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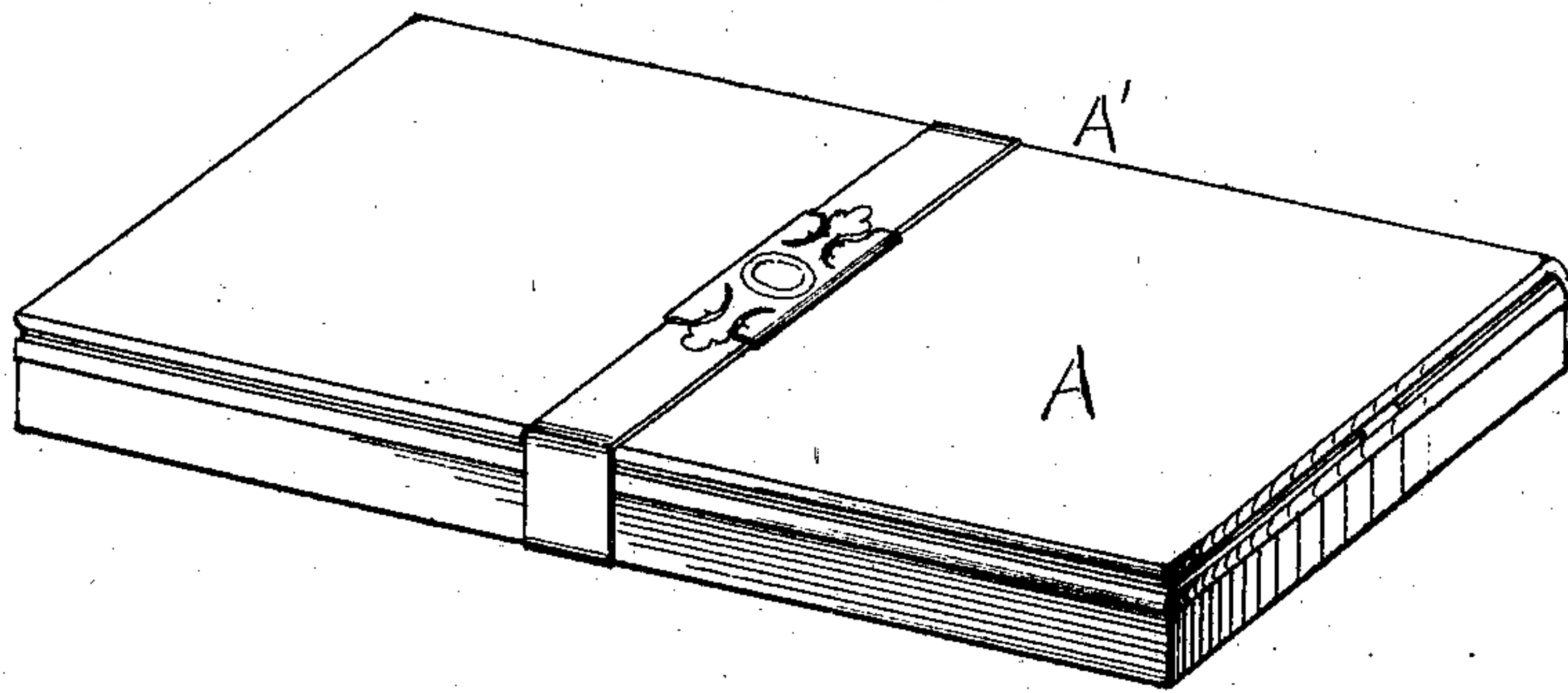
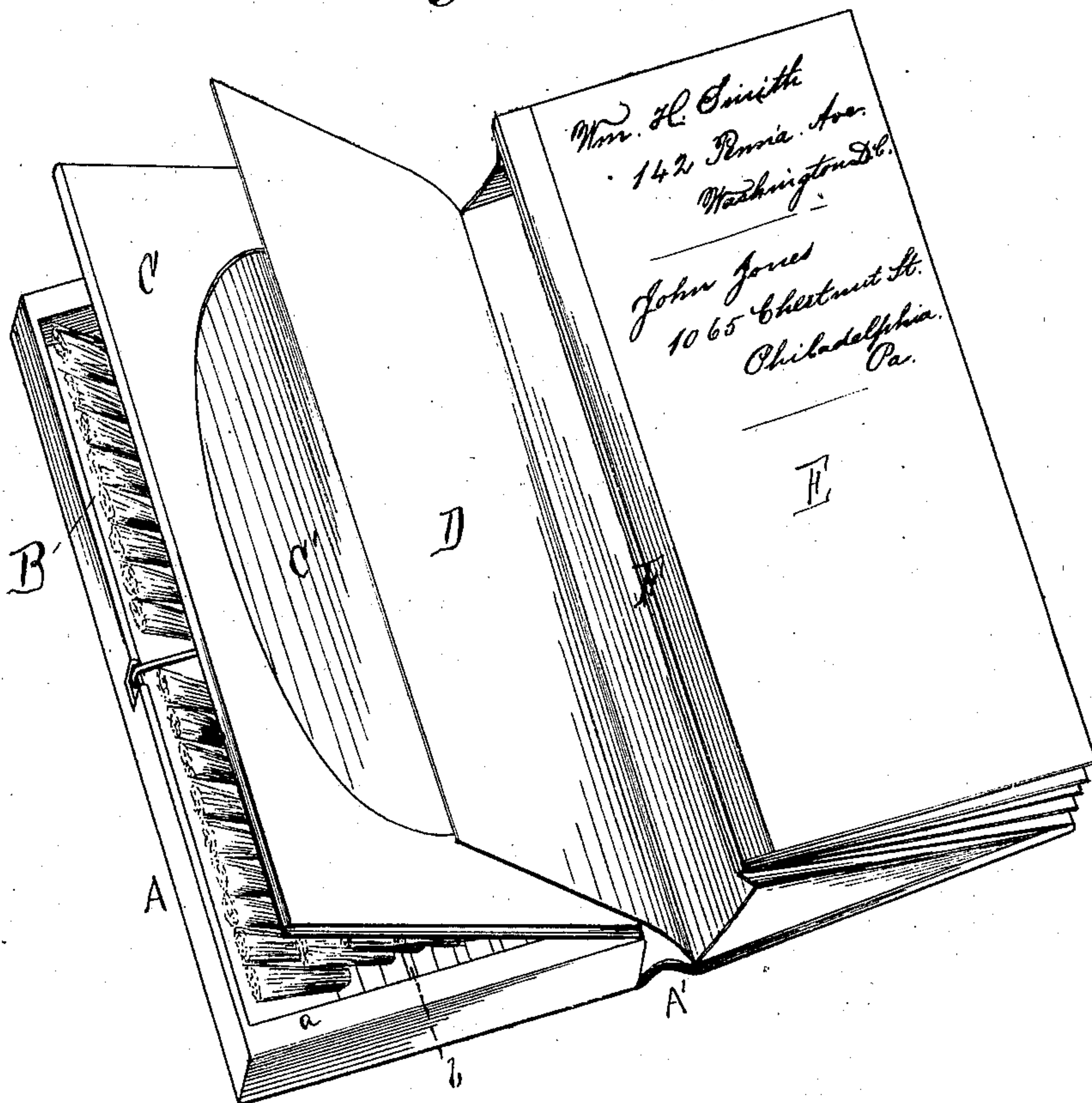


