

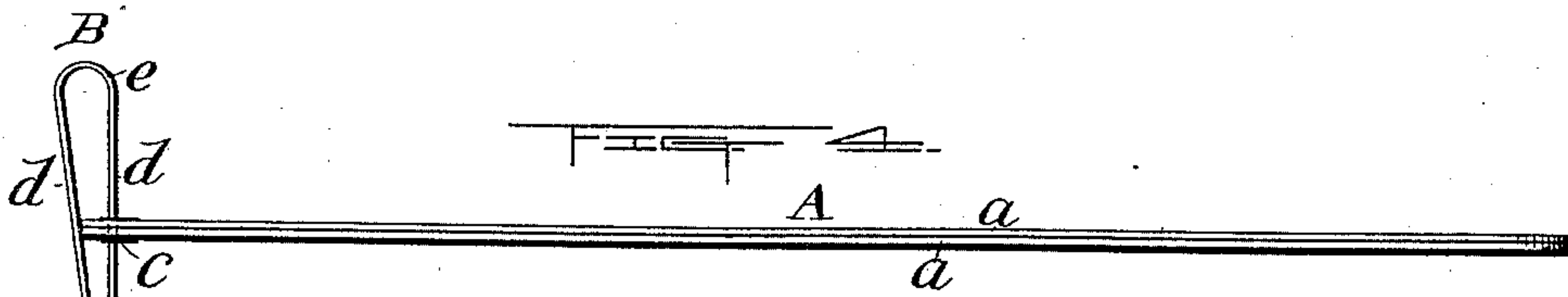
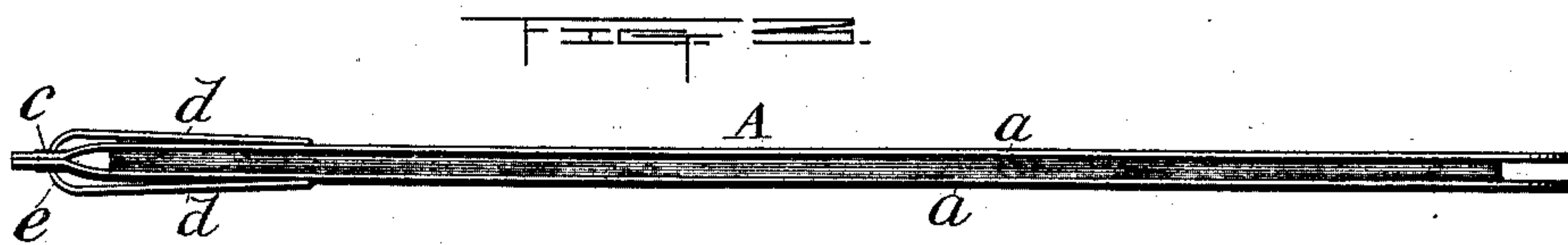
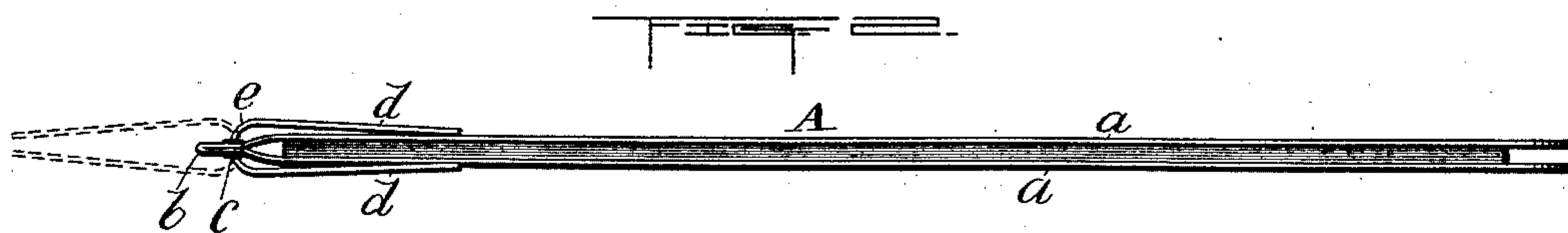
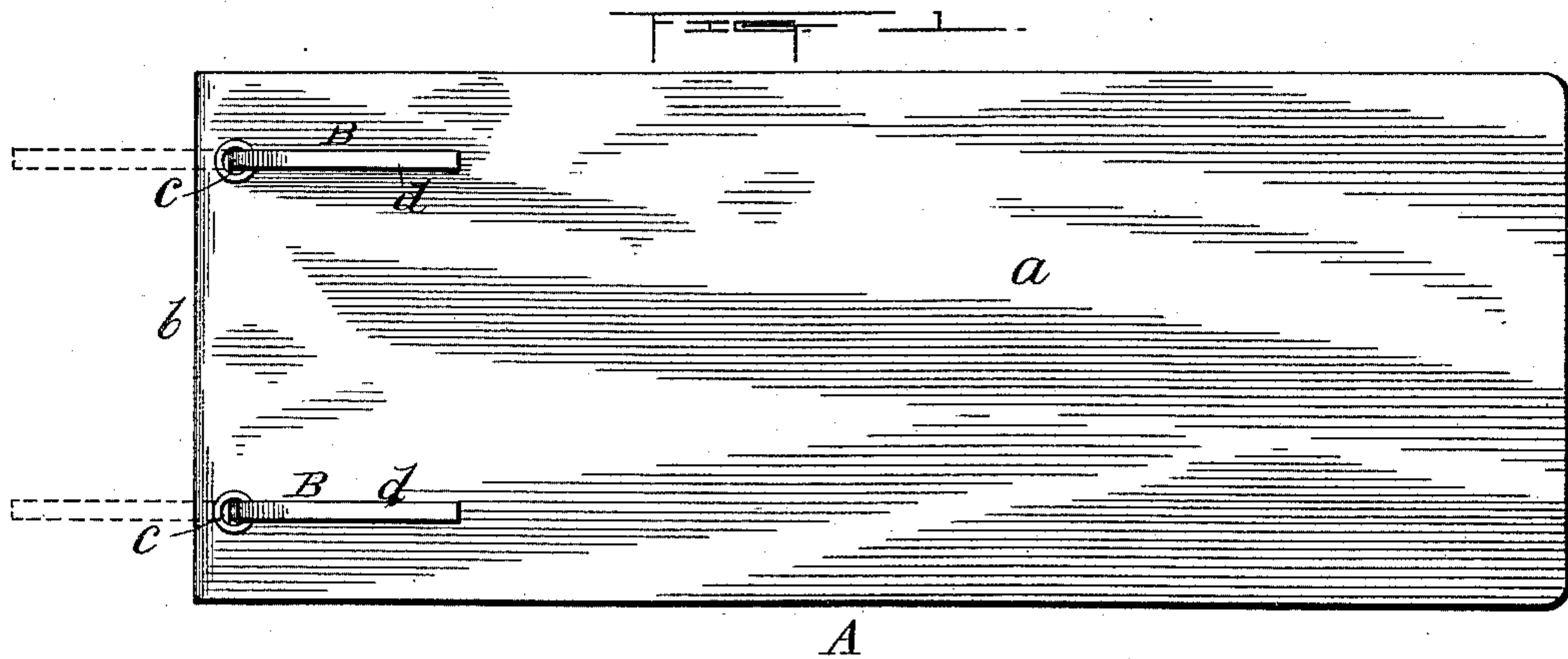
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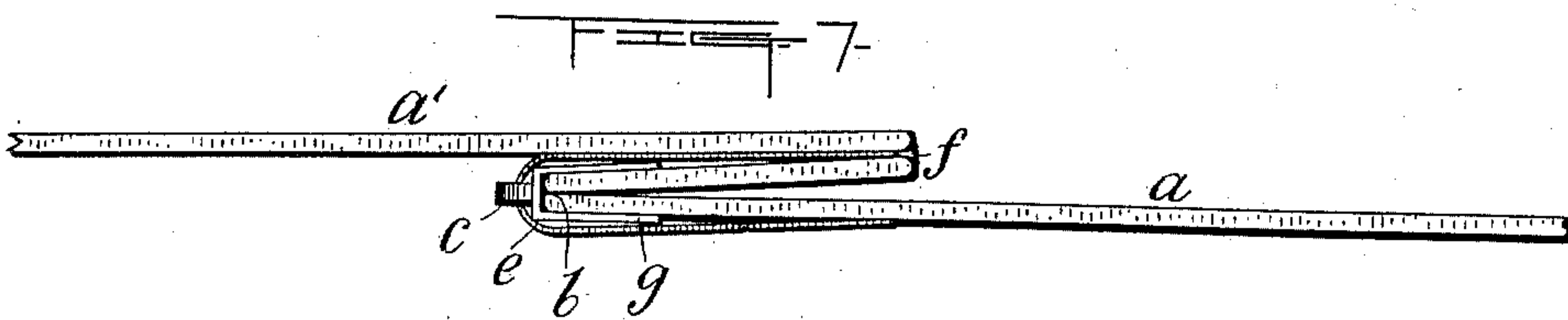
