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Fig. 1.

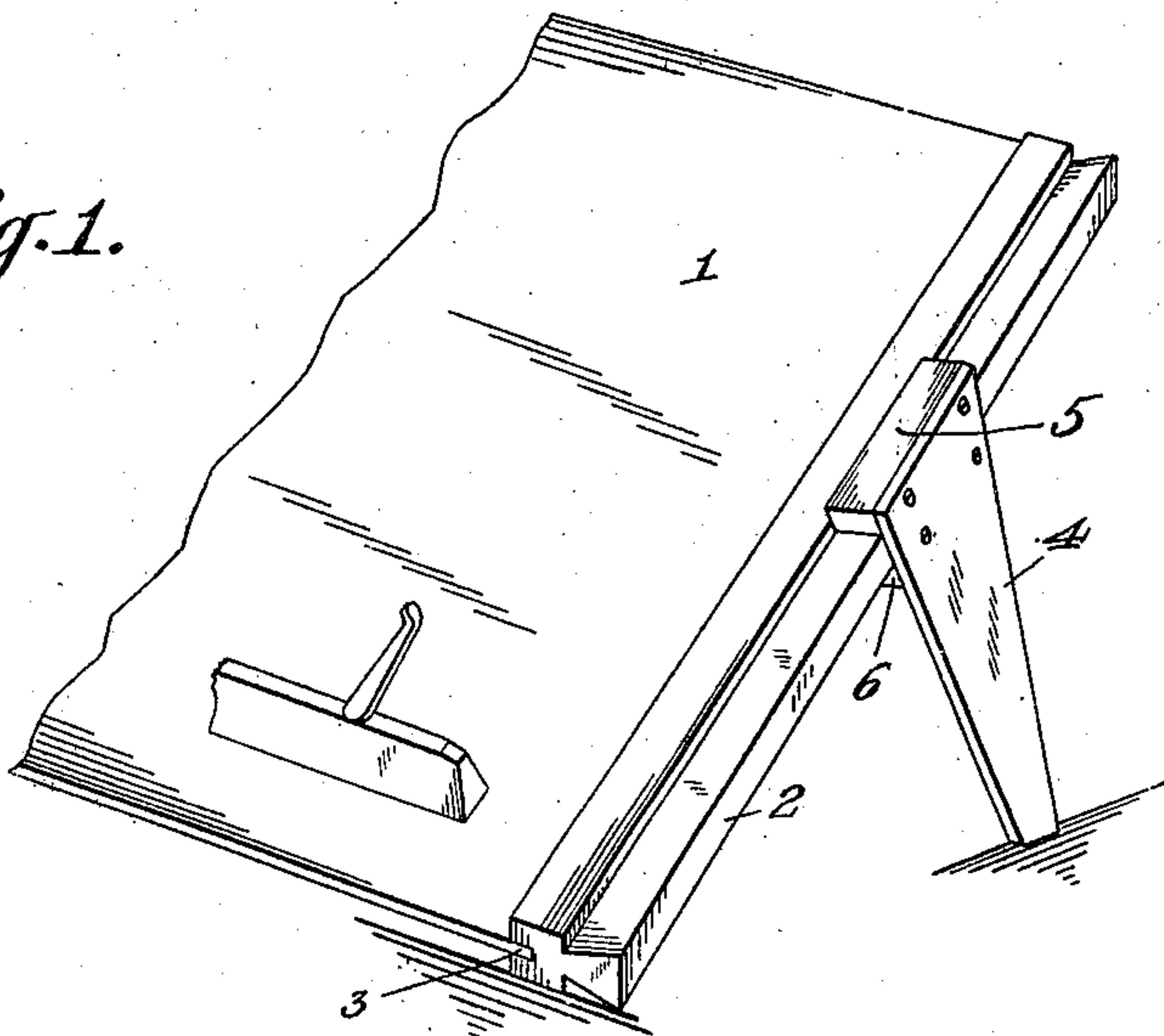


Fig. 2.



Fig. 3.

