

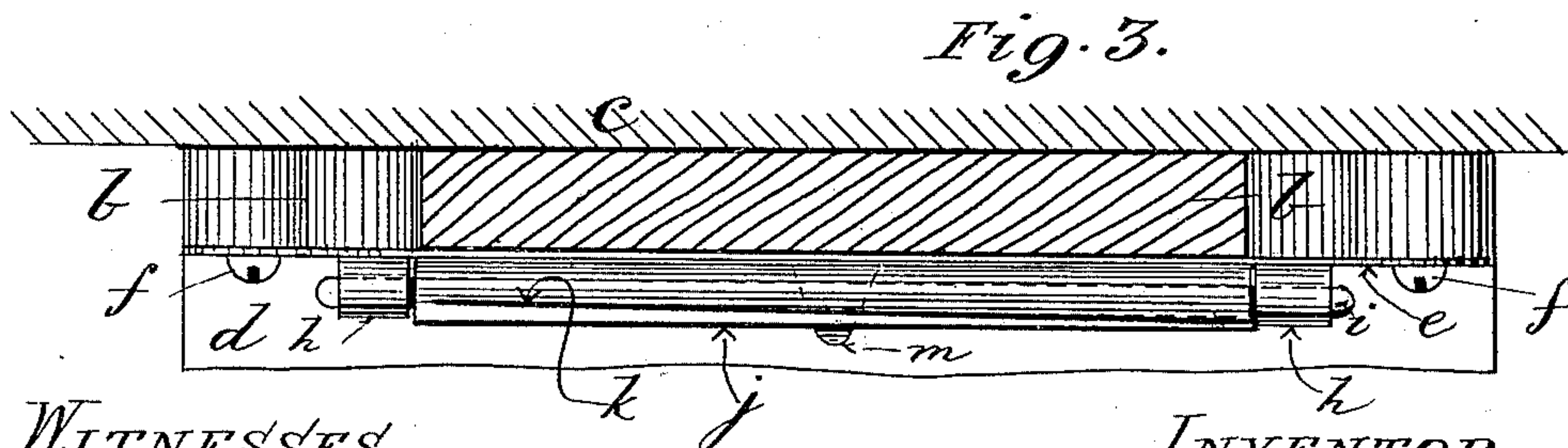
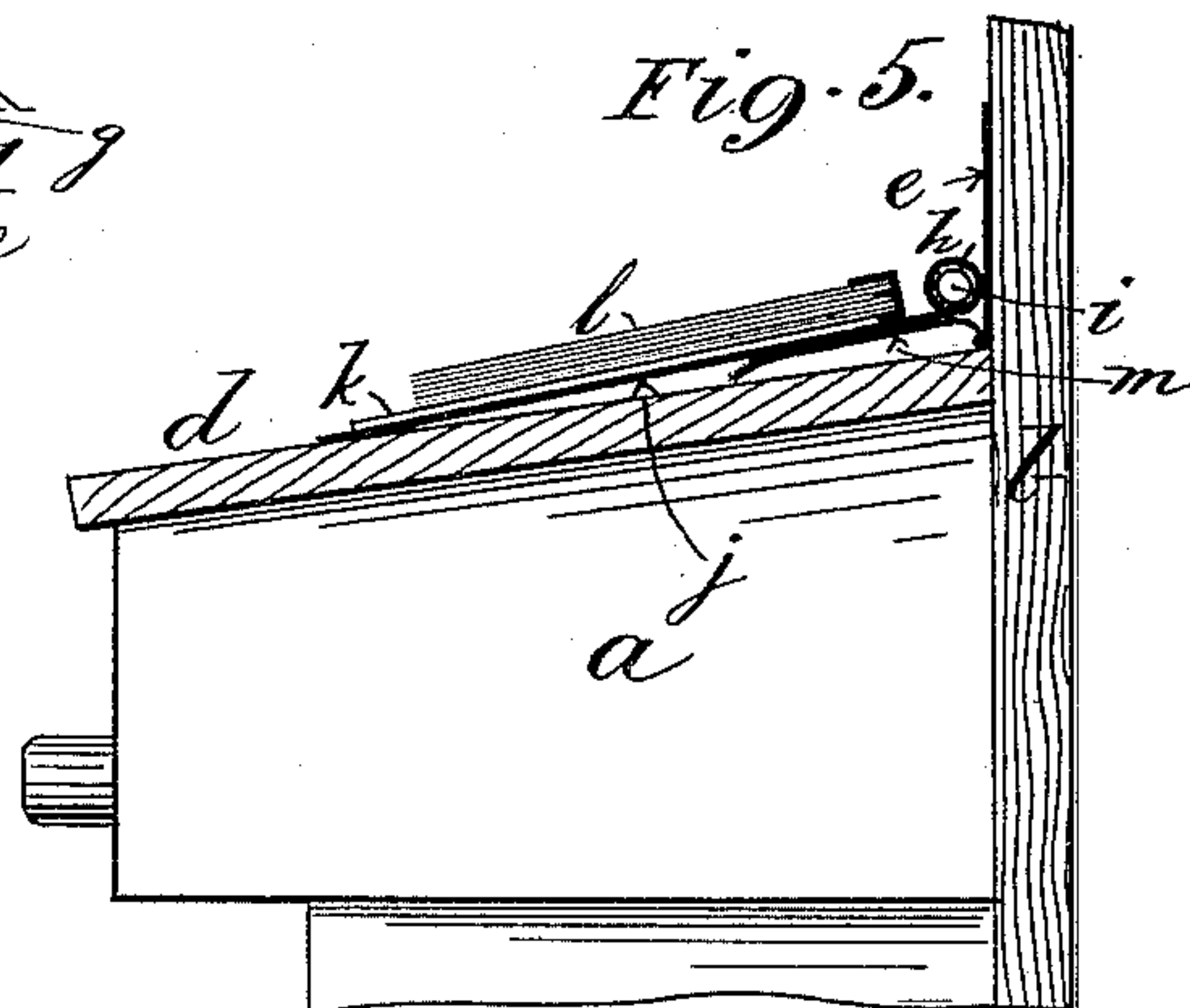
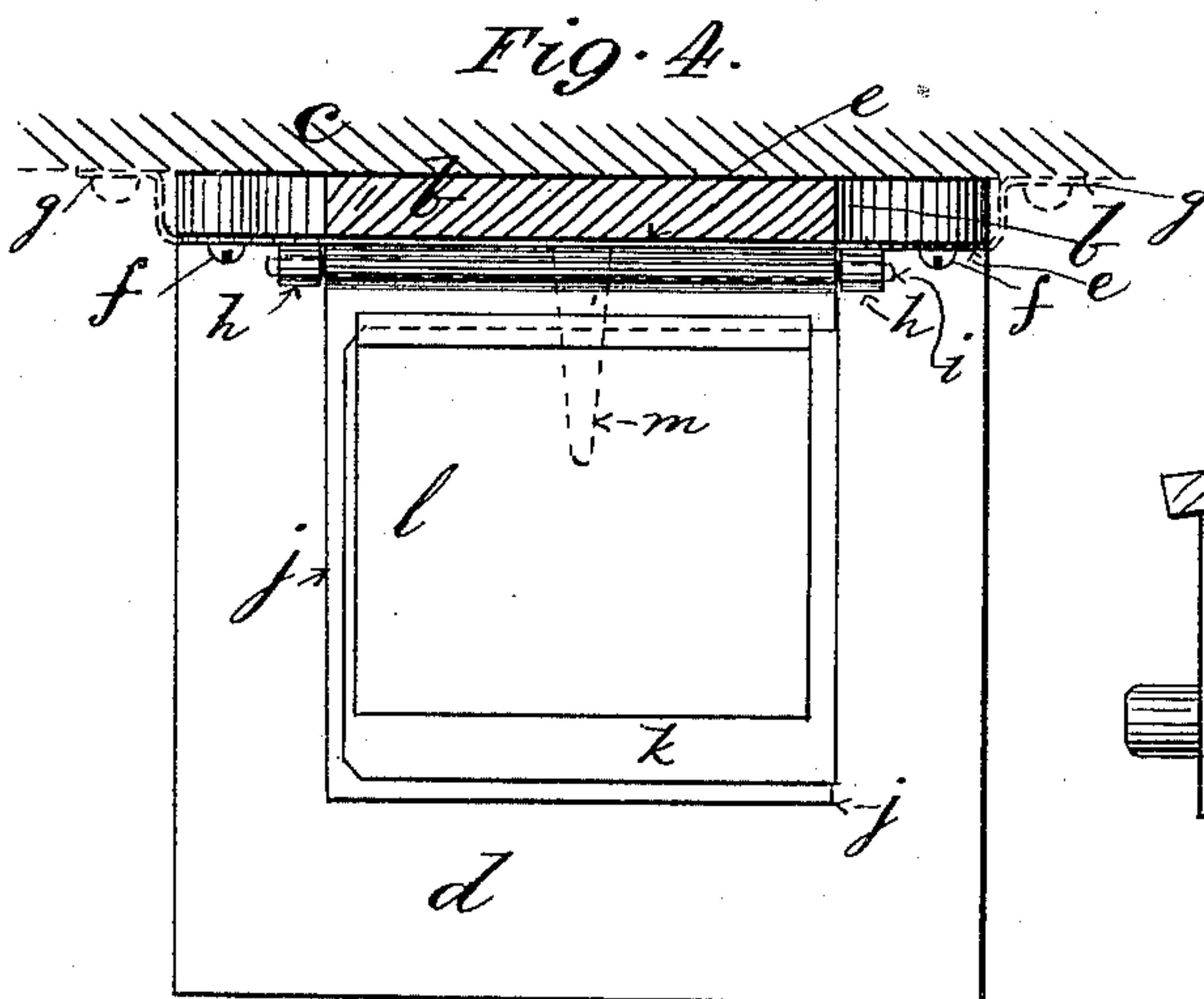
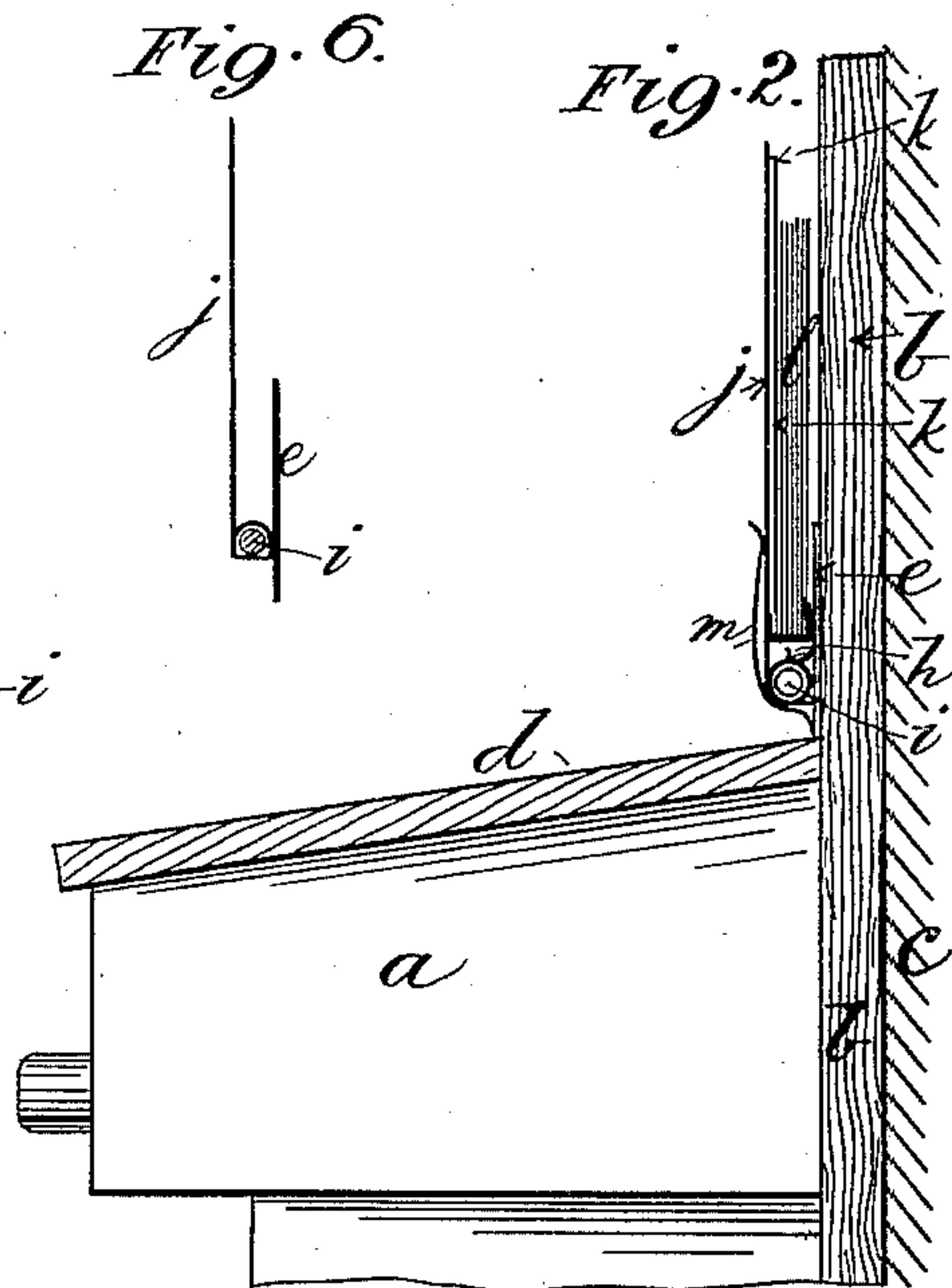
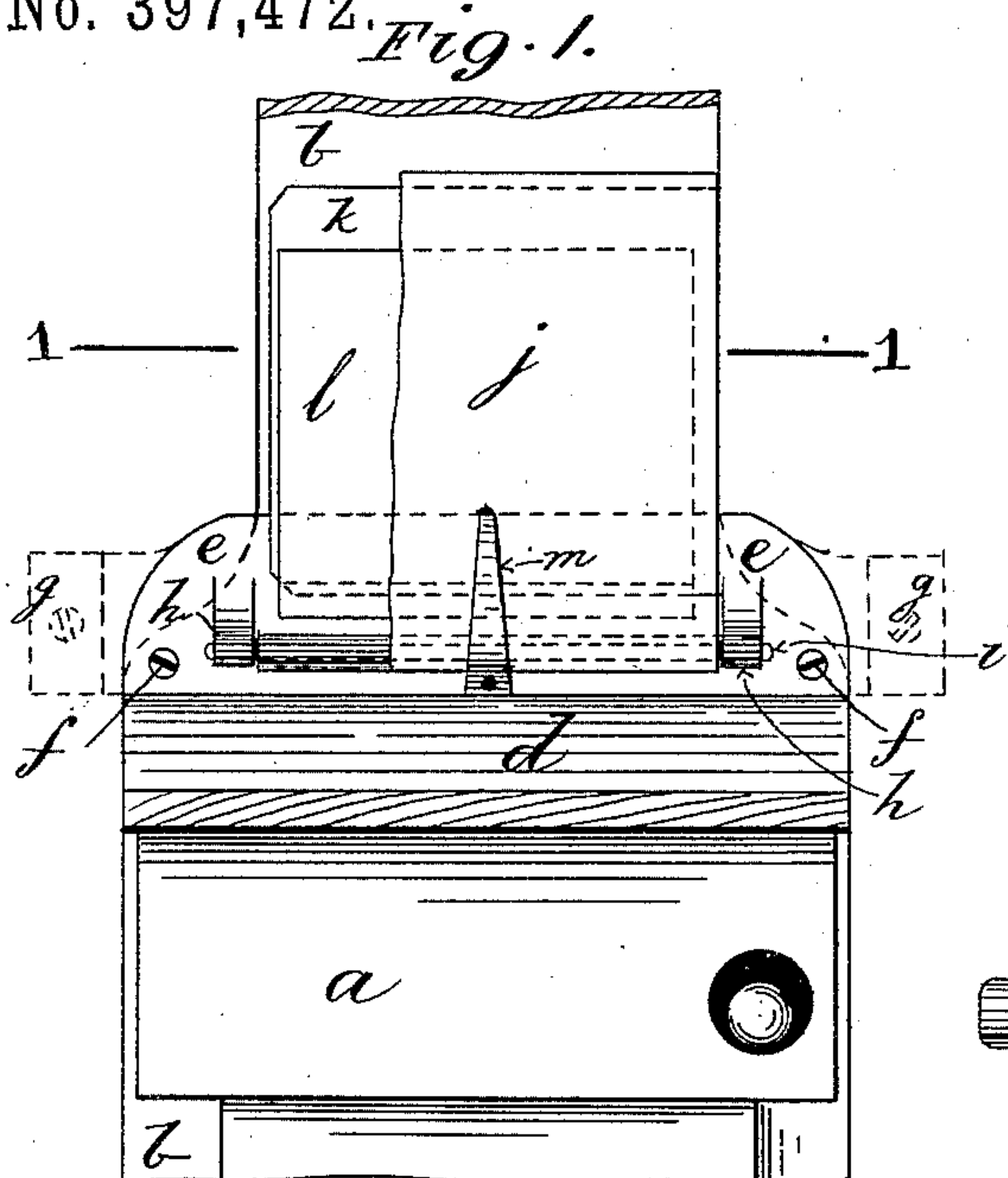
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## TELEPHONE PAPER-PAD HOLDER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOHN B. SEYMOUR, JR., a citizen of the United States, residing at the city of St. Louis, State of Missouri, have invented a certain new and useful Improved Telephone Paper-Pad Holder, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to an improved paper-pad holder for telephones, and has for its object to enable a communication previous to its transmission or while being received to be readily committed to writing in front of the instrument, and to afford a medium for advertising.

