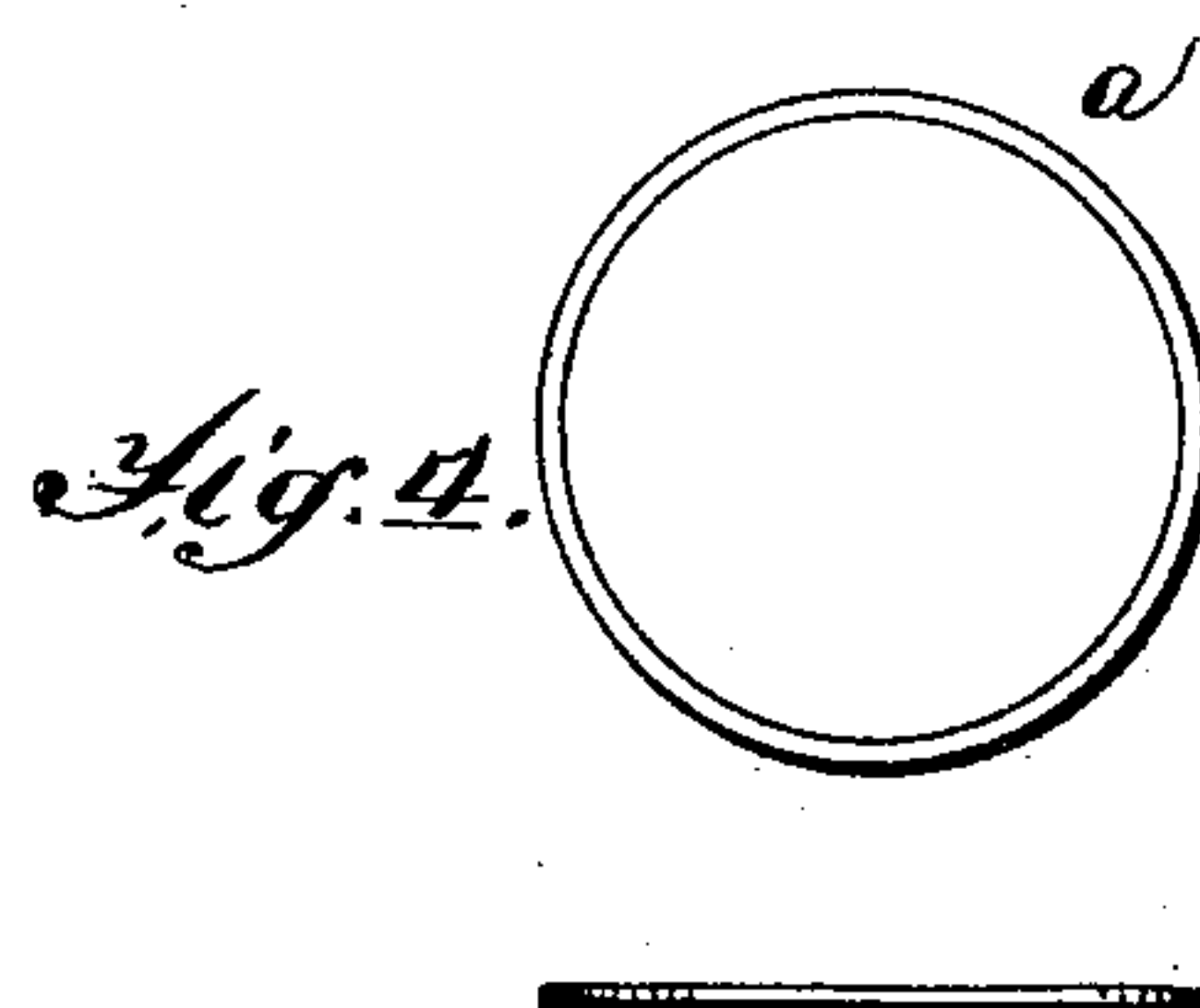
