

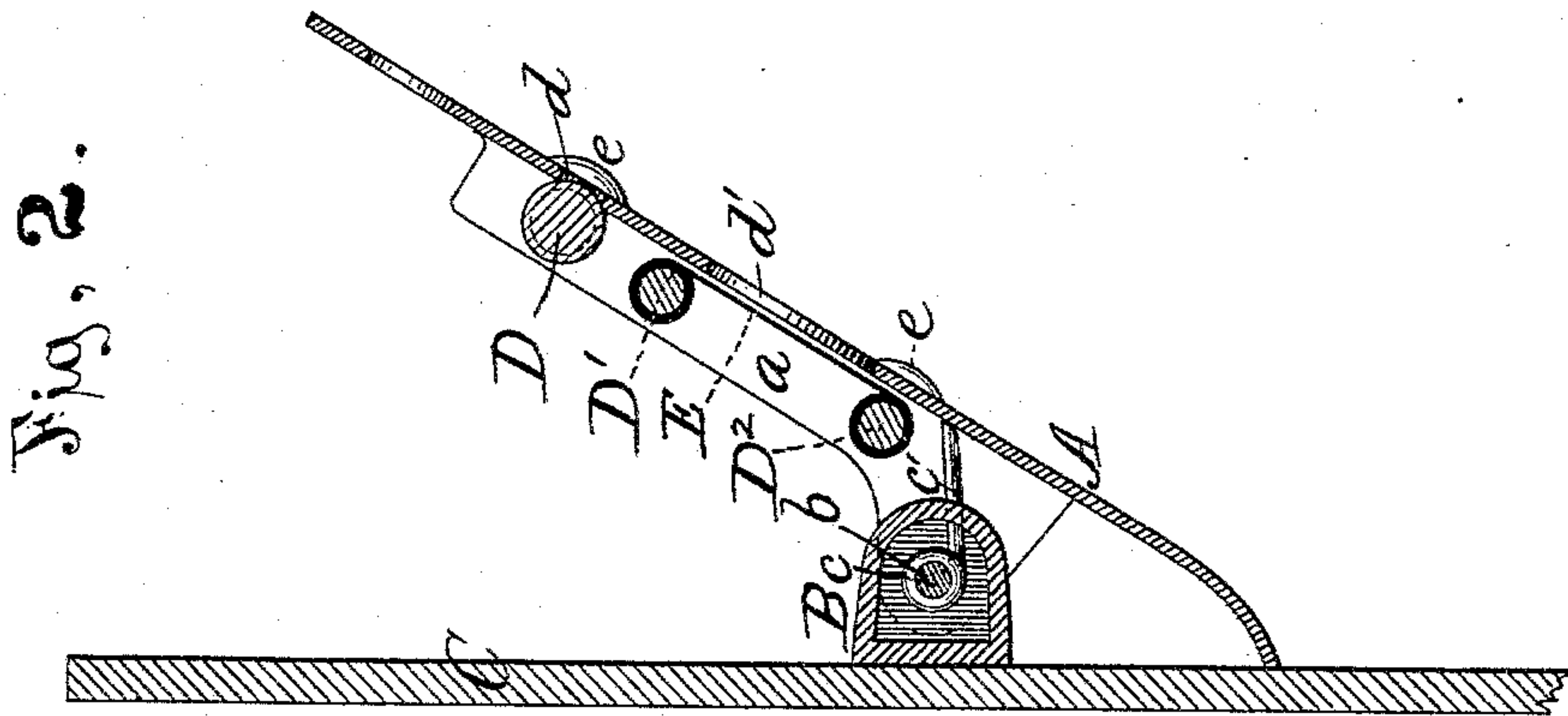
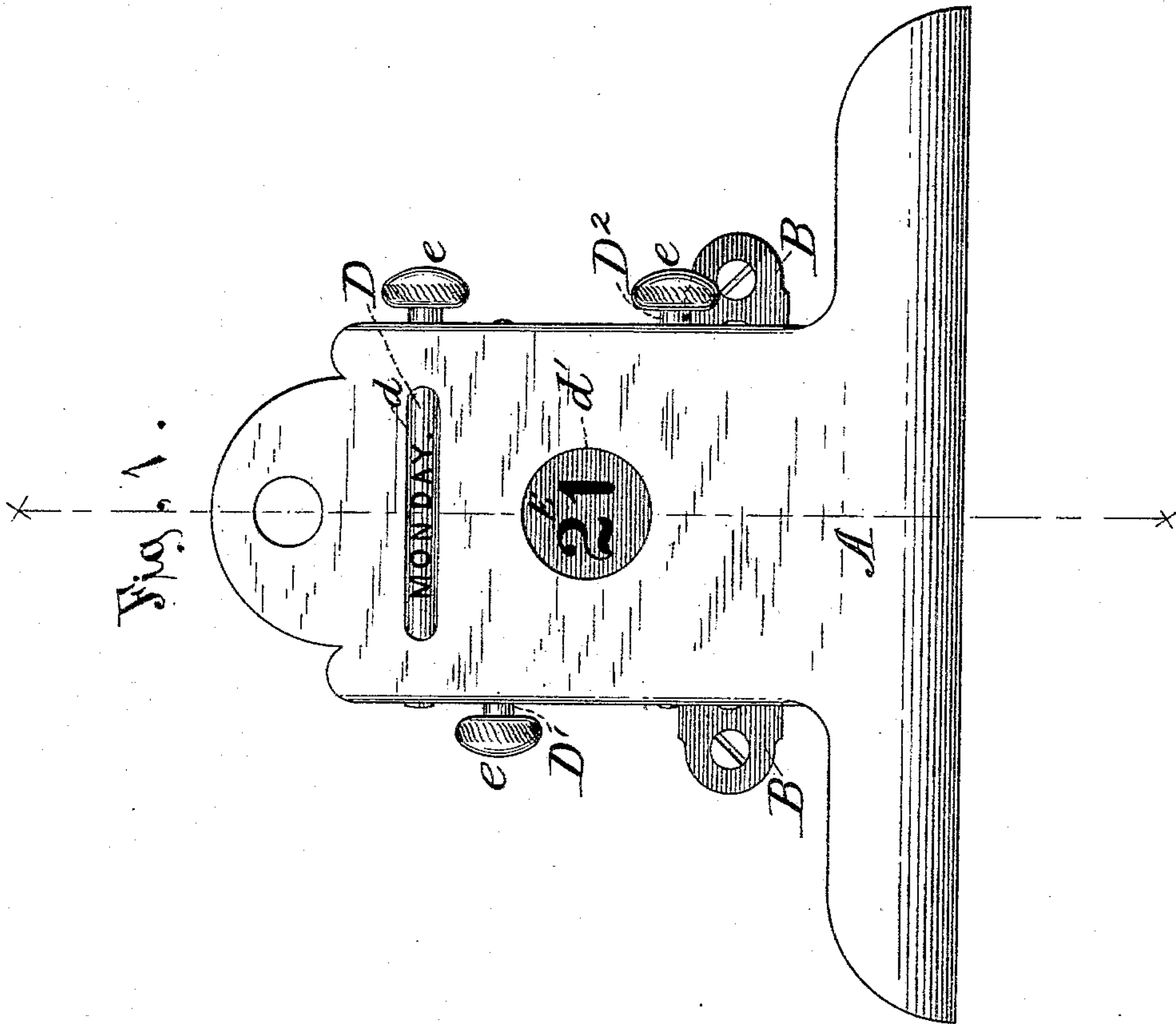
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MARION H. KERNER, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of New York, in the county and State of New York, have invented a Combined Letter-Clip and Calendar, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to furnish a letter-clip which shall embody in its construction a calendar displayed from its clamping portion or jaw to form a convenient and economical means of keeping a calendar continually in proximity to the letter-paper held by the clip, and in the most convenient position to be seen in dating letters, &c.

