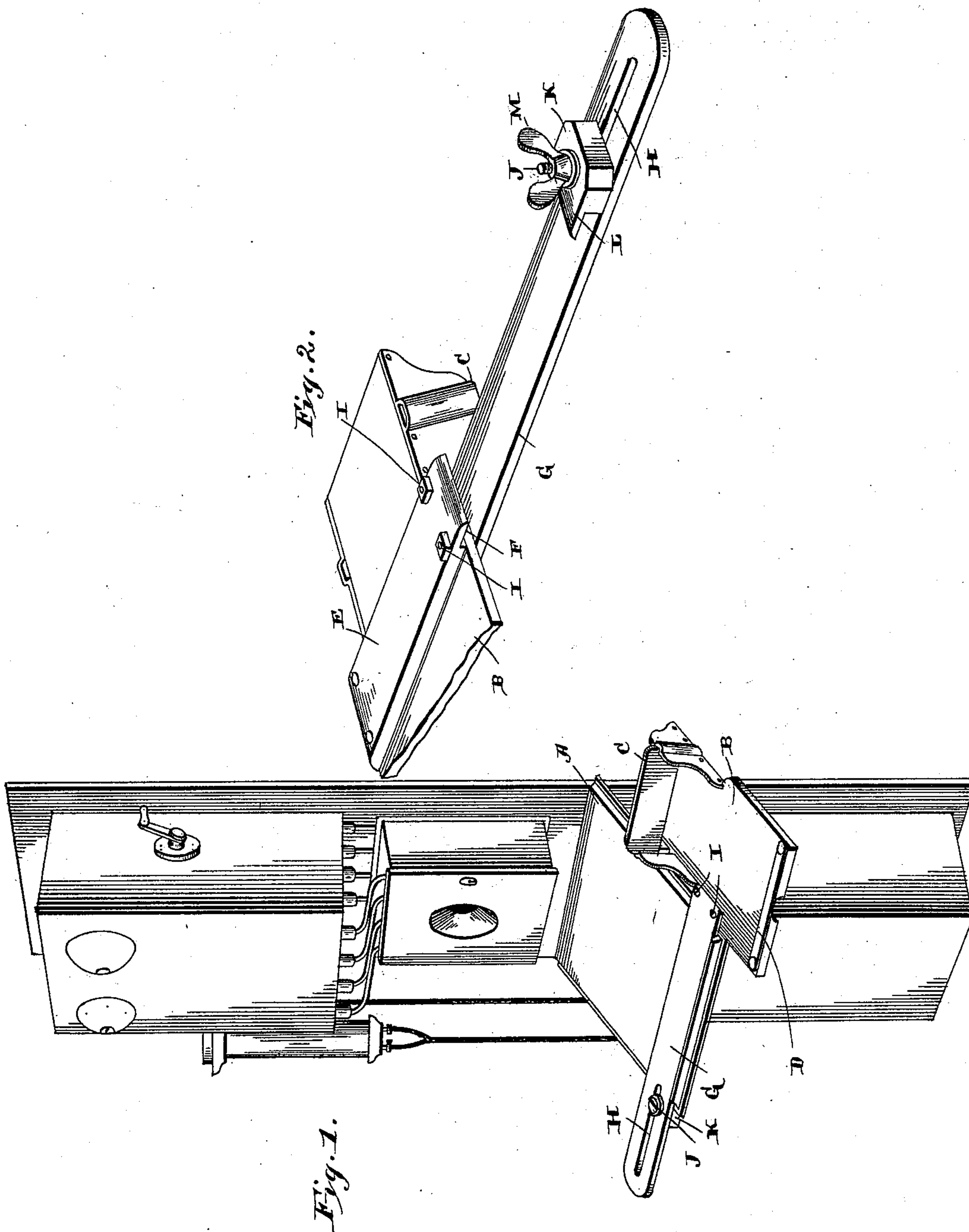


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOSEPH S. GOLD, of Columbus, in the county of Franklin and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful  
5 Improvements in a Combined Telephone Tablet and Arm-Rest; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable  
10 others skilled in the art to which it pertains to make and use it, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form part of this specification.

