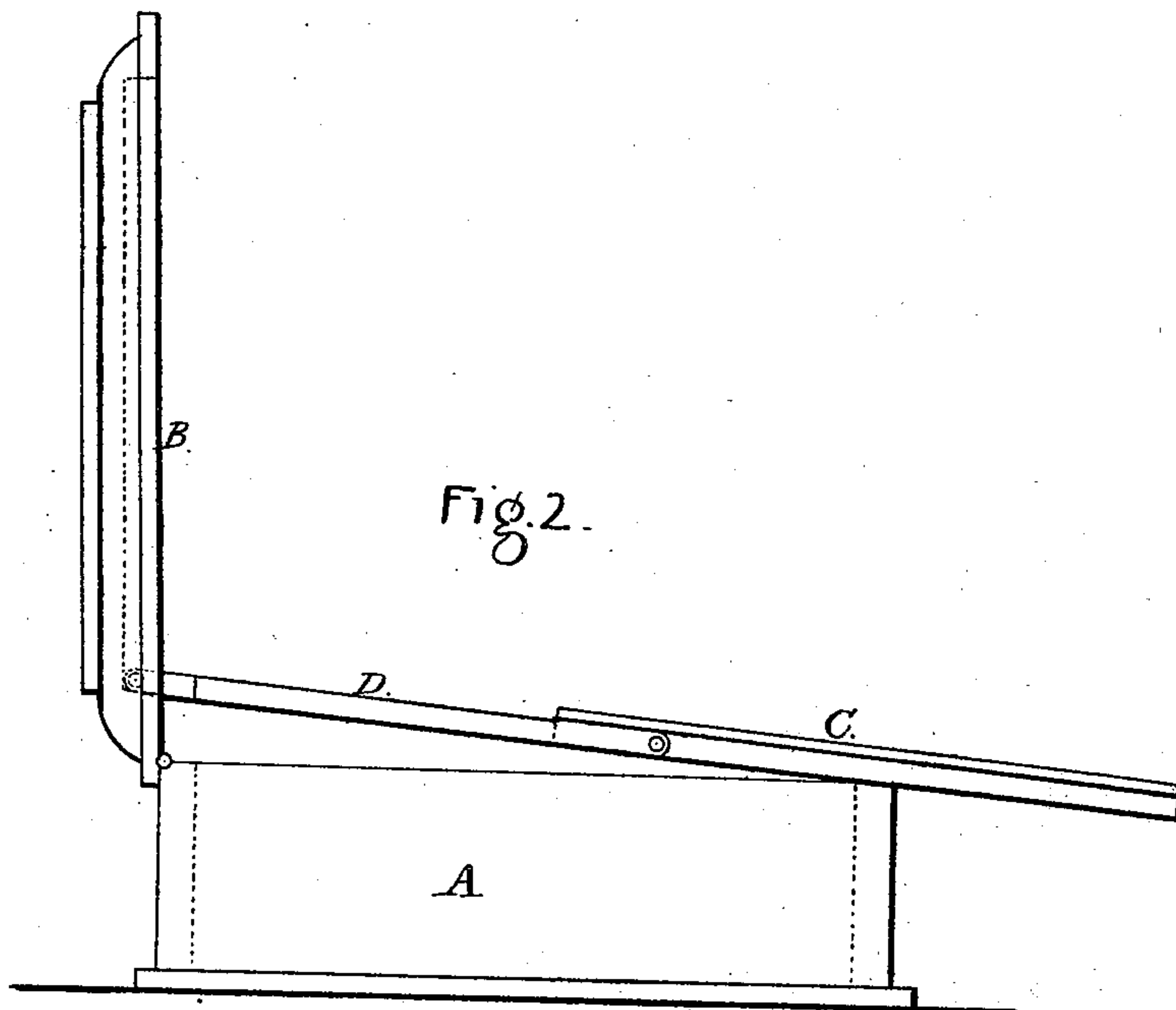
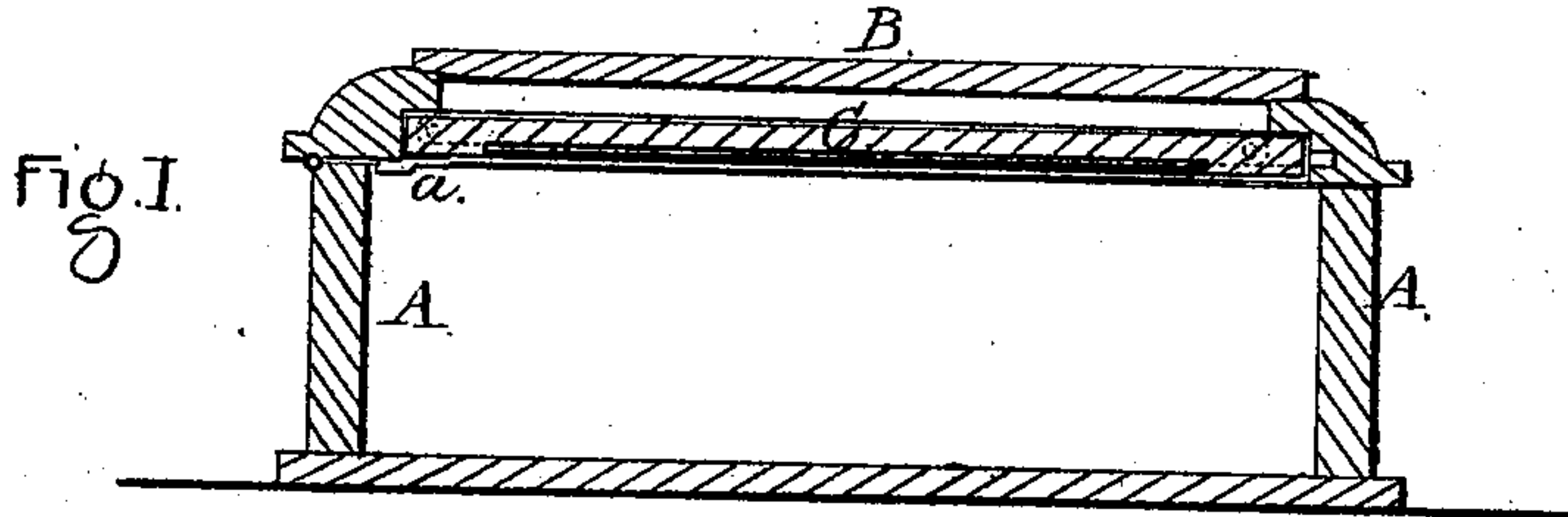


