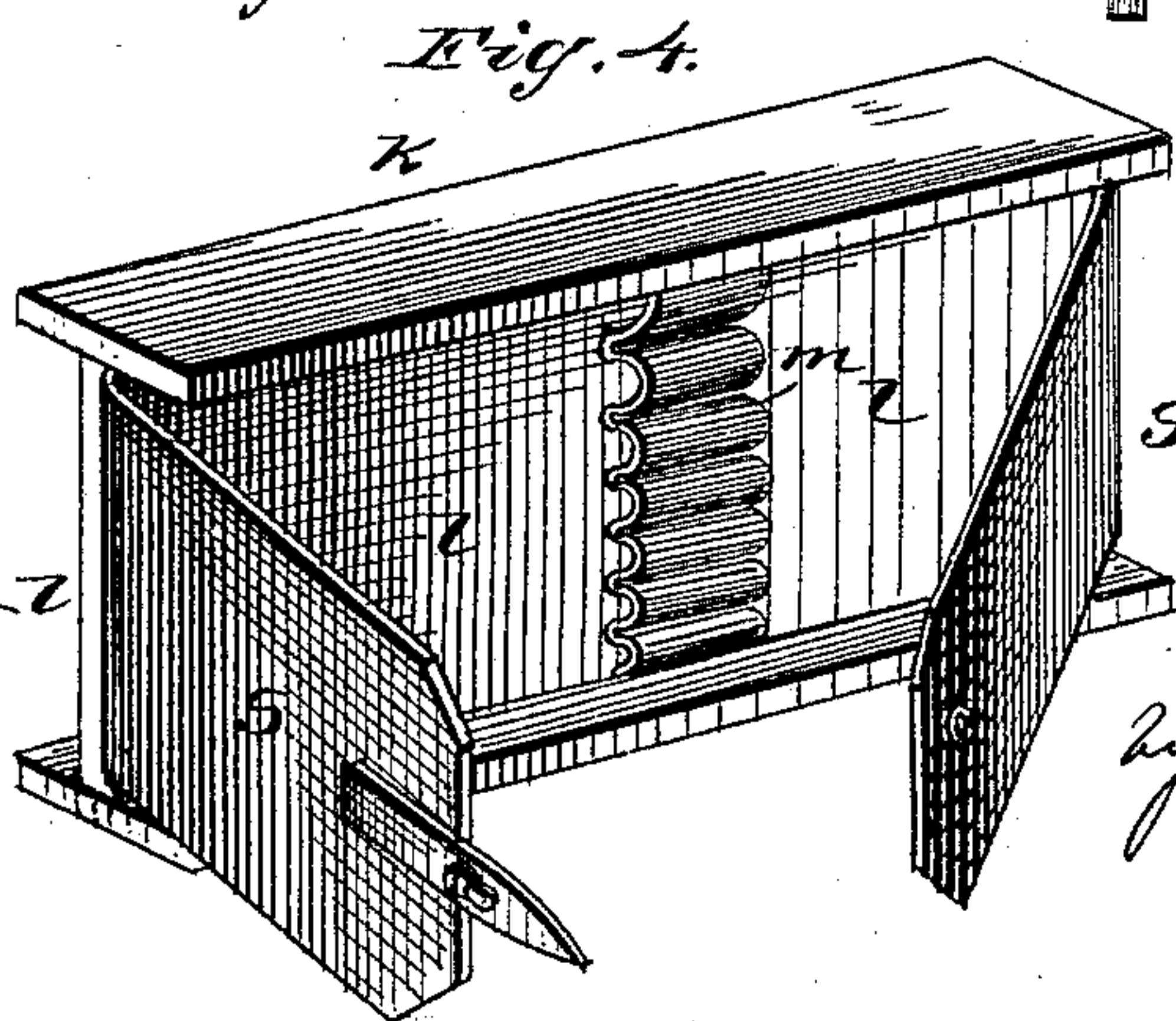