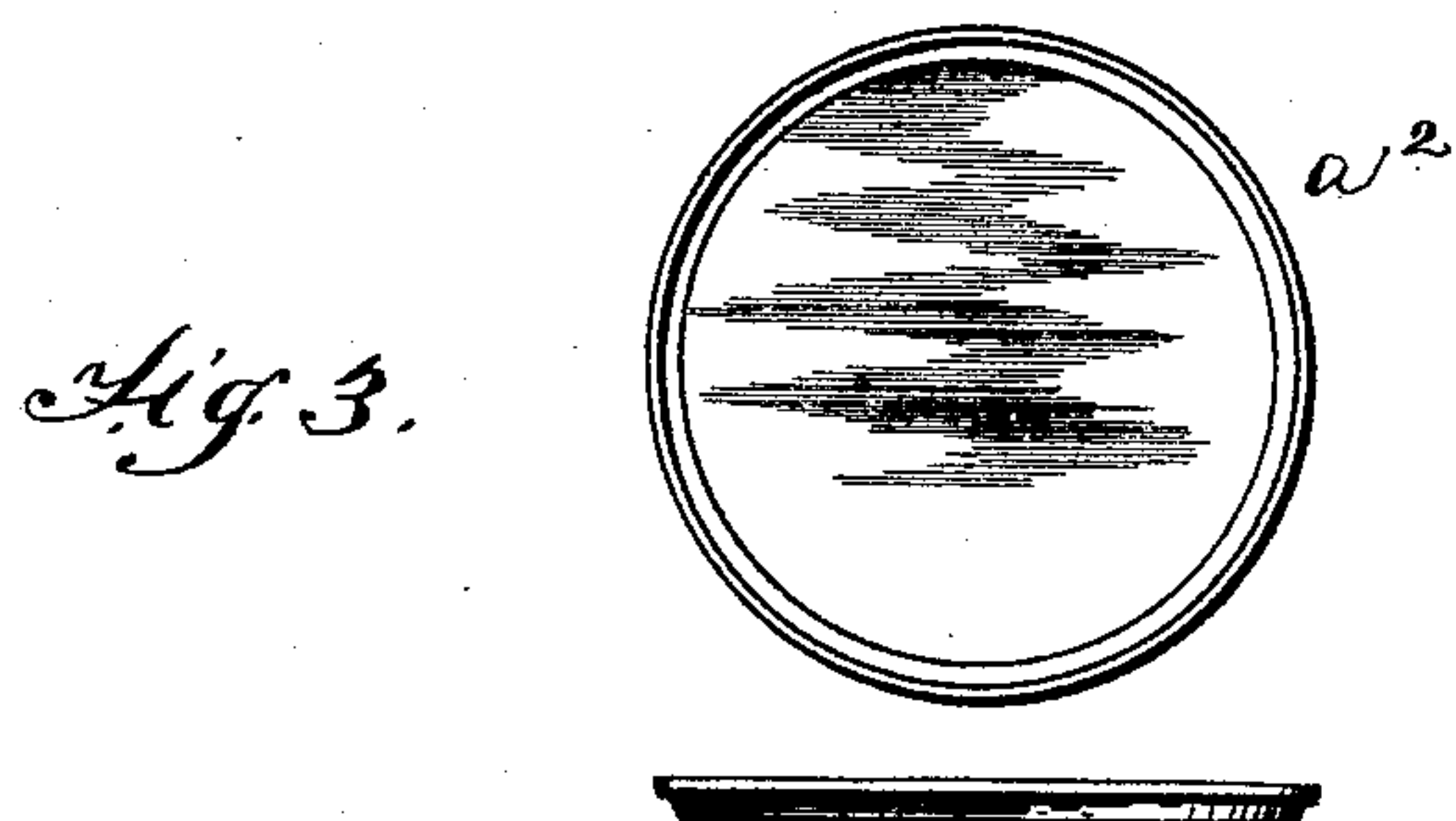
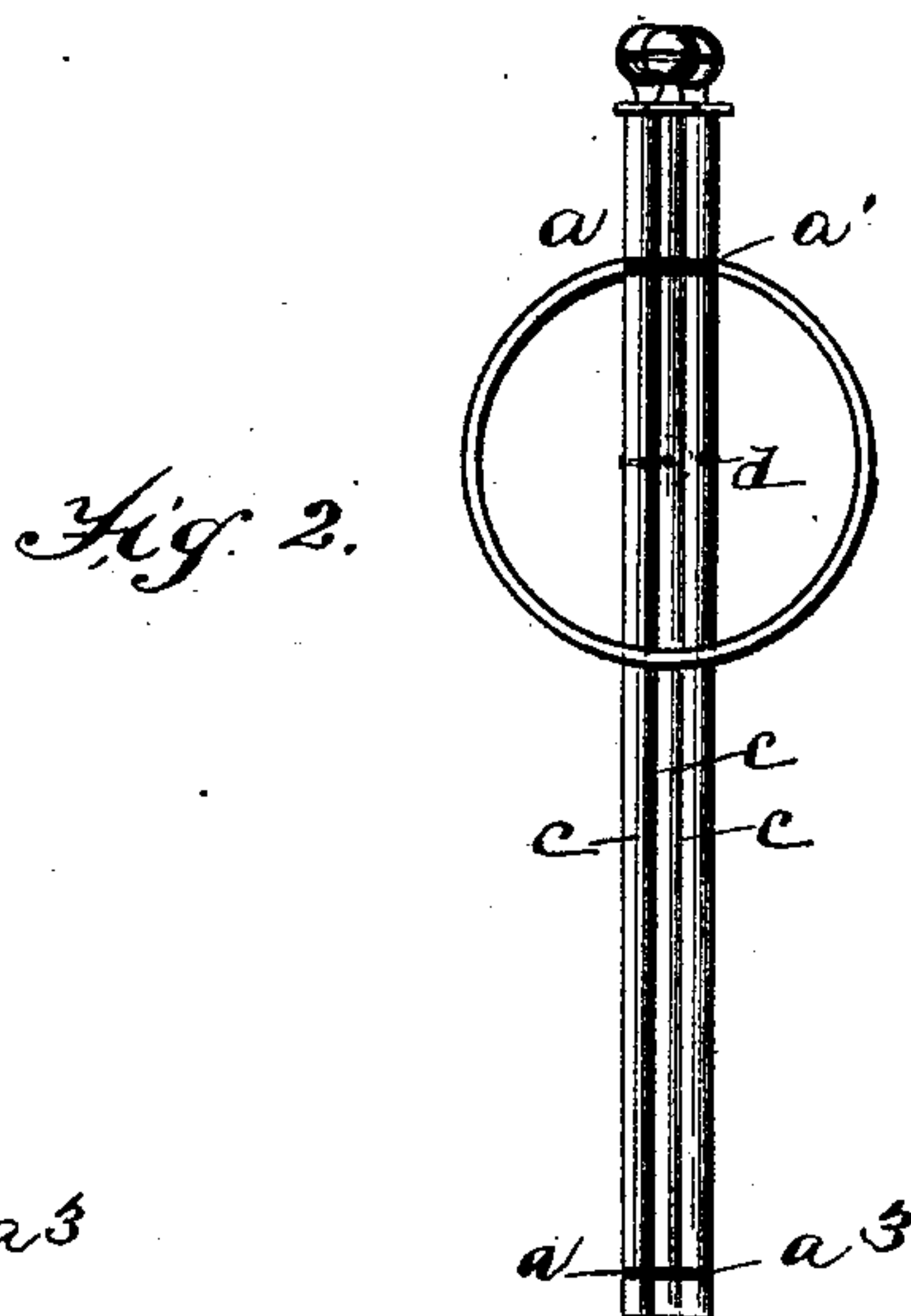
