

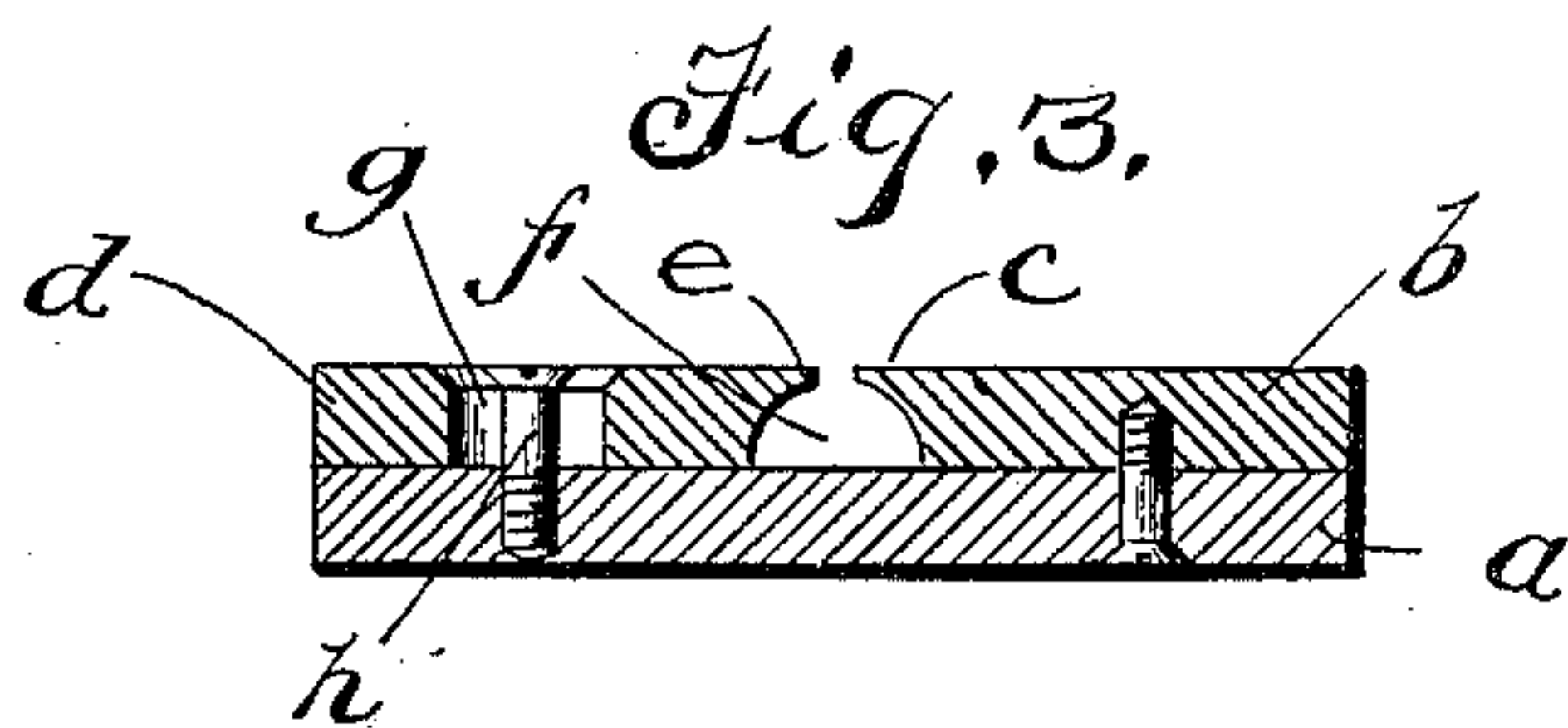
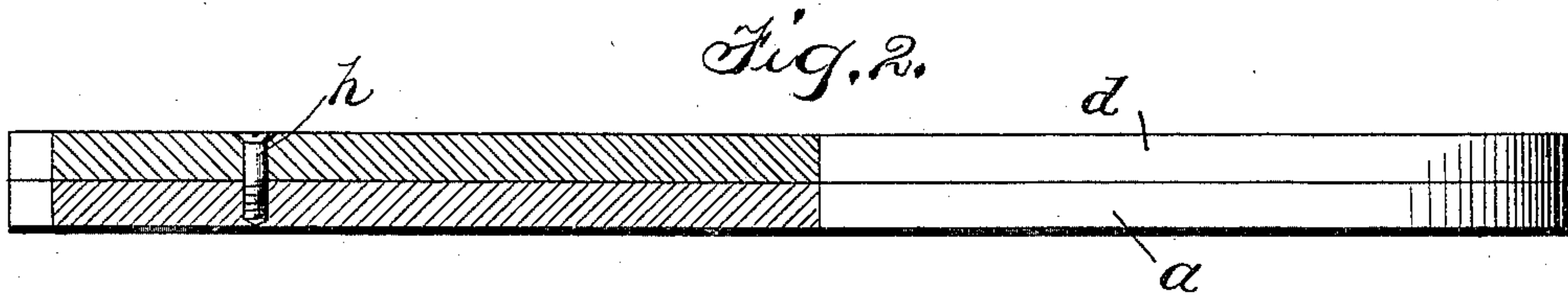
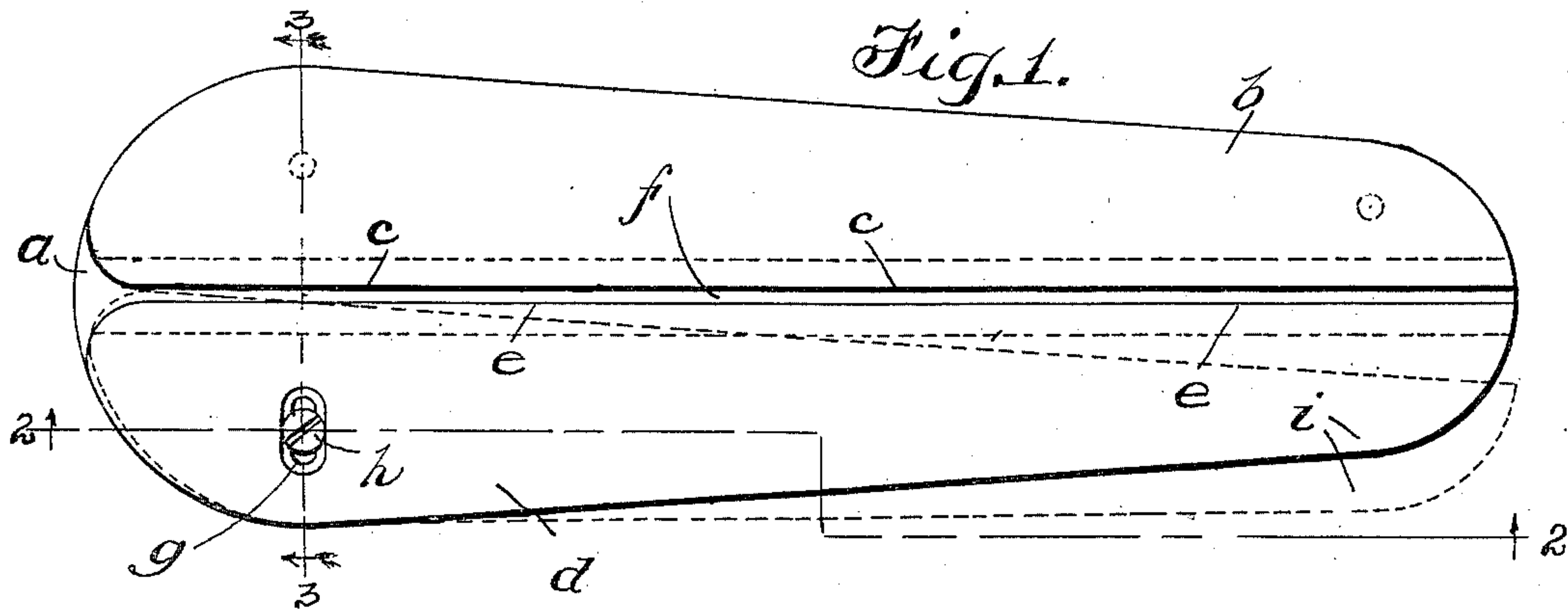
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## PRESS-BOARD.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, HARRIS GOLDBERG, a citizen of the United States, residing in the city of Chicago, county of Cook, State of Illinois, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Press-Boards, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to press-boards for tailors' use; and the object of my invention is to provide means for facilitating the ironing of coats and other garments having buttons by forming a slot or chamber in the board for receiving a plurality of buttons, so as to give a smooth ironing-surface on the opposite side of the garment. I attain this object by the mechanism illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a top view of the board. Fig. 2 is a sectional view taken on the line 2 2, Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a transverse sectional view taken on the line 3 3, Fig. 1.

