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Fig. 1.

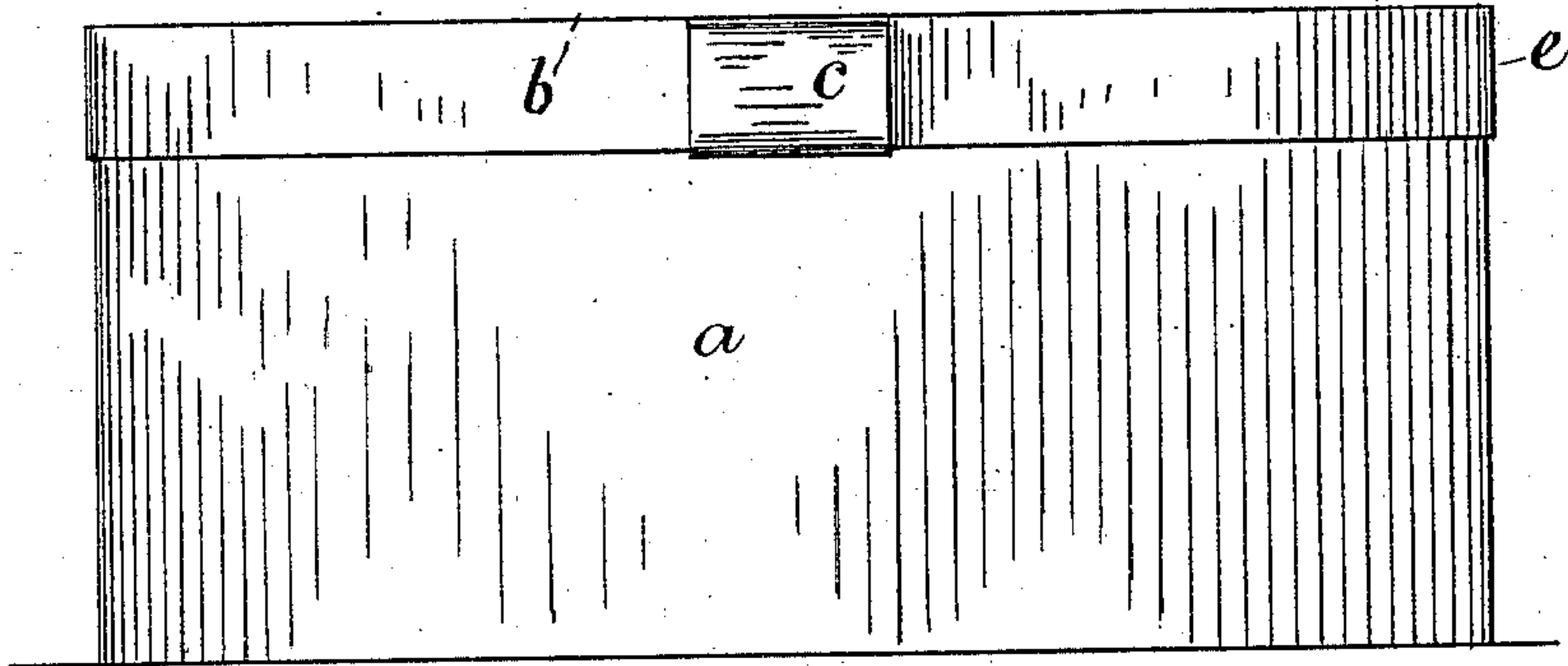


Fig. 2.

