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Fig. 1.

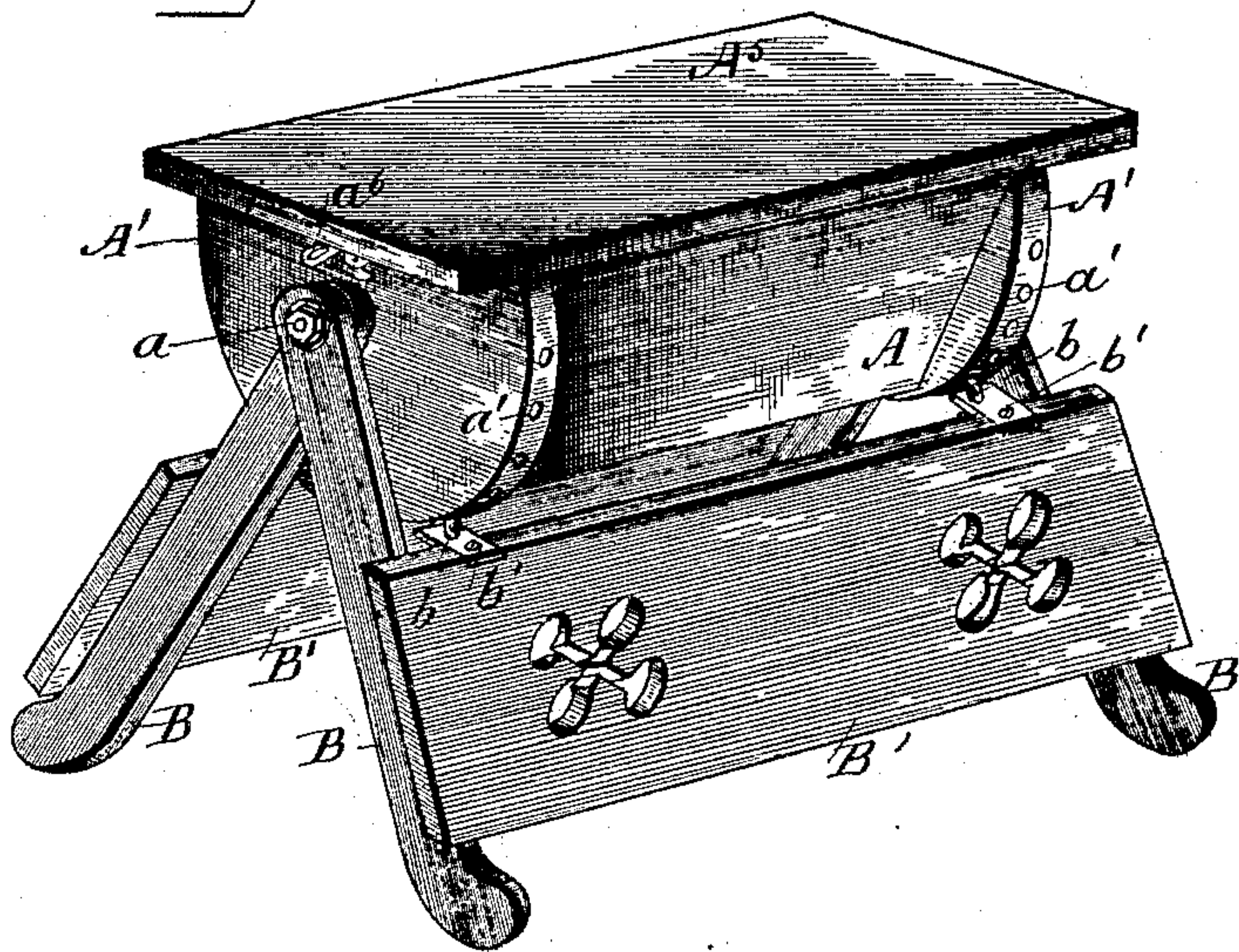


