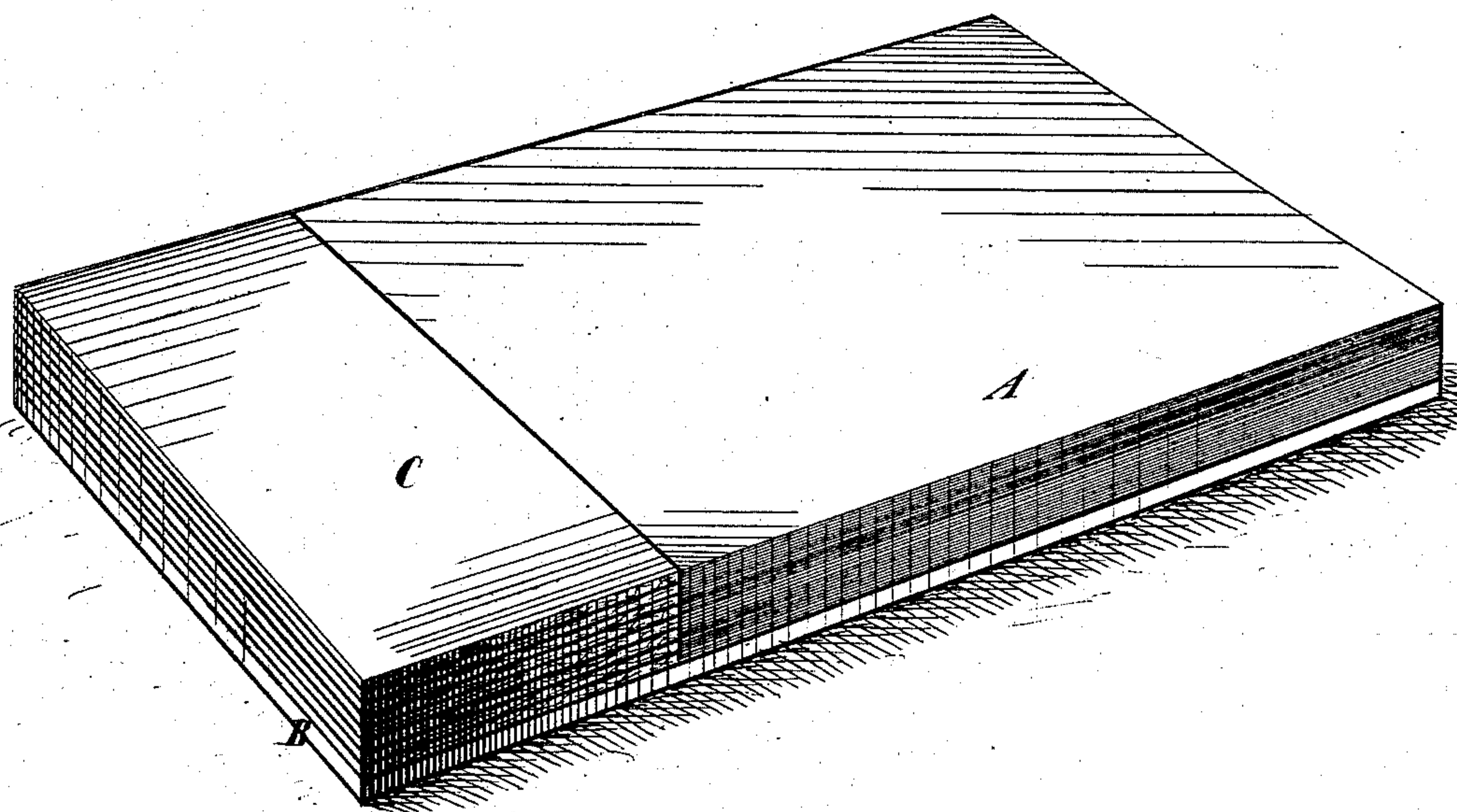


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## WRITING-TABLET.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, GEORGE R. WIGHT, of the city of New York, in the county and State of New York, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Writing-Tablets, of which the following is a specification.

My improvement consists in a writing-tablet composed of a stiff continuous back piece, a pad of writing-paper attached to the upper part of said back piece, and a pad of blotting-paper attached to the lower part of said back piece, the lower edge of the upper pad and the upper edge of the lower pad being contiguous, and the two pads forming a continuous and unbroken top surface, the stiff continuous back piece securing the blotting-pad in such relation to the writing-pad that the blotting-pad will form a rest for the hand in writing when the tablet is not used upon a table or other rigid surface.

The accompanying drawing represents a perspective view of a writing-tablet embodying my invention.

A designates a number of sheets of writing-paper attached to each other at some or all the edges by means of mucilage or other adhesive substance applied to the edges only or to the edges and a strip of paper surrounding them, thereby forming a writing-pad, which is fastened or attached to the upper part of a stiff continuous back piece, B, of binders' board or other suitable material.

C designates a number of sheets of blotting-paper, also attached to each other at some or all the edges by mucilage or other adhesive substance applied to them only, or to them and a surrounding strip of paper, thus forming a blotting-pad. These sheets are arranged, as here shown, at the bottom edge of the sheets of writing-paper, and are attached to the lower part of the back piece, B. They may be attached at the top edges to the bottom edges of the writing-paper by the mucilage or other adhesive substance, their top

edges being always contiguous to the bottom edges of the writing-paper. Of course a number of sheets of blotting-paper considerably less than the number of sheets of writing-paper will be sufficient for the purpose of blotting the latter. As the blotting-paper is much thicker than the writing-paper, a number of sheets of blotting-paper which, when put together, equal in thickness a number of sheets of writing-paper will be just about sufficient for blotting the sheets of writing-paper.

Thus in a simple manner a writing-tablet having the proper relative number of sheets of writing-paper and small sheets of blotting-paper may be produced. The sheets of blotting-paper will also form a convenient rest for the hand of the writer, especially when the tablet is not used upon a table or other rigid surface, and will always, if properly used, be of the same height or thickness. Its usefulness as a rest will also obviate the soiling of the writing-paper by contact of the hand, especially in warm weather, when the hand is moist with perspiration.

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

A writing-tablet composed of a stiff continuous back piece, a pad of writing-paper attached to the upper part of said back piece, and a pad of blotting-paper attached to the lower part of said back piece, the lower edge of the upper pad and the upper edge of the lower pad being contiguous, and the two pads forming a continuous and unbroken top surface, the stiff continuous back piece securing the blotting-pad in such relation to the writing-pad that the blotting-pad will form a rest for the hand in writing when the tablet is not used upon a table or other rigid surface, substantially as specified.

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