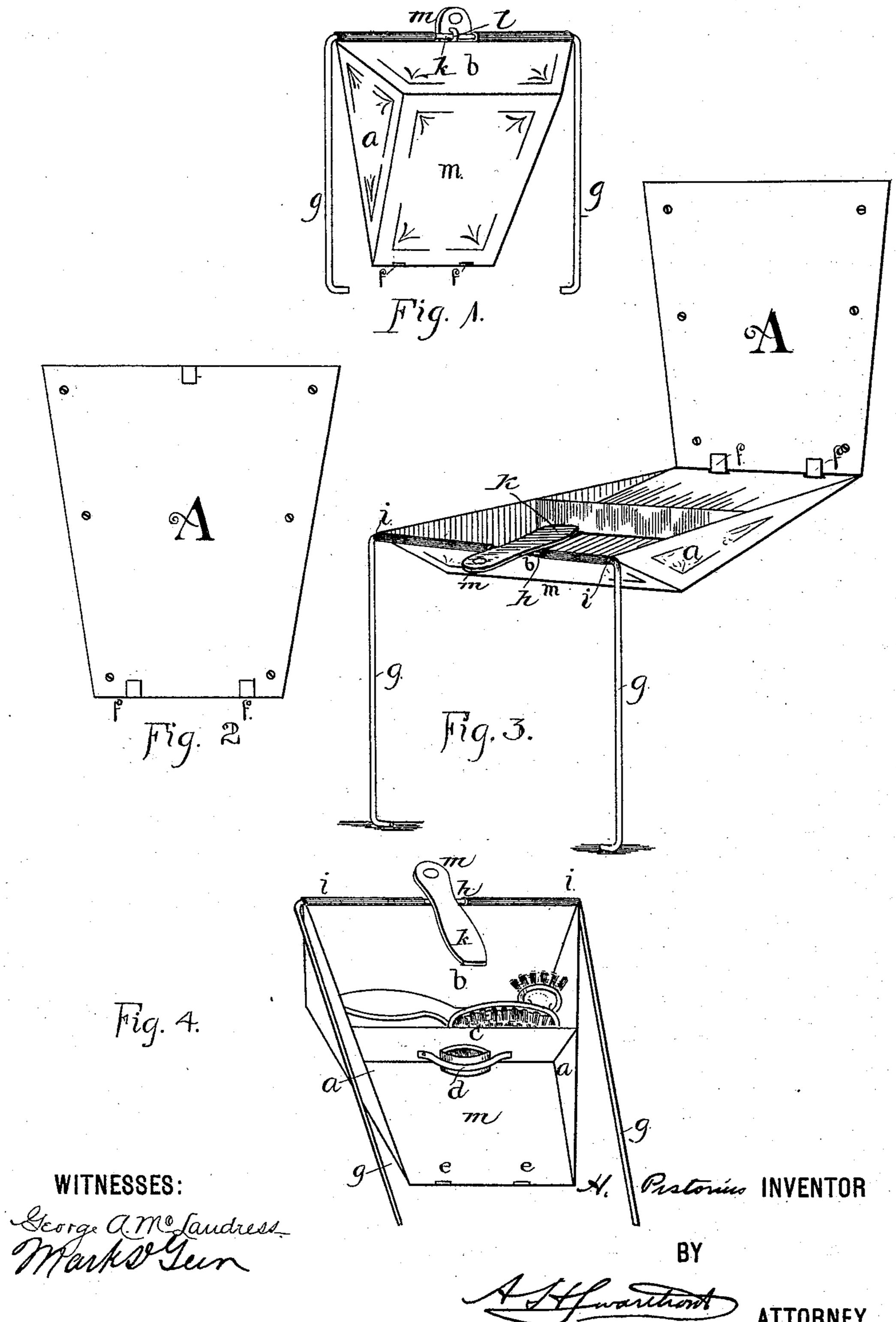
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## BOOT-BLACKING KIT.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HERMAN PISTORIUS, of Saginaw, in the county of Saginaw and State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Blacking-Cases and Dust-Receivers; 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 pertains to make and use the same.

The object of my invention is to provide a convenient and serviceable combination of a foot-rest, blacking-box, and brush-holder and dust-receiver, being a support for the foot while removing the dust and dirt therefrom and a receptacle for said dust, having apart-

ments adapted to contain the blacking-brush and box, as hereinafter described.

Figure 1 is a front view of the dust-receiver closed against the wall after use. Fig. 2 is a front view of the lid A of the dust-receiver. Fig. 3 is a view of the receiver opened up. Fig. 4 is a view of the inside of the receiver. The lid A is nailed to the wall.

e e and f f are hinges connecting the lid A to the pan m. The pan m is made the shape of an ordinary dust-pan—that is, when open or flat, one end thereof is deeper than the other, the shallow end being hinged to the lid 30 A by the hinges e e.

c is a partition across the pan at or about its middle, and has secured to it on its inner or lower side the spring d, bent nearly semi-circular, one end being secured to the partition c, the other loose, and adapted to receive

a blacking-box.

g g are supports for the receiver m when open. They may be made of a rod bent in proper shape and hinged to the end b, as 40 shown—viz., the end b projects higher than the

lid m and is bent around the rod g g, as i i. When the receiver is turned up, as shown in Fig. 1, the legs g g fold up automatically against the wall. When the receiver is lowered, the legs g g by force of gravity will 45 turn down and form a support or stop for the receiver.

k is a foot-rest secured to the outer edge of the pan, the heel of the rest protruding beyond the pan somewhat and provided with a 50 hole in the heel to engage a nail as the pan is turned up, forming a catch, as shown.

I am aware that heretofore blacking-cases have been constructed to fold up so as to form a seat and in form of a cupboard, bureau, 55 &c., and having hinged legs to support a drawer or door in a horizontal position, and that many and varied are the adjustable blacking-cases, &c. I therefore wish to limit myself to the particular device shown in the 60 drawings and described therein.

I claim—

An adjustable boot-blacking case consisting of a lid secured against a wall, a pan or dust-receiver hinged to the lower end of the 65 lid and being shallower at the hinged end and provided with apartments as described, one apartment for receiving the brush, the other provided with a spring attachment described for holding the box, and the automatically-70 adjusting supports or legs g, hinged to the deep end of the pan, substantially as described, and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed this specification in the presence of two subscrib- 75 ing witnesses.

HERMAN PISTORIUS.

Witnesses:

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