It consists in a bar or frame arranged across the top or sloping table of the telephone-box and provided with a hinged flap carrying the paper pad, so that when the flap is turned upward on its hinge into the vertical position the pad will be out of use and concealed from view in front between the flap and the rear upright or wall plate of the telephone-box, and when turned downward onto the top or sloping table of the box the pad will be exposed in the proper position for writing on.

On the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 represents a front elevation of a telephone-box and wall-plate broken away, with my improved paper-pad holder, as seen when closed and not in use, applied thereto; Fig. 2, an end view thereof; Fig. 3, a section on line 1 1 in Fig. 1, to an enlarged scale, omitting the paper pad; Fig. 4, a sectional plan of the wall-plate and box with the pad-holder opened and ready for use; Fig. 5, an end view of the same, and Fig. 6 a modification of parts of Figs. 1 to 5.

Like letters of reference denote like parts in all the figures.

*a* represents a telephone-box, which is secured by the upright bracket or plate *b* to the wall *c* in the usual manner. Immediately above and across the top or sloping table *d* of the box *a* is arranged flatwise against the upright wall-plate *b* a bar or frame, *e*, which may either be fixed by screws *f* to the front of the wall-plate *b*, as shown by full lines, or turned back at the sides of the latter and secured by

ears *g* directly to the wall *c*, as shown by dotted lines to the right and left of Fig. 1.

Formed on or attached to the front of the bar or frame *e*, opposite to each other, in a plane parallel with the top *d* of the box *a*, are lugs *h*, between which is hinged by the pin *i* one end of a flap or cover, *j*, which is bent over or doubled back on one of its side edges, so as to form a spring wing or clip, *k*, extending across the rear side of the flap or cover *j*. Between this wing or clip *k* and the flap or cover *j* is inserted the side cover or backing of the paper pad *l*, the clip *k* occupying the space between the said backing and leaves of the pad *l*, which is thereby securely held against the rear side of the flap or cover *j*.

To the bar or frame *e*, beneath the hinge of the flap or cover *j*, is attached one end of a spring, *m*, which extends somewhat along and bears against the outside of the flap or cover *j*, so as to normally retain the latter, with the paper pad *l*, when not required for use, in the vertical position against the wall-plate *b*, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2, in which position the outer or front side of the flap or cover *j*, facing the telephone-box *a*, may be utilized for displaying advertisements. When required for use, the flap or cover *j*, holding the paper pad *l*, is turned forward and downward on its hinge *i* until it rests on the top or sloping table *d* of the telephone-box *a*, when the paper pad *l* will be exposed and in the proper position for use, as seen in Figs. 4 and 5. When done with, the flap or cover *j*, carrying the pad *l*, is turned upward into its original position and held therein by the spring *m*, when the pad *l* will be concealed and the advertisements on the front of the flap or cover *j* exposed to view.

If desired, the spring *m* may be dispensed with, in which case that portion of the flap or cover *j* where it incloses the lower part of the hinge *i* is preferably made square with the flap or cover *j* and bar or frame *e*, so as to bite on and be normally held by the latter when the flap or cover *j* is in closed and open positions, respectively.

I claim as my invention—

1. The combination of a bar or frame, *e*,

having lugs *h*, a flap or cover, *j*, hinged to said lugs and having spring wing or clip *k*, carrying paper pad *l*, and spring *m*, with a telephone-box and frame, substantially as shown, 5 and for the purpose described.

2. The combination of a bar or frame, *e*, having lugs *h*, a flap or cover, *j*, hinged to said lugs and having spring wing or clip *k*, carrying paper pad *l*, with a telephone-box and 10 frame, substantially as shown, and for the purpose described.

3. The combination, with a telephone-box, of a frame, *e*, lugs *h*, flap *j*, with paper pad, and a spring arranged so as to normally press 15 the flap against the upright bracket of the telephone-box, substantially as described.

4. The combination, with a telephone-box, of lugs *h*, flap *j*, hinged to said lugs, and spring *m*, the whole arranged so as to carry a pad of paper, and so that the flap will be normally held against the upright bracket of the 20 telephone-box, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have affixed my signature, in presence of two witnesses, this 15th day of May, 1888.

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