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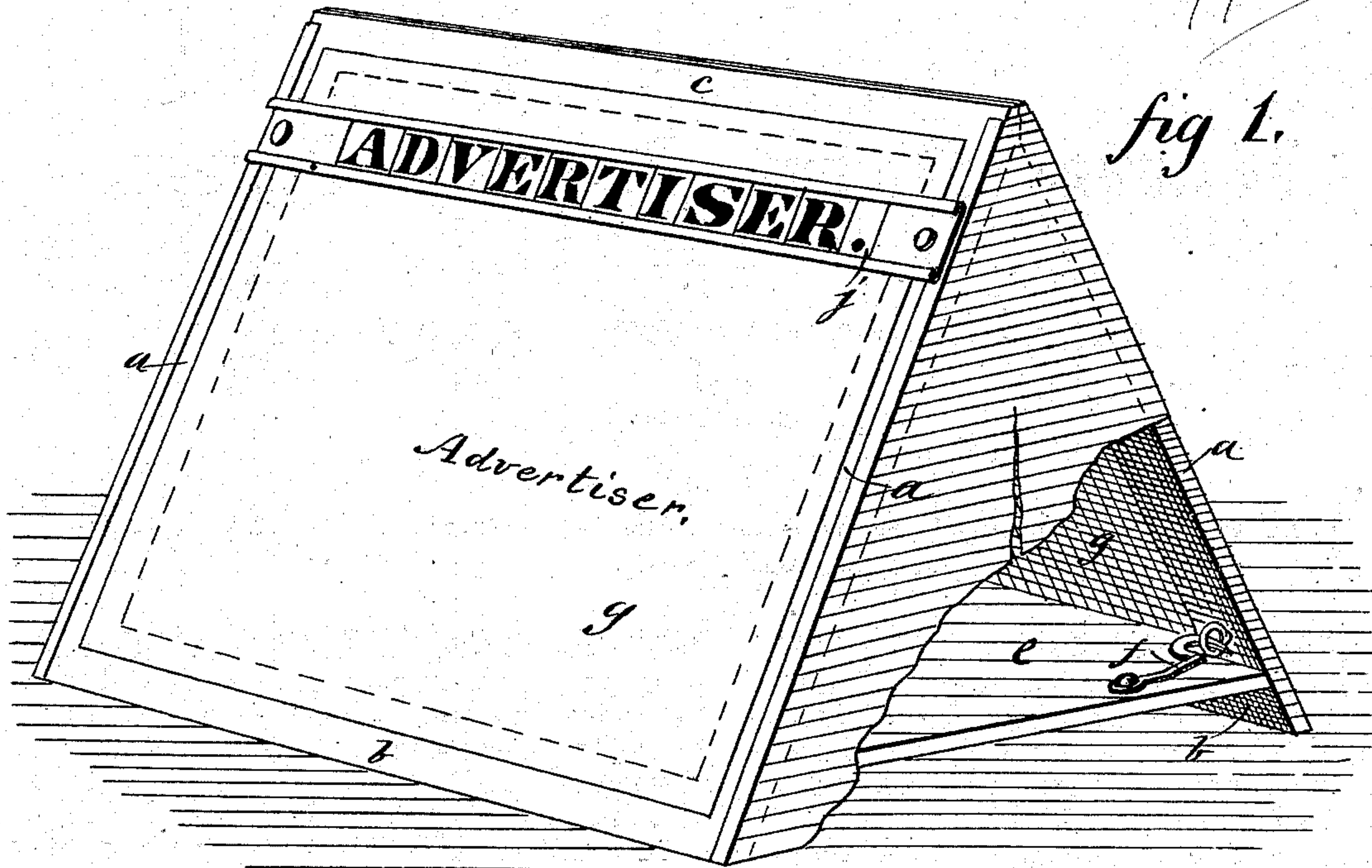


fig 1.