I prefer to form the clamping portion or jaw of the clip of an increased height, and with one or more apertures at or near its center, and utilize this portion of the clip to hold or support a "perpetual" calendar, which is arranged to display different dates successively through said apertures. The sides of the central portion of the clip are bent down at right angles to the main portion, and the calendar is mounted in them. By this organization and arrangement the combined cost of the clip and calendar is diminished, as the clip is made to act as the frame and casing for the calendar without being deprived of its utility as a letter-clip, while the calendar being located upon the clip is an advantage, as described above, and, as the clip is usually kept upon a desk, the calendar is in a position for general use aside from its service in connection with dating letters, &c.

The subject-matter claimed herein as of my invention is particularly pointed out in the claim at the close of the specification.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a front view of my invention as thus applied, and Fig. 2 is a sectional view of the same on the line *x x* of Fig. 1.

Referring to these drawings, A represents the main portion or jaw of the clip. The sides *a* of this jaw are bent down at right angles to the main portion of the same, and are pivoted to a rod, *b*, extending across the central portion of the jaw. The rod *b* is secured in the ends of a metallic base, B, fastened to the board C, upon which the paper is held. A

spiral spring, *c*, surrounds the rod *b*, and has its ends *c'* extended outward from the coil *c*, and so as to press firmly against the under side of the jaw A to hold the jaw against the board C or paper on it.

In adapting the jaw A for supporting and exhibiting a calendar and embodying the latter with it, I form the central portion of the jaw and its sides *a* of a somewhat extended height, and form apertures *d* and *d'* in this central portion.

The perpetual calendar which I prefer to employ consists of a roller, D, having the names of the days of the week upon its periphery, and the rollers D' and D², having a tape bearing the numbers of the days of the month fastened to them and arranged to be wound from one roller to the other. The rollers D, D', and D² each turn in perforations formed in the sides *a* of the clip, and are provided with milled knobs *e*, by which they may be conveniently turned by the hand. The roller D is mounted directly beneath the aperture *d*, so that the different names of the days of the week upon it may be successively displayed as it is turned through the aperture, and the rollers D' and D² are mounted on either side of the aperture *d'*, so that the tape as it is passed from one to the other of these rollers will exhibit the numbers it bears through the aperture *d'*. By similar and well-known arrangement the names of the months may also be displayed from the face of the jaw A, in this case another roller and aperture being required, as is well understood, and if it is desired the jaw A may be formed with but one aperture, and the date indicated through that alone, suitable provision being made in the calendar to effect a proper exhibition of the date.

It is obvious that other forms of calendars may be displayed from the jaw A, if desired, by utilizing the latter as a frame or support for them.

What I claim herein as my invention is—

The spring-jaw of a letter-clip having an aperture or apertures in its face, and having its sides bent down and perforated to constitute the bearings of rollers exhibiting signs or marks beneath said aperture or aper-

tures, substantially as described, whereby one
plate serves both as the clamp of the letter-
clip and as the frame and bearings of a roller
calendar or other indicator, as hereinbefore
5 set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as
my invention I have signed my name, in pres-

ence of two witnesses, this 30th day of Septem-
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