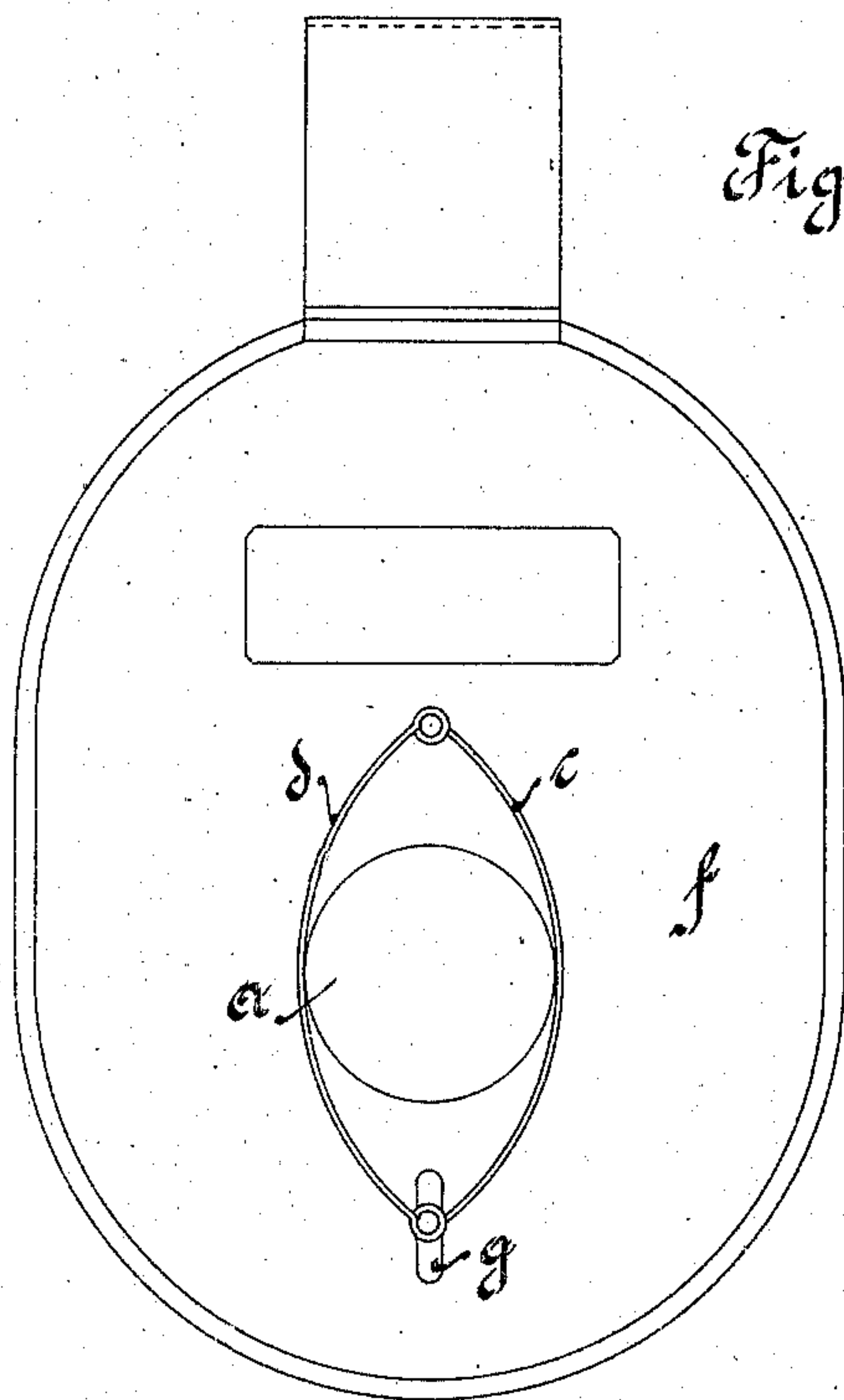
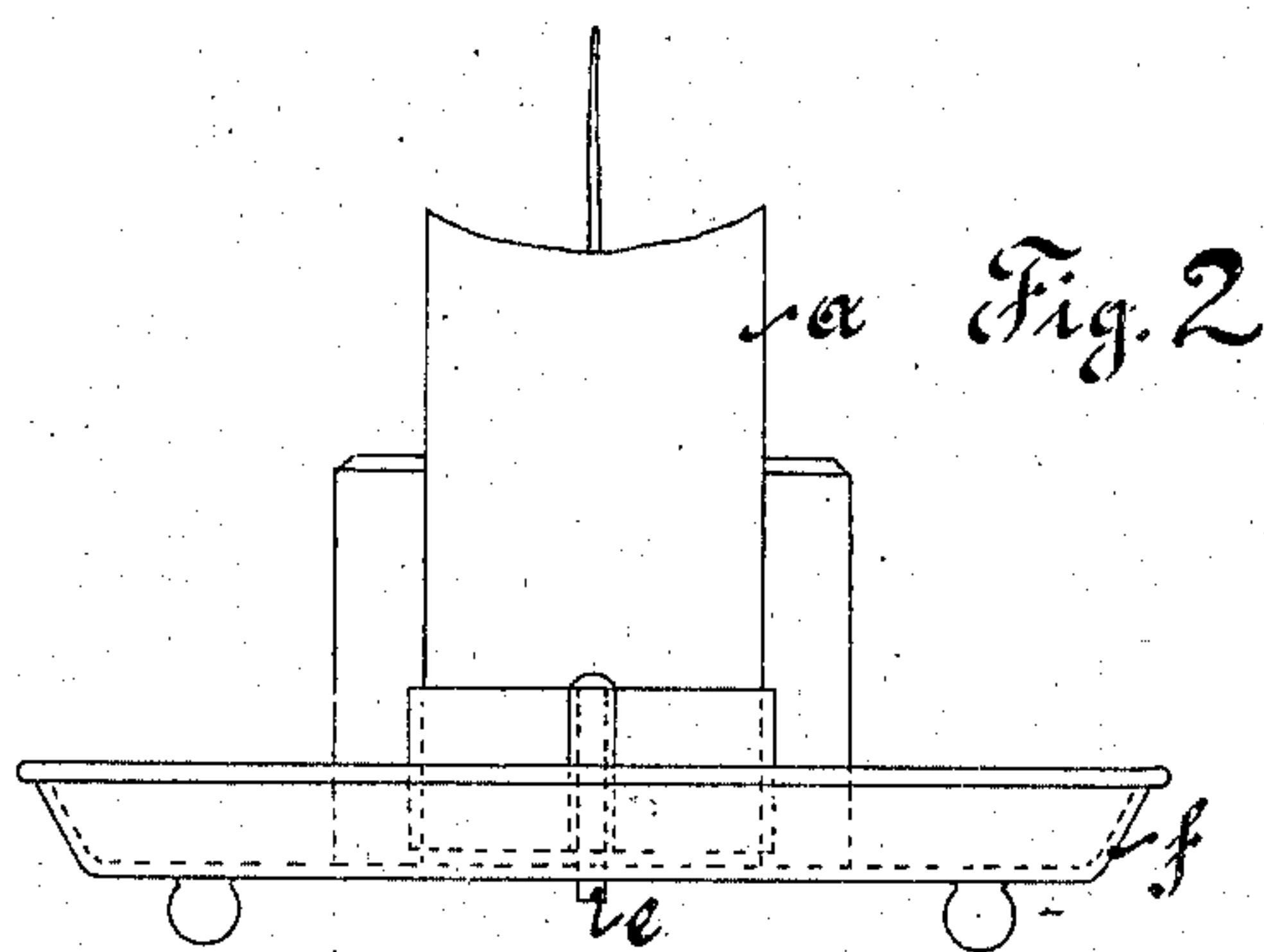


