

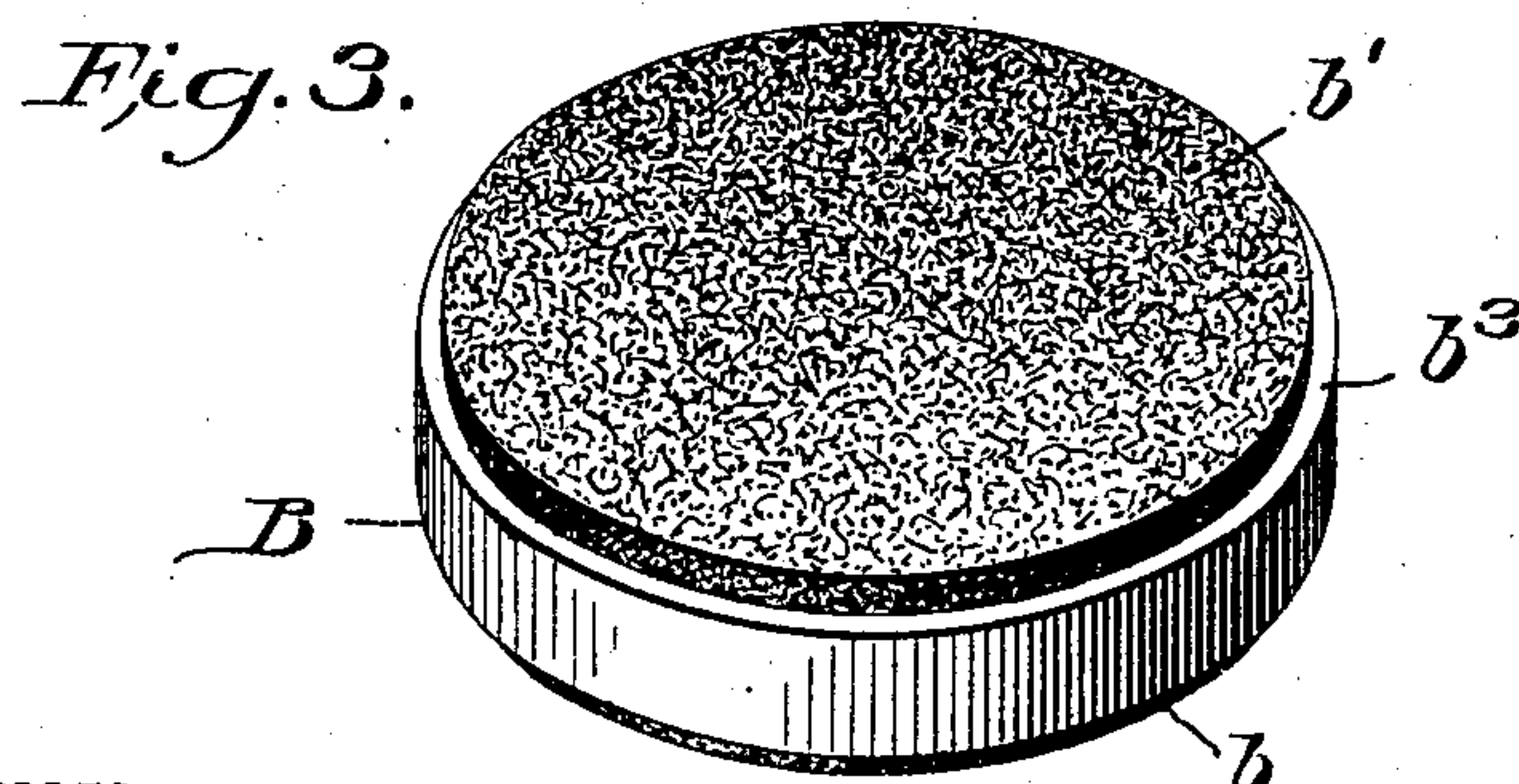
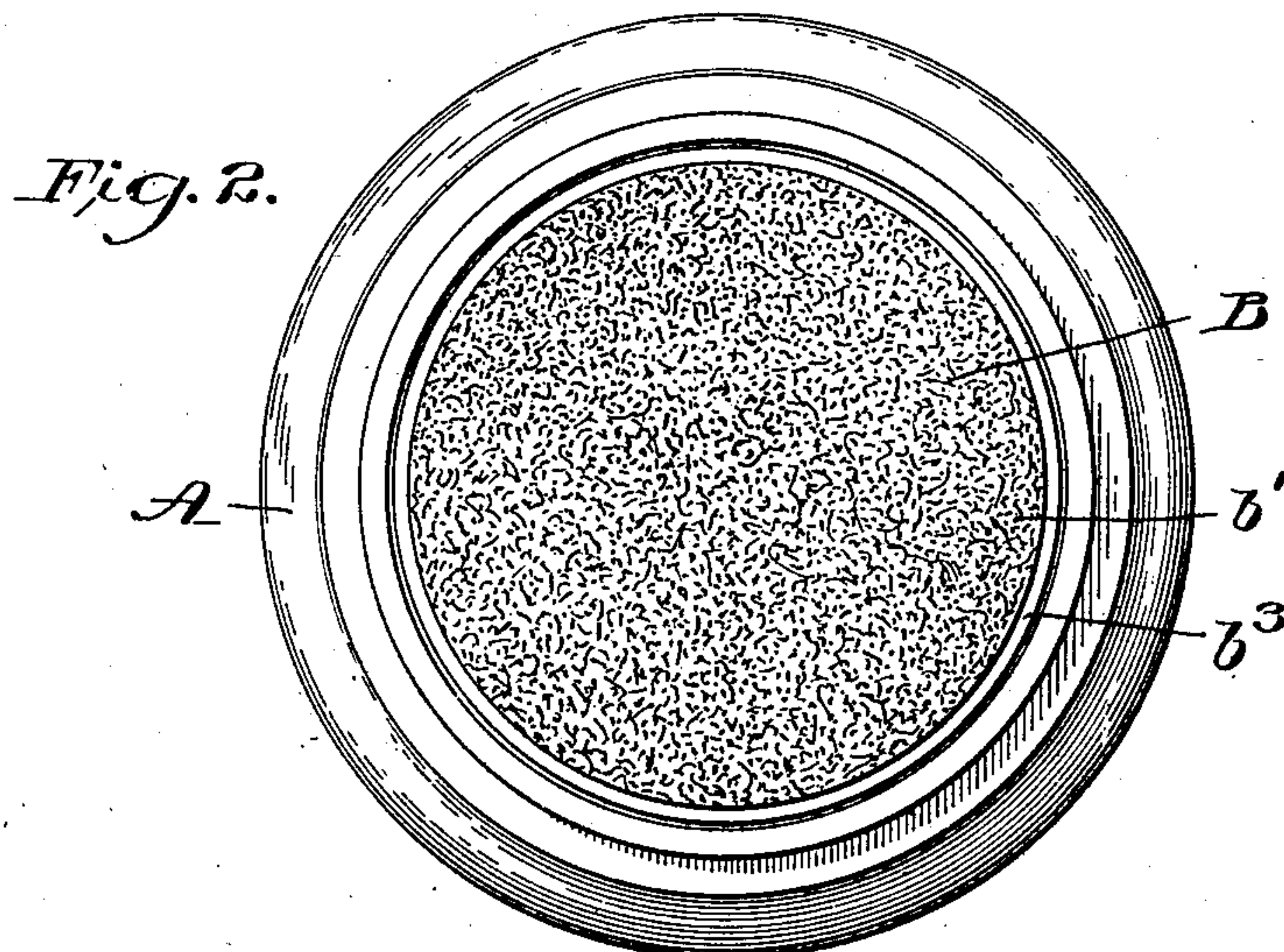
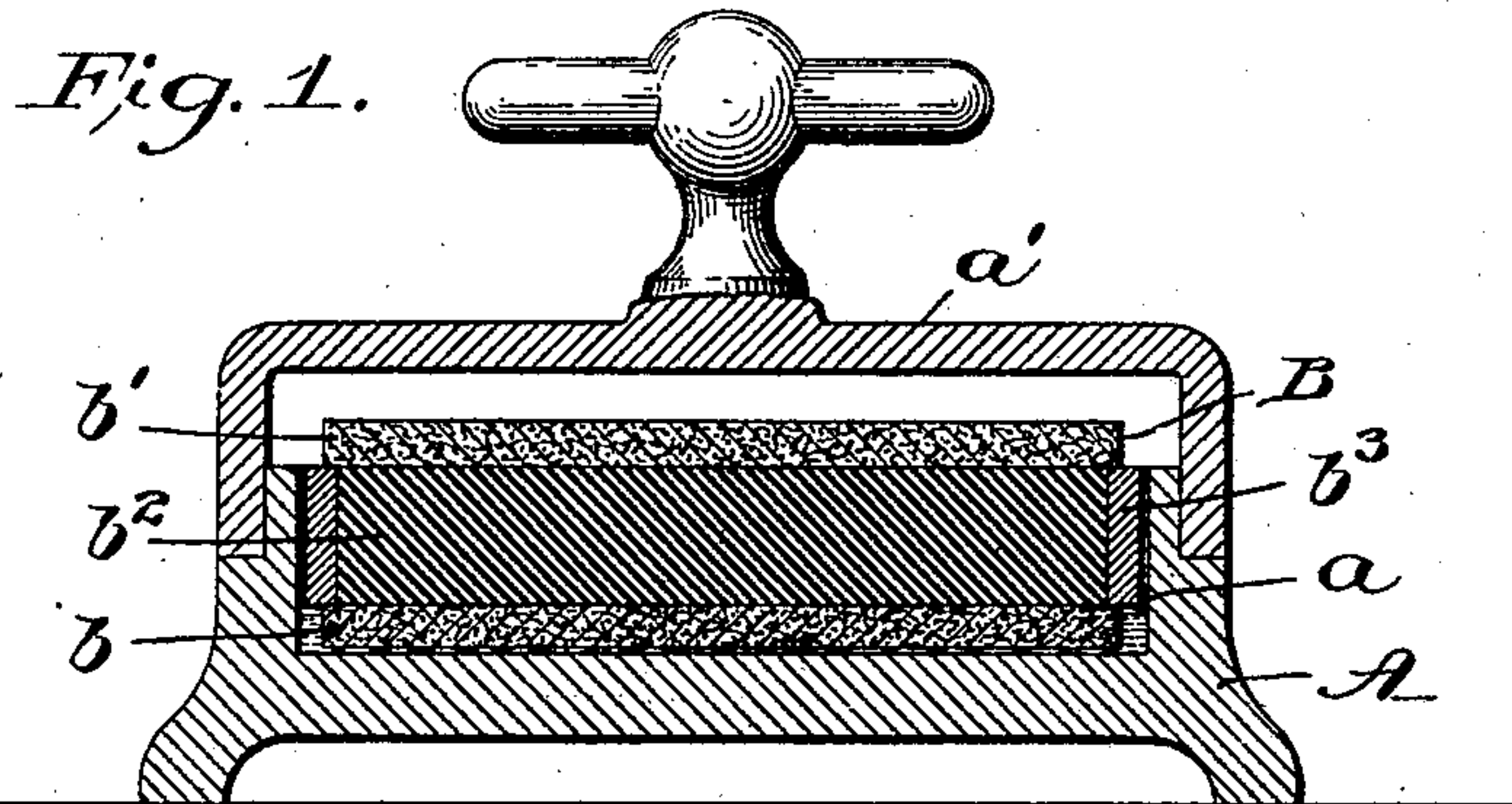
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## INKING-PAD.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, FRANCIS E. HARRISON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Ridley Park, in the county of Delaware and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Inking-Pads, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification.

