

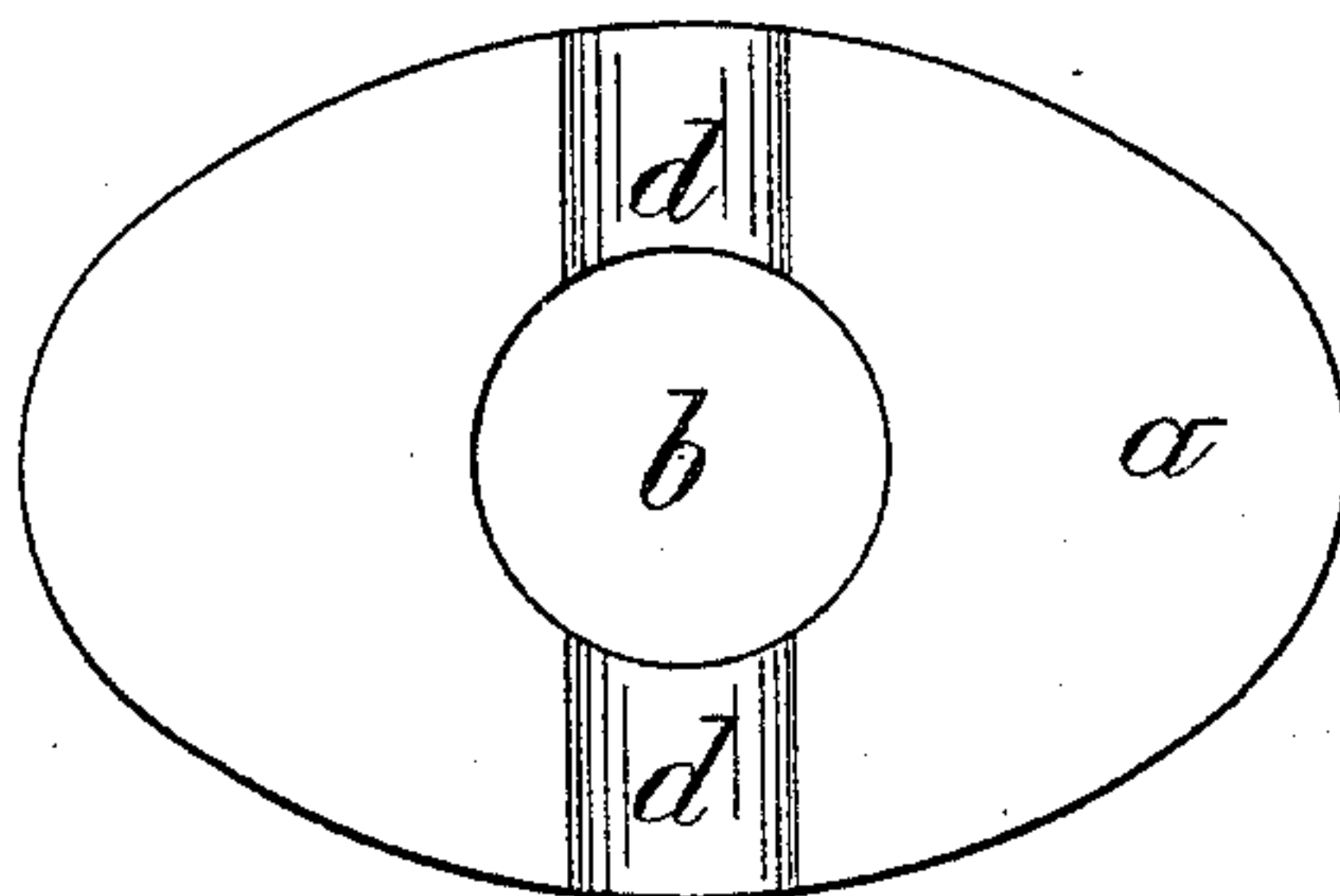
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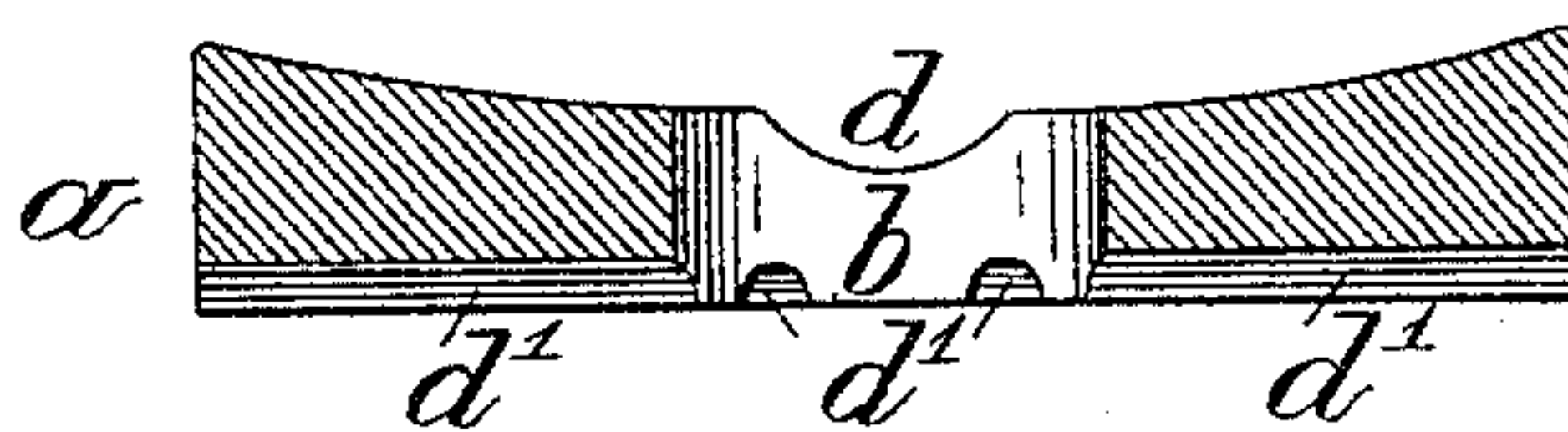
