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Fig. 1

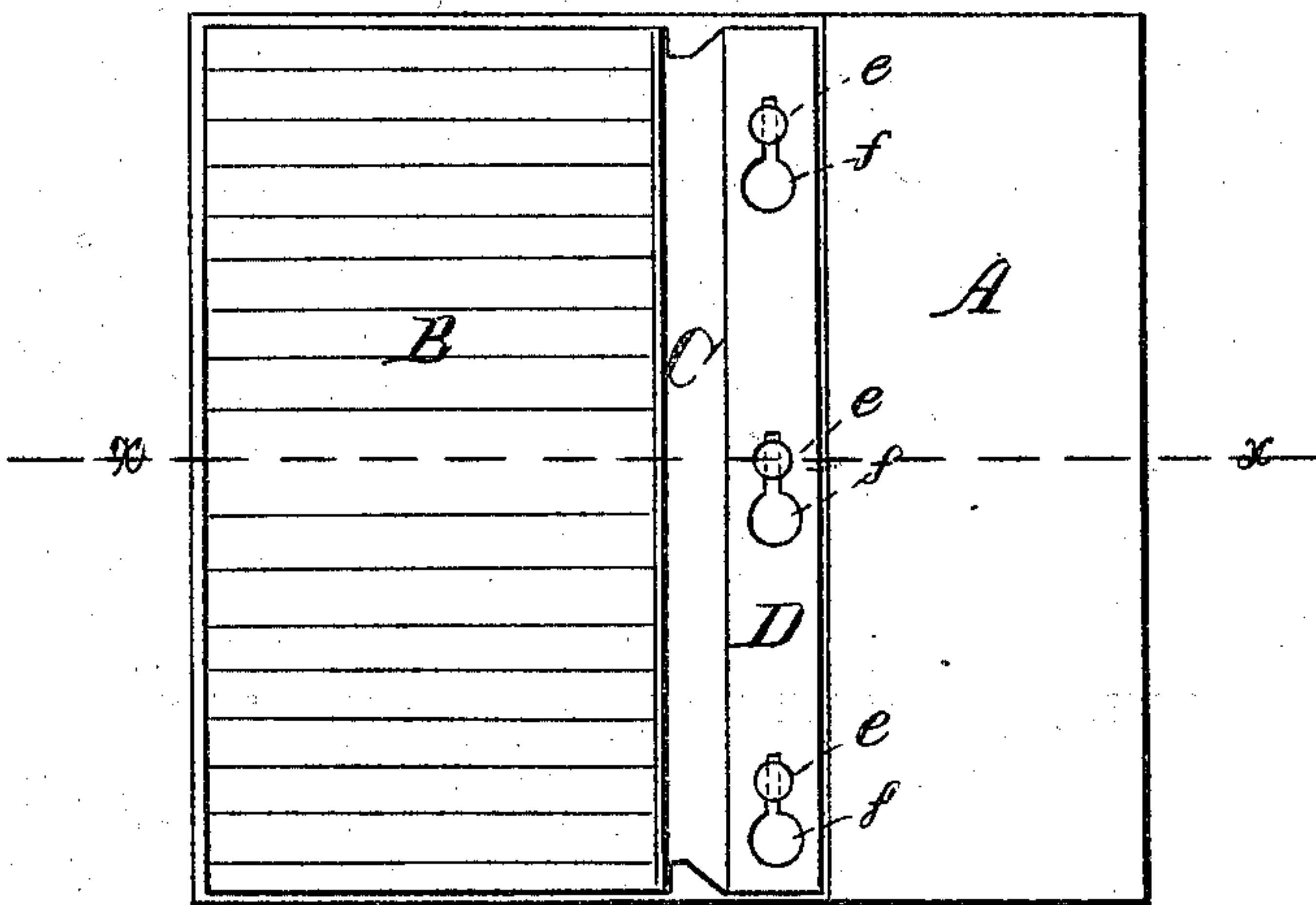
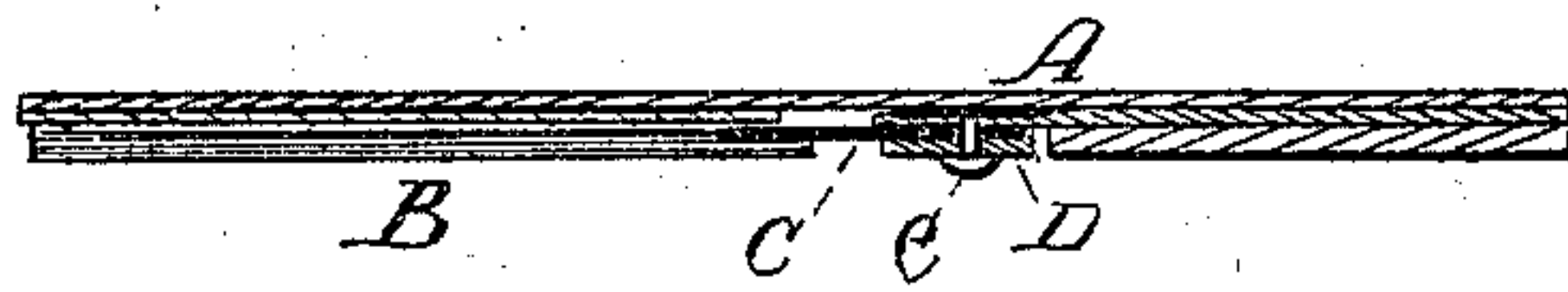


Fig. 2



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IMPROVEMENT IN MEMORANDUM-BOOKS.

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

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, JAMES HERVEY GUEST and ELWOOD FAWCETT, of New Albany, in the county of Floyd, and State of Indiana, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Memorandum-Books; and we 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 part of this specification.

This invention relates to a new and useful improvement in books for keeping memoranda, and for other purposes, and consists in attaching the book to the cover by means of a hinge, of leather, cloth, metal, or other suitable material, and confining the same to the cover by a button-fastening, as will be hereinafter more fully described.

In the accompanying plate of drawings—

Figure 1 represents an open book, constructed according to our invention.

Figure 2 is a cross-section of fig. 1, through the line *x x*.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

A is the book-cover.

B represents the leaves or pages.

The leaves are properly secured together by stitching, or otherwise, and attached to the hinge C.

This hinge may be made of leather, or cloth, or other flexible material, or it may be a metallic hinge, of any suitable kind.

D is a plate, of any rigid material, which is attached

to the hinge, when the hinge is of cloth, leather, or other flexible material.

When the hinge is of metal, such plate would, of course, be unnecessary.

e represents buttons, which are attached to the cover A.

f represents holes, through which the buttons easily pass, which holes are elongated or slotted, so that when the buttons have been passed through the holes, the shanks of the buttons will slip up into the slots, and thus securely hold the book to the cover, as seen in the drawing.

By slipping down the cover or raising the hinge, the book is readily detached, and when the pages are full, it may be laid away for future reference, while a new book may be inserted. Thus, a single cover is made to answer for an indefinite number of books.

This arrangement is applicable to all kinds of books, but is more particularly intended for memorandum, music, and letter-books, and all books of a similar nature.

Having thus described our invention,

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

Attaching the book B to the cover A by means of the hinge C, slots *f*, and pins *e*, all arranged as described, for the purpose specified.

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