

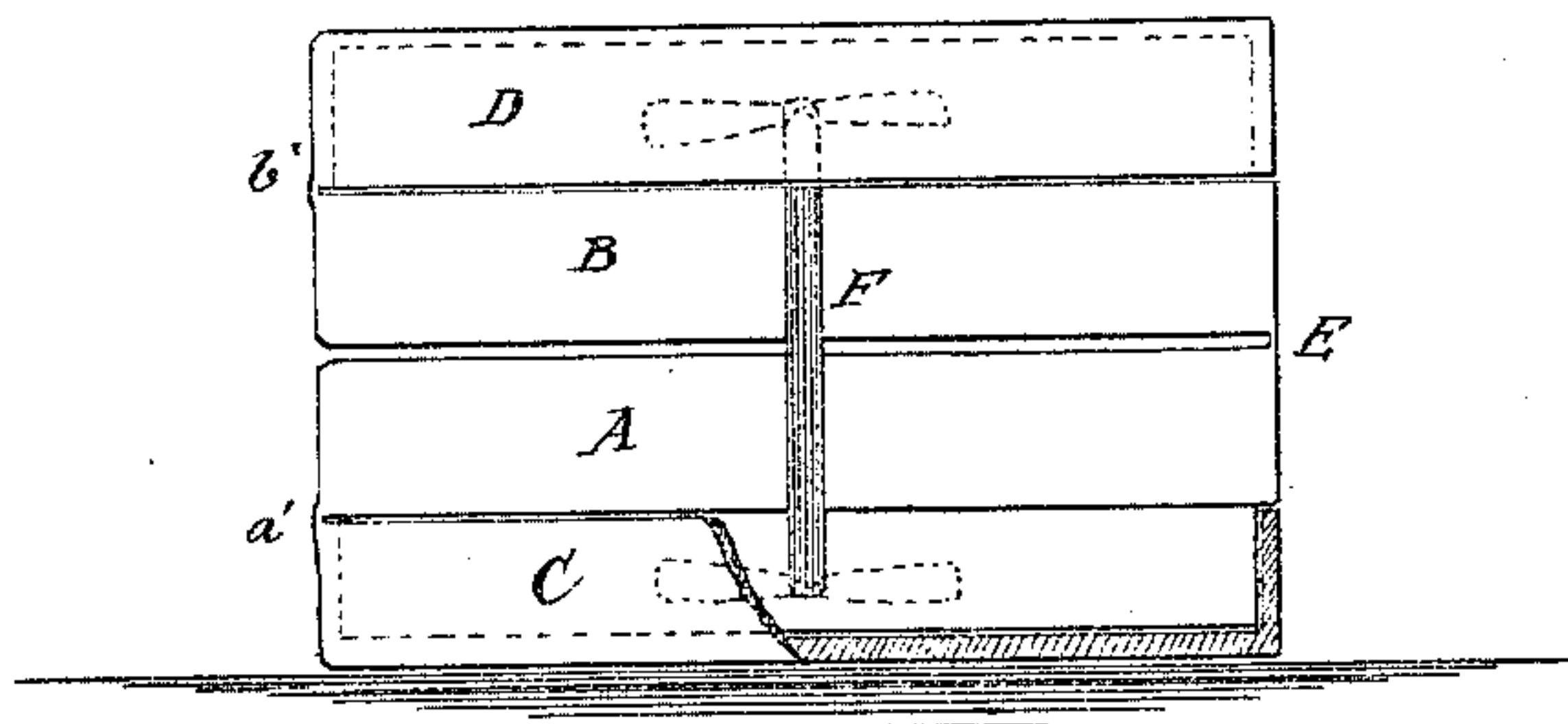
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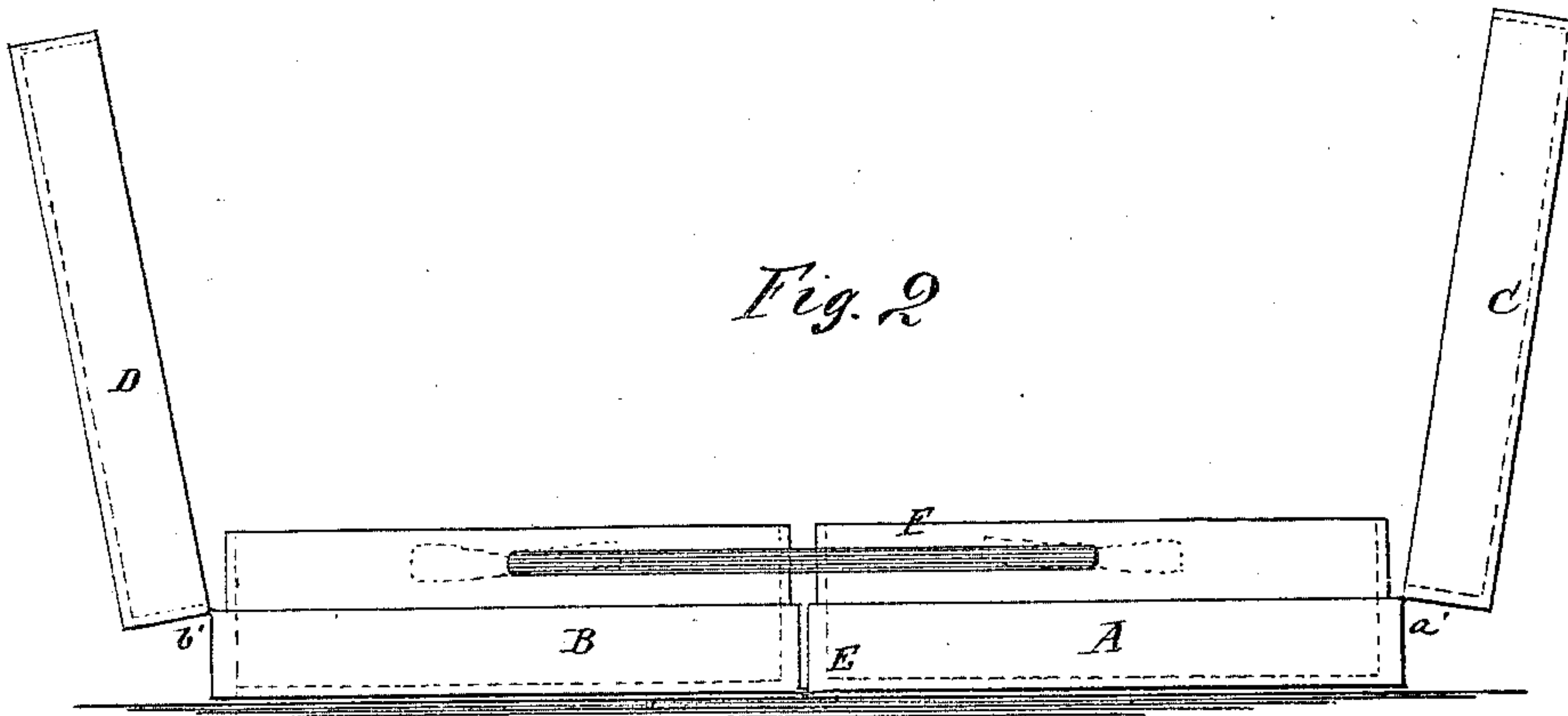
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*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