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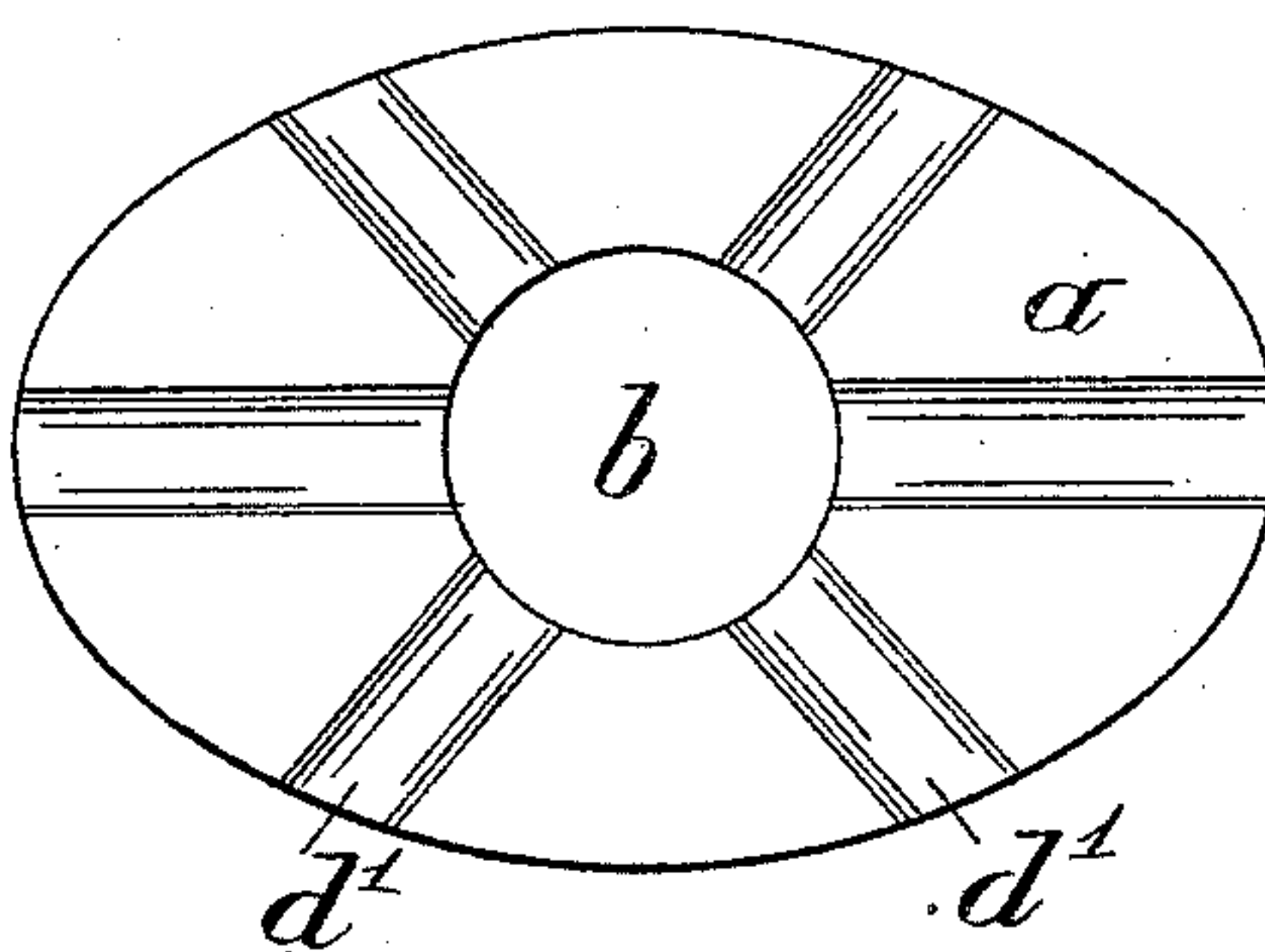
*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 3.*



