## R. C. NICHOLS. Inkstand.

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Fig. 1.

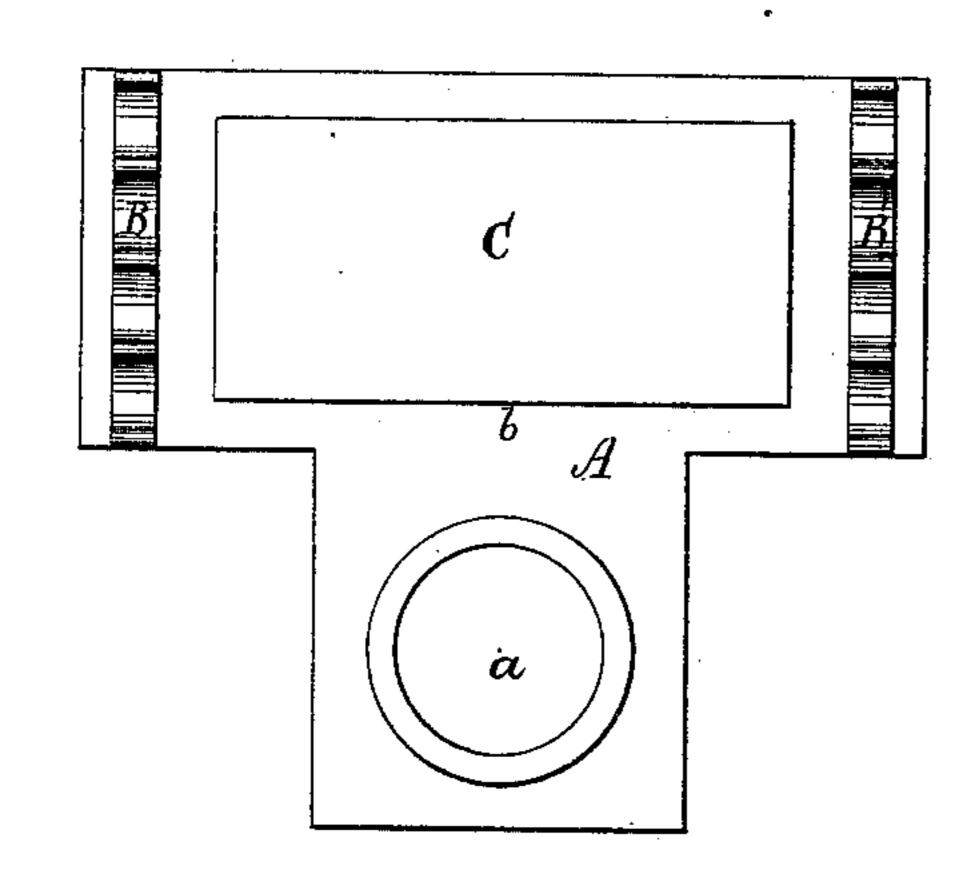
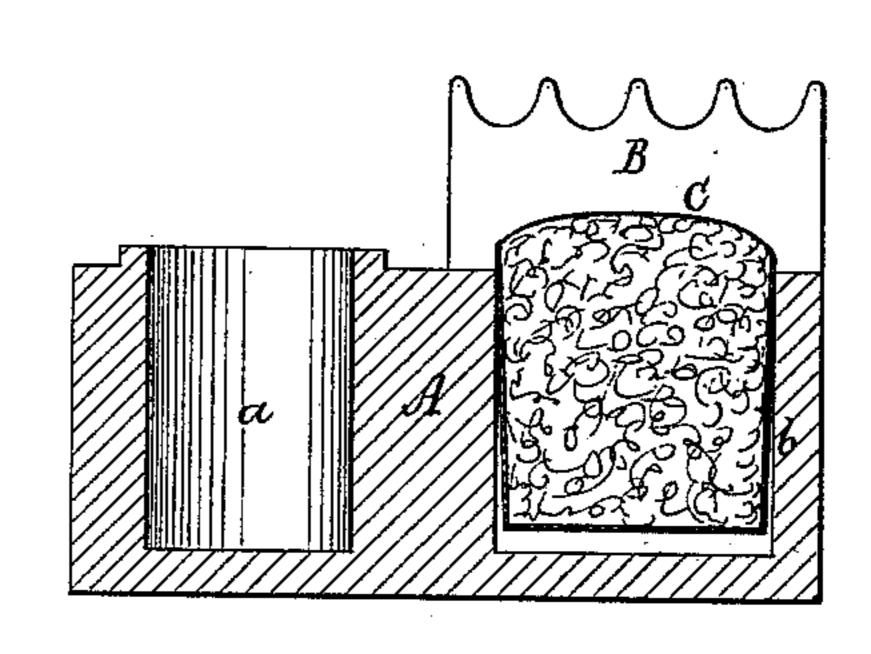
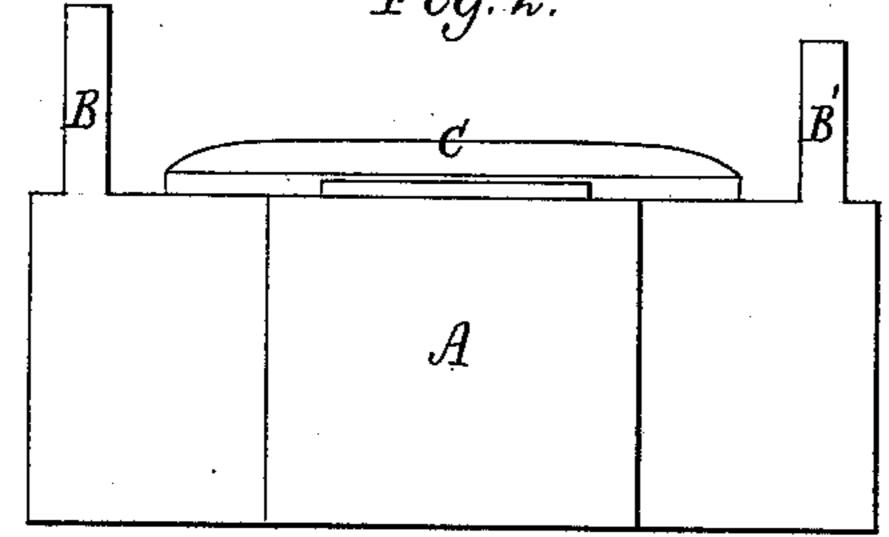
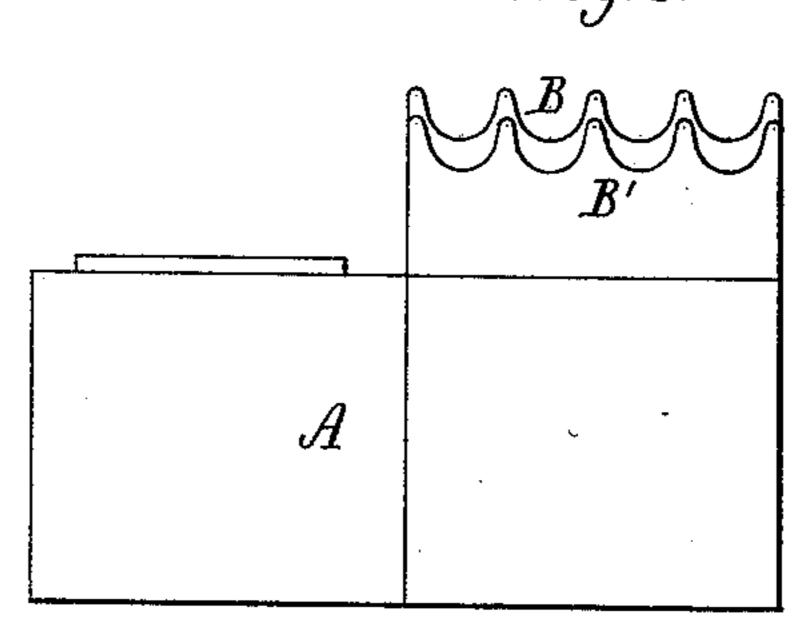
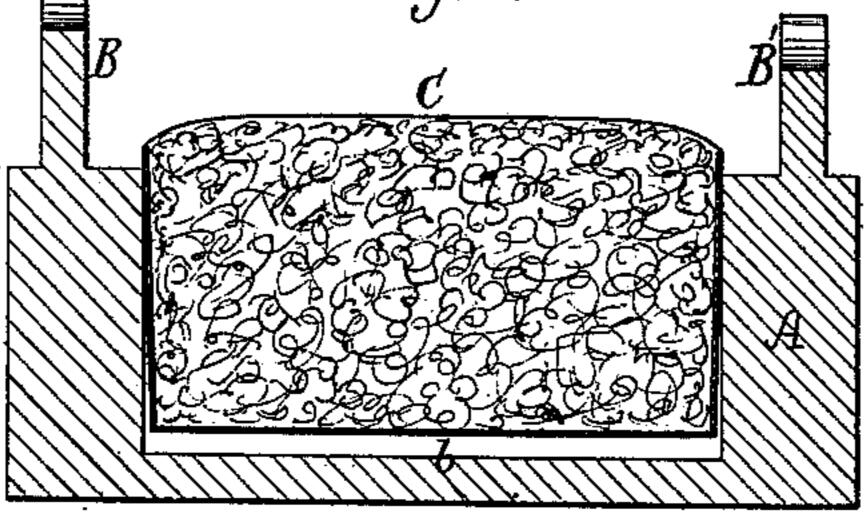


