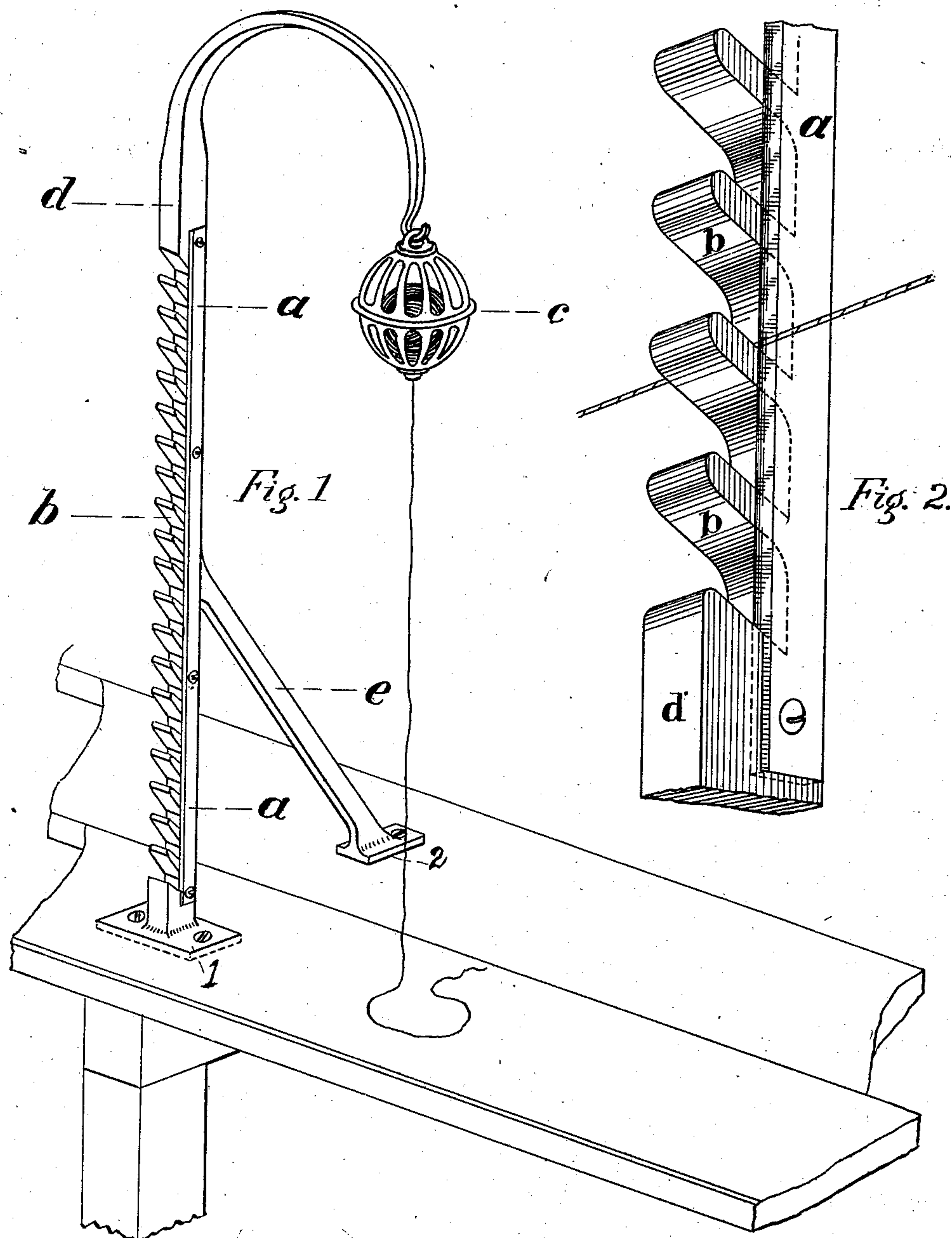


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSEPH WILLIAM MOSS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Matteawan, in the county of Dutchess and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Twine-Cutting Devices, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in twine-cutting devices, and more particularly to those intended for use in stores and other departments, the object being to provide a convenient and inexpensive device of this character wherein the cutting-blade is protected, so that all danger from accidental hurt is obviated, as well as providing a suitable device which may be used by persons of different heights and one which will sever the cord at any reasonable length desired by the person tying the package.