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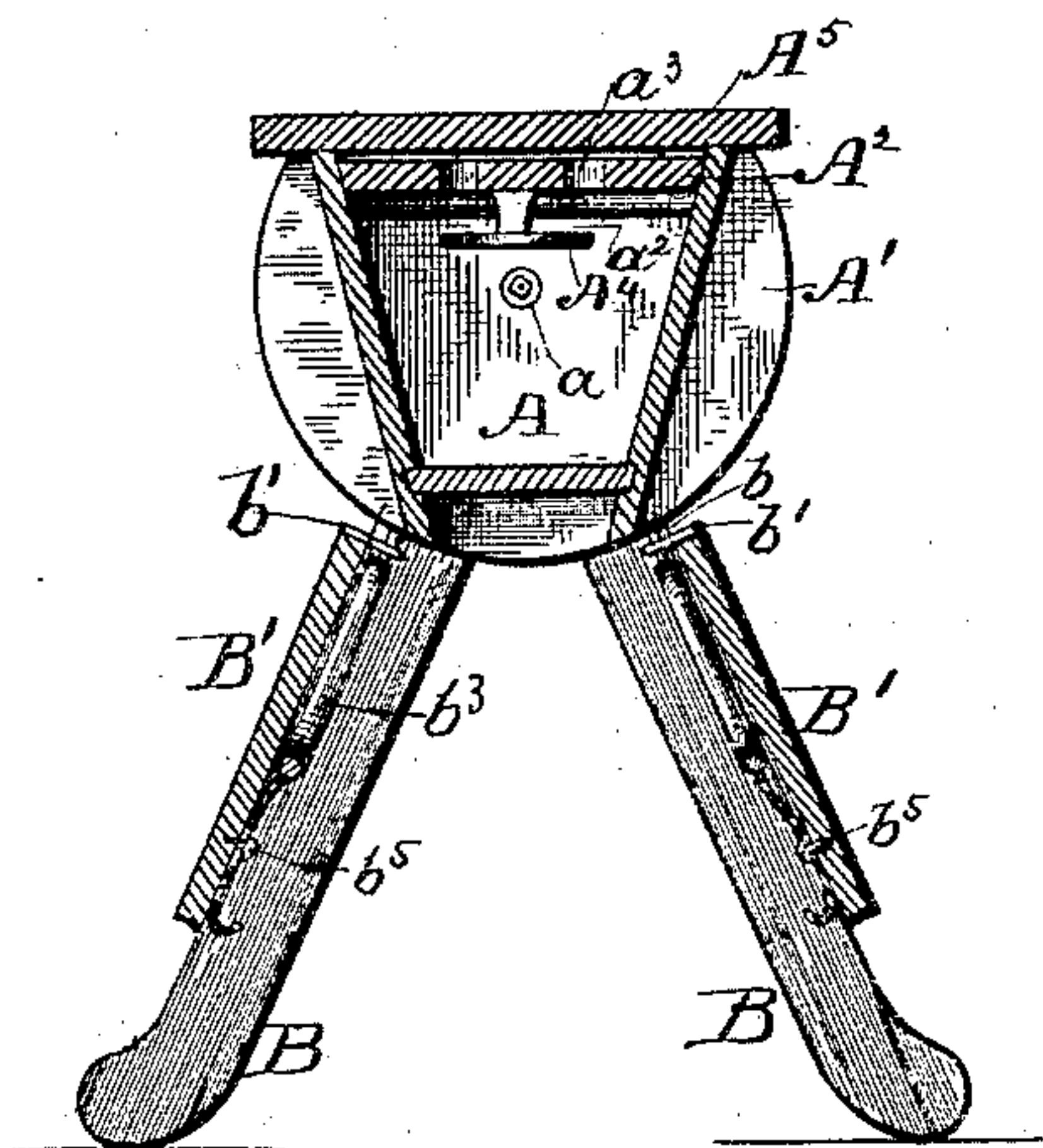


