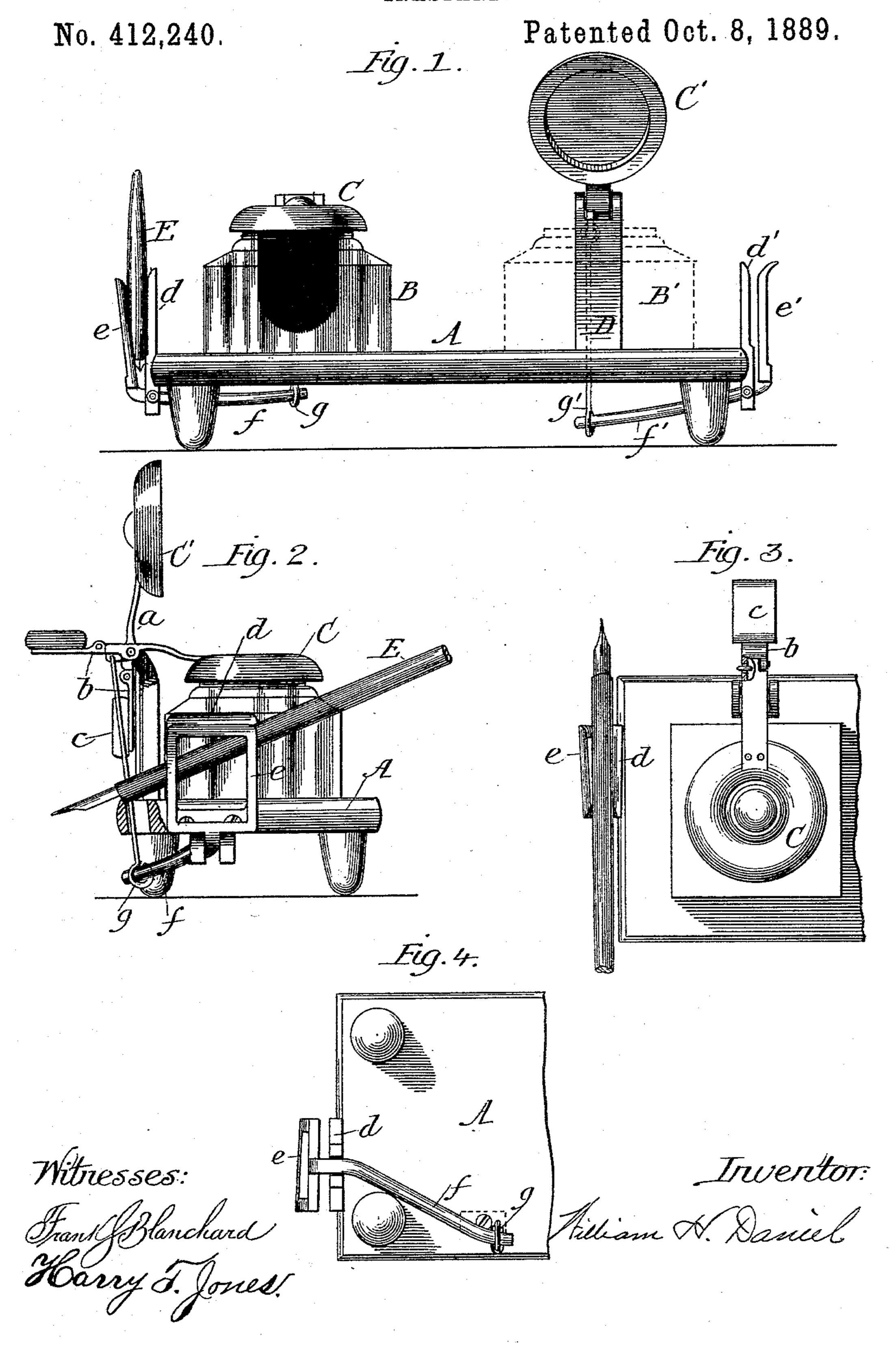
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM H. DANIEL, residing at Englewood, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, and a citizen of the United States, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Inkstands, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a rear elevation showing two inkstands, the cover of one being open and the other closed. Fig. 2 is an end elevation. Fig 3 is a plan showing one of the inkstands, with a pen in its support. Fig. 4 is a detail, being an under-side view of one end only of the frame which supports the inkstand, showing the operating-lever.

