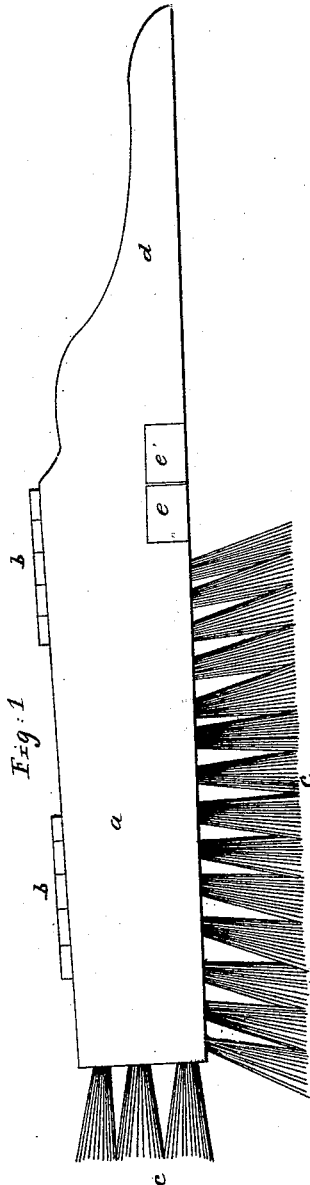


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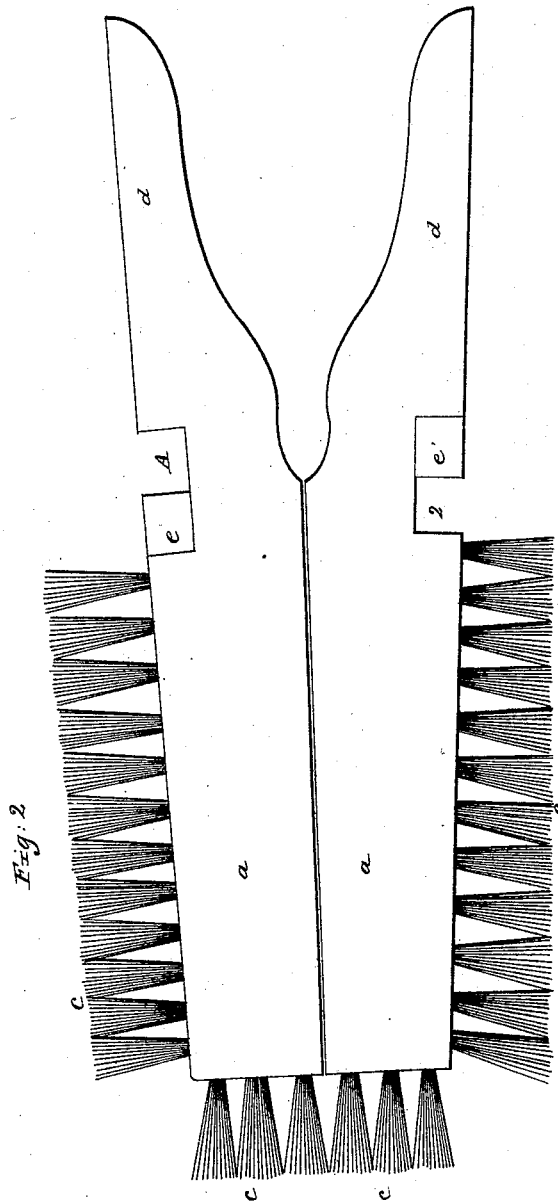
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BLACKING-BRUSH AND BOOT-JACK.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SAMUEL GISSINGER, of the city and county of Allegheny, and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful article of manufacture—to wit, a Blacking-Brush and Boot-Jack Combined; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon.

The nature of my invention consists in making a blacking-brush and boot-jack combined, said article being made in the manner and operating as hereinafter described.

To enable others skilled in the art to make and use my invention, I will proceed to describe its construction and operation.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 represents a side view of my improved blacking-brush and boot-jack combined. Fig. 2 represents a top view of the same when opened out so as to form a boot-jack.

In the drawings, *a* represents the two halves of the brush, which are secured together by means of two hinges, (marked *b*.) *c* represents the bristles of the brush, and are secured in

the parts marked *a* by any known means. *d* represents the handle of the brush when it is folded up, as shown in Fig. 1. *e* and *e'* represent the legs of the boot-jack. The length of these legs is equal to twice the thickness of pieces marked *a*.

It will be observed that the legs *e* and *e'* are so arranged with relation to each other that in folding the brush the legs will pass each other, as seen in Fig. 1—that is to say, the lower part of the leg *e* will fill up the opening marked 2, and the lower part of the leg *e'* will fill up the opening marked 1, when the brush is folded up, as in Fig. 1.

Having thus described the nature, construction, and operation of my improvement, what I claim as my invention is—

The combination of a blacking-brush and a boot-jack, said blacking-brush and boot-jack being constructed, combined, and operating substantially as herein described and set forth.

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