Fig. 2.



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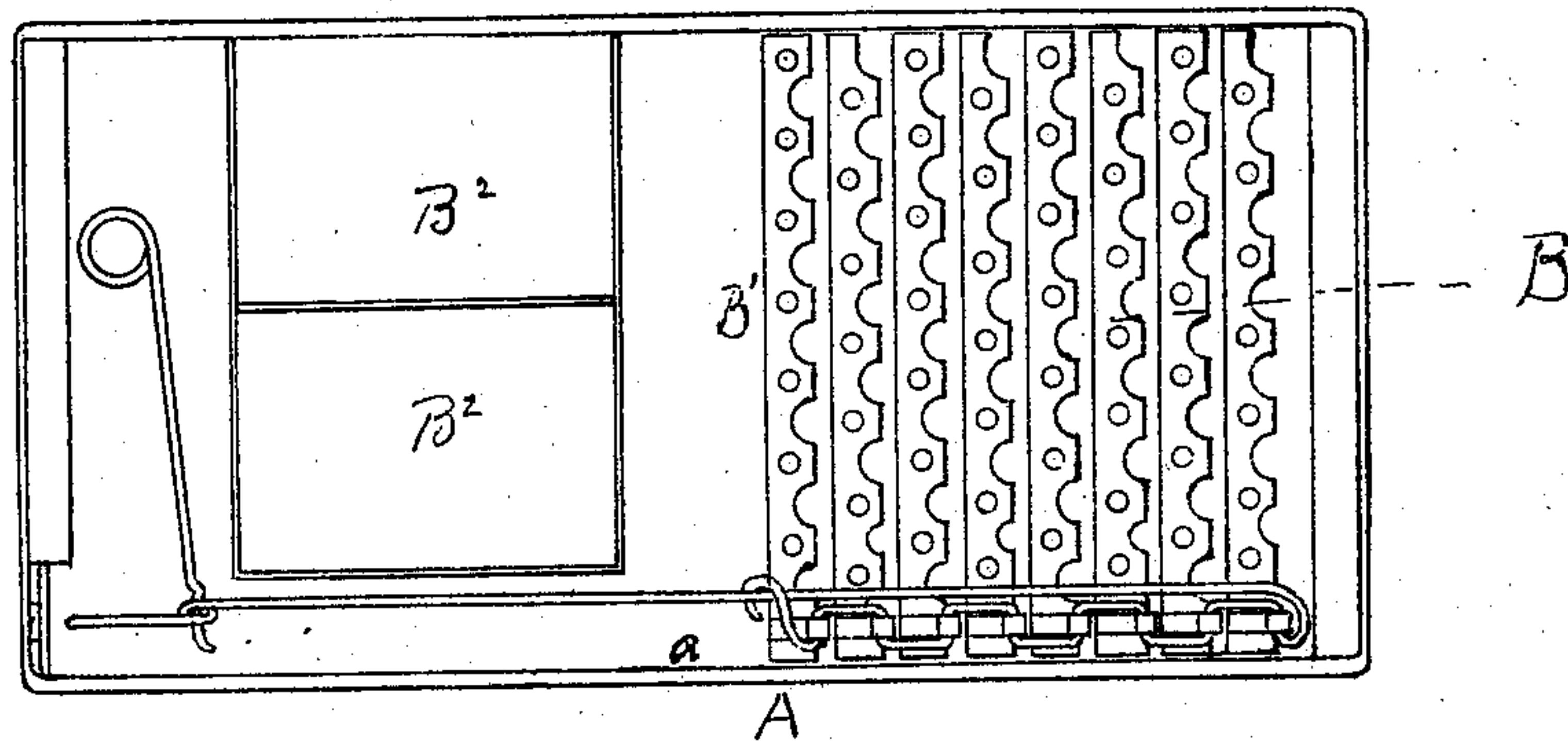


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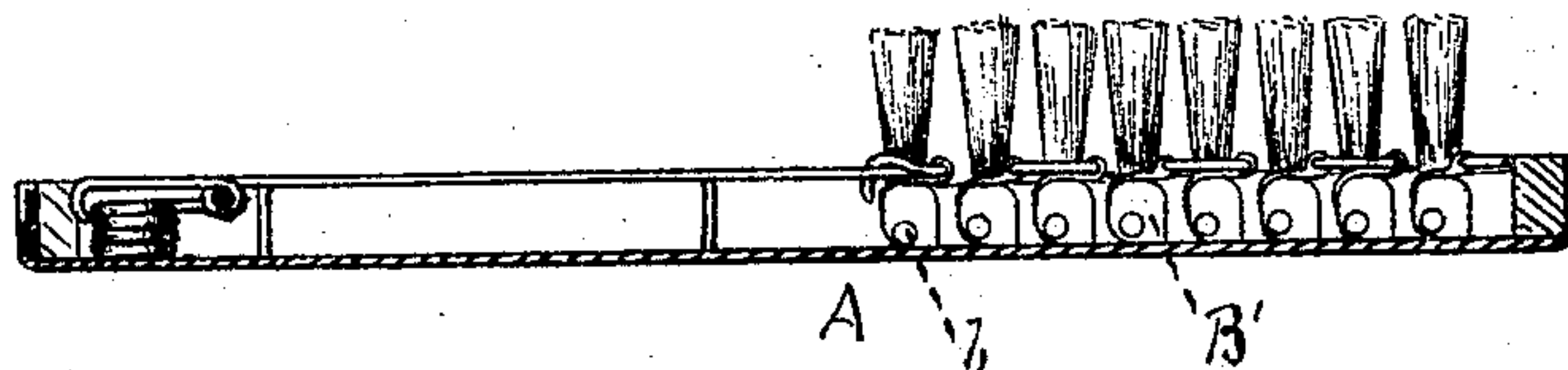


