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Fig. 1. Fig. 4.

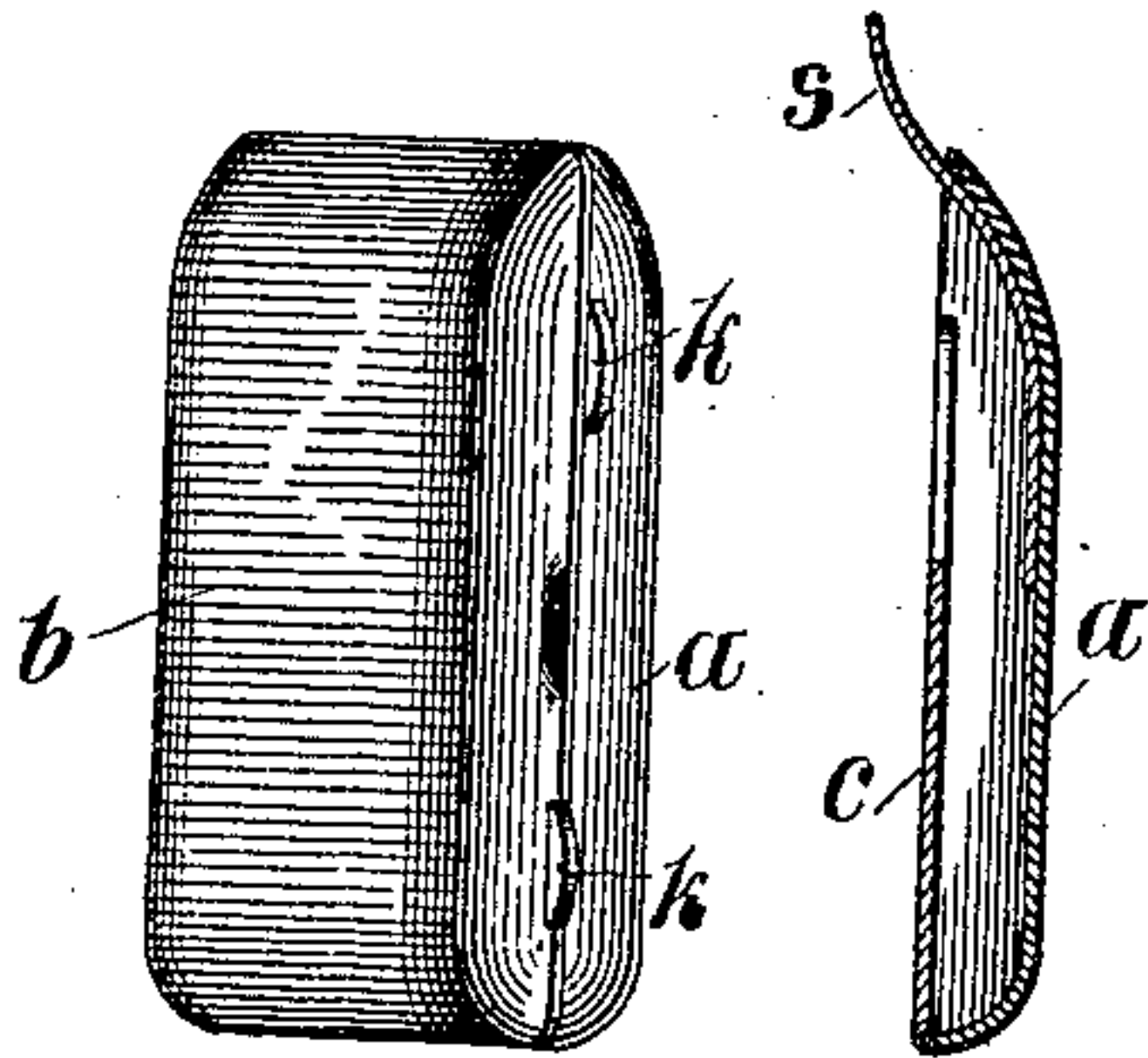


Fig. 2.

