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Fig. 1.

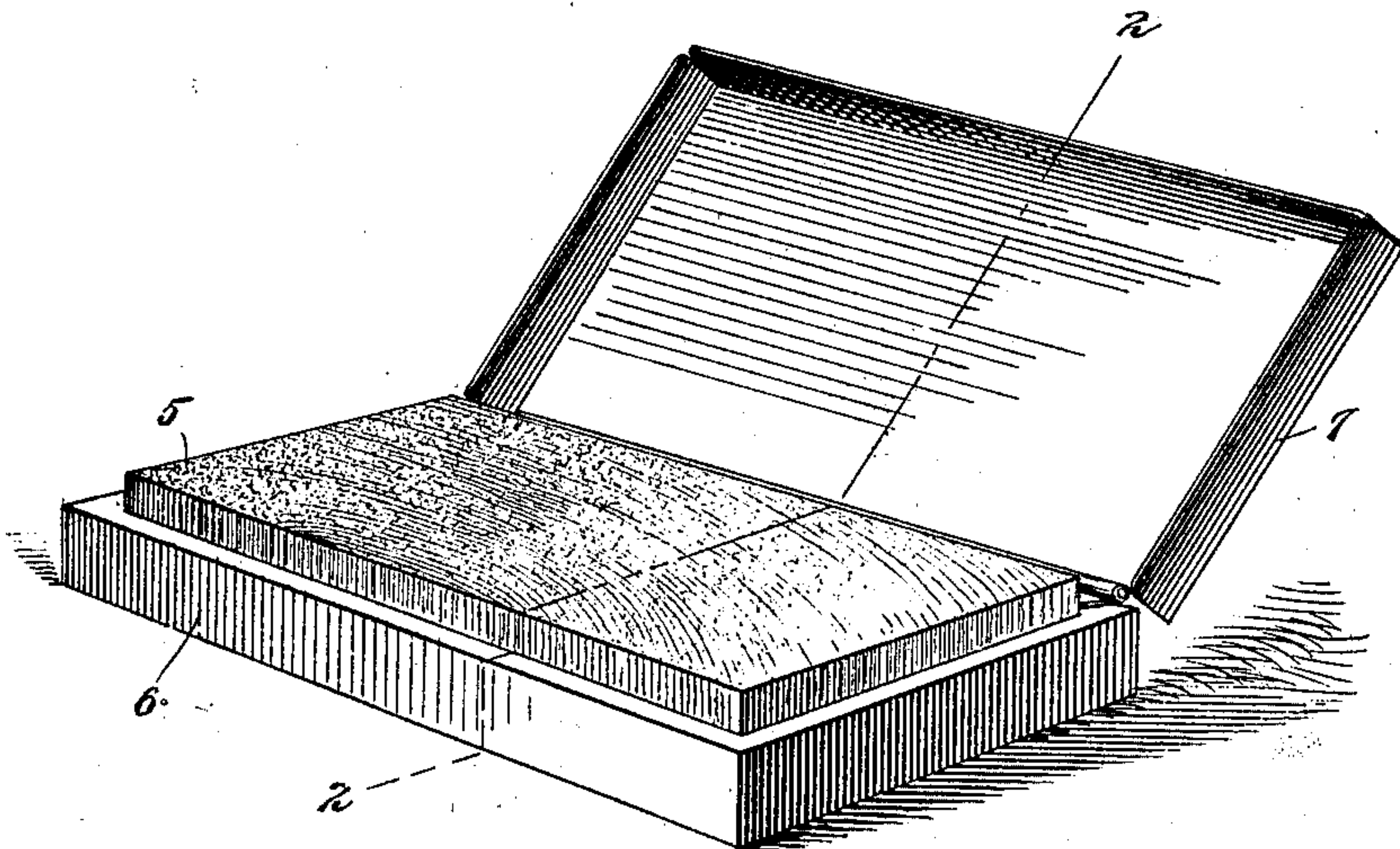
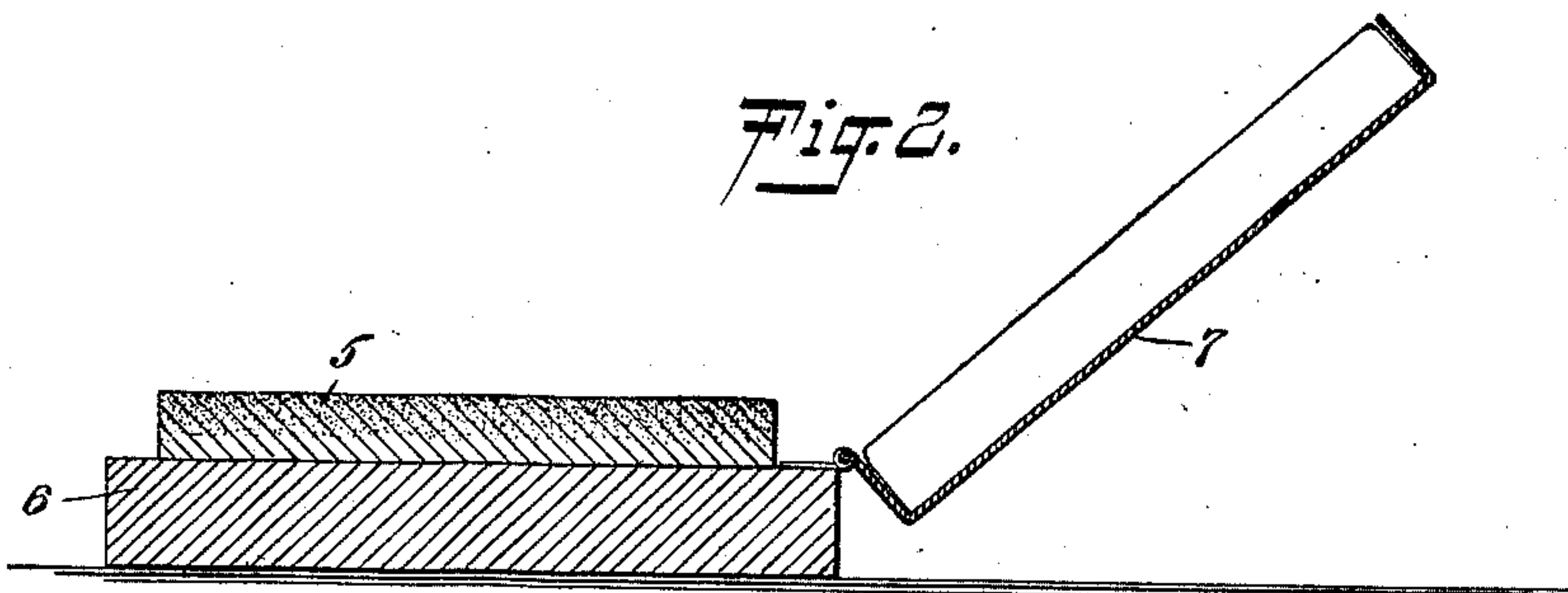


