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Furniture Pad.

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Fig. 1.

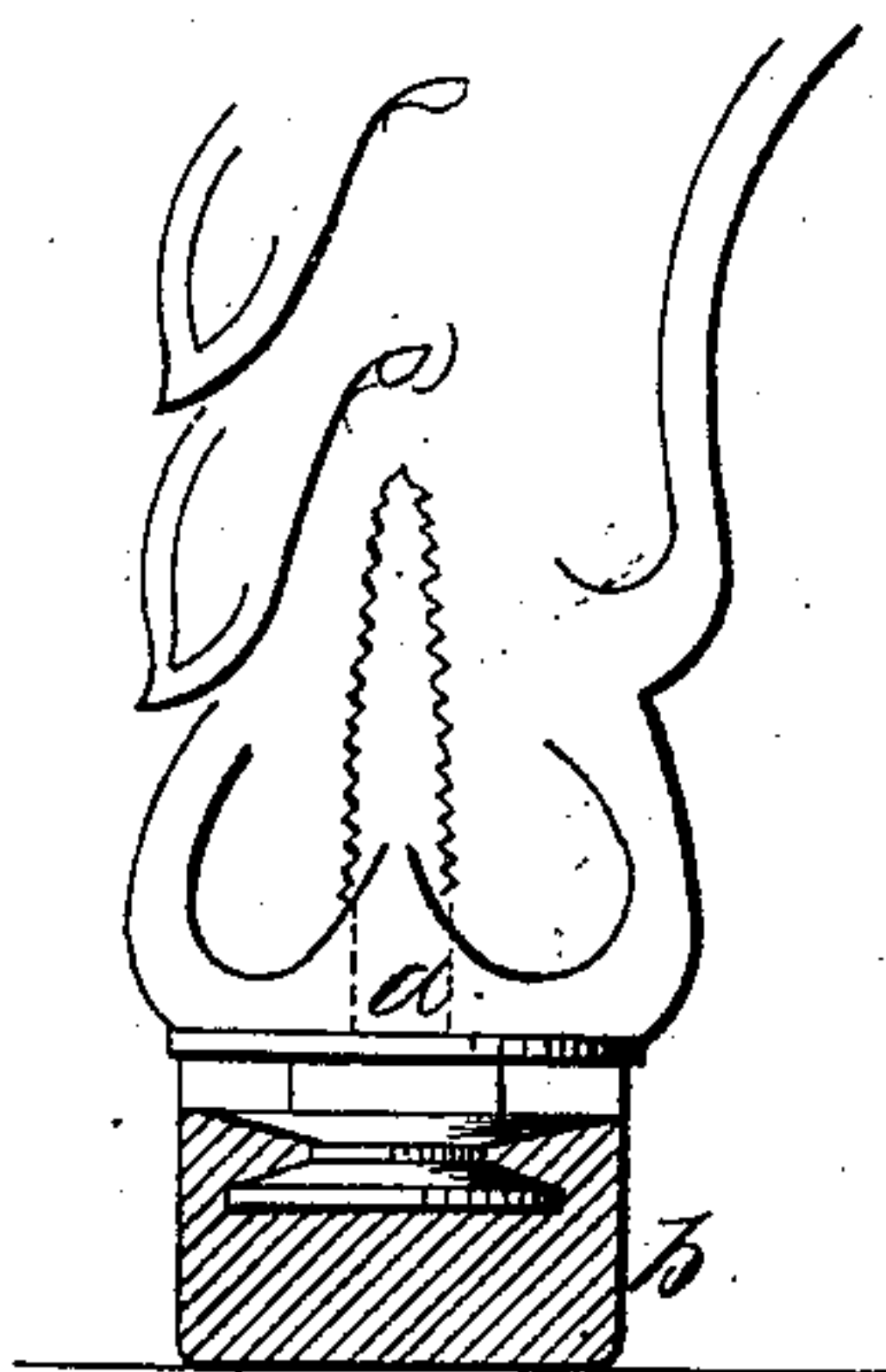
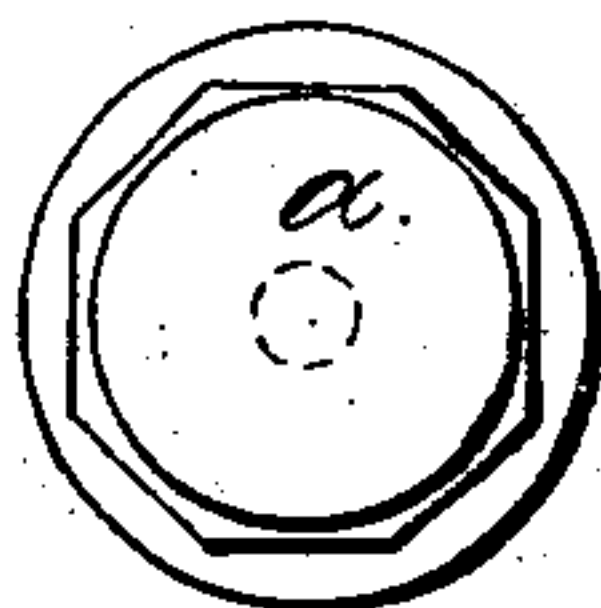


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVED FURNITURE-TIP.

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, O. B. COLLINS, of Carthage Landing, in the county of Dutchess, and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Furniture-Tips; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification.

The present invention relates to a new and useful improvement in furniture-tips, which are intended to take the place of the ordinary casters now in use.

The construction and mode of attaching the same to the legs of tables, &c., will be clearly understood from the following description, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, forming part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 represents a side view of my improved furniture-tip, showing the same attached to the leg of a chair.

Figure 2 is a plan of the same, (bottom side up,) with the India rubber removed.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

In this case the letter *a* represents a metallic button, whose base is made in the form of an octagon, or other suitable shape, so as to enable it to be screwed to the legs of chairs, tables, sofas, bedsteads, or other articles of household-furniture, by means of a suitable key, which shall be made to correspond with the peculiar shape of the base of the said button.

b represents India rubber, which is run around and

over the button, as clearly shown in fig. 1 of the accompanying drawing, and which will be held secure, from the peculiar shape of the button, so that there will be no danger of the India rubber getting loose, or coming off, from tipping the chair back and only using the two hindmost legs, as is practised so much at the present time, particularly in saloons, and will, at the same time, give the seat a comfortable and easy foot-rest, which will neither slip nor squeak on the floor, when moving the same from place to place in a room.

By my method of constructing the tip, the screw for securing it to the furniture-leg does not pass through the rubber as in most cases, and for this reason, when the rubber becomes worn off to the base of the button, an irregular and uneven surface, such as is formed by a screw-head, is not exposed, to tear carpets and disfigure floors.

Having thus described my invention,

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

The furniture-tip, constructed, as described, of the grooved button *a*, around which the India-rubber block *b* is cast, whereby, when said rubber becomes worn off, a smooth, even bearing-surface is presented, to avoid injury to carpets and floors, as herein shown and described.

The above specification of my invention signed by me, this 30th day of March, 1868.

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