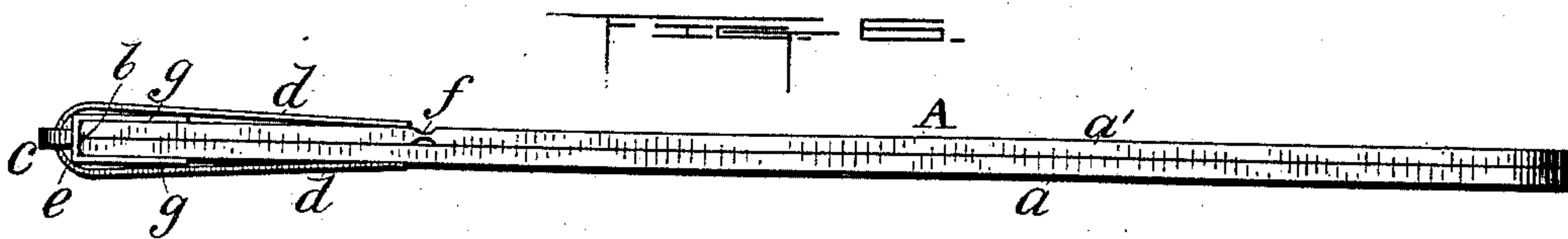
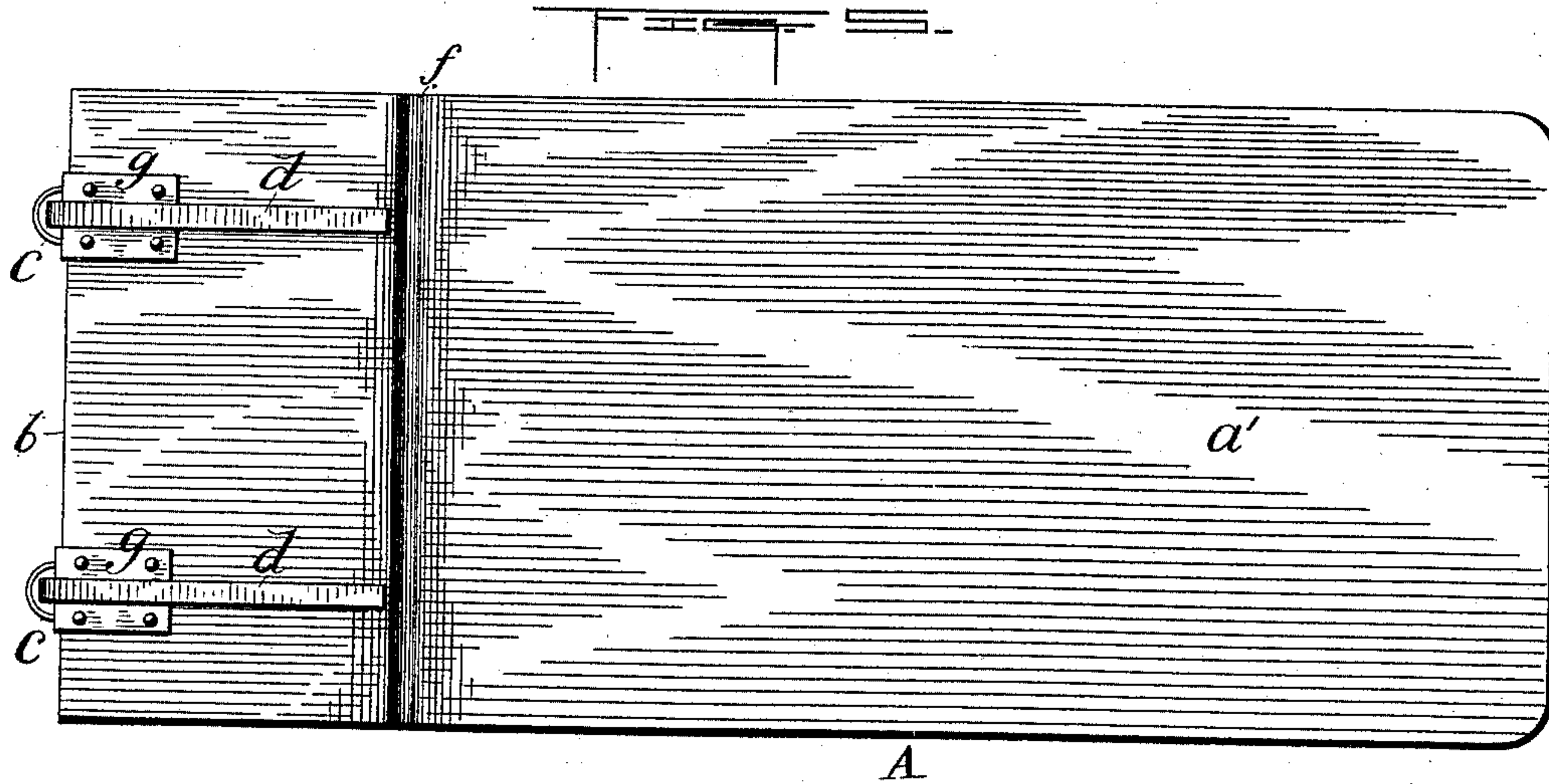
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MARCELLUS F. BERRY, of the city of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Paper-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to that class of holders for holding papers of different kinds commonly known in the stationery trade as "order-holders," such holders consisting of a cover and means for clamping the said cover on papers placed within it.

