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Fig. 1.

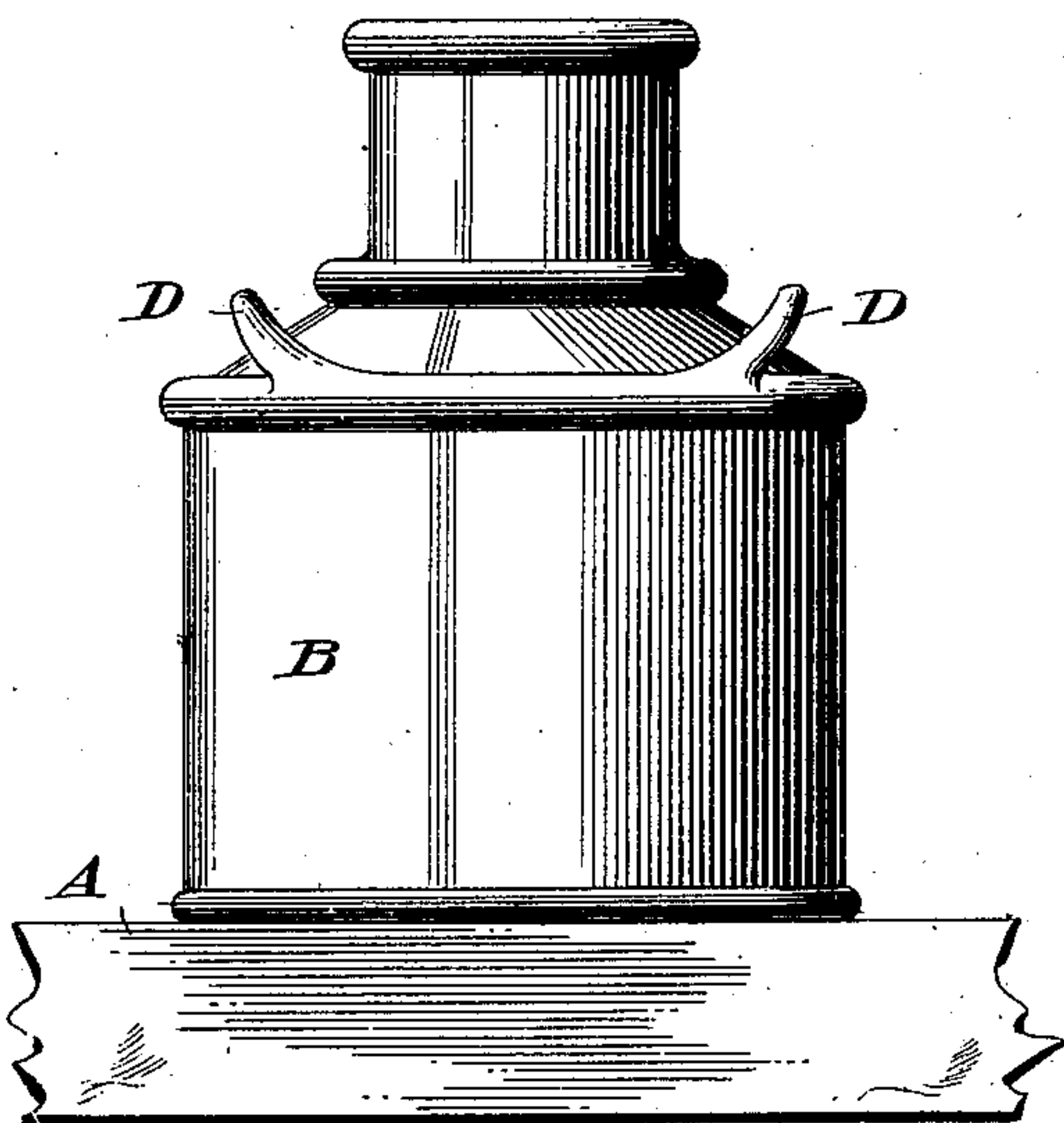


Fig. 2.