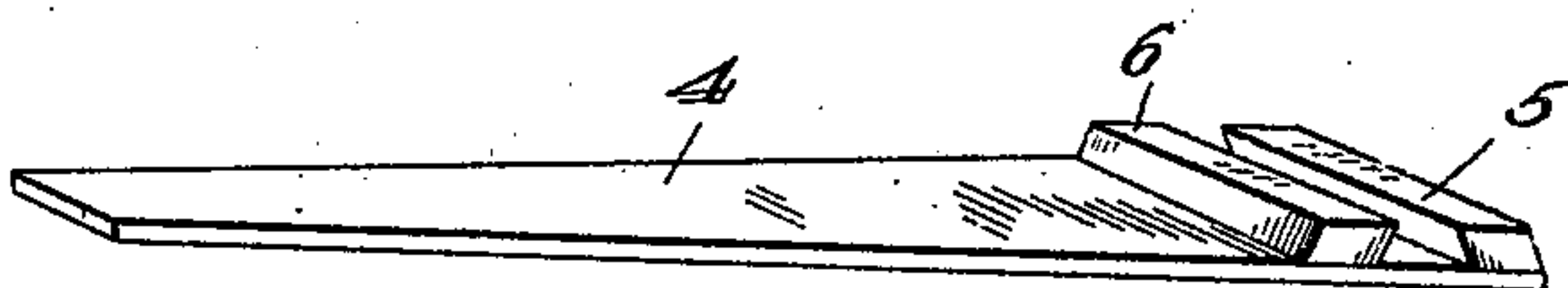


Fig. 4.

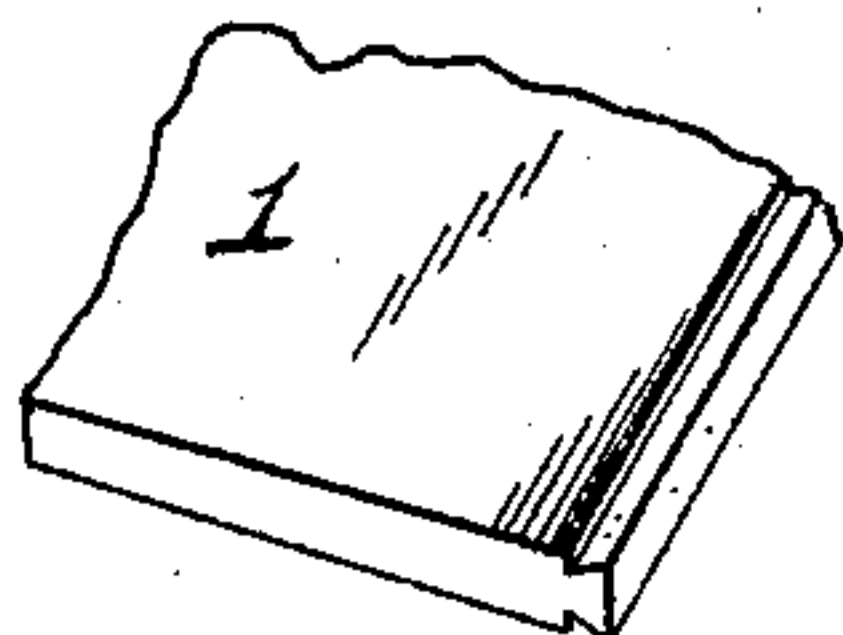
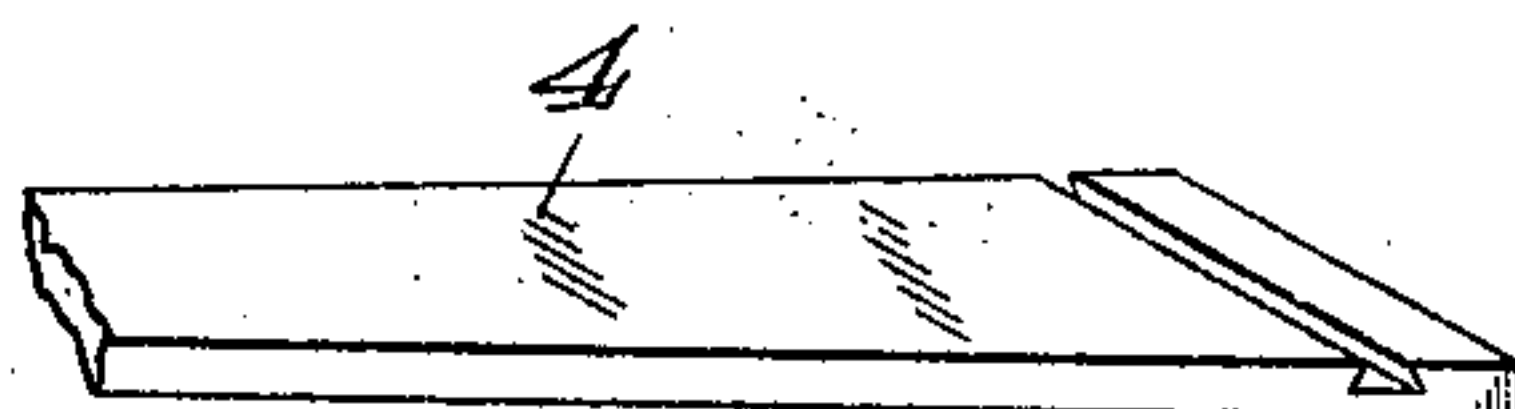