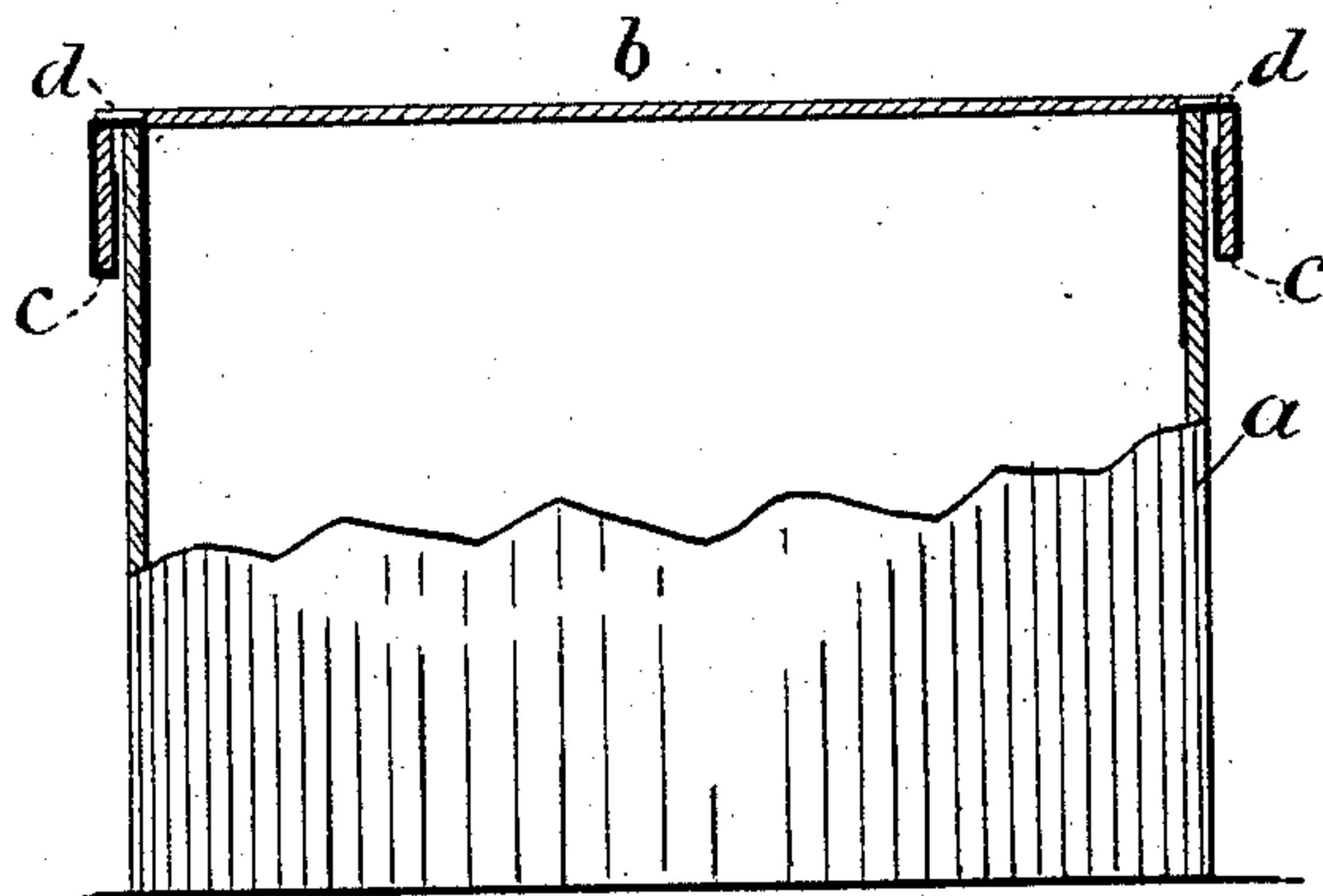
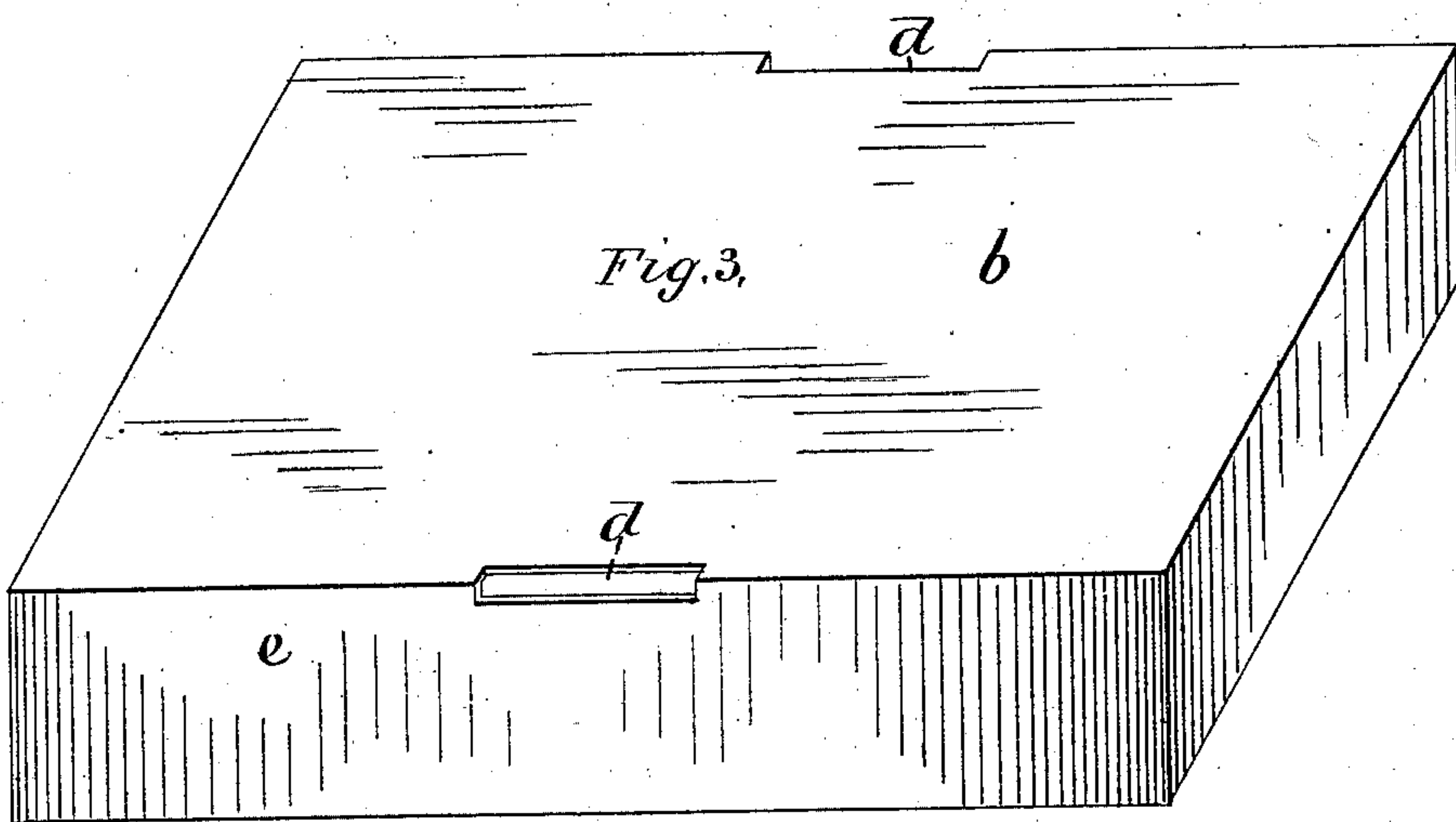