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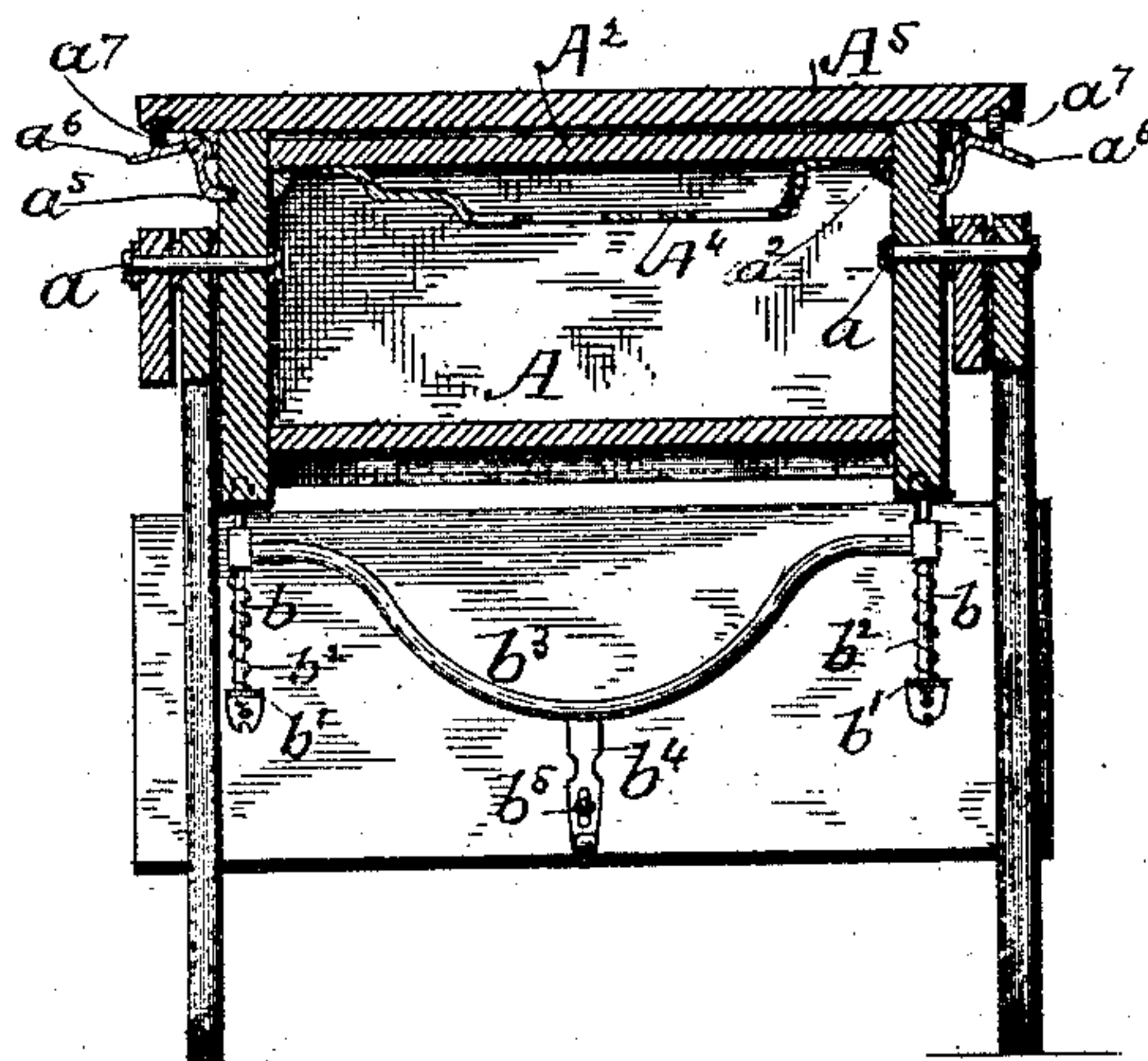
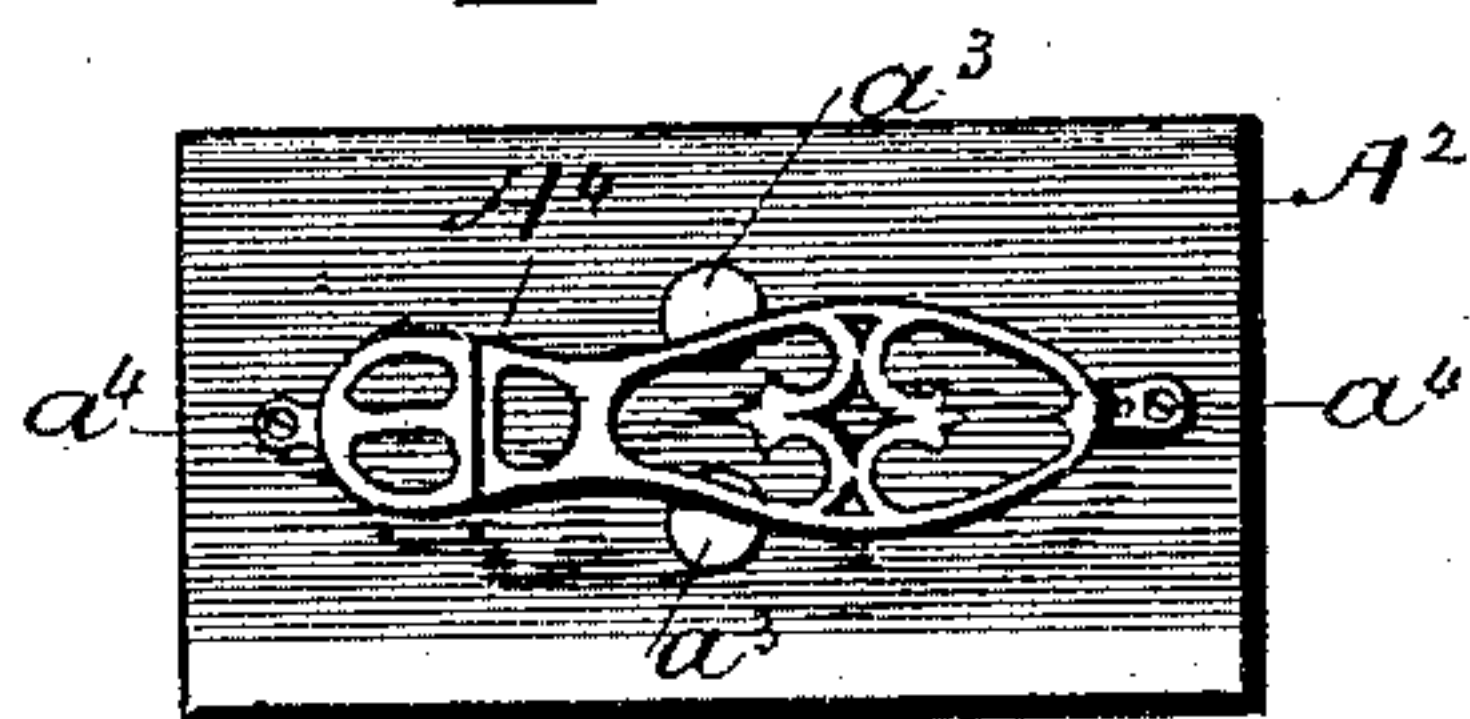