I will first proceed to describe the improvement with reference to the drawings and afterward point out its novelty in a claim.

Figure 1 represents a front view, and Fig. 2 an edge view, of a holder embodying my invention. Figs. 3 and 4 are edge views representing a slight modification of the holder shown in Figs. 1 and 2. Fig. 5 represents a front view, and Figs. 6 and 7 edge views, of a cover, illustrating another modification of the invention.

Similar letters of reference designate corresponding parts in all the figures.

The cover A (shown in Figs. 1 and 2) consists of a single sheet of stout but flexible paper or board, folded at *b* to form the two leaves *a a* of the cover, and near the fold *b*, which constitutes the back of the cover, there are punched or otherwise formed through the two leaves eyes *c*. These are represented as lined with metal eyelets.

B B are spring-clamps consisting of strips of spring-steel or other resilient material, which are bent double at the middle of their length, as shown at *e*, to form two clamping members *d d*, which, when the springs are inserted through the eyes *c c*, may project in a forward direction over the leaves *a* of the cover, as shown in bold outline in Figs. 1 and 2, and thereby serve to clamp the said leaves and any papers that may be inserted between them. The said spring-clamps are capable of being turned in the eyelets over the back *b* of the cover, as shown in dotted outline in Figs. 1 and 2, and in that position they leave the cover free to be open for the insertion of papers, which after their insertion may be clamped by returning the clamps to the position first described.

The example shown in Figs. 3 and 4 only differs from that shown in Figs. 1 and 2 in that the two leaves or members of the cover are made separate and distinct from each other and are only held together by the eyelets and spring-clamps. Fig. 4 illustrates the method of inserting the spring-clamps through the eyes *c* of the cover—viz., by inserting one of the clamping members *d* through the eyes *c* of the cover and pushing it therein as far as the bend *e* of the clamp.

The example represented in Figs. 5, 6, and 7 is a holder of more substantial construction than that shown in Figs. 1, 2, 3, and 4. The cover *A* is made of stout boards *a a'*, connected at the back *b* by a flexible joint, and the front board is made with a flexible joint some distance from the back, as shown at *f*, so that it may be turned back to open the holder, as shown in Fig. 7. In this example the eyes *c* are made of metal and arranged outside of the back *b*, and are attached to the cover by means of flanges *g g*, with which they are provided, the said flanges being riveted to the boards of the cover. The flexible joint *f* in the front member is forward of the points to which the ends of the spring-clamps reach when they are in their clamping position.

In a cover of the kind last described it is not always necessary to turn the spring-clamps to the backward position shown in dotted outline in Figs. 1 and 2 to take out one or more of the papers from the holder, as by turning the front member of the cover over the back *b* the said member may be pressed down with a lever-like action upon the back parts of the springs as a fulcrum, and so made to open the cover a little way at the back of the joint *f*, as shown in Fig. 7. When, however, several papers may have to be put in or removed at once, it will be necessary or desirable to turn the spring-clamps backward.

In all the examples I have shown only two spring-clamps applied to the cover. These will in most cases be sufficient, and indeed in all cases, unless the invention should be applied to a cover of very large size. It may be observed that it is in no case necessary to remove the spring-clamps from the cover to permit the insertion or removal of the papers.

The said clamps always remain attached to the cover.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

- 5 The combination, with the two leaves or boards constituting the cover of a paper-holder and provided with eyes, of spring-clamps in-

serted through said eyes for the purpose of clamping said leaves or boards, substantially as herein set forth.

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