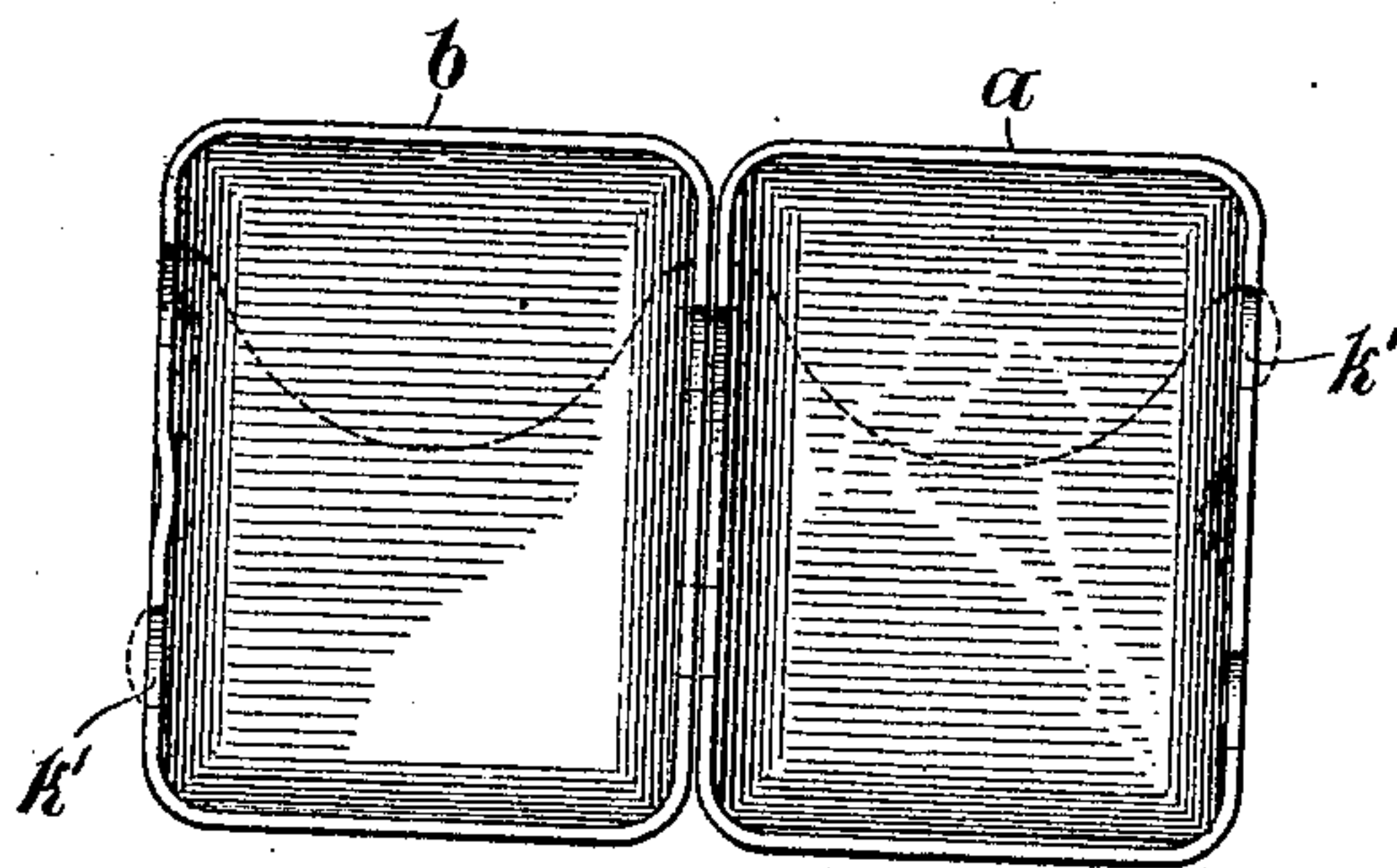
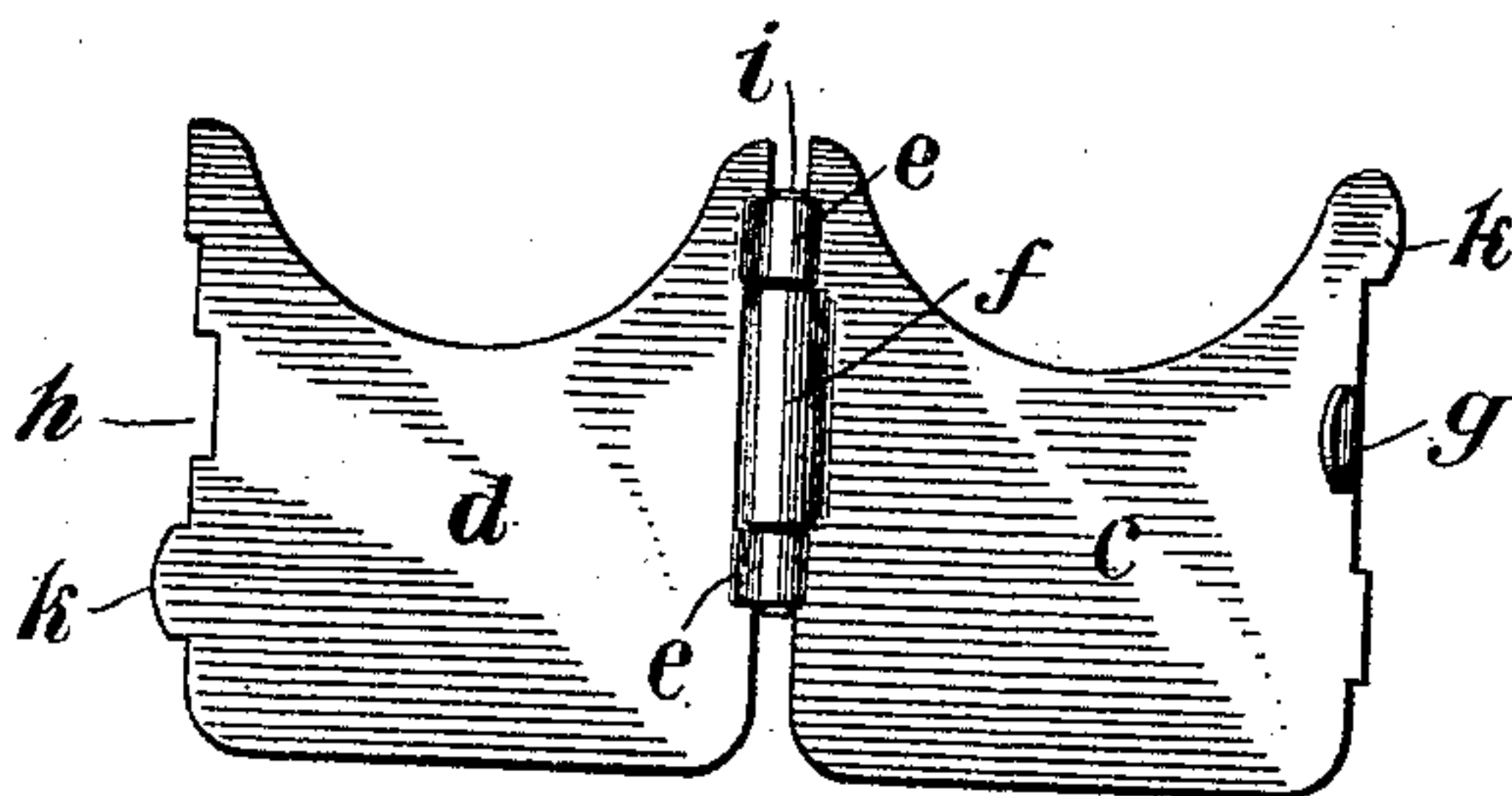


