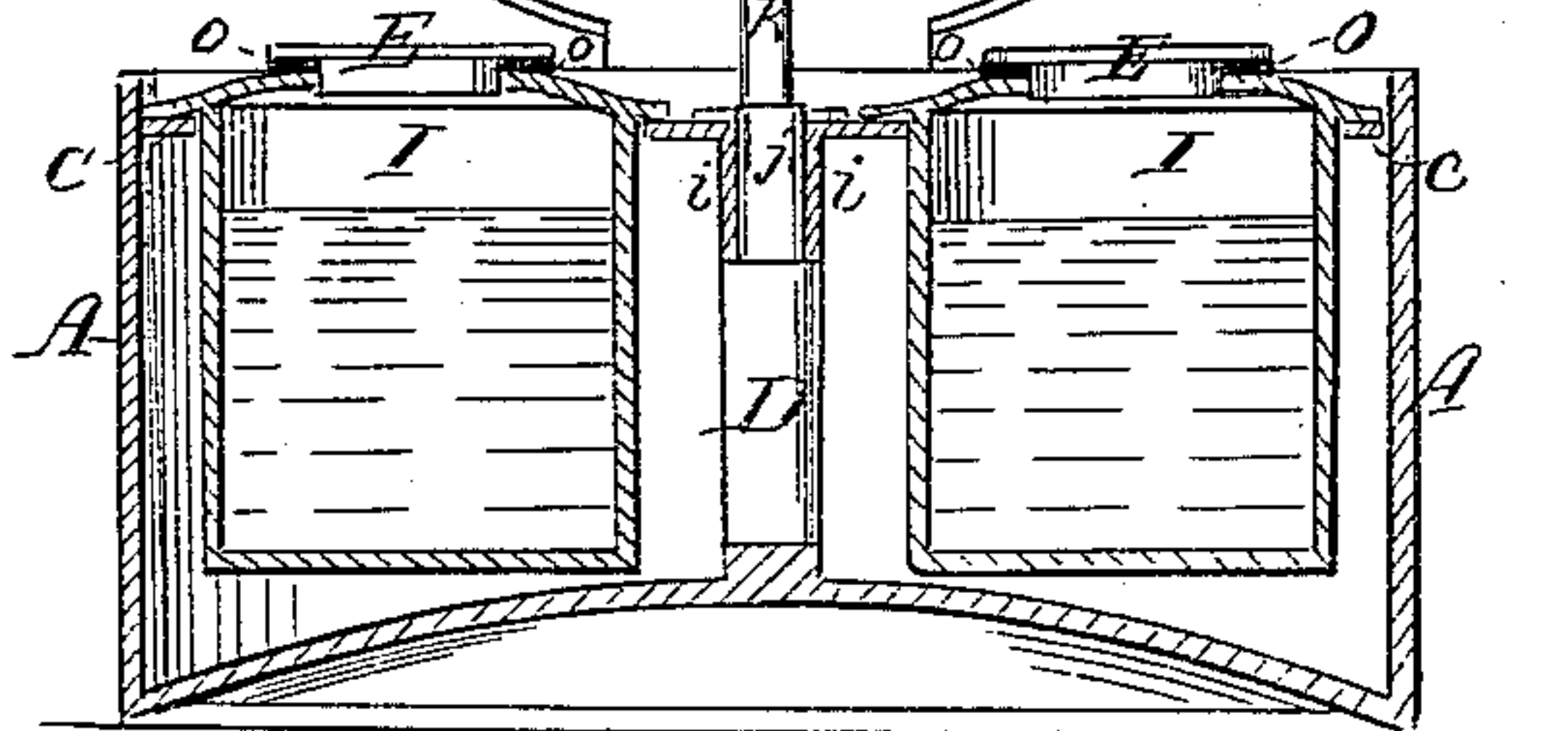
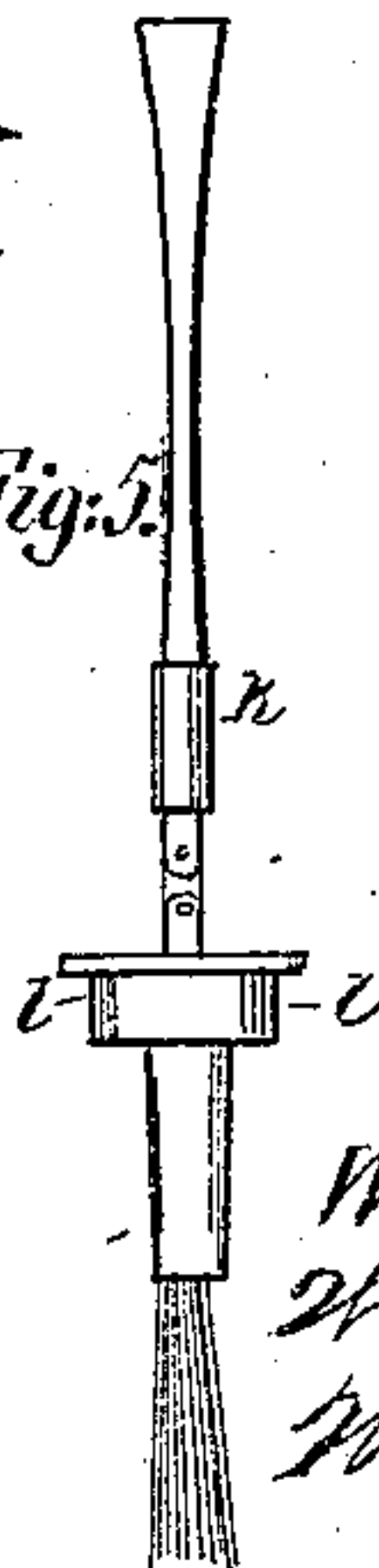
*Fig: 2.*