Similar letters refer to similar parts throughout the several views.

Referring to the drawings, *a* represents the lower portion or base of the press-board, which consists, preferably, of wood and has any suitable outline. Rigidly secured to said base is an upper portion *b*, which may, if desirable, be formed integral with said lower base portion *a*. As best shown in Fig. 1, said upper portion *b* of the base covers approximately one-half of said lower portion *a* and corresponds in outline to said lower portion. By preference the inner edge *c* of said upper portion *b* extends along the center of the lower portion *a* and is undercut at said inner edge, as clearly shown in Fig. 3. The adjustable leaf *d* is similar in configuration to the said upper portion *b* and is also cut along its inner edge *e* in such a manner that when taken in conjunction said parts *b* and *d* form a slot or groove *f*, extending along the central portion of the board, for receiving the buttons of the garment. The said leaf *d* has the slot *g*, extending transversely therein, preferably near one end thereof, for receiving the shank of the screw *h*. Said screw is adapted to penetrate said slot and be secured in the lower portion *a* of the board. Said slot *g* is countersunk, so that the head of said screw shall not project above the surface of the leaf *d*, and said parts are assembled in such a manner that the leaf *d* may slide upon

said lower portion *a* of the base toward and from the upper portion *b*. The extremity *i* of the said leaf *d* opposite to the slot *g* is free to move upon the lower portion *a* toward and from the portion *b*, the screw *h* acting practically as a retaining-pivot, whereby the parts *a* and *d* are secured together. By this construction the edge *e* of the leaf *d* may be adjusted to within any desired distance of the edge *c* of the upper portion *b*.

In the operation of my invention the leaf *d* is withdrawn from proximity to the upper portion *b*, and the garment to be ironed is placed upon the press-board in such a manner that the buttons in any one row occupy a position within the slot *f*. The part *d* is then moved up as closely as possible to the board *b*, with the result that a smooth surface is presented on the garment for ironing, the buttons occupying a position within the said chamber *f* and being therefore out of the way.

An advantageous feature of my press-board is that the buttons may be inserted into the slot *f* at one end of the board and moved along so as to be withdrawn at the other end thereof, thereby rendering possible a continuous progression of the garment along the board in the same direction.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A press-board having a base portion, an upper fixed portion, and an adjustable leaf secured to said base portion, said fixed and adjustable parts having undercut edges extending throughout their length thereby forming a slot or groove open at both ends.

2. In a press-board the combination of a base, an upper fixed portion secured thereto, an adjustable leaf forming a counterpart to said upper fixed portion, and a pivot located near one extremity of said adjustable leaf whereby said leaf is revolvably secured to said base, said fixed portion and said adjustable leaf being undercut along the adjacent edges to receive the buttons of a garment, said undercut edges extending the entire length of the press-board to thereby form a slot open at each end.

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