My invention relates to improvements in combined telephone tablets and arm rests; and it consists in the construction and arrangement of parts which will be fully described hereinafter and particularly referred to in the claims.

The object of my invention is to provide a  
20 telephone tablet that is constructed to be attached to the battery box top of telephones, and made adjustable to fit different sizes, and which is also constructed to form a support for the left arm or elbow.

In the accompanying drawings:—Figure 1 is a perspective view of my invention applied to a telephone. Fig. 2 is a detached inverted perspective view of my invention.

A represents the top of an ordinary telephone battery box, and B, the shelf of the tablet. At the upper end of the shelf B is a vertical partition C, which has its lower edge slightly above the surface of the shelf. Placed upon the upper end of the shelf above this  
35 partition C will be a roll of paper, which will pass down over the shelf and under a knife D at its lower end, thus forming a tablet to write upon, when a message is being received. After the message is received the paper is  
40 pulled down and then cut off by the lower edge of the knife as will be readily understood.

Secured to the underside of the shelf B, by means of screws is a board or plate E which  
45 has its inner end projecting slightly beyond the inner edge of the said shelf, and this projecting edge of the board E has its upper face cut away as shown at F which forms a projecting lip as shown that projects under the  
50 extending edge of the battery box lid.

A board or plate G has its inner edge secured to the upper inner edge of the shelf B,

by means of bolts I which project through the board G, the inner edge of the shelf B and the inner end of the board E that is secured to  
55 the under side of the shelf, thus securing all three of the parts securely together at this point. This board G forms a combined supporting board for the tablet, and an arm rest for the left arm of the user, as will appear  
60 farther on.

Made in the outer end of the board G, (or support) is a longitudinal slot H, through which a bolt or screw J passes, after passing through a washer that rests upon the upper  
65 face of the support. The bolt or screw J has its lower end passing through a block K, and has placed upon its lower screw threaded end a clamping thumb nut M, by means of which the block is securely held to the under side  
70 of the support in the desired adjusted position as will be understood. This block K has its inner upper edge cut away to form a projecting lip L, that extends under the adjacent projecting edge of the battery box lid. Thus  
75 it will be seen that the lips F and L, together form a jaw by means of which the shelf and support are removably attached to the battery box lid. By means of the adjustable block K, the support is adapted to be secured to  
80 battery box lids which vary in width, and which is a very essential feature, to adapt the tablet to be connected to all telephones. The support G is intentionally extended beyond the edge of the battery box top for the purpose of forming a support for the left arm or elbow of the user, which will be found very comfortable, when long messages are being taken.

By means of the above construction it will  
90 be seen that I produce a combined tablet support and arm rest for telephones which is very simple in construction, cheap to manufacture, and adapted to be applied to battery boxes of various widths.

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

1. A telephone tablet comprising a shelf, for supporting the tablet or paper, a plate secured to the under side of its inner edge and provided with a projecting edge that rests against the under side of the battery box lid, a support having its inner end secured to  
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the upper side of the shelf and resting upon and extending across the top of the battery box, and a block secured to the under side of the outer portion of the support which en-  
5 gages the projecting edge of the battery box lid, substantially as specified.

2. A telephone tablet comprising a shelf for supporting a tablet, a plate secured to its under side which engages the projecting ad-  
10 jacent edge of the battery box lid, a support having its inner end secured to the upper side of the shelf and extending across the top of the battery box, and beyond its edge to form an arm rest, and a block secured to the under  
15 side of the said support that engages the adjacent projecting edge of the battery box lid, substantially as described.

3. A telephone tablet comprising a shelf, a

plate secured to its under side which engages the projecting adjacent edge of the battery box lid, a support having its inner end secured to the upper side of the shelf and extending across the said box top and provided with a longitudinal slot, a block at the under side of the said support that engages the adjacent edge of the battery box lid, and a clamping bolt that passes through the said slot and the block for securing the latter in the desired adjusted position, substantially as set forth.

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

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