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## IMPROVEMENT IN WORK-BOX AND DESK.

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, CHARLES W. SMALL, of Worcester, in the county of Worcester, and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and combined Writing-Desk and Work-Box; 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 part of this specification, in which—

Figures 1 and 2 are vertical transverse sections of my invention, showing the box respectively closed and opened.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

This invention relates to a new work-box, which has a swinging panel in its hinged cover. The panel can, when the cover is opened, be swung down to form a convenient leaf to write on, and thus a writing-desk is formed on the work-box, without reducing the room in the latter.

A, in the drawing, is a work-box of suitable size and shape.

B is the hinged cover of the same.

The cover is panelled on the inner side, and the recess filled by a plate, C, which plate is, by two rods, D D, connected with the cover. The rods are, with

their upper ends, pivoted to the ends of the plate C, near the upper edge of the same, while their lower ends are pivoted to the lower part of the cover, as shown.

A small bolt, *a*, serves to lock the plate C in the cover, when desired.

When the plate C is to be used to write upon, it is swung out, as in fig. 2, and is rested upon the front edge of the open box, as shown, the arms or rods D being then also swung down. The lower side of the plate C is then forward, and its upper side on the back, while the upper ends of the rods are in front, and their lower ends on the cover.

The writing-surface of the plate C can be covered with cloth or other material, to make it convenient for writing.

Having thus described my invention,

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

A combined work-box and writing-desk, composed of the box A, cover B, plate C, and rods D D, all arranged to operate as herein shown and described.

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