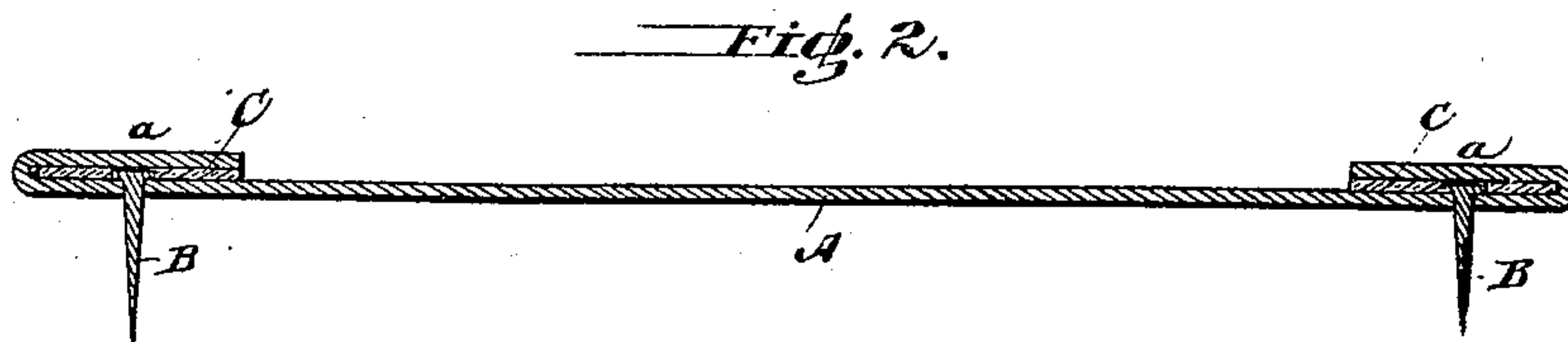
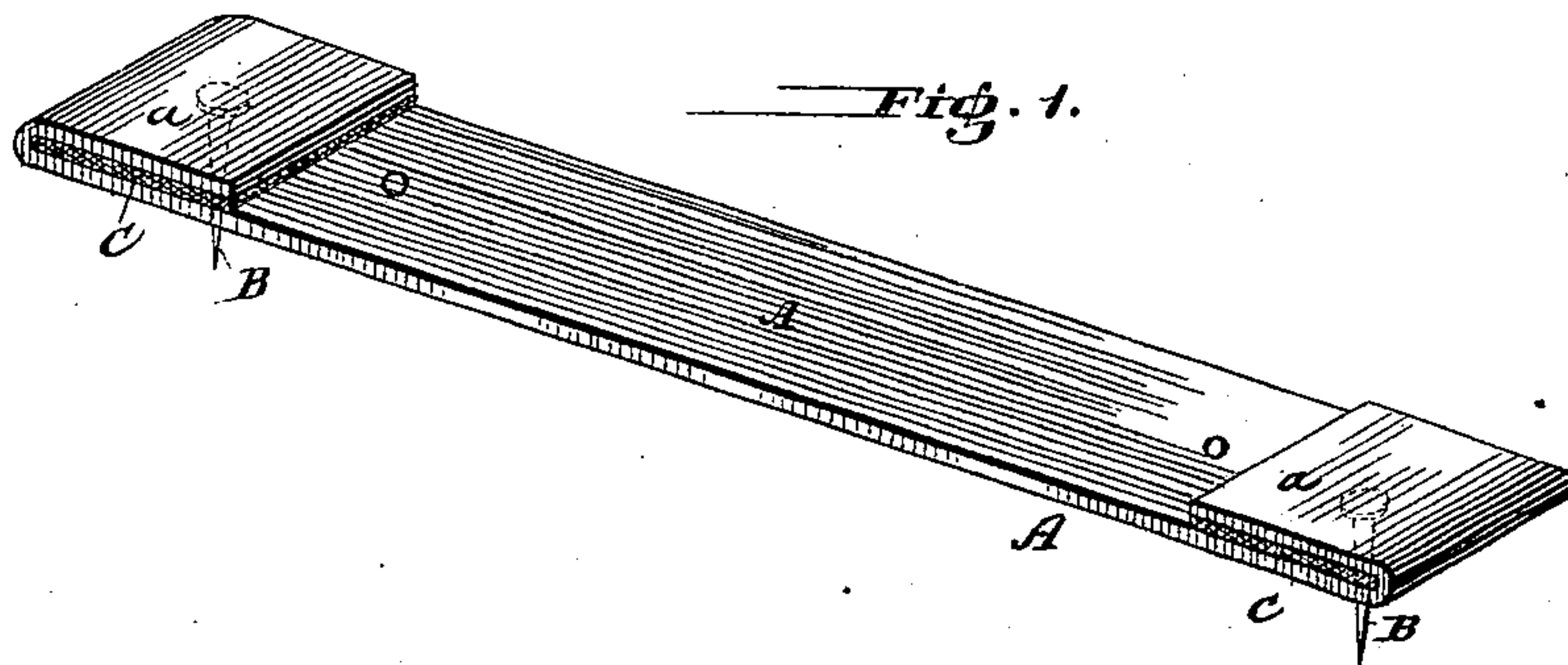


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM H. BLAKE, 2d, of Swanton, in the county of Franklin and State of Vermont, have invented certain
5 new and useful Improvements in Tub and Box Fasteners; 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
10 make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification, and in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved tub and box fastener, and Fig. 2 is a
15 longitudinal sectional view of the same.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures.

My invention has relation to that class of fastening devices for the covers of tubs (such
20 as butter-firkins) and boxes, which consist of a narrow sheet-metal strip having a tack inserted through each end; and it consists in the improved construction of such a fastener, in which the securing tacks or nails are inserted
25 through the strip, near the ends of the same, whereupon the ends of the strip are doubled back over the heads of the nails or tacks and soldered down, as hereinafter more fully described and claimed.

30 In the accompanying drawings, A represents the strip or narrow plate of tin or other

suitable sheet metal, through opposite ends of which tacks B B are inserted, and held in place by doubling the projecting ends of the strip over the heads of the tacks, as shown at
35 *a a*. To prevent this doubled end from being bent up at right angles in handling the fasteners, or the tubs or boxes on which they are used, they are soldered down upon the body of the strip by a thin layer of solder, (shown at
40 C,) which also has the effect of stiffening the ends of the fastener-strip, besides giving a better finish to the article.

I am aware that it is not new, broadly, to make a box or tub fastener by inserting tacks
45 or nails through opposite ends of a sheet-metal strip, and I make no claim thereto; but

What I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States, is—

The tub or box fastener herein shown and
50 described, having its doubled ends *a a* soldered down upon the body A of the strip over the heads of the tacks B B, as an improved article of manufacture.

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

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