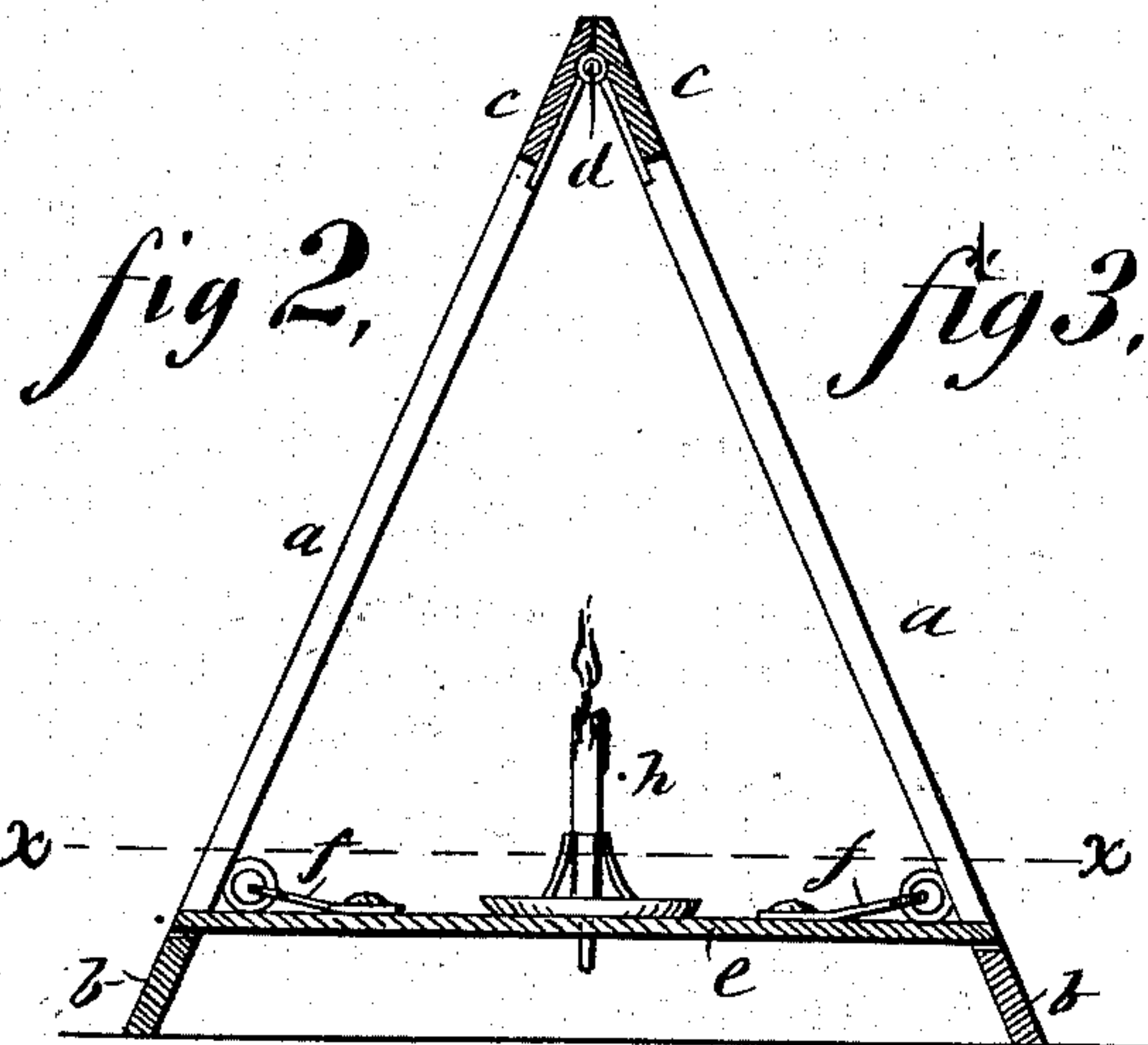
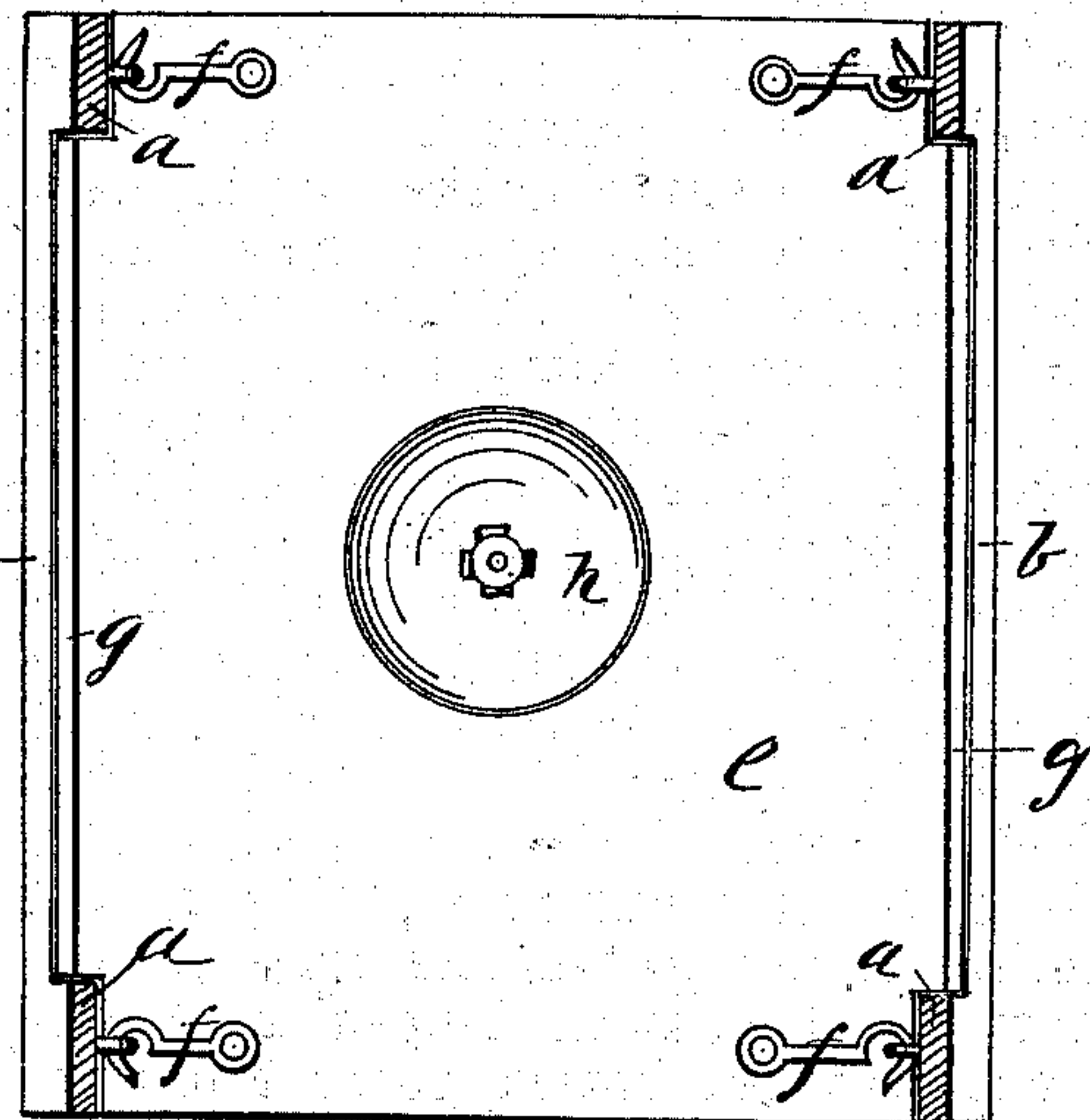


