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Fig. 1.

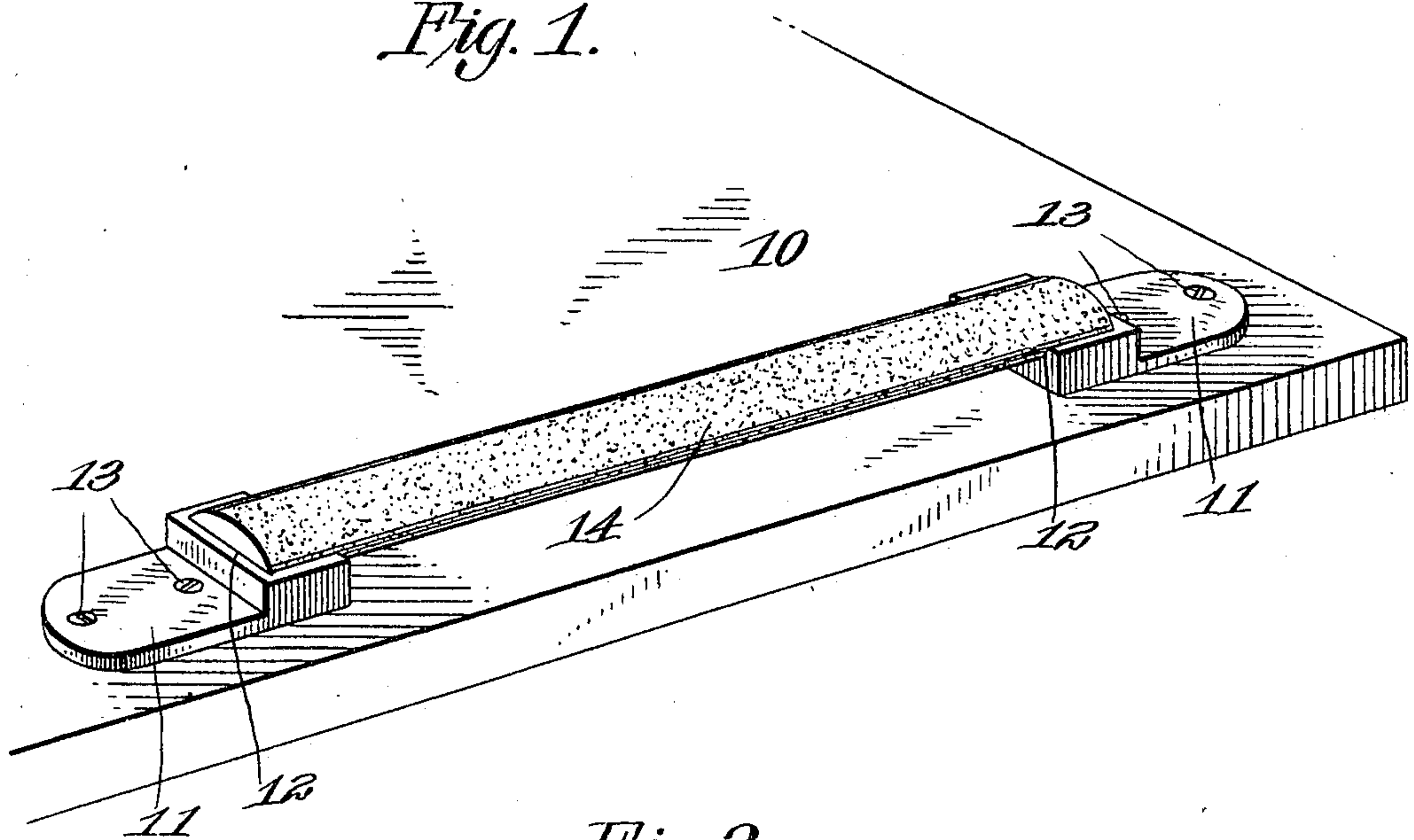
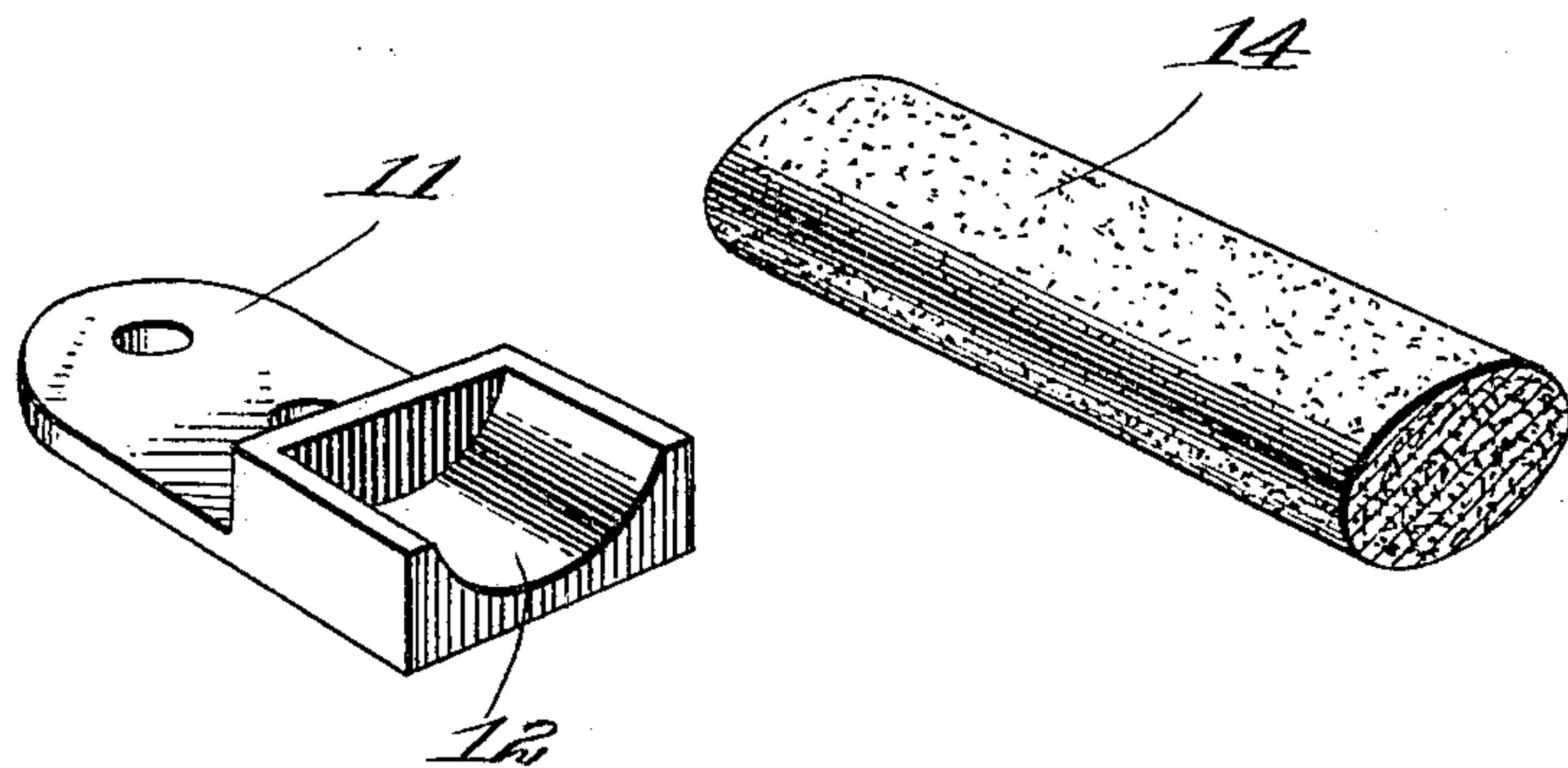


