

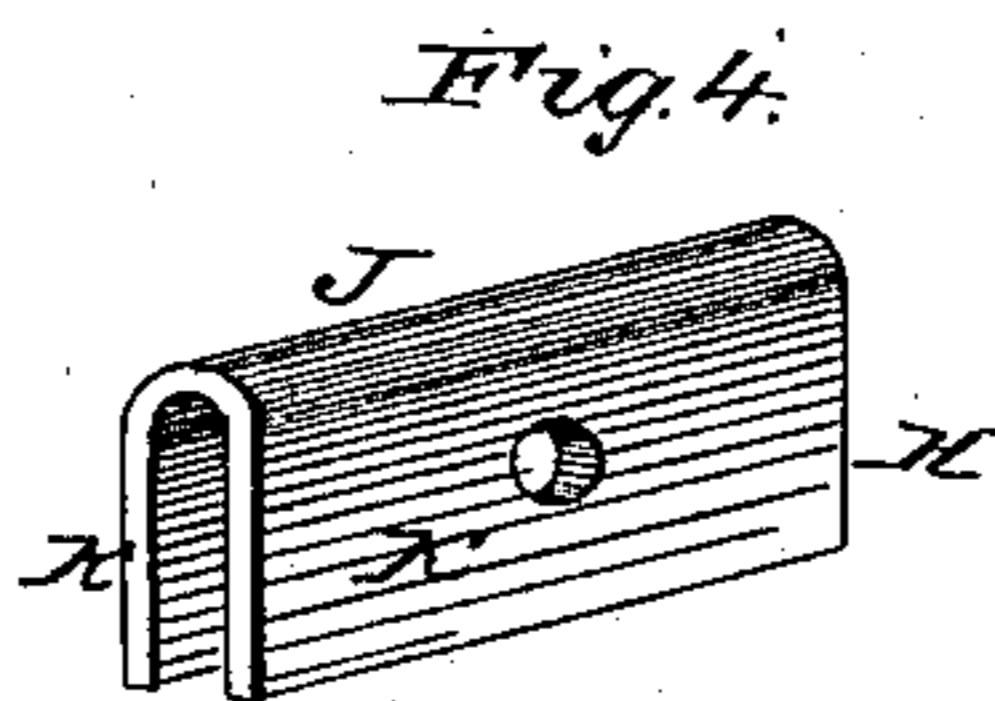
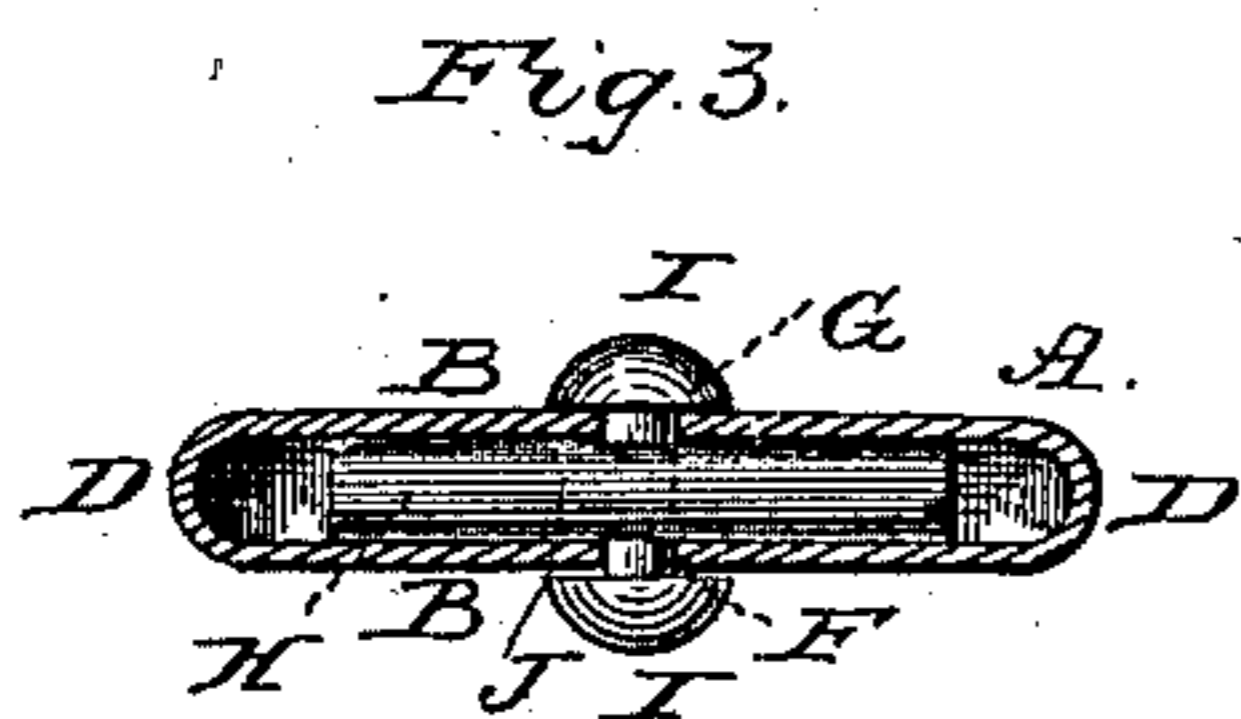
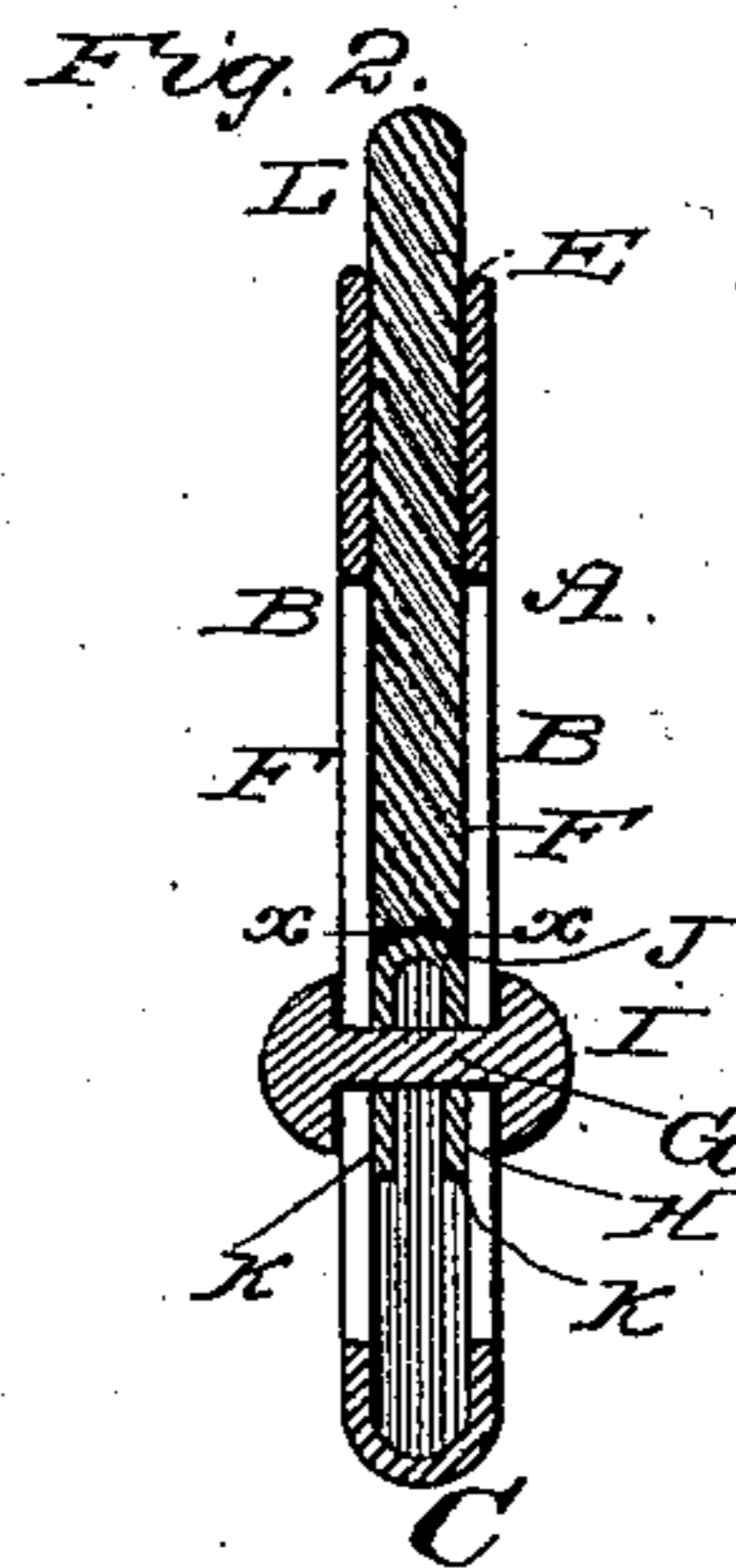
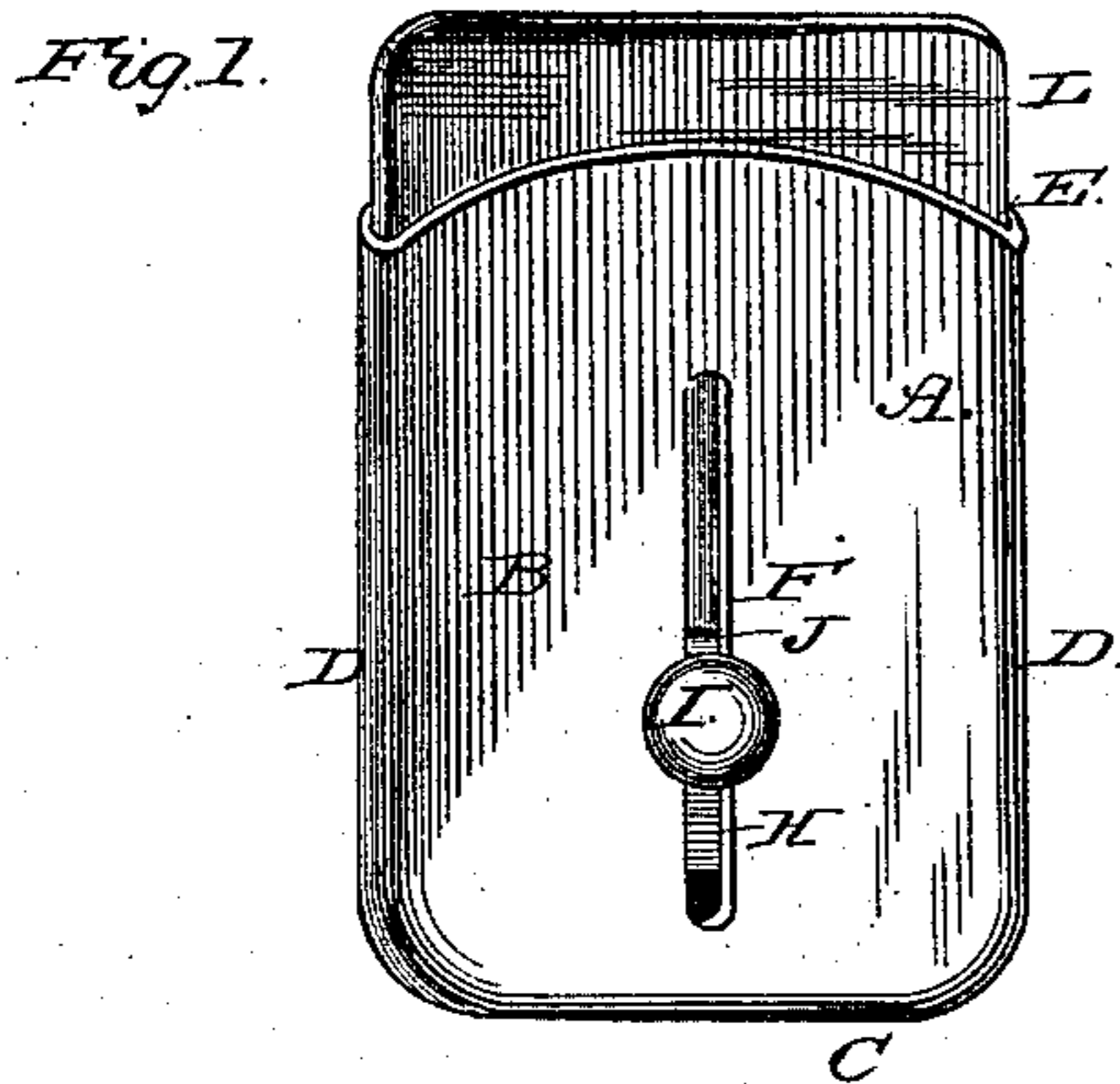
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN TAYLOR, of Birmingham, in the county of Warwick, Great Britain, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Devices for Holding Marking-Chalk, &c.; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the 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, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates to devices or cases for adjustably holding and protecting pieces of chalk, pipe-clay, or other suitable marking substance used by tailors, dress-makers, carpenters, and others for marking cloth or other material previously to cutting it out or shaping it for its intended use. Its object is to provide a simple, durable, inexpensive, and efficient device; and to this end it consists in certain improvements in the construction and operation of the same.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view; Fig. 2, a vertical sectional view; Fig. 3, a horizontal sectional view on the line *x x*, Fig. 2; and Fig. 4, a detail view of the slide for adjusting the marking material.