My invention consists, primarily, of a notched or recessed standard which may be attached to the counter, desk, or wall, as preferred, the standard having a knife-blade or other suitable cutting means removably inserted therein, the projecting walls of the notches extending beyond the cutting edge in order to prevent accidental hurt. The standard preferably serves as a support for a cord or twine receptacle of any suitable kind.

My invention further consists in certain other novel features of construction and combinations of parts, such as will be more fully described hereinafter, and particularly pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the preferred form of my invention, and Fig. 2 is an enlarged detail view of a portion of the standard with the knife-blade set thereinto.

d represents the standard, provided with a base-plate 1 and a brace *e*, which extends at an angle to the standard and is provided with a base-plate 2, lying in the same horizontal plane as base-plate 1, both base-plates being attachable to any suitable support. The standard *d* is provided with a series of notches, as shown at *b b*, the projecting portions, walls, or divisions of which are inclined upwardly at an angle to the body portion of the standard. The side wall or face of the standard, including the inclined walls of the notches,

is recessed, and this recess is adapted to receive a knife-blade *a*, set thereinto and removably secured to the standard by means of screws or other fastening devices. This knife-blade is provided with a cutting edge which is located next to or adjacent the side face of the standard and extends for a short distance over the inclined notches, as shown in Fig. 2. The upper free end of the standard is bent over or curved, as shown, and is provided with a hook adapted to support a cord or twine receptacle *c*; but it is obvious that the upper end of the standard might be formed in such a manner as to support a roll of twine or cord and that the knife-blade might be inserted in a slot between the inclined notches rather than to one side thereof.

The method of operation is simple and easily ascertained. The operator may either tie the package and sever the cord afterward or he may cut off such a length of cord as he desires and then tie the package. The inclined walls of the notches facilitate the cutting of the cord or twine, as they operate to bring the cord against the sharp cutting edge of the knife-blade.

It is obvious that the knife-blade may be removed for resharpening when desired.

It is evident that other slight changes might be made in the form and arrangements of the several parts described without departing from the spirit and scope of my invention, and hence I do not wish to limit myself to the exact construction set forth; but,

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

1. A cord or twine cutter comprising a standard having a notched face, a cutting means secured to the standard, the cutting edge protected by the notched face of the standard, a cord or twine receptacle supported by the standard, the notches facilitating the severance of the cord or twine.

2. A cord or twine cutter comprising a standard having a notched face, the walls of the notches being inclined, a cutting device secured to the standard adjacent the notched face, the inclined walls extending beyond the cutting edge and a cord or twine holder supported by the standard.

3. A cord or twine cutter comprising a

standard having a notched face, the walls of the notches being upwardly inclined, the side face adjacent the notched face being recessed, a knife-blade removably secured in the recess, the cutting edge of the knife-blade lying next to or adjacent the standard, the inclined walls of the notched face extending beyond the cutting edge to protect the latter.

4. A cord or twine cutter comprising a standard, a base-plate secured to the standard, a brace attached to the standard, a base-plate on the brace in horizontal alinement with the base-plate on the standard, the standard provided with a notched face, the walls of the notches being inclined, the side face of the standard adjacent the notched face being recessed, a knife-blade removably re-

ceived in the recess, the inclined walls extending beyond the cutting edge, and a cord or twine holder supported on the standard. 20

5. A cord or twine cutter comprising a standard, spaced projections extending outward from the standard and a stationary cutting means secured to the standard adjacent the projections, the projections extending beyond the cutting edge of the aforesaid means to serve as a guard therefor. 25

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

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