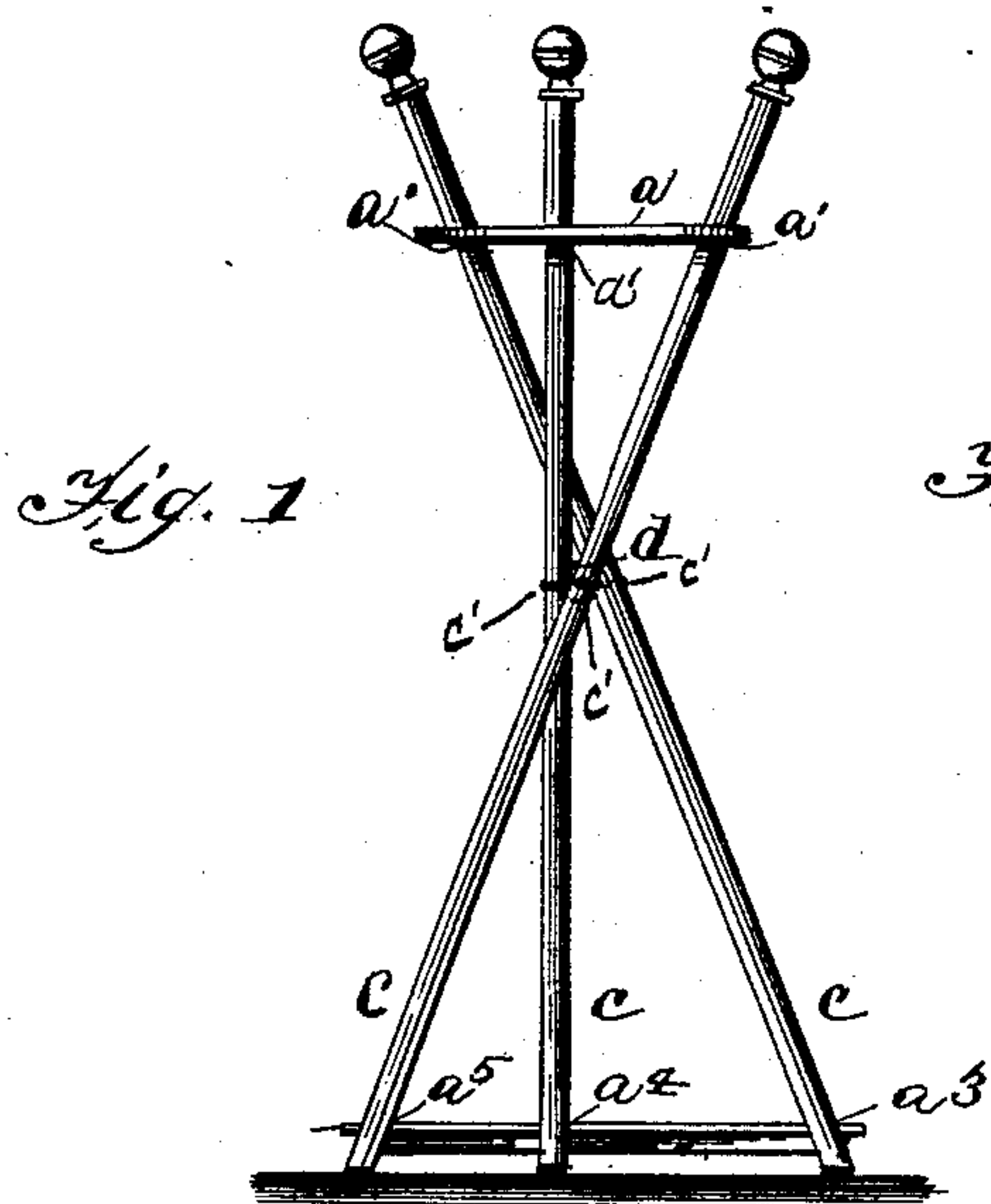