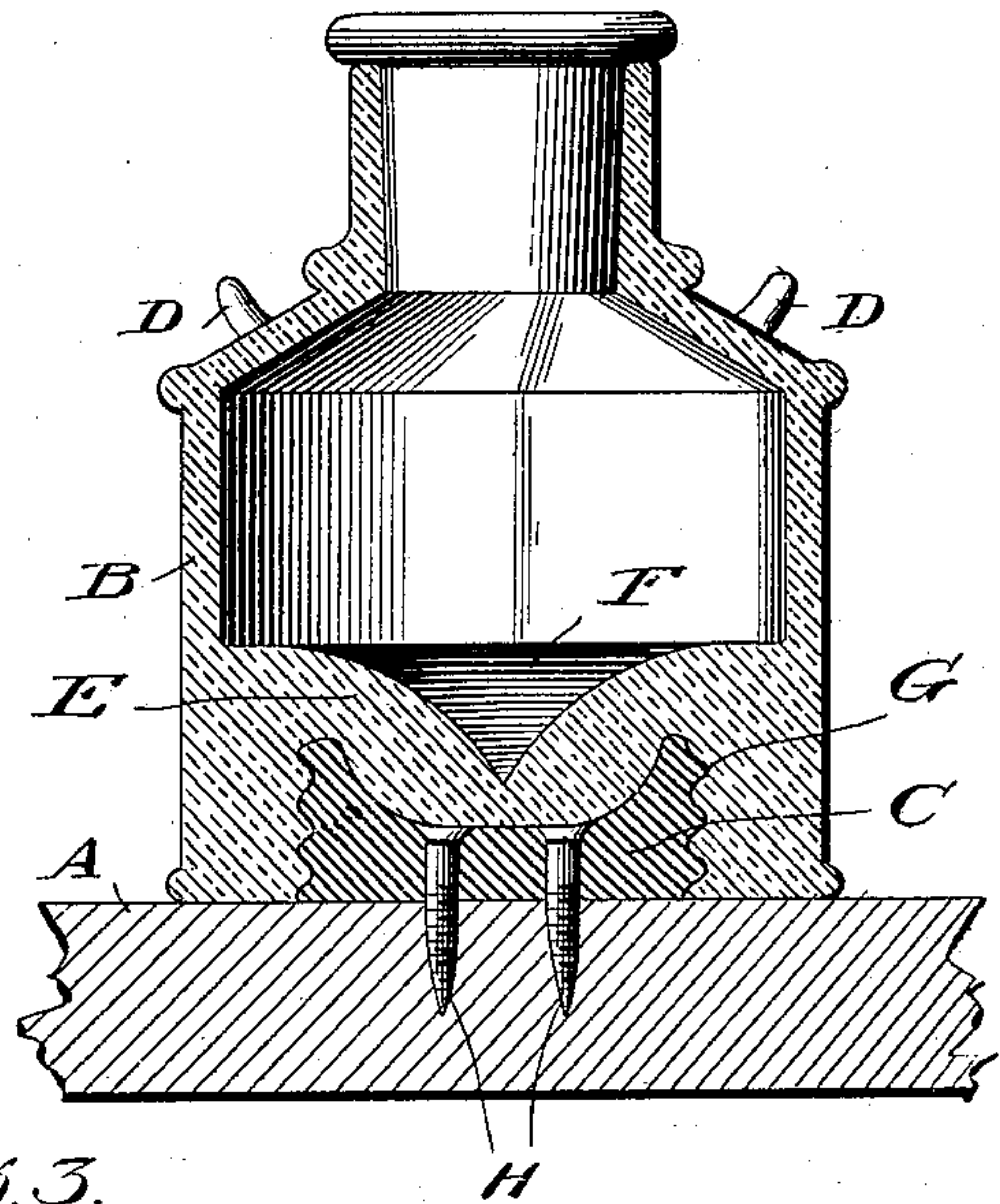