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## HYGIENIC SEAT FOR BATHS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, MORIZ ALTER, a subject of the Emperor of Austria, residing at Vienna, in the Province of Lower Austria, in the Empire of Austria-Hungary, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hygienic Seats for Baths; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

The invention relates to seats for hip or sitz baths, and has for its object a seat constructed so as to admit the free flow of the bath to the parts to be bathed.

In the annexed drawings, Figure 1 is a top view, Fig. 2 an under side view, and Fig. 3 a transverse section, of a seat for hip or sitz baths embodying my improvements.

The seat *a* is shown in the drawings as of elliptical form, though it may have any other desired form, so as to form, when placed in the tub, a false bottom, so to speak, said seat having its upper face concaved or hollowed out, as shown, so as to cause a flow of water toward said aperture and to provide a greater

depth of water at that point than at the edges of the seat. It is provided with a central aperture *b*, from which radiate two channels *d* in the upper face of the seat, while in the lower face are formed a series of radiating channels *d'*.

It is readily seen that when in use the pad or seat, which may be constructed of any suitable material—as, for instance, of vulcanized rubber—when immersed in the liquid will admit of a free circulation to and from the central opening, so that but a comparatively small surface of the body in contact with the seat is not reached by the said liquid.

Having described my invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

As an article of manufacture, a seat for sitz baths having its upper face concaved or hollowed out and provided with a central aperture *b*, and with channels *d* and *d'* formed in both seat-faces and radiating from said central aperture, for the purpose set forth.

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

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