fig 2,

fig 3.



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## BULLETIN-BOARD.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, CHARLES H. TESSY, of Leadville, in the county of Lake and State of Colorado, have invented a new and Improved Bulletin-Board, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The object of the invention is to improve bulletin-boards, as hereinafter described, and pointed out in the claim, making a simple, attractive, and cheap device on which advertising matter may be written or sketched with colored chalk or anything that can be readily removed with a damp sponge, and that can be used either day or night, and may be readily folded up and put away when not required for use, all as hereinafter fully described.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, in which similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved bulletin-board. Fig. 2 is a transverse sectional elevation, and Fig. 3 is a horizontal section taken on the line *xx* of Fig. 2.

I make two light rectangular frames, of wood or other bars, *a*, *b*, and *c*, hinge them together at *d*, and provide a bottom board, *e*, to rest on

the bars *b* and be fastened to bars *a* by hooks and eyes *f* or other equivalent means. I cover the sides and ends (if desired) of this device with cloth *g*, coated with gum-shellac, white dammar varnish, or other transparent material, making the cloth translucent and enabling the signs written upon the cloth with colored chalk or the like or placed before it to be illuminated, so as to be seen by night when a candle, *h*, or other light is placed inside. Strips *j*, containing letters painted on glass or other transparent medium, or having stenciled letters, may be tacked on the bars *a*, if desired.

It will be seen that a very efficient illuminated bulletin-board may be cheaply provided in this manner.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The combination of jointed frames *a b c*, detachable bottom board, *e*, and translucently-prepared cloth cover *g*, substantially as and for the purposes specified.

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