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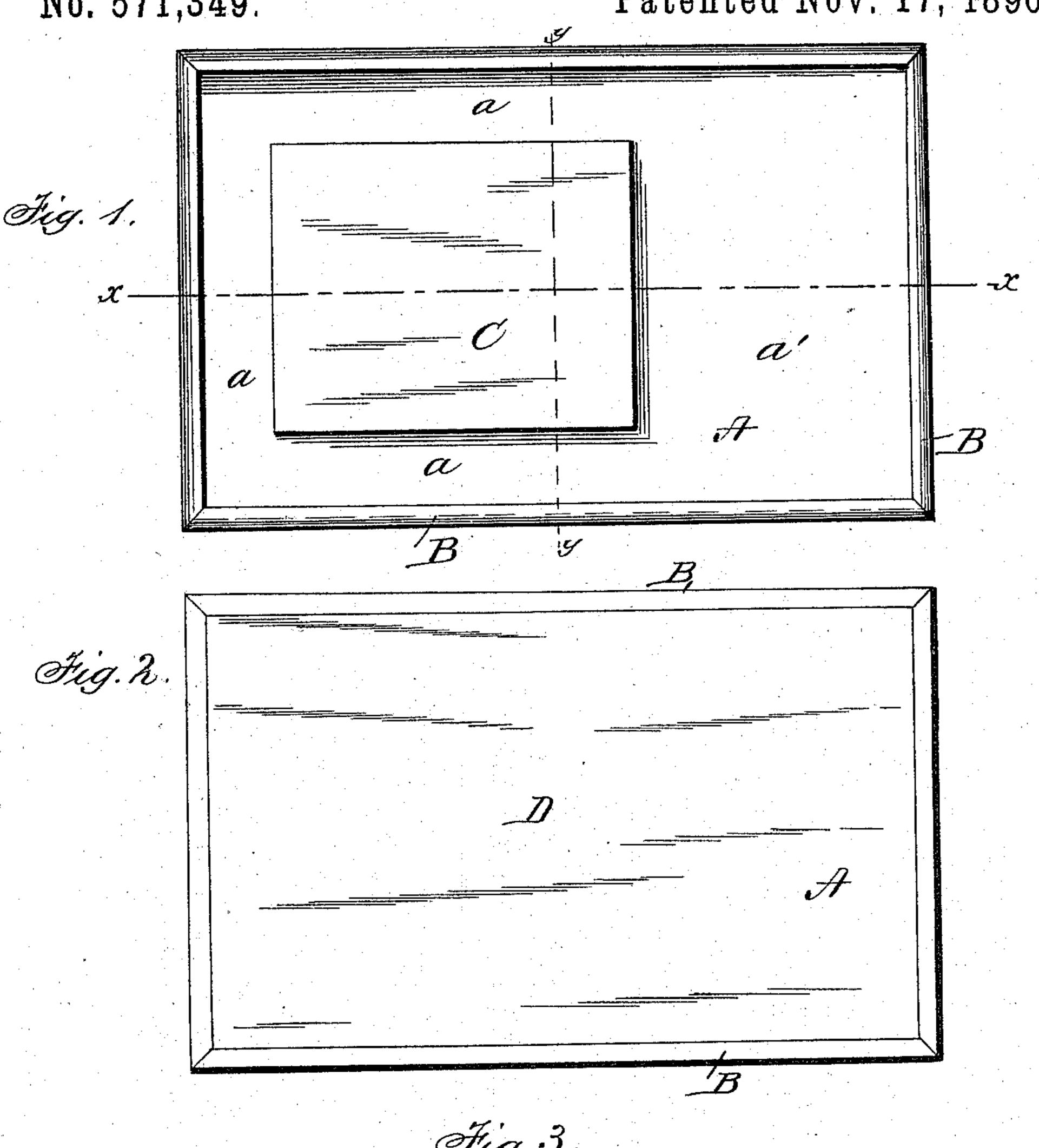


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Frank Smith Far-Quhar, a citizen of the United States, residing at Uniontown, in the county of Fayette, 5 State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in a Combined Dough-Board and Bread-Cutting Tray; 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.

My invention relates to improvements in combined dough-kneading and bread-cutting boards; and the object of my invention is to produce a cheap and serviceable article for culinary purposes having a dough-working surface and a bread-cutting surface.

The invention will first be described in connection with the accompanying drawings, and then particularly pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a top plan view of the bread-cutting surface of my device. Fig. 2 is a bottom plan view of a dough-kneading surface. Fig. 3 is a lon25 gitudinal section on line x x, Fig. 1. Fig. 4 is a transverse section on line y y, Fig. 1, showing the bread-block embedded in the main board.

Referring to the drawings, A represents a board, of pine or other light wood, preferably of rectangular shape, having a rim or flange B extending around the outer edge of the board and projecting a short distance above the upper surface of the same, thus forming a shallow tray.

C is a block of wood, preferably harder and of closer fiber than the wood composing the tray. This block is also substantially rectangular in shape and of less dimensions in contour than the tray. The back is attached to the upper surface of the tray, near one end thereof, but of sufficient distance from the rim or flange to leave a small space a between it and the flange on three sides of the block and a larger space a' on the fourth side, for purposes hereinafter described. The block may be attached to the tray by any of the well-known methods of attaching articles together, as, for instance, by screws, glue, and the like, or it may be embedded in the tray, as

shown in the section in Fig. 4. The block C projects above the face of the tray the same distance as the flange or rim B, so that the face of the block and the top of the rim lie in the same horizontal plane.

D represents the bottom of the tray or the dough-kneading surface of the board, which same presents a smooth and level surface.

The advantages accruing from my improved construction are many and obvious. When it 60 is desired to cut bread, the same is placed on the block C, and as the slices are cut off they drop into the space a' of the tray and are held therein. This space, as also the space a, holds the crumbs dropping from the bread 65 and thus prevents them from being scattered over the table and floor, which has been a great annoyance in the mode of cutting bread previous to my invention. When it is desired to knead dough, the tray or board is 70 turned face down, and by reason of the face of the block C and the top of the rim or flange being in the same horizontal plane a smooth level surface is presented to the support of the tray.

It is to be understood that I do not limit myself to the exact material of which my device is constructed or to the size and shape of the same.

Having thus fully described my invention, 80 what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Patent, is—

1. As an improved article of manufacture, a combined bread-cutting board and a dough-kneading board consisting of a board having 85 a smooth upper and lower surface, the outer edge of the board provided with a flange or rim extending entirely around the board and projecting up from the face of the same a short distance, a block attached to the upper 90 face of the board and of less dimensions than the board, substantially as described.

2. As an improved article of manufacture, a combined bread-cutter and dough-board, the same consisting of a board substantially 95 rectangular in shape and of light material, and having a flange or rim extending around its outer edge and projecting above the face of the same; a block of heavier and harder material than the board, also of rectangular 100

shape, and attached to the face of the same near one end and projecting above it, whereby a space is formed between the block and the flange; the upper face of the block lying in the same horizontal plane as the top of the said flange or rim, substantially as described and for the purpose set forth.

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

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