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LAWRENCE WINLOCK CRUCE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Marion, in the county of Crittenden and State of Kentucky, have invented a new and useful Knife-Sharpener Support, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to devices for supporting knife-sharpener in convenient positions for use and from which the sharpener member can be quickly detached when not required, and has for its object to simplify and improve the construction and produce a supporting device for the sharpener which may be attached to a supporting-body, such as a kitchen-table or similar structure, and to which the sharpener may be quickly attached when required and from which it may be removed when not in use.

With this and other objects in view, the nature of which will be better understood as the invention is better understood, the invention consists in certain novel features of construction, as hereinafter shown and described, and specified in the claim.

In the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, is shown the preferred form of the improved device, and in which corresponding parts are denoted by like designating characters; but it will be understood that the invention is not necessarily limited thereto, as various changes and modifications may be made therein without departing from the principle of the invention or sacrificing any of its advantages, and the right is therefore reserved of making all the changes which may fall within the scope of the invention and the claim made therefor.

The improved device is designed for use more particularly in kitchens and similar localities for supporting sharpening means for carving, paring, and similar knives and will be attached to some structure in the kitchen, such as a table or the like, and for the purpose of illustration is shown thus applied.

Figure 1 represents a portion of a table in perspective with the improved device in position thereon. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of one of the attachments and a portion of the sharpening member detached.

The improved device consists of two plates having means, such as screw-apertures, for attachment to the support and each with an upwardly-opening socket for the sharpening member, so that when the plates are positioned upon a table or other support with the

sockets facing each other and spaced apart the length of the sharpener member the latter will rest in the sockets and be supported therein by gravity.

The table 10 may be of any size or form and the plates 11, in one end of which the sockets 12 are formed, secured thereto by screws 13, this arrangement permitting the plates to be moved to and from each other, thus to adjust them to a sharpening member of any length. As is well known, owing to carelessness hones or stones such as are used in kitchens for sharpening purposes are frequently broken, and owing to the construction of the supports a short length of the stone cannot be supported, so that when broken it is generally cast aside as useless. With the support of the present invention adjustment may be effected to support a stone of any length, thereby resulting in a saving to householders and the utilization of what would otherwise be lost.

The sharpener member 14 may be of any required shape, and the sockets will conform to the ends of the sharpener, so that when the latter is positioned in the sockets it will be supported with sufficient firmness and steadiness to prevent displacement when the knife is whetted over it in the action of sharpening.

When not required, the sharpener can be quickly detached and stored for further use, if required. By this simple means the sharpener is at all times in position for use if it is desired to leave it upon the socket-plates, or it can be placed thereon only when required for use.

The knife-sharpener usually employed in kitchens are flat oval in transverse section, and when the device is constructed for that form of sharpener the sockets will be formed to correspond, and when other forms of sharpeners are employed the socket portions will be modified to correspond.

It will be observed that by the structure herein described and shown a very simple, convenient, and easily applied and operated device is produced which will fulfil all the requirements claimed for it and is admirably adapted for the purposes set forth herein.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed is—

The combination with a sharpening-stone, elliptical in cross-section, of a support therefor comprising a pair of disconnected plates provided with means for independent at-

tachment to a suitable support thereby to
permit of adjustments to and from each
other to accommodate a sharpening-stone of
any length, each plate being provided with a
5 socket conforming in shape and adapted to
receive the terminals of the sharpening-stone,
the coaction between the stone and the sock-
ets being such that the former will be per-
mitted slightly to turn thus to accommodate

itself to the different angular positions as- 10
sumed by the knife when being sharpened.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as
my own I have hereto affixed my signature in
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