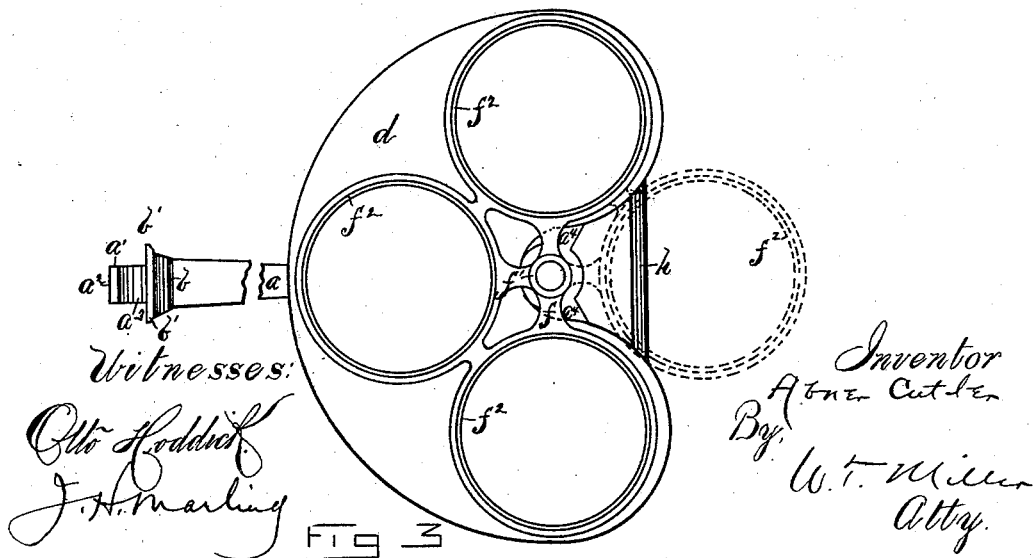