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE READ DAVIS, a citizen of Canada, residing at St. John, in the county of St. John and Province of New Brunswick, Canada, and a subject of the Queen of Great Britain, have invented a new and useful Umbrella-Stand, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in umbrella-stands; and the object of my improvement is to make a convenient and inexpensive folding umbrella-stand, so that on a wet day the stands can be set up in stores for use and when not required can conveniently be closed up and put away, taking up but very little space to store them. I attain this object by the mechanism illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a vertical elevation of an umbrella-stand embodying my improvements ready for use. Fig. 2 is a similar view showing the umbrella-stand closed when not in use. Fig. 3 shows a plan or top view of the drip-pan shown in Fig. 1, and Fig. 4 is a view of a ring for keeping the standards in position.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the several figures.

Referring to the drawings, *c c c* represent standards joined together centrally thereof by means of a ball or bearing *d*, the said standards being provided with the screws *c' c' c'* for securing them to the bearing or ball. These standards when in use are inclined outwardly in opposite directions from their central point in such manner that the lower portions thereof present the form of a tripod.

Near the upper ends and outer surfaces of the standards are cut kerfs or grooves *a' a' a'* to receive a suitable ring *a* for securing, in connection with the ball *d*, the standards together, the ring *a* being somewhat smaller than the lower ring or drip-pan *a²* for receiving the drippings of the umbrella, the lower portions of the standards having similar kerfs or grooves *a³ a⁴ a⁵* cut upon their inner surfaces to receive the drip-pan *a²*, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2 of the drawings.

It is not necessary that the ring *a* for securing the standards together at the top be hung in the upper grooves or kerfs, as it may be hung upon suitable hooks driven into the standards just below the kerfs or grooves aforesaid. The umbrellas when placed in the stand rest against the standards and ring.

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

A folding umbrella-stand composed of three legs *c c c*, united at about their center by a ball-joint *d*, each of the legs having a notch on its inner edge near the lower end and a notch on its outer edge above the ball-joint, a drip-pan provided with a flange to engage the lower notches of the legs, and a ring to spring into engagement with the upper notches to hold the stand together and to form a support for the upper ends of umbrellas placed in the stand, substantially as described.

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