My improvement relates to that class of inkstands which are provided with a support for a pen-holder, and with which a hinged cover is used, with devices by means of which the cover will close when the pen-holder is

placed in its support and will open when the pen-holder is removed from its support.

The objects of my invention are to provide improved devices for operating the cover; to provide an improved pen-support; to provide a cover supported independently of the inkstand or well proper, so that the latter can be readily removed from its stand, and to provide devices by the use of which the cover, if desired, will remain closed when the penholder is removed from its support; all of which I accomplish as illustrated in the drawings and as hereinafter described.

Those things which I claim as new will be

set forth in the claims.

My improvement is chiefly designed for use where two ink-wells supported by a single stand are used—one for black and the other for red ink—but can be used with single ink stands or wells.

In the drawings, A represents a stand; B B', two inkstands or wells supported on the

stand A.

C C' are covers, one for each well. These covers, as shown, are not connected with the inkstands B B', but they are supported each at the upper end of a post D, secured to the stand A, behind the ink-well. Each cover is provided with a rearwardly-extending arm a, which is pivoted to the upper end of one of the posts D.

b is another arm, pivoted to the rear end of the arm a, which arm b carries a weight c.

dd' are two pieces of metal secured one to 55 each end of the frame A, and extending a

little below the same.

 $e\ e'$ are two other pieces of metal, which may be formed as shown in Figs. 1 and 2. The lower ends of these parts $e\ e'$ are each 60 provided with a lever $f\ f'$, which may be integral with the parts $e\ e'$, and each lever is pivoted to the lower end of one of the pieces $d\ d'$.

g g' are two rods. The upper end of each 65 is hinged to one of the arms a, and the lower end of each rod is, as shown, provided with an eye, into which the free end of one of the levers f f' enters, though the levers and rods might be connected in some other 70 manner. The parts d d' e e' form supports for pen-holders. These parts d e d' e' are a little farther apart at the rear than at the front, as shown in Fig. 3.

E is a pen-holder.

The operation is as follows: When the penholder is in place in its support, as shown in Figs. 1, 2, and 3, the part e will be forced away from the stationary part d of the pen-support, and the free end of the lever f will be elevated 80 and will force the rod g up, thereby closing the cover G, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2. When the pen-holder is removed from its support, the action of the weight e will open the cover, as shown at the right-hand end of Fig. 1, the 85 lever f being depressed and the movable part of the pen-support being brought into the position shown at the right-hand end of Fig. 1.

By forming the two parts of the pen-support as described—that is, placing them a 90 little farther apart at their rear than at the front—the pen-holder when in position will stand at an angle, as shown in Fig. 2, which is a convenient position for handling.

The weight c, being hinged to the arm a, 95 can, if desired, be turned over upon such arm, and then the cover will remain closed, even though the pen be removed from its support. This feature is desirable when the party using the inkstand desires to put the pen away when 100 leaving his work.

Each cover may be supported by two posts. If desired, three posts might be used—one at the center and one near each end of the stand.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure

by Letters Patent, is as follows:

1. A stand for an ink-well, carrying a pensupport consisting of two parts hinged together and connected to the stand at one side thereof, in combination with a lever f, an inkwell, and a hinged cover, substantially as and for the purposes specified.

2. A stand for an ink-well, carrying a penso support consisting of two parts—such as de—

which are farther apart at the rear than at the front and are hinged together and connected to the stand, in combination with a lever f, an ink-well, and a hinged cover, substantially as and for the purposes specified.

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