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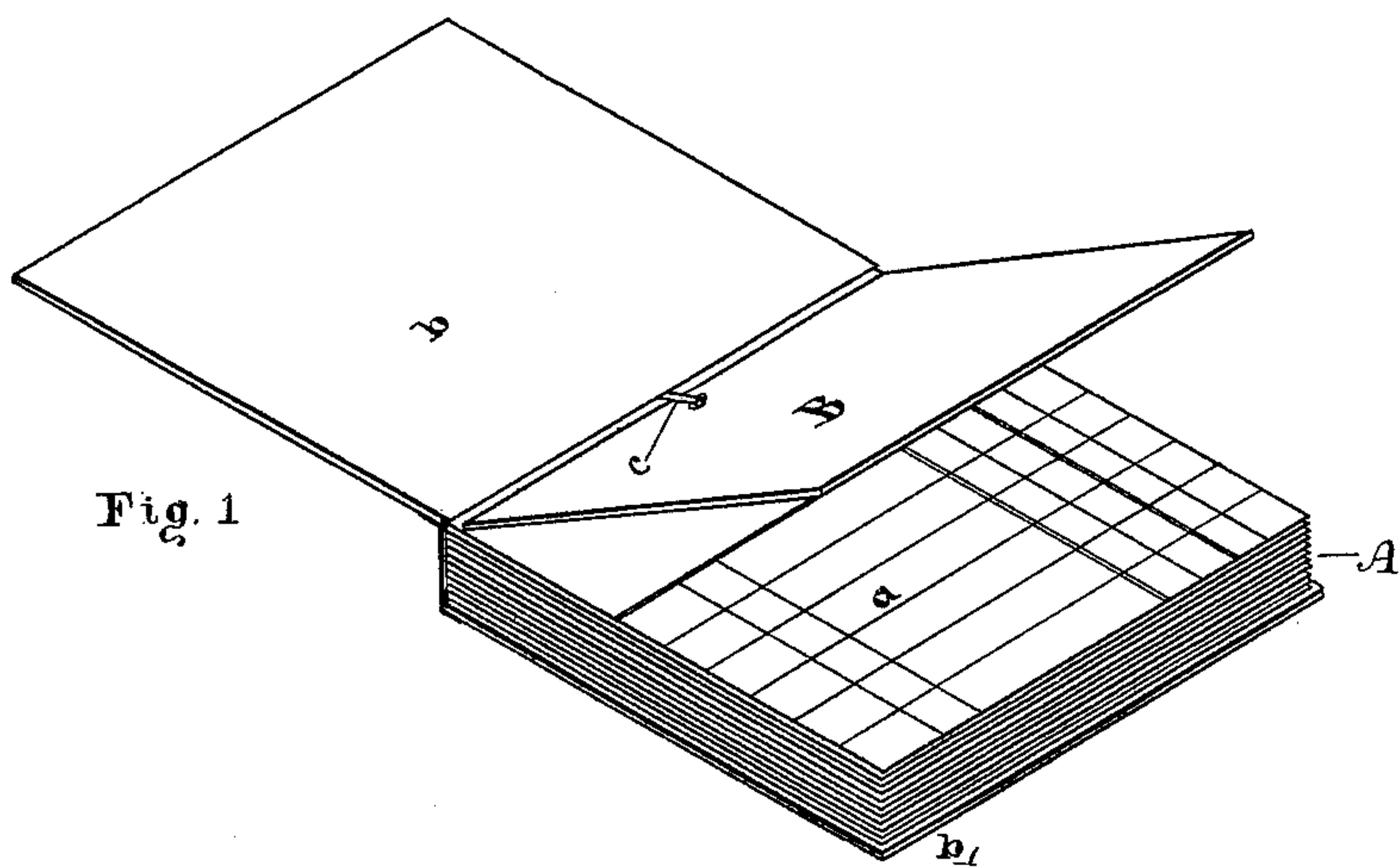