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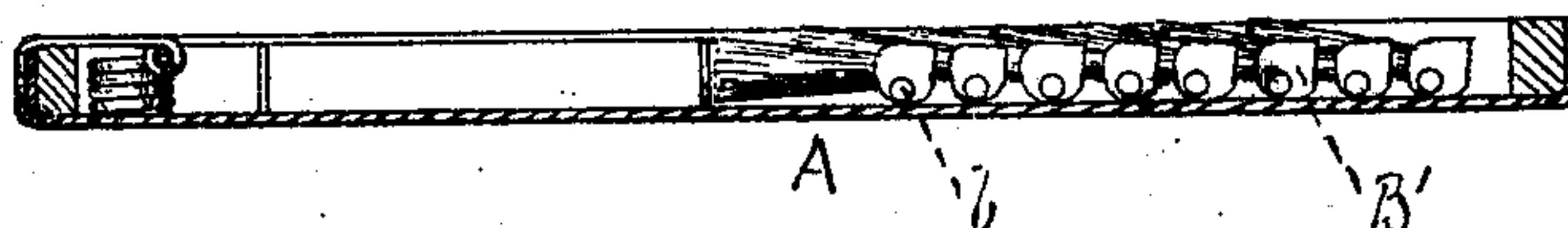
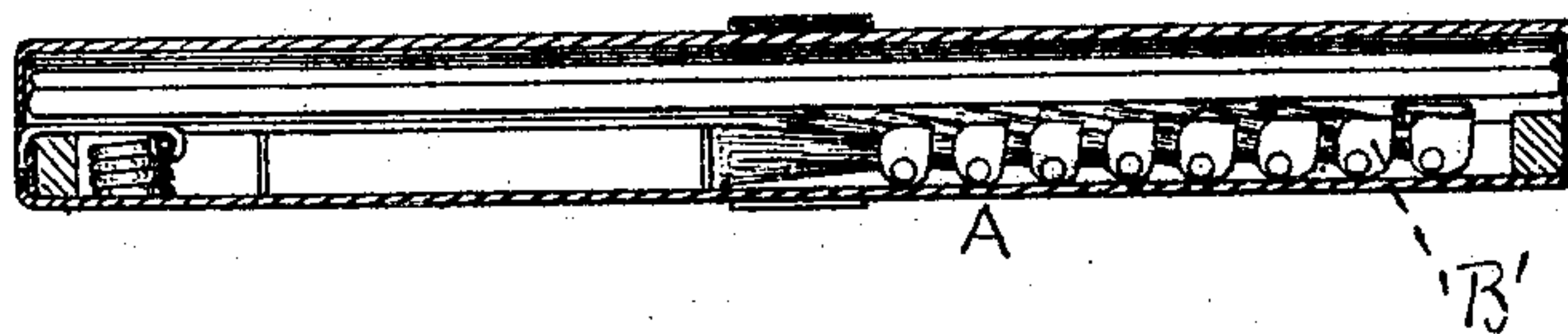


Fig. 6.



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IMPROVEMENT IN BRUSHES, &c., FOR THE POCKET.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 116,185, dated June 20, 1871.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, PETER HENRICHS, of the city and county of Erie and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Brushes for Pocket-Companions; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing and the letters of reference marked thereon making part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my pocket-companion closed. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of my pocket-companion opened. Fig. 3 is a plan view, the brushes being elevated. Fig. 4 is a vertical sectional view of Fig. 3. Fig. 5 is a vertical sectional view of my invention, the brushes being depressed. Fig. 6 is a vertical sectional view of my pocket-companion closed.