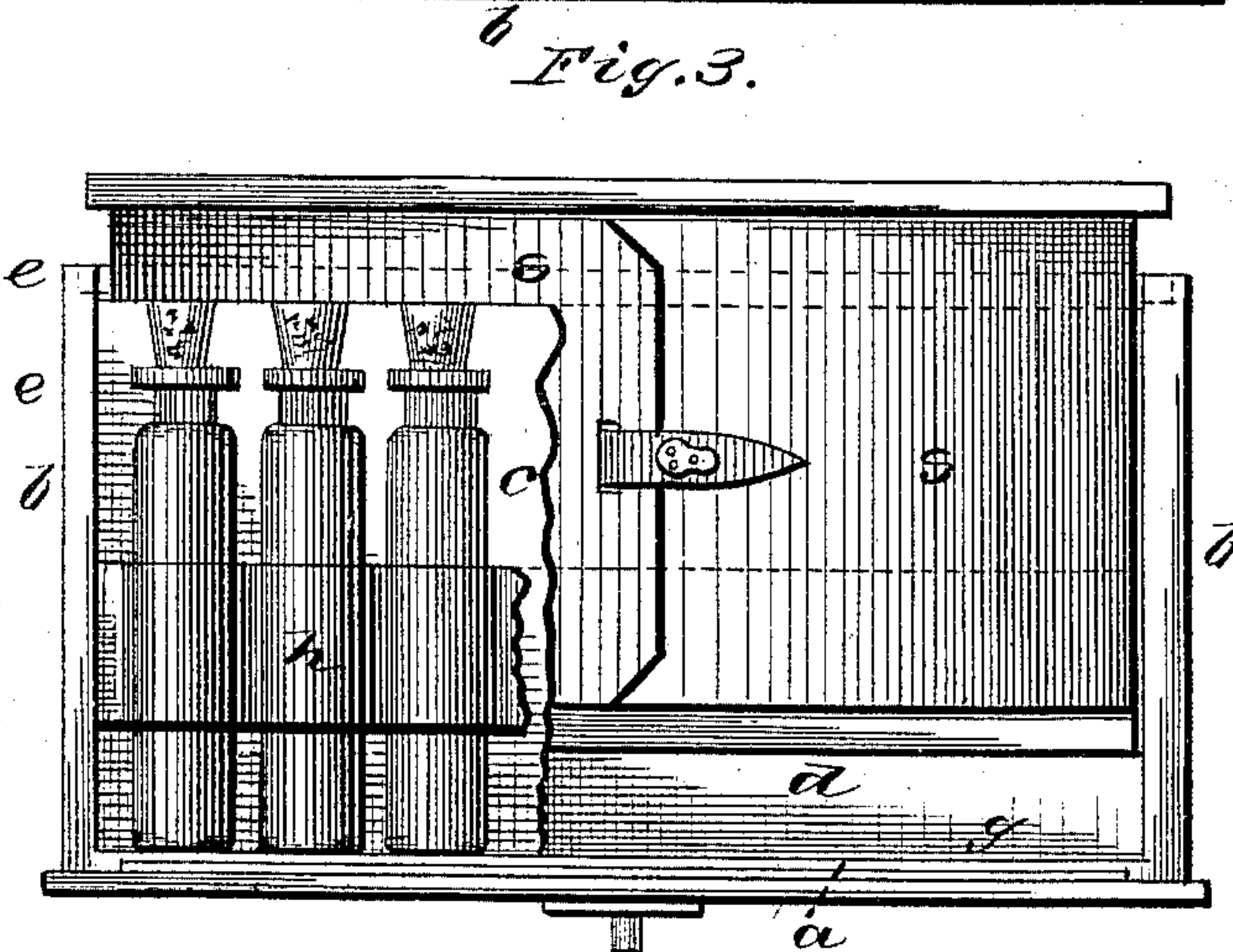
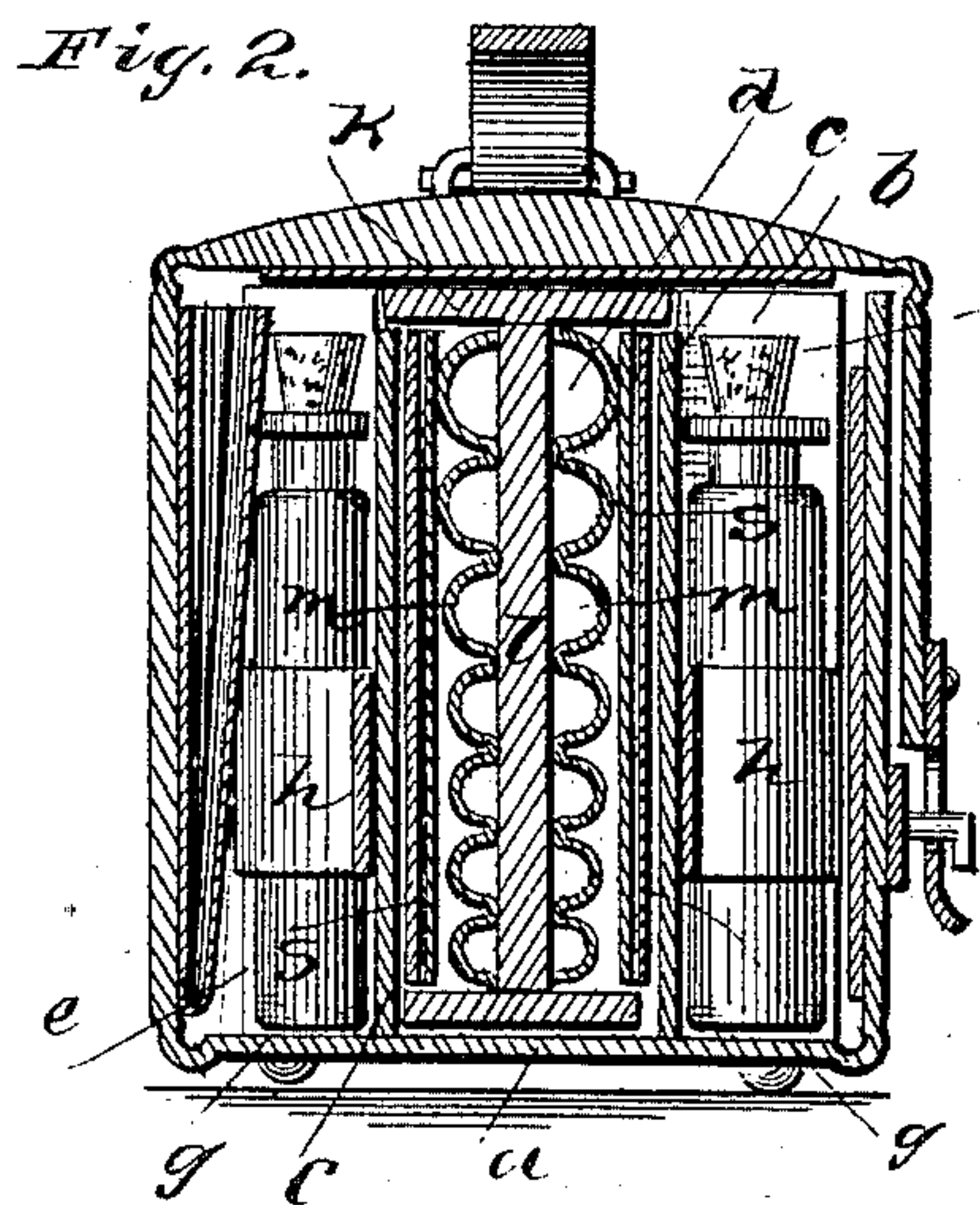
