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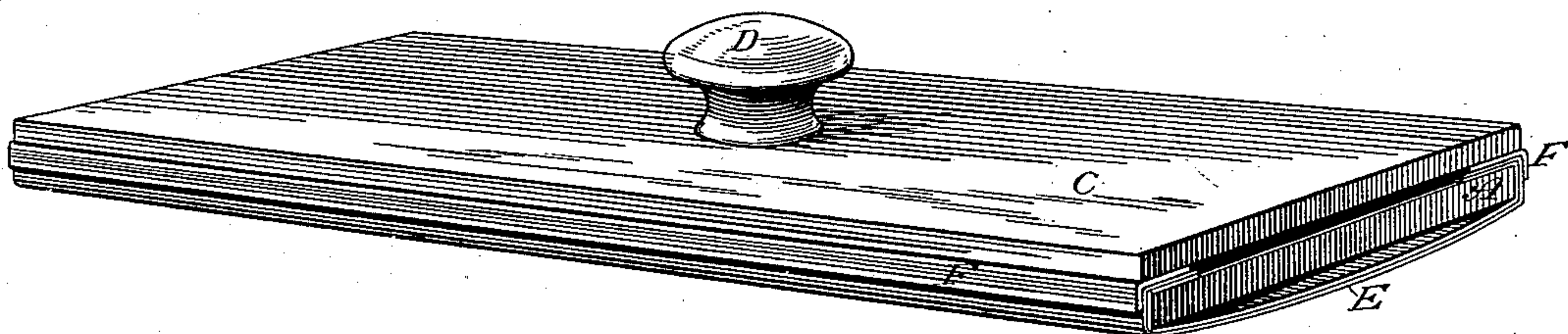
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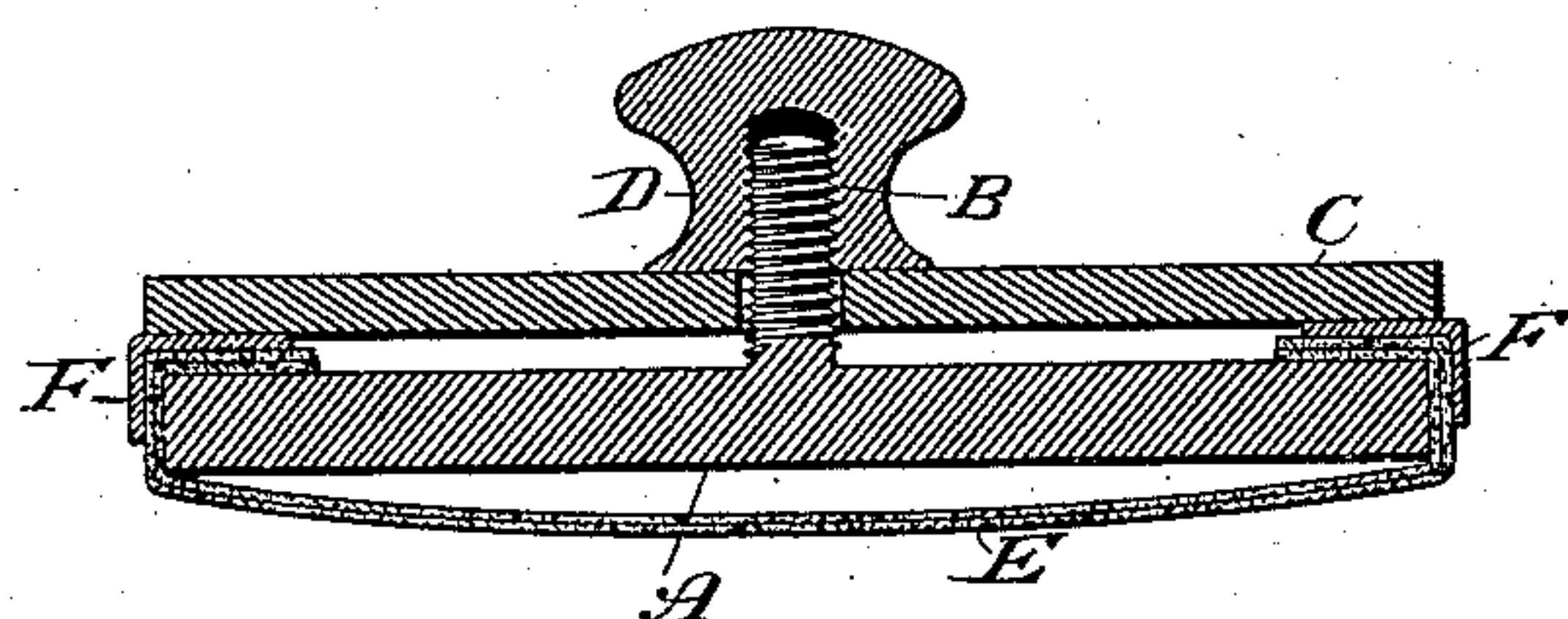
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*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



