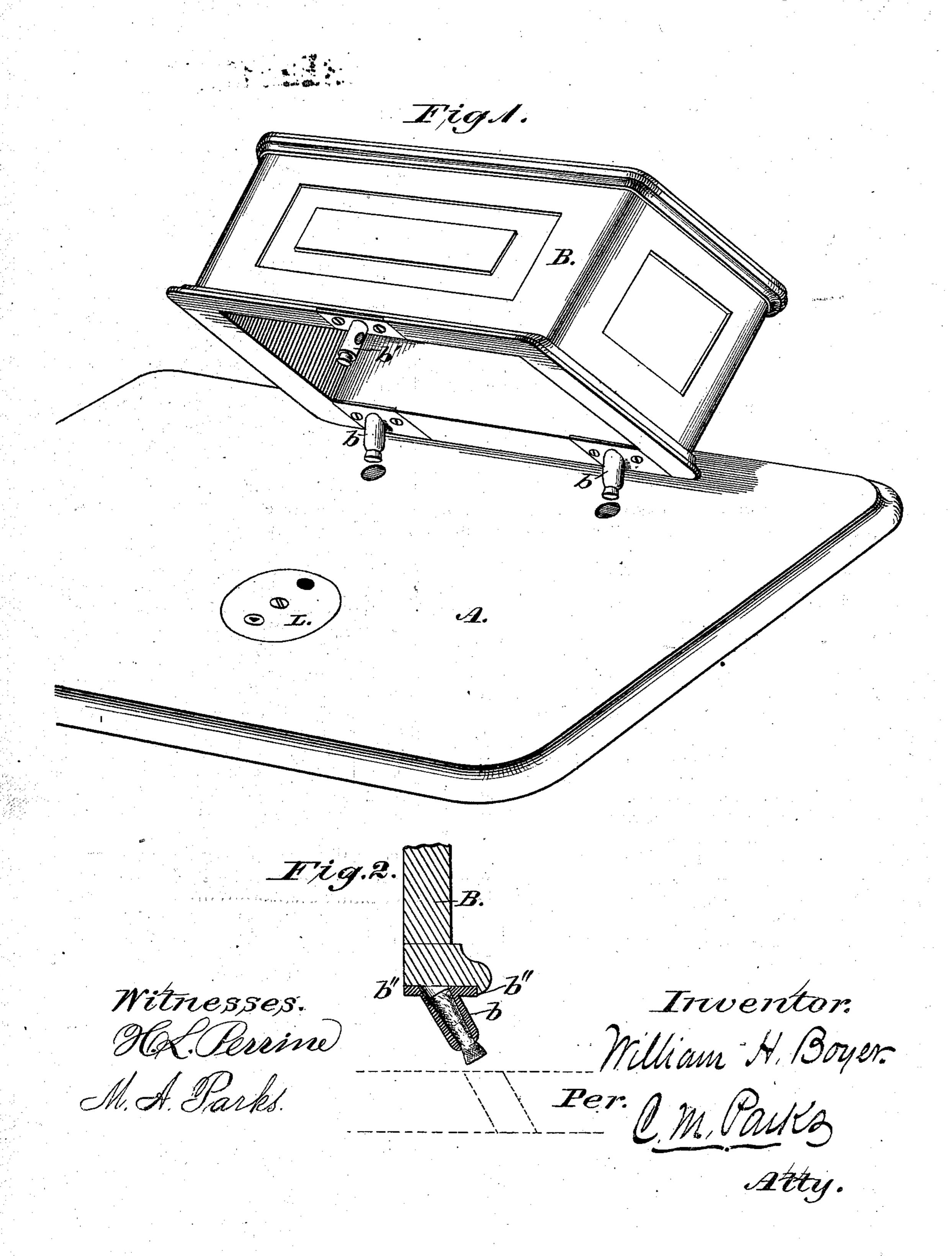
## W. H. BOYER. Sewing-Machine Tables.

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## IMPROVEMENT IN SEWING-MACHINE TABLES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM H. BOYER, of Baltimore, Maryland, have invented an Improvement in Sewing-Machine, Tables; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full and correct description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a sewing-machine table-top and machine-cover, and Fig. 2 is a sectional view of a peg attached to the cover.

It has been found necessary in securing the machine-cover of a sewing-machine to its table to provide the cover with diagonal, crooked, or other pegs, which enter mortices in the top of the table, and facilitate the fastening. The pegs are sharp and hard, and, when the machine-cover is taken off and laid aside upon the table or other furniture, are apt to scratch and soil the finish. To remedy this difficulty is the object of my invention.

My invention consists, therefore, in providing the pegs upon the machine-cover of a sewing-machine with buffers or cushions, in the manner hereinafter described, to prevent them from scratching or soiling the furniture with which they may come in contact. A machine-cover constructed with my improved pegs and buffers may be placed upon the highly-finished parts of the sewing-machine table without injury to the polish.

In the drawing, A represents the top of a sewing-machine table, and B the machine-cover. b b are pegs inclining backward, which enter recesses in the table-top, securing the back of the cover, and b' is the staple into

which the lock-bolt of the lock L enters, and secures the cover to the table. I construct the pegs b b preferably of metal, with a flange, b'', by which they are secured to the machinecover. The body of the peg b is hollow and conical, the smaller end being outward. Within this conical center I place a piece of conical rubber, leather, or other soft flexible material, to be used as a buffer or cushion, and force it out through the outer end sufficiently far to reach beyond the edges of the peg itself. This buffer is, of course, introduced before the peg is secured to the cover, which, when it is secured, keeps the buffer from being removed or displaced. The staple or peg b' is constructed in the same manner as b and b, except that it is not diagonal, and that a hole is made through from one side to the other for the entrance of the lock-bolt of the lock L.

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

1. The combination of a machine-cover of a sewing-machine table with pegs having buffers, substantially as and for the purpose described.

2. The conically-shaped hollow pegs of a sewing-machine cover having flanges and rubber or other buffers, substantially as described.

The above specification of my said invention signed and witnessed at Baltimore, Maryland, this 22d day of August, A. D. 1873.

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