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANK E. LEVANSELER, a citizen of the United States, residing at St. Cloud, in the county of Stearns, State of Minnesota, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Shoe-Blackening Stand and Stool Combined, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

My invention relates to improvements in blacking-implements holder and adjustable stool combined; and the invention consists in the construction hereinafter described, and specifically set forth in the claims.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a shoe-blackening stand constructed in accordance with my invention. Fig. 2 is a transverse vertical section of the same. Fig. 3 is a longitudinal vertical section of the same.

Fig. 4 is a top view of the inner cover carrying the foot-rest.

The receptacle for the brushes, blacking, &c., consists of a box, A, having its bottom preferably narrower than its top, and its ends A' semicircular or forming the greater portion of a circle, in the center of which passes a bolt, a, that also passes through the upper end of the legs B and forms the pivot around which they can be swung. The legs are united in pairs by the boards B', and to the under side thereof are secured the spring-bolts b, the outer end of which is adapted to enter uniformly-spaced perforations a' made into the circular edge of the ends A'. The bolts b are guided by straps b', secured to the under side and edge of the boards B', and a spring, b², coiled around each of them, bears at one end against the lower strap, b', while its upper end bears against a shoulder upon each bolt.

To facilitate the adjustment of the top of the stool at any height above the floor by withdrawing the bolts b from the perforations a' and spreading the legs, the bolts are united in pairs by the bent rods b³, having metallic straps b⁴ in the middle of their length, and said straps are longitudinally slotted to receive the guide-screw b⁵, and have their lower extremity hooked to receive a person's finger, and by which the bolts b can be withdrawn from the radial perforations a' in the circular edges of the ends of the box A. This box has two covers, one above the other. The inner cover, A², has its ends resting upon cleats a²,

attached to the inner sides of the end walls, A'. This cover has perforations a³, into which the person using the device can insert his fingers to lift the cover and turn it over, so that the metallic foot-rest A⁴, secured thereto by its end lugs, a⁴, will occupy a position on top of the cover A² suitable to receive the bottom of a boot or shoe.

After the device has been used the cover A² is turned over again and made to occupy the position shown in Figs. 2 and 3. Above the cover A² and resting upon the end walls, A', is placed the cover A⁵. It is retained connected to the end walls by means of hooks a⁵, pivoted to the under side of said cover. The upper end of these hooks has a finger-piece or handle, a⁶, between which and the cover A⁵ is placed a coiled spring, a⁷, that forces the point of the hook a⁵ into engagement with perforations made into the ends A'. The cover A⁵ can be cushioned, so that the whole device will form a convenient stool of any desired height, and either the top A⁵ or the sides B', when the latter are set at a suitable angle, can be used as a foot-rest.

Having now fully described my invention, I claim—

1. A blacking-implement holder and stool consisting of the box A, having semicircular ends provided with radial perforations and legs pivoted to said ends, with bolts entering said radial perforations, substantially as and for the purpose described.

2. The combination of the box A, having semicircular ends and radial perforations therein, with bolts entering the latter, rods uniting said bolts, and legs pivoted to the box A, substantially as described.

3. The combination of a box having semicircular ends and pivotally supported on two pairs of legs adapted to be set at any angle from each other, and retained, as set forth, with the cover A², having the foot-rest A⁴, and the upper cover, A⁵, secured to the ends of the box with spring-hooks, substantially as and for the purpose described.

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

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