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## IMPROVEMENT IN PAPER BOXES.

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, HENRY MATIER, of Belfast, Ireland, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Paper Boxes; 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 drawing forming part of this specification.

Figure 1 is an end view of my improved paper box closed, part being broken away to show the construction.

Figure 2 is an end view of the same extended, and with the covers raised.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

My invention has for its object to furnish an improved paper box designed especially for holding handkerchiefs put up by the dozen, but which may be used with equal facility for holding other articles; and

It consists in the paper box constructed in the manner hereinafter more fully described.

A and B are the bodies of two boxes, which are provided with covers C D.

The covers C D may be hinged to the bodies A B by paper and cloth hinges *a' b'*, in the ordinary manner.

The bodies A B are hinged at the side edges of their bottoms diagonally opposite the hinges *a' b'* with a cloth and paper hinge, E, as shown in figs. 1 and 2.

The bodies A B of the box are connected at their ends by the elastic cords F, the ends of which are secured to the ends of the said boxes A B above the shoulders, upon which the ends of the covers C D rest, so that the said cords F may have sufficient length to allow the parts of the box to be opened up to stand side by side, as shown in fig. 2.

The box is designed to contain a dozen handkerchiefs—a half-dozen in each part. With this construction, if a customer wishes to purchase only a half-dozen handkerchiefs, the retailer can easily separate the parts of the box by cutting the hinge E and the elastic cords F, thus forming two perfect boxes.

Having thus described my invention,

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

An improved paper box formed in two parts, A C and B D, hinged to each other at the side edge of their bottoms by a cloth and paper hinge, E, and connected at their ends by the elastic cords F, substantially as herein shown and described.

The above specification of my invention signed by me this 9th day of March, 1871.

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