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Fig. 1.

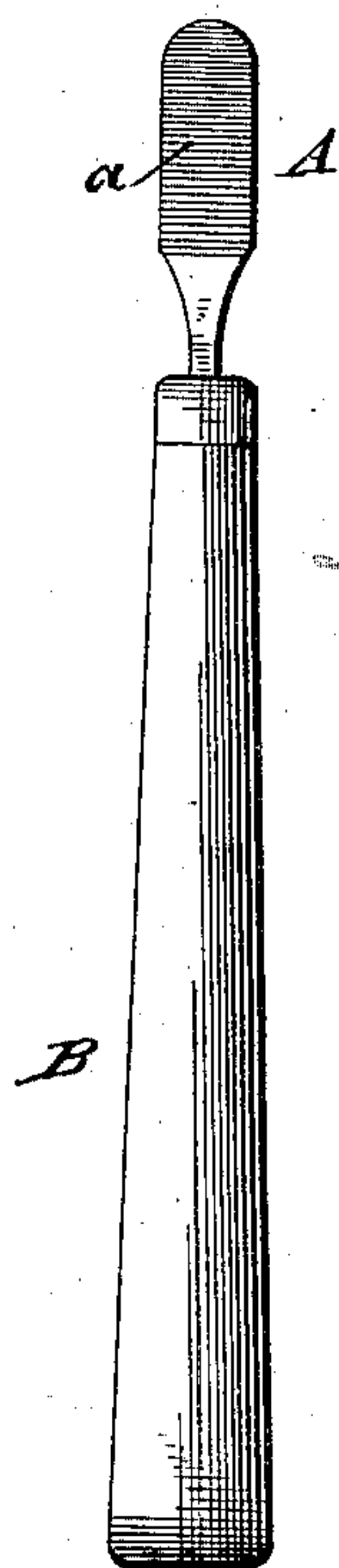
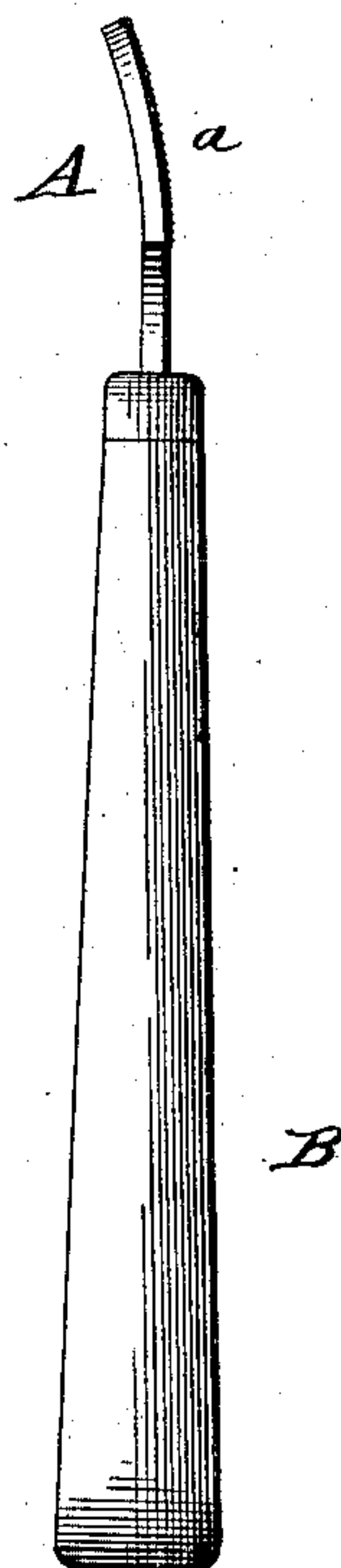


Fig. 2.



WITNESSES

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM L. FINLEY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Washington, in the District of Columbia, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Ink-Erasers, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

My invention relates to devices for erasing from writing, drawing, or other kinds of paper the marks, spots, or stains made by ink or otherwise, and which cannot be removed by the ordinary caoutchouc eraser.

The purpose of the invention is to provide a simple and comparatively inexpensive device whereby the erasure may be easily and quickly made without injuring the surface of the paper, which will act equally upon the same at all points, and which may be used with equal facility by any person without the exercise of any skill or special care. It is also my purpose to provide the erasing-tool with an edge or surface which may be used as a glazing device for restoring the calendered surface of the paper where it has been abraded by the eraser.

My invention consists in the several novel features of construction and combinations of parts hereinafter fully described, and definitely pointed out in the claim annexed to this specification.

Referring to the drawings forming part of this application, Figure 1 is a front elevation of the eraser. Fig. 2 is a side or edge view of the same.

In the drawings, the reference-letter A indicates the blade of the instrument, which con-

sists of a thick strip of steel of a suitable width, and curved slightly to give a convex surface upon one of its flat sides. This convex face is provided with a series of transverse knife-edges, *a*, set closely together and rising but very slightly above the surface of the blade. A certain pitch or inclination is preferably given to these knife-edges, whereby they will more readily cut or bite into the paper upon the forward stroke; but this may be varied, or even omitted altogether, as it does not form an absolutely essential feature of my invention. The end of the blade A is rounded off, as shown in Fig. 1, and the thick edge is polished, thereby rendering it capable of use for the purpose of glazing the surface of the paper after the erasure is completed. The blade A is set in a suitable handle, B, and is used by placing the convex surface upon the paper and moving it back and forth in the direction of the length of the blade.

What I claim is—

As an article of manufacture, an ink-eraser consisting of a blade curved to give convexity to one of its flat surfaces, and provided with knife-like edges arranged transversely upon said convex surface and close together, the end of the blade being rounded and polished upon its edge to form a glazing-surface, substantially as set forth and specified.

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

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