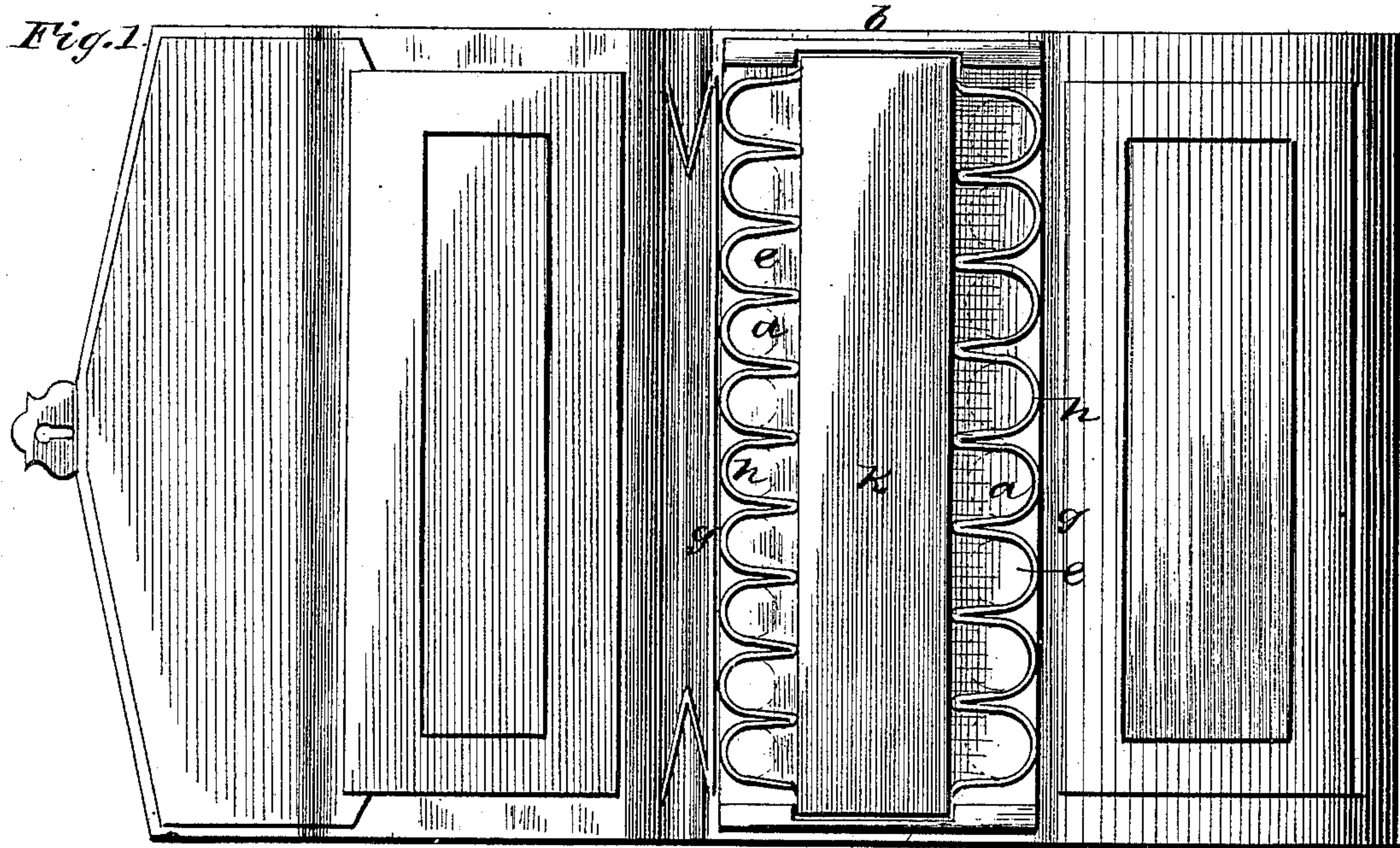