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## BLOTTING-PAD.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, EDWIN A. SCRIBNER, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Ridgefield Park, in the county of Bergen and State of New Jersey, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Blotting-Pads, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the drawings accompanying and forming a part of the same.

10 Blotting-pads have heretofore been made by folding over a block of wood one or more sheets of bibulous paper and securing them by a second block clamped down to the first and over the edges of the paper. Others have

15 been made by laying over a block of wood sheets of bibulous paper, inserting the edges of the same in slots or grooves made in the sides of the block, and securing them by or inserting with them metal strips to serve as a

20 ruler or straight-edge.

Over these my invention is an improvement; and it consists, mainly, in the combination, with two blocks or pieces of wood or any like material, and means for clamping them together, of one or more sheets of bibulous paper laid on and folded over one of the blocks, and strips or plates of metal laid over the paper between the two clamping-blocks.

The nature and purpose of this device will be more fully set forth by reference to the accompanying drawings.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved pad. Fig. 2 is a central cross-section of the same.

35 A designates a block of wood rectangular in shape.

B is a screw inserted in its center.

C is a wooden block of the same shape as block A, but preferably thinner. It contains a

40 perforation, through which extends the screw B when the two blocks are brought together.

D is a knob or handle, screw-threaded on its interior, and adapted to receive the screw B.

E are sheets of bibulous paper, which are

45 somewhat wider or longer than the blocks A C. They are laid on the under side of block A and their edges folded over, as indicated.

F are plates or strips of brass or other metal,

bent along their length at right angles, or nearly so, and laid over the folded edges of the paper sheets. The parts named are held together by turning the knob D on the screw B, causing the blocks to bind the edges of the paper sheets and the metal strips firmly between them.

The metal plates F, when combined in the manner specified, form an excellent ruling-edge for pen or pencil. They are very readily inserted in place themselves and facilitate the application of the sheets of paper, and assist in holding the same in place.

The mechanical construction and the composition of the several parts of this device may be greatly varied without departing from the invention. For instance, the invention is not limited to the shape nor composition of the two clamping plates or blocks, nor to the means of securing them together.

What I claim is—

1. The combination, with two wooden blocks or pieces, and means for clamping or binding the same together, of sheets of bibulous paper laid on and folded partly around one of said blocks, and plates or strips of metal laid on the paper sheets between the blocks, substantially as set forth.

2. The combination, with two blocks or pieces of wood, and means for clamping or binding the same together, of one or more sheets of bibulous paper laid on and folded upon one of said blocks, and plates or strips of metal bent longitudinally at right angles and laid on the edges of the paper sheets between the blocks, as set forth.

3. The combination, with the blocks A and C, screw B, and knob D, of the sheets of bibulous paper E, and metal strips F, bent at right angles and laid on the edges of the sheets between the blocks, as herein set forth.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 27th day of December, 1883.

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