Fig. 4.









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## IMPROVEMENT IN INKSTANDS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ROBERT C. NICHOLS, of Boston, of the county of Suffolk and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Inkstands; and I do hereby declare the same to be described in the following specification and represented in the accompanying drawings, of which—

Figure 1 is a top view, Fig. 2 a front elevation, Fig. 3 an end view, Fig. 4 a transverse section, and Fig. 5 a longitudinal section, of an inkstand embracing my invention.

The body and pen-racks of the said inkstand are intended to be cast in one piece of glass or metal, the body having two open chambers in it, one of which is for holding ink, and the other for containing a pin-cushion. One penrack is higher than, or projects above the top of the body a greater distance than, the other, in order that when a pen is laid in the racks it may be so inclined to the horizon as to cause any ink that may be on the said pen to flow toward its nib rather than into the end of or upon the pen-handle.

In the drawings, A denotes the inkstandbody, provided with the ink and pin-cushion receiving chambers a b, arranged in it in manner as shown. The said body also has two pen-racks, B B', extended up from it at or near opposite ends of the pin-cushion chamber b, in which there is arranged, as shown, a pincushion, C.

It will be observed that the pen-rack B' is somewhat lower in its altitude above the body than is the other pen-rack, B, such being for the purpose as hereinbefore denoted.

What I claim as my invention is as follows: The inkstand-body having the pen-racks of different altitudes, as and for the purpose specified, such body having an ink-chamber, or such and a pin-cushion-receiving chamber, as specified.

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