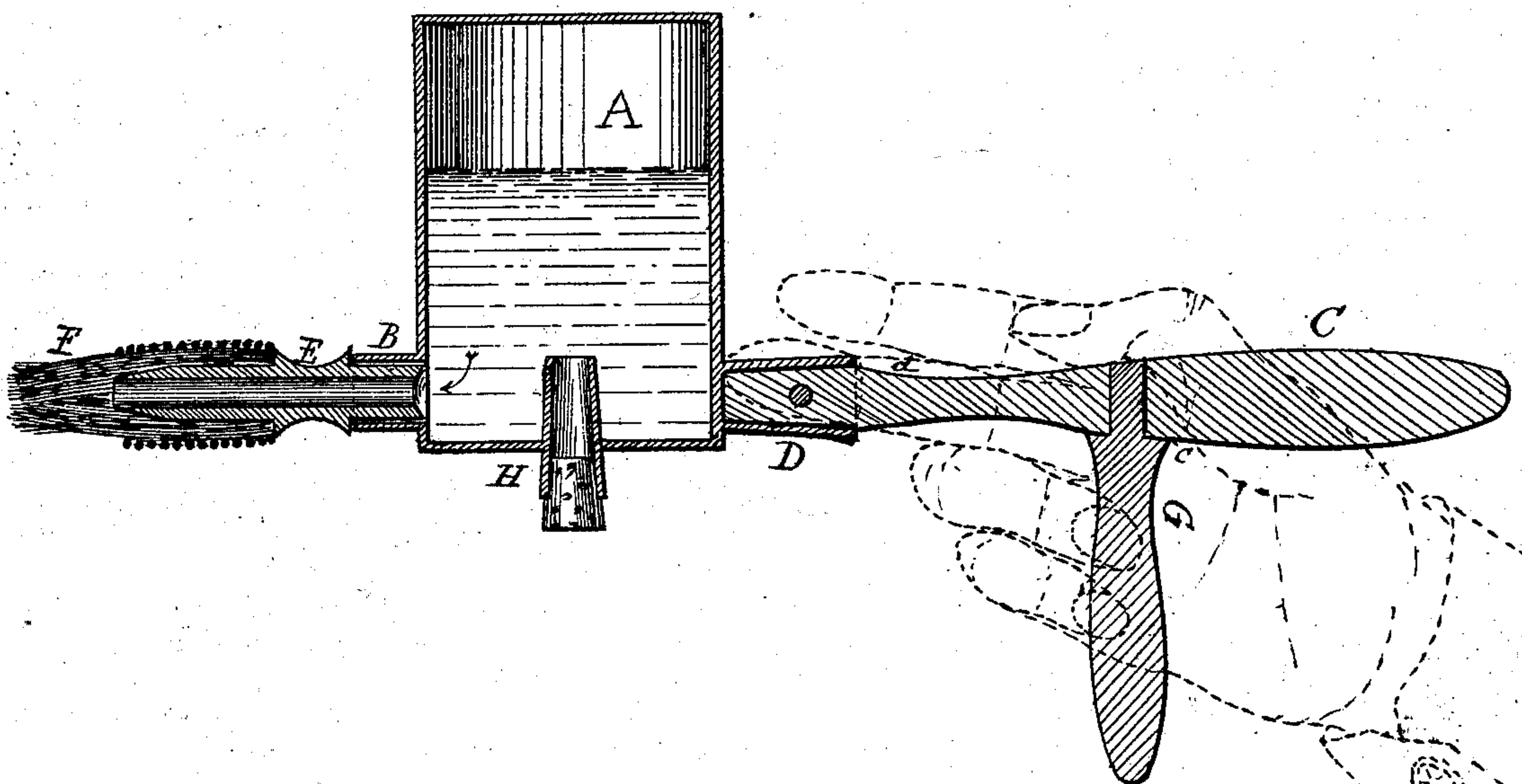


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## IMPROVEMENT IN MARKING-BRUSHES.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOSH. S. BARTLETT, of Water Valley, Yalabusha county, State of Mississippi, have invented an Improvement in Marking-Brushes, of which the following is a specification:

This invention relates to the general construction and arrangement of the several devices forming the marking-brush, as will be hereinafter fully described.

The drawing represents a longitudinal vertical section of my improved marking-brush and the manner of holding the same in the hand.

A is the reservoir, constructed of tin or any other suitable material, for containing the marking-fluid. D is a socket attached to or forming a part of the reservoir, and in which the handle C is secured. B is an outlet-tube or socket, communicating with the interior of the reservoir, into which the tube E, holding the brush F, is secured. The tube E is made to fit snugly within the socket, or it can be attached thereto by any other suitable means, so that it can be readily removed for cleaning if the interior of the tube becomes clogged. The brush is secured to the tube by any well-known means, and so arranged that the end of the tube will deliver the marking-fluid to the center of the brush, as clearly shown in Fig. 1. H is the inlet-tube or mouth of reservoir, and extends inside a little below the lower level of outlet-tube or socket D, to act as a gage, so as not to fill the reservoir high enough with fluid to run out at outlet-tube

and drip from the brush. The cup can be made to hold from one-half pint to a quart. The handle C is provided with a secondary handle, G, arranged at right angles thereto, and in using the brush is clasped by the small and next larger finger, the part *c* of the handle resting between the thumb and forefinger, while the part *d* is clasped by the thumb and first two fingers, as clearly shown in the drawing.

To operate the marking-brush, first fill the reservoir up to the bottom end of inlet-tube or mouth, which must then be tightly closed, so that the fluid will not run out of the said tube. Clasp the handle in the hand in the manner shown, when the reservoir will be bottom side up, so that the fluid will flow freely through outlet-tube or socket and tube of brush-handle to the brush.

Should the handle or brush break or be worn out it can be readily removed and replaced by others.

I do not claim, broadly, the combination of a reservoir with a brush, as that is old; but

What I do claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The combination of brush F, tube E, reservoir A, having sockets B D, and the handle C G, when the several parts are constructed and arranged substantially in the manner and for the purpose specified.

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