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ERNEST OLDENBUSCH, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Hoboken, in the county of Hudson and State of New Jersey, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Boxes for Postage or other Stamps, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in boxes; and the object of my invention is to provide a receptacle for postage and other stamps and similar articles of a form to be carried in the pocket without inconvenience and from which the stamps may be easily removed.

Other advantages of my improvement are cheap and simple construction, neatness, and durability.

I attain these objects by the device shown in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a view of my improved box closed. Fig. 2 is a view of the interior of the box open with the hinge removed. Fig. 3 is a view of my improved hinge open. Fig. 4 is a vertical sectional view of one side of my improved box, showing a stamp *s* projecting from the box.

Similar letters refer to similar parts throughout the several views.

On corresponding edges of the leaves or hinge-plates *c d*, which I prefer to make of sheet metal, I form the sockets *e e* and *f*, through which I pass a pintle *i*. On the outer edge of one of the hinge-plates I cut or stamp out a tongue *g*, and upon the outer edge of the other hinge-plate I cut out a socket *h*, through which the catch or tongue *g* may pass. I also provide projections *k k* to facilitate the opening of the box. Upon these hinge-plates *c d* I attach the counterpart outer shells *a* and *b*, which I make longer than the hinge-plates *c d*, so that a space will be left

at one end for the insertion and removal of the stamps when the box is opened. These outer shells may be attached to the hinge-plate by solder or by mortise and tenon, as shown. I prefer to make the corners and outer edges of the box rounding in form, and the end at which the open space is left I prefer to taper, so that the stamps may slip out of the box more easily.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim is—

1. In a device of the character described, a pair of plates hinged together, a catch on one plate adapted to engage the other plate and a pair of shells longer than the said plates and attached thereto, substantially as described.

2. In a device of the character described, a pair of plates hinged together, a catch on one plate adapted to engage the other plate, a pair of shells longer than the said plates and attached thereto, and projections on the plates extending through the shells and forming means for opening the plates, substantially as described.

3. In a device of the character described, a pair of plates hinged together, a catch on one plate adapted to engage the other plate, a pair of shells longer than the plates and attached thereto leaving a free space at one end of the shells, said shells being tapered at their open ends, and projections on the plates extending through the shells and forming means for opening the device, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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