*Fig: 3.*



*Fig: 5.*



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## REVOLVING INKSTAND.

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, J. M. KENNEDY, of Vicksburg, in the county of Warren, and State of Mississippi, have invented a new and improved Ink-Caster and Case; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable those skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a top view of my improved case, with the lid raised.

Figure 2 is a radial section of the body of the case, through the line *x x*, fig. 1, and showing also the front or inner surface of raised lid.

Figure 3 is a top view of the caster when the ink-bottles are removed.

Figure 4 is a central section of the lid, through the line *y y*, fig. 2.

Figure 5 is a detail view of the mucilage-brush.

Figure 6 is a modification of the pen-rack.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

The object of this invention is to provide an article of desk or table-furniture containing a number of useful things, all of which relate to clerical operations, that is to say, to the performance of writing, ruling, sealing, dating, and the like.

In the accompanying plate of drawings, a circular metallic case, A, is shown, having a hinged lid or top, B.

The revolving caster C turns on the central spindle D, arising from the bottom of the case, as shown.

The rim of this caster is not in contact with the walls or sides of the case, and therefore turns freely on the spindle.

There are vessels or cells, I, for red, black, blue, and copying-inks, and a cell for mucilage, all of which fit in and fill up the caster, as shown, whereby the several kinds of ink are conveniently accessible, and are in small, portable compass.

When any one kind of ink is being used, the other cells are closed with the screw-caps E, which latter are attached to the caster by chains, *a*, that the said caps may not get misplaced.

The ink-cells are indicated from each other by the words placed thereon, as shown, so that the kinds of ink may not be mistaken.

The cell of that kind of ink which is being used is brought in front of the writer by turning the caster on its spindle.

A pen-rack is formed on the sides of the lid by affixing the hooks *b b b*, &c., thereto in the manner shown, or cutting notches in the flange of the said lid, as shown at the modification B', fig. 6.

A rotating calendar is placed on the inner side of the lid, and is constructed as follows:

A painted disk, containing numbers, from 1 to 31, arranged in proper sequence around the border, is pasted to the inner surface of the lid.

A circular disk, *d*, covers all these numbers but one, which number is visible through an opening made in the disk *d*, as shown, so that any day of the month may be made visible by turning the disk on the axis-boss G, by means of the ring *f*, attached to the disk for that purpose.

A paper disk, containing the days of the week, is pasted to the disk *d*, and covered by a similar smaller disk, *e*, provided with an opening to exhibit any one of the names on the second painted disk, as shown at the word "Sunday" in fig. 2.

A still smaller disk, *g*, covers a painted disk, containing the names of the months, any one of which is visible through an opening, in the manner similar to those above described.

When the disk *d* is moved, from day to day, the other disks are borne around with it, and the last disk is borne by the disk *e*, so that the day of the month, the day of the week, and the month of the year, may be made visible in a convenient manner.

These disks are of sheet-metal, and all revolve upon the axle-boss, the reduced end, *h*, of which passes through a central hole in the top, B, and is secured in place by means of a screw-cap, H, as shown.

The caster-frame C turns on the spindle D by means of the sleeve *i*, which fits loosely on the reduced end, *j*, of the spindle, as shown.

The mucilage-brush is provided with a jointed handle, the joint of which is stiffened by means of a thimble, *k*, which is moved upward from the said joint when the handle is to be folded down horizontally or when the lid of the case is to be closed.

The handle below the joint is provided with a plug-cap, *l*, as shown, which fits the mouth of the mucilage-cell.

The screw-caps of the ink-cells are flanged, as shown, and a ring of rubber, *o*, is clamped between the said flanges and the proximate edge of the mouth or hole, thereby forming a tight joint, which prevents the ink from spilling out when the case is inverted during transportation.

A screw-catch, *m*, serves to confine the lid when closed.

My invention is simple, cheap, and convenient, and provides an inkstand containing several kinds of ink, which may be packed in a trunk, and carried in travel, without the danger of damaging the contents of the trunk by the leaking of the ink, or breaking of the cells or vessels containing the same.

I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

The construction and arrangement of the ink-caster and case, as herein shown and described.

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