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, HERCULAN TARTSCH, engineer, a subject of the King of Prussia, German Emperor, residing at 7 Mühlenberg, Königsberg, Prussia, Germany, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Candle-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

My present invention has reference to candle-holders of the kind in which the candle is secured between two spring-acting metal strips pivotally connected to each other, so as to be able to use candles of any thickness with this candle-holder.

According to my invention the metal strips, which are preferably linked to each other by hinge-like connection, are securely fixed to a base-plate of the candle-holder at one end of the hinged part, while the pin of the other end of the hinged part of the metal strips, which are preferably made of steel, is guided in a slot of the base-plate. By this means a very low candle-holder for any desired thickness of candles is obtained, which can be packed for shipment without difficulty, and which shows the additional advantage as compared with candle-holders of other modes of construction that the consumed candle when the narrow metal strips which are pressed against each other do not find a sufficient resistance any more is extinguished by the snapping together of the narrow metal strips, while at the same time the movable pin of the hinge moves along the above-mentioned slot. Thus the new candle-holder may be regarded as a combination of candle-holder and extinguisher. Besides, the said slot serves as a guide and prevents the springs from being stretched too much and from breaking when pressed together.

Figure 1 shows in top plan view and Fig. 2 in side view a table-candlestick as constructed according to the new principle.

In the figures, *a* designates the candle with the wick *b*. *c* and *d* are the two narrow strips of metal, preferably made of steel and pivotally connected to each other by hinge-like connection and swinging on a pin *e*, one of which is securely attached to the base-plate *f*. *g* is a slot in the plate *f*, in which slot the movable hinge-pin *e* of the metal strips *c* and *d*, which are linked together, is displaceably guided in such a manner that the narrow strips of metal when there is no candle upon the ends of the hinged part are able to assume an entirely or almost completely stretched position upon the plate *f*. As a result of this arrangement the narrow metal strips *c* and *d* in view of their being linked and hinged together will suddenly be laid flat upon each other as soon as the candle does not present a sufficient resistance to the gripping and snatching the wick *b* of the candle *a* will put out the light entirely.

Having now particularly described the nature of my invention, I declare what I claim is—

In a candle-holder the combination of two spring-acting metal strips, pins at the ends of said strips, the said strips being connected to each other by hinge-like connection around said pins, a base-plate, one of the said pins being attached to the said base-plate, a slot in the said base-plate, the second one of the said hinge-pins being displaceable in said slot, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand in presence of two witnesses.

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