The object of my invention is to furnish, as a new article of manufacture, a device designed to be carried on the person, which, in addition to the money-pouch and pencil-tablet which are now common in memorandum, diary, and pocket books, shall also possess the additional advantage of containing one or more brushes, such as are suitable for the clothes, dusting the boots, &c.; and also a hat-brush, and, in addition, when desired, a mirror.

I am aware that there is but little new in the several features of my invention, distinctively considered; but as, owing to their peculiar form, combination, and arrangement, an exceedingly useful and convenient article is produced, and one that possesses advantages hitherto unknown in devices of this character, and especially as they are added without, in any manner, inconveniently increasing the bulk or size of the book, and at a trifling additional cost of manufacture, it is believed it will universally recommend itself as being in every way superior to anything of this character now known to the trade.

Prior to my invention for a folding brush, for which I filed an application for Letters Patent of the United States June 5, 1871, such a device as is embraced in my invention was impracticable.

Therefore, the essence of my invention consists in attaching to one or both of the backs

of an ordinary memorandum or other like book a folding brush; and also in covering the sides of a stiff leaf with a material that renders it suitable for use as a hat-brush, or covering one side with this material and attaching a mirror to the other; and also in securing a flexible leaf, which may be used as a protection for the memoranda written or noted on the tablets, or as a means of dividing the pouch or pocket into two compartments.

To enable others skilled in the art to make and use my invention, I will now proceed to describe its construction and operation.

A A represent the sides of the ordinary memorandum-book or diary. These are of the usual form and are to be constructed of any suitable material. These sides A A should be stiff or rigid, as they are to serve as the bed or support for the folding brushes B B. These sides A A are connected by a flexible back, A', which allows of either of the sides being so reversed that the backs shall meet and lie parallel with each other, and which is most desirable when the brush is to be used, as it affords a substantial and convenient hold for the hand. The book is fastened in its closed form by means of the ordinary elastic band or strap. B¹ B¹ are the parallel bars that compose the folding brush, and are secured in the flanged or boxed frame *a a* on the inner face of the side A A by means of axial rods *b b*, as clearly shown in Figs. 4, 5, and 6. These bars B¹ B¹ are provided with tufts of bristles and united by a connecting-bar so as to insure their uniform action, depressed and automatically elevated through the tension of a spring, all precisely as in my application for a folding brush, hereinbefore referred to. The only difference between the former brush and the one illustrated in Figs. 3, 4, 5, and 6 is merely in the direction in which the bristles fold. These are depressed horizontally in folding the brush, while in the other they were depressed longitudinally. This difference, as will readily be seen, is simply one in form and not one in substance. The only advantage of the present arrangement is found in the fact that a good brush can be provided and, at the same time, leave unobstructed, when desired, a section of the inner face of the box-frame of the brush, as will be seen by reference to Sheet 2 of the drawing. This space

can readily be converted into one or more pockets, B² B², which are convenient receptacles for such articles as cosmetics, adhesive plaster, stamps, &c. C is a stiff leaf, and is covered with a coarse velvet felt or other suitable material, and is designed to be used as a hat-brush; or, if preferred, to one of the sides of the leaf C there may be attached a looking-glass or mirror, C'. D is a flexible leaf, and is designed to be inserted into the pocket or pouch F so as to divide the same into two compartments, or to inclose the contents of pocket F, or as a protection for the memoranda or notes on the tablets E. The tablets E are made of any suitable material, and secured or attached in the usual manner. F is the ordinary pocket or pouch, and, like the tablets, in no respect differs from those met with in similar articles and now in general use.

One or more feature herein described may be dispensed with without affecting my invention, provided its chief object is adhered to, and that is the furnishing a memoranda or other like book with one or more folding brush-

es for the hair, clothes, or boots, and a brush for the hat.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim therein as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States, is—

1. A memorandum or similar book, having one or more folding brushes, B, arranged as stated, and a hat-brush, C, when the whole are so constructed, combined, and arranged as to operate substantially as described.

2. One or more folding brushes, B, hat-brush C, either with or without the mirror C', flexible leaf D, tablets E E, pouch F, when the same are so combined and arranged as to form a memorandum-book, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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