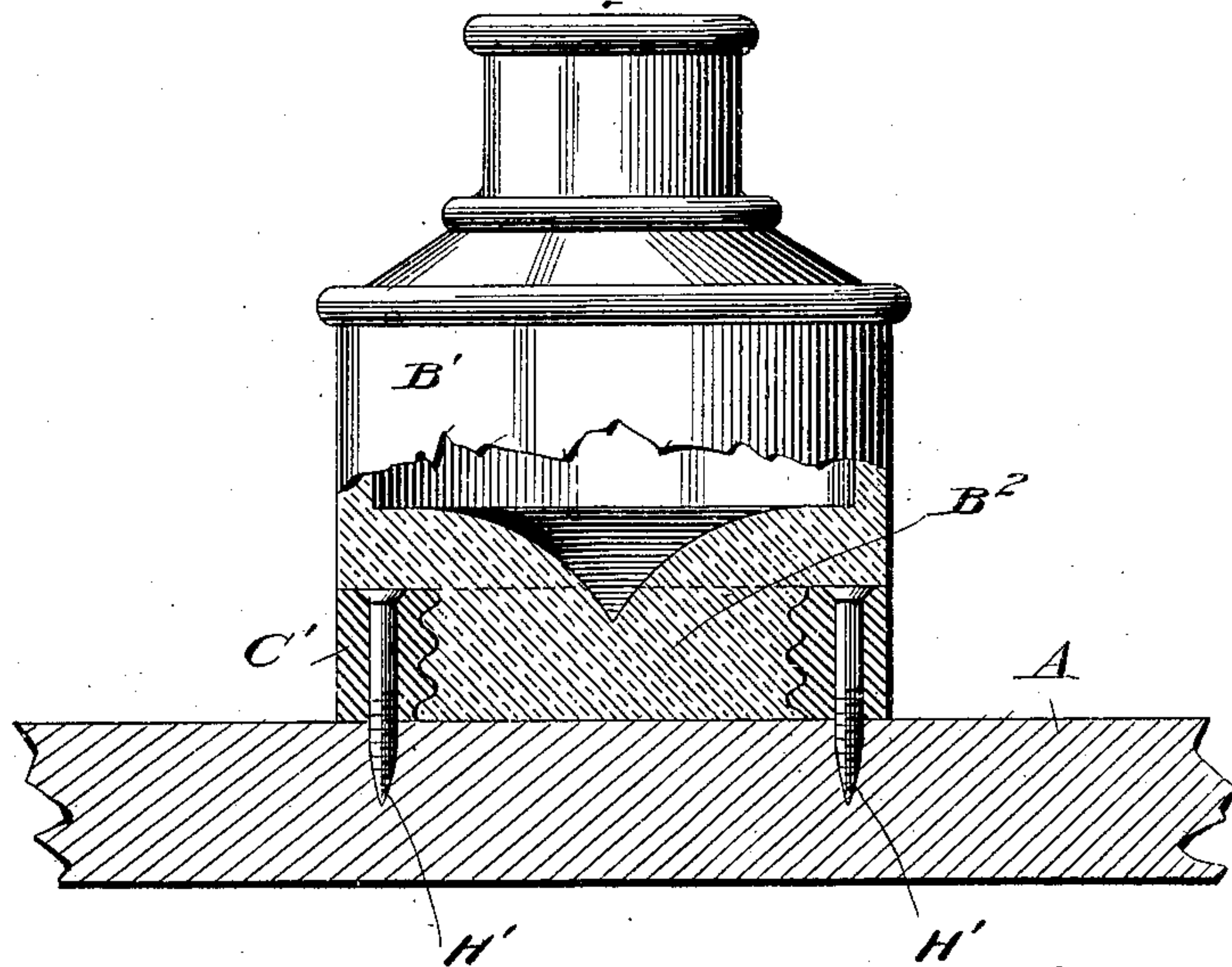