Fig. 5.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ARTHUR ENGLEFIELD, a subject of the King of Great Britain and Ireland, and residing at Longford, near Gloucester, England, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Book-Rests and the Like, of which the following is a specification.

My present invention relates to supports for books, drawing-boards, and the like, and has for its object the construction of a support which will be simple and efficient in operation and inexpensive to manufacture.

A further object of my invention is to provide a rest for drawing-boards, periodicals, books, and the like which will support them on a flat surface, such as a desk or table, at a suitable angle for the work in hand, or where a sloping desk or table is employed the rest may be adjusted to a horizontal position.

The invention comprises a support or rest for a book or other object constructed in any desirable form and of any suitable material. One side of this support is provided with a dovetail fillet which is engaged by a suitable bracket having a groove or channel formed therein. The groove or channel is adapted to receive the dovetail member and is of a size to permit the dovetail member to slide freely therein for the purpose of adjusting the support.

I will now proceed to describe my invention with reference to the accompanying drawings and then point out the distinctive features of my invention in the annexed claims.

Figure 1 is a view in perspective of my improved rest or support. Fig. 2 is an end view of the dovetailed fillet which is attached to the work-supporting member. Fig. 3 shows a form of bracket which I employ and the method of forming the groove for the reception of the dovetailed member. Fig. 4 shows a modification of the support 1, in which the edge of the support is dovetailed and the supplemental dovetailed member thereby dispensed with. Fig. 5 is a modified form of bracket in which the groove or channel is formed in the bracket parallel with the upper edge thereof.

Like reference-numerals refer to like parts throughout the specification.

1 is a support for a book or the like, herein shown in the form of a parallelogram, which may be made of wood or any other suitable material.

Attached to one side of the support 1 is a dovetailed fillet or member 2, of wood or any suitable material, which is held in position by means of a groove 3, formed in one side thereof and into which the end of the support 1 fits snugly.

4 is a bracket of any suitable material and form, but preferably of triangular form.

Secured on one side of the bracket 4 by means of screws or the like I provide a pair of cleats 5 and 6, which are located at a point near the upper edge of the bracket and parallel therewith. A sufficient space is left between the cleats to form a groove or channel to receive the dovetail fillet 2 and permit the bracket to be moved to and fro on the member 2.

In the present showing I have described the dovetailed member 2 as being independent of the support 1 and attached thereto; but, if desired, the edge of the support 1 may be rabbeted to be inserted in the groove of the bracket 4. The cleats 5 and 6 on the bracket 4 may be dispensed with and a groove or channel formed in the bracket itself and parallel with the upper edge thereof to receive the dovetailed member 2.

When it is desired to employ my improved rest, a drawing-board or other support formed or provided with a dovetailed portion on one of its edges is attached to a bracket, as described, and by sliding the bracket the board is adjusted to the proper angle for the purpose desired.

Having thus described my invention, the following is what I claim as new therein and desire to secure by Letters Patent:

1. In a device of the character described, the combination of a book-supporting member, a dovetailed member having a groove on one side adapted to receive one edge of said book-supporting member and an arm having a groove adjacent to and parallel with one end thereof, said groove being adapted to receive said dovetailed member for the purpose described.

2. In a device of the character described, the combination of a supporting member, a dovetailed member suitably secured to one

edge of said supporting member and an arm having a groove adjacent to and parallel with one end thereof, said groove being adapted to receive said dovetailed member
5 for the purpose described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention I have signed my name, in

presence of the subscribing witnesses, this 7th day of December, 1905.

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