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, S. J. STEINER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Greenville, in the county of Butler and State of Alabama, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Physicians' Instrument-Cases; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it ap-

10 pertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to letters or figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

Figure 1 of the drawings is a plan view with case open. Fig. 2 is a cross-sectional view. Fig. 2 is a face view, case open; and Fig. 4 is a perspective detail view.

This invention has relation to portable cases for the use of physicians; and it consists in the construction and novel arrangement of the lateral compartments for bottles and a central well between said compartments, and engaging said well a removable instrument-holding tongue-piece connected to a cover which closes the central compartment or well, all as hereinafter set forth.

In the accompanying drawings, the letter *a* designates the bottom of the case, and *b b* the end walls thereof, between which extend the partitions *c c*, which are arranged along the middle of the base in such a manner that there is an interval or well-compartment, *d*, between them, and on each side a lateral compartment, *e*. The lateral compartments usually have no rigid outer wall, and their bottoms are formed by the lateral portions of the base, which provide the ledges *g*. The bottles, containing medicines and external lotions, are secured in the side compartments by means of loops *h*, which are attached to the partition-walls *c c*, and they may be covered in by means of side flaps attached to the base of the case and meeting over the top of the same.

k indicates the top of the central well, to which is secured a tongue-piece, *l*, which extends centrally and longitudinally, and is of sufficient depth to extend to the bottom of the well or central compartment, *d*, when the tongue-piece is inserted therein. In this position the compartment *d* is covered by the top *k*. To the tongue-piece are attached loops *m*, whereby the instruments of the physician are held to the tongue-piece, so as to be easily removable therefrom when required for use. Flaps *s*, attached to the ends of the tongue-piece, are folded toward the middle thereof over the instruments, so that they will be protected from dust and dampness. The ends of the flaps may be connected together by suitable fastenings. In this manner a convenient portable case, especially adapted to the use of physicians, is provided. The instruments are kept entirely separate from the bottle-compartments and are thoroughly protected, and the bottles, being carried in the open lateral compartments, are fully exposed to view when the case is in use.

Having described this invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A physician's case having lateral compartments provided with loops for holding bottles, and a central well between said compartments, receiving a removable instrument-holding tongue-piece having covering-flaps and secured to the removable top of the central compartment or well, substantially as specified.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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