Fig. 2.



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## STAMP-PAD.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, EDWARD GRAHAM WOODY, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of New York, borough of  
5 Manhattan, in the county and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Stamp-Pad, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to improvements in  
10 stamp or ink pads. With the usual form of stamping-pad constructed of felt or other textile it is well known that at certain times, especially in warm weather, a considerable and unnecessary quantity of ink rises to the sur-  
15 face, which is due to "sweating," and consequently too much ink is taken up by the stamp, resulting in a blurred and imperfect impression. It is the object of my invention to obviate the usual difficulties by providing  
20 a pad in which a practically uniform surface thickness of ink will be at all times maintained.

I will describe a stamp-pad embodying my invention and then point out the novel fea-  
25 tures in the appended claims.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures.

30 Figure 1 is a perspective view of a stamp-pad embodying my invention, and Fig. 2 is a section on the line 2 2 of Fig. 1.

The pad consists of a slab or block of wood  
5, having an open grain, so as to readily ab-  
35 sorb ink. I find basswood well adapted for

the purpose. The pad has a roughness imparted by the saw in severing the slab from a larger block, as I find that such a surface serves to hold the ink evenly distributed. To prevent any possible warping of the pad, 40 I may secure it by any suitable means to a base 6, of hard wood or other material not liable to warp. I have here shown the pad as provided with a hinged cover 7; but this may be omitted without departing from the  
45 spirit of my invention.

The pad 5 is to be thoroughly impregnated with ink, which by capillary attraction will gradually rise to the surface; but as there is practically no heat in the wood the ink will  
50 not be forced up in undue quantities by sweating.

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

1. A stamp-pad consisting of an unyielding  
55 absorbent material impregnated with ink and having a rough surface, substantially as specified.

2. A stamp-pad, consisting of open-grain  
60 wood impregnated with ink and having a rough surface, substantially as specified.

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

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