This invention relates to inking-pads of the kind used in connection with rubber hand-stamps and the like, my object herein being to provide a simple and compact construction, whereby the premature drying and hardening of the ink-saturated surfaces shall be obviated and the practical efficiency of the device thereby increased and prolonged.

To this end my invention comprises a base designed to contain a softening or preservative composition in combination with a double-faced inking-pad adapted to be removably contained within the said base, whereby when one face or surface of the pad is in use the other face or surface will be subjected to the efficacious action of the composition, and whereby the pad may be reversed in the base from time to time, as desired.

The invention also includes a construction wherein a yielding substance is interposed between the two faces of the pad.

It also comprises certain details of construction, which will be hereinafter described and claimed.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a vertical section of an inking-pad embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a plan thereof with the cover removed. Fig. 3 is a separate view in perspective of the double-faced pad.

A is a base of suitable material, in which is formed a chamber *a* for the reception of the duplex pad B, and A' is a cap or cover detachably fitted to the flanged upper end of the base. The chamber *a* is preferably, though not essentially, circular in form, and the pad is correspondingly shaped, so that it may be readily applied to or removed from the same. This pad is provided with two inking-surfaces *b b'*, of absorbent material—such, for example, as felt—either of which surfaces may be confined within the chamber while the other is exposed. Preferably there is interposed between the two layers of absorbent

material a yielding substance *b*<sup>2</sup>—such, for example, as a glue and molasses composition—encircling which is a metallic band *b*<sup>3</sup> for the purpose of protecting the edge of the substance and also affording a convenient means whereby the pad may be handled.

Within the chamber *a* is contained a suitable liquid or composition—such, for example as crude petroleum-oil and oil of turpentine—as indicated at C, designed to soften and preserve the inking-surface immersed therein, to the end that when one of such surfaces is in use the underlying surface will be subjected to the action of the liquid or composition, the interposed yielding substance during the repeated pressure of the stamp upon the upper surface effecting a working of the lower surface in such liquid or composition and insuring thereby the effectual saturation and treatment of the latter surface.

The pad is reversed in the base from time to time, as convenience or need may require, to maintain its surfaces in proper working condition.

I claim—

1. In combination with a base or receptacle adapted to contain a softening or preservative composition, a reversible inking-pad removably contained in said base or receptacle, said pad comprising two surfaces of absorbent material with an interposed body of yielding substance whereby during the repeated pressure upon the upper surface attending the use of a hand-stamp, the action of the interposed yielding substance will effect a working or kneading of the lower surface in such composition, substantially as described.

2. In combination with a base or receptacle adapted to contain a softening or preservative composition, a reversible inking-pad removably contained in said base or receptacle, said pad comprising two surfaces of absorbent material with an interposed body of yielding substance, together with a band encircling said body, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto affixed my signature in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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