Referring by letter to the drawings, A designates a metallic case having sides B B, bottom C, closed edges D D, and open mouth E. In the sides B B are formed longitudinal slots F F, through which passes a transverse pin, G, passing also through a cross-piece, H, inside the case, and provided at its outer edges with buttons or knobs I I, by which piece H may be raised or lowered. The latter consists of a single metallic plate or strip turned or bent over, as at J, to form two parallel sides, K K.

L is the flat piece of chalk or other marking substance, adjusted in the case A and resting on the transverse vertically-sliding piece H.

The operation and advantages of my invention will be readily understood. As the marking substance wears away it is fed from the mouth of the case by simply elevating the slide in which it rests by means of the knobs or buttons.

The device is of superior convenience, utility, and cleanliness, and when in use the edge of the marking substance is protected from crumbling away or breaking off by the upper edges of the case.

When not in use the marking substance can be returned within the case for the protection of its marking-edge by simply pressing on the same or on the knobs or buttons.

I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

As an improvement in chalk-holders, the combination of the case A, having mouth E, provided with semicircularly-curved top edges to conform to the shape of the outer edge of the chalk after it is worn down at the corners, and provided with the side slots, F F, the slide H, formed by bending over a single strip of metal to form parallel sides K K, and a rounded top edge, J, that will not damage the edge of the chalk, and the elevating-buttons I I, extending through the sides K K, as set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereto affixed my signature in presence of two witnesses.

JOHN TAYLOR.

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