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SAVILLION VAN CAMPEN, a citizen of the United States, residing at New York, in the county and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Boxes and Packages, of which the following is a specification.

My improvement relates to boxes or packages designed for holding articles of commerce for shipment or storage; and it consists in providing such box or package with a fastening device for securing the cover on the body of the box which is simple in construction and perfectly reliable.

In the accompanying drawings, which illustrate my invention, Figure 1 is a side elevation of a box with the cover applied to the body and secured by my improved method of fastening. Fig. 2 is a transverse sectional view of the same, and Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the cover removed.

My improvement is particularly applicable to boxes in which the cover is detached entirely from the body, and which are used for packing small goods for transportation.

Let *a* in the drawings represent the body portion of a box made of pasteboard or other suitable light material, and *b* the cover of the same. To the inner surface of the sides of the box are secured one end of the flaps *c*, by pasting or otherwise. These flaps may be made of stout paper, leather, cloth, or other material adapted for the purpose, and may be one or more on a side, as deemed necessary. In the cover or lid *b* are provided slots or slits *d*, to receive the free end of the flaps. When the cover is to be adjusted over the body portion *a* and secured thereto, so that the box can be

handled in transporting without danger of detaching it, the ends of the flaps are passed through the slits *d* in the cover. As they are drawn out on the outside of the box, the cover is forced down onto the body, and the protruding ends of the flaps are bent down on the rim *e*, and then turned up between the rim of the cover and sides of the box, as is shown in Fig. 2. If preferred, the inner surface of the flap may be coated with gum, so that it may be pasted to the sides of the box or to the rim of the cover. By this device the cover is held securely upon the body, and can be detached only by releasing it from the flaps. Any number of fasteners may be employed, but two are generally all that are required. These flaps may be attached to the outer instead of the inner surface of the body of the box, and where the cover is hinged to the body at the back the front portion only of the box will be provided with these fastening devices.

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

1. A paper box having the cover secured to the body by flaps on the body inserted through slits in the cover and bent or turned down onto and around the edge of the rim of the cover, as set forth.

2. The combination, to form a fastener, of a box-cover provided with openings in the rim portion, and a body having flaps adapted to be passed through said openings and turned down and between the rim and body, as set forth.

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