Fig. 1

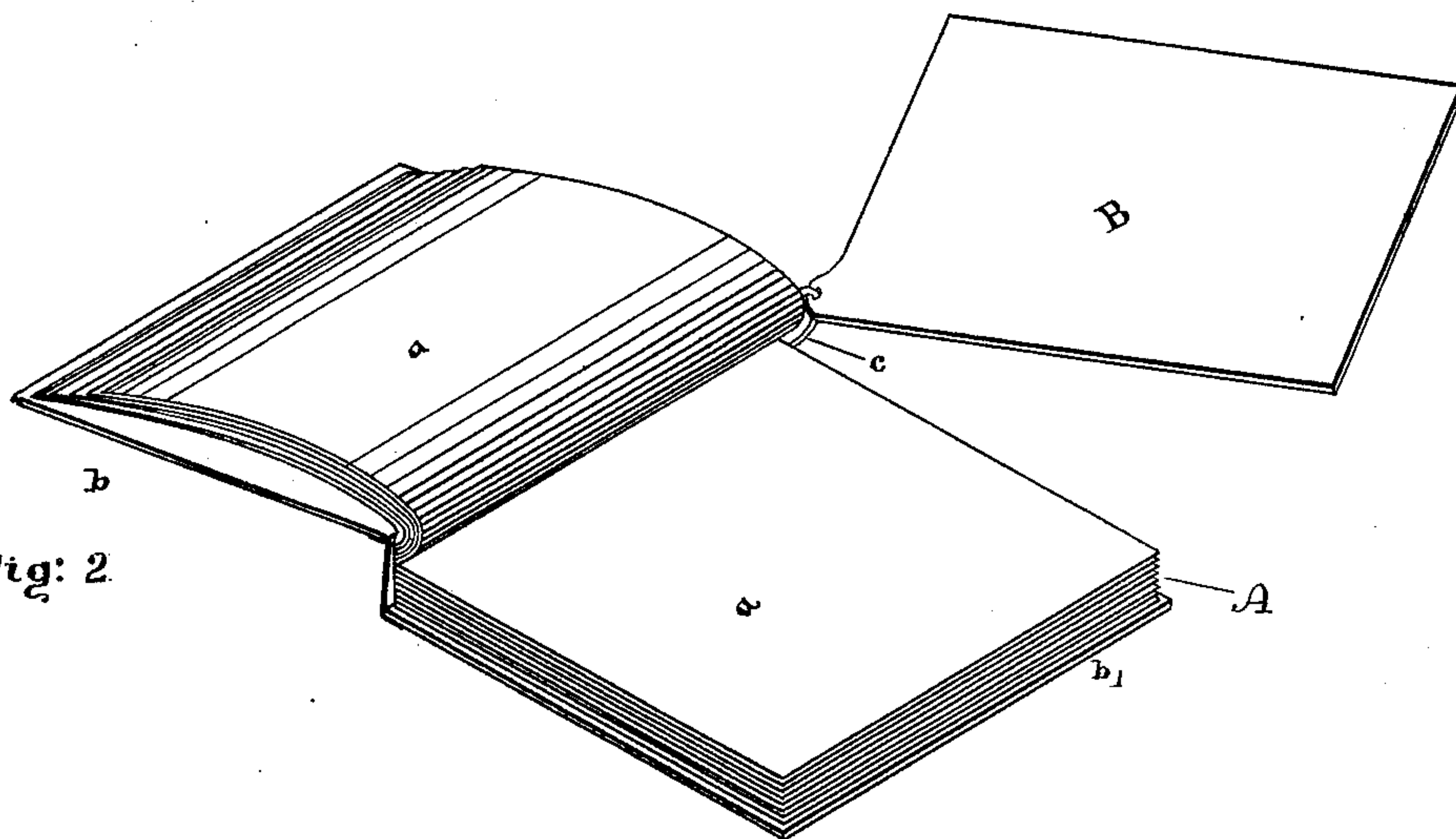


Fig. 2

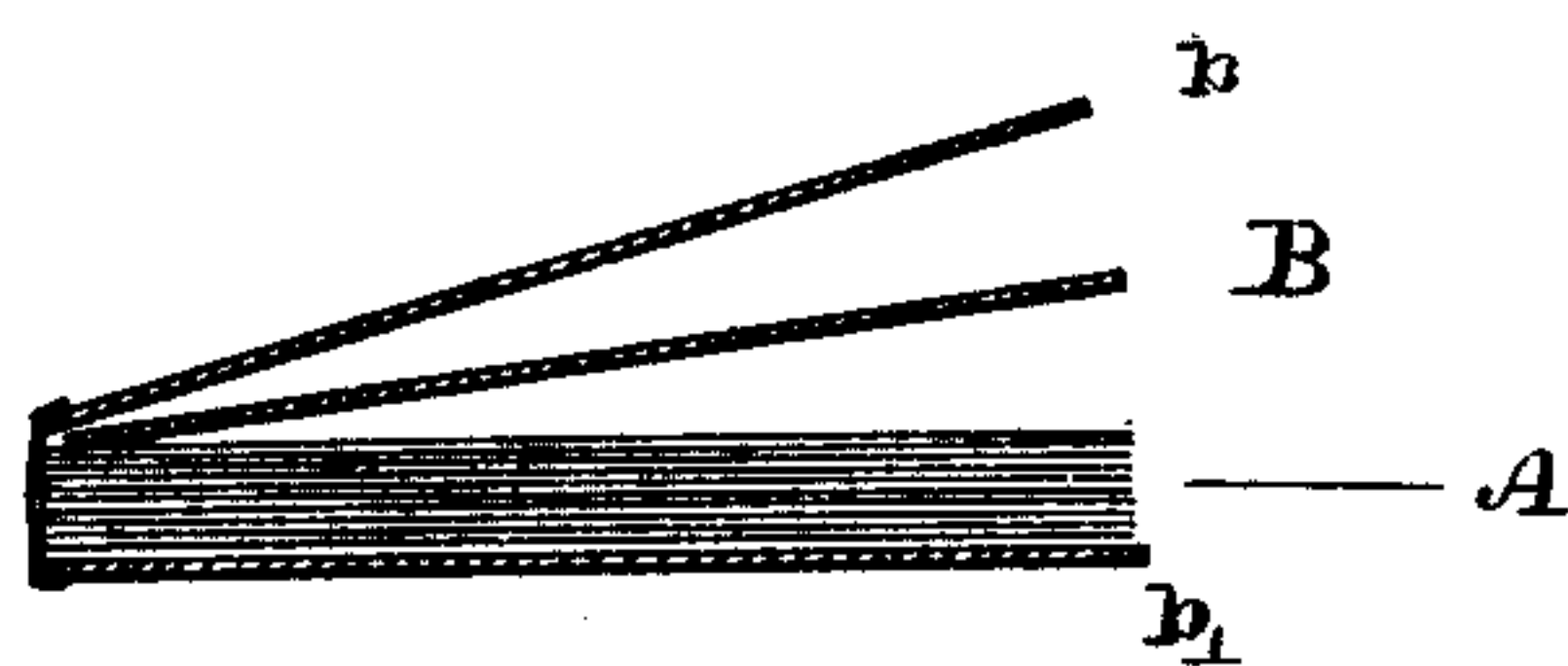


Fig. 3

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## IMPROVEMENT IN BLOTTER-TABLETS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that we, MILO HARRIS, CHARLES E. MEADE, and NATHANIEL W. MEADE, of Jamestown, in the county of Chautauqua and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Blotter-Tablets; and we do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of our invention, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

The object of our invention is to combine with printed stationery, (when put up in book form,) writing-books, blank-books, &c., an adjustable blotter-tablet securely fastened to the back of the book by convenient devices, and so arranged that the blotter may be used on either side; also, so attaching the blotter that it may be used between any of the leaves of the book, as will be hereinafter more fully specified.

In the annexed drawings, Figure 1, A represents a book of printed stationery put up with cheap pasteboard covers *b*, held together by pasting cloth on their edges, in the usual way, to form the back, having the leaves *a* pasted on one edge to this back, and between this back and the edge of the leaves we paste or otherwise securely fasten a short strip or band, *c*, of tape or other suitable material, and tie it in an eyelet in the blotter B, or run it through the eyelet and paste the ends between

the back and leaves, as shown. When the first sheet or page is written the blotter is pressed upon it, and the surplus ink absorbed. The sheet can then be detached, and the blotter used for the next sheet, as before, and so on till all are gone. If one side of the blotter becomes soiled, it can readily be turned to the other.

Fig. 2 represents a blank-book having the blotter attached at one corner at the top of the book by the band *c*, so that the blotter may readily be inserted between any of the leaves and blot either page. It thus not only makes an adjustable blotter, but answers the purpose of a book-mark at the same time, so that the desired page may readily be found.

We sometimes paste the tape or cloth in the back of the book, and then attach the blotter to it by means of a metal fastener.

Having thus described our invention, what we claim is—

As a new article of manufacture, the book A, provided with blotter B, secured to the back of the book by the flexible strip or band *c*, whereby both sides of the blotter may be utilized, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony that we claim the foregoing as our own invention we affix our signatures in presence of two witnesses.

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