Fig. 3.



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, LEONIDAS C. FERRELL, a citizen of the United States, residing at New Orleans, in the parish of Orleans and State of Louisiana, have invented  
5 new and useful Improvements in Inkstands, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to inkstands; and it has for its general object to provide an inkstand embodying means for detachably though securely connecting it to  
10 a desk or the like, and this in such manner that the connection is hidden from view and the inkstand presents the same appearance as one merely set upon the desk.

Other objects and advantages of the invention will  
15 be fully understood from the following description and claims when the same are read in connection with the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, in which:

Figure 1 is an elevation illustrating an inkstand  
20 constructed in accordance with my invention as placed and secured on a desk top. Fig. 2 is a vertical section taken through the inkstand and desk top. Fig. 3 is a view, partly in elevation and partly in vertical section, of a modified construction hereinafter described  
25 in detail.

Referring by letter to the said drawings, and more particularly to Figs. 1 and 2 thereof: A is a portion of a desk which may be of the conventional construction or of any other construction without affecting my  
30 invention.

B is the ink-holding member of my novel inkstand, which is preferably, though not necessarily of glass, and C is the attaching member which, as its name implies, has to do with the attachment of the ink-holding  
35 member to a desk or other suitable support, this in order to preclude the ink-holding member being tipped or knocked over or displaced from the desk or support. The ink-holding member B may be variously shaped in the discretion of the manufacturer, without involv-  
40 ing departure from the scope of my invention; and it is preferably but not essentially provided with protuberances D designed to form a pen-rest, and with a bottom E in the upper side of which is a central depression F, tapered to a point, as shown, so as to assure  
45 a pen point being properly guided to the last drop of ink that may remain in the member. The ink-holding member B is also provided in its underside with a threaded socket G designed to receive the attaching member C as will presently appear.

50 The attaching member C is by preference made of wood, and is fixedly connected to the desk A through the medium of screws H as shown or other suitable

means. Said attaching member G is circular in form and has a thread on its periphery corresponding to the thread in the underside of the ink-holding member B,  
55 and hence it will be apparent that said member B may be readily fixed to the desk by turning it on the member C and may as readily be disconnected from the desk by turning it off of said member C. When disconnected from the desk the ink-holding member B  
60 may be cleaned and filled with the same facility as an ordinary ink bottle, and it may then be expeditiously and easily fastened to the desk in such manner as to preclude its being tipped or knocked over. It will also be apparent that when the ink-holding member  
65 B is attached to the desk, the attaching member C is hidden from view with the result that the ink well presents the same neat appearance as an ink bottle merely set upon the desk.

As will be readily noted by reference to Fig. 2, the  
70 ink-holding member B is susceptible of being molded of glass, and from this it follows that said member may be produced almost if not quite as cheaply as an ordinary glass ink bottle. The attaching member C no matter of what material it is formed, is inexpensive  
75 and adds but little to the cost of my novel ink well.

In the embodiment of my invention shown in Figs. 1 and 2, the ink-holding member B is a female member and the attaching member C a male member, while in the modification shown in Fig. 3 the arrangement is  
80 reversed—i. e., the ink-holding member B' is the male member and the attaching member C' the female member. The said ink-holding member B' is preferably of glass and is provided at its underside with a circular and threaded depending portion B<sup>2</sup>. The at-  
85 taching member C' is an interiorly threaded annulus, preferably of nickel-plated or otherwise embellished metal, and is permanently fastened to the desk A through screws H' or other suitable means. Its outer side is, in the preferred arrangement, flush with the  
90 outer side of the ink-holding member B', and consequently the improved ink-well takes up no more desk-space than an ordinary ink bottle.

With the exception that it has no protuberances to form a pen-rest, the ink-holding member B' of the  
95 construction shown in Fig. 3 is possessed of all of the practical advantages of the corresponding member in the device shown in Figs. 1 and 2.

Having described my invention, what I claim and desire to secure by Letters-Patent, is: 100

1. An inkstand capable of being attached to a desk, and comprising an ink-holding member, an attaching member provided with one or more apertures for the passage of devices employed in connecting it to a desk, and coöper-  
105 ating means on the said members for detachably connect-

ing the same together; the said coöperating means and the aperture or apertures in the attaching means being arranged under the ink-holding member and hidden from view by the same.

- 5 2. An ink-stand capable of being attached to a desk, and comprising an ink-holding member, an attaching member provided with one or more apertures for the passage of devices employed in connecting it to a desk, and screw-threads on said members for detachably connecting the

same together; the said screw threads and the aperture 10 or apertures in the attaching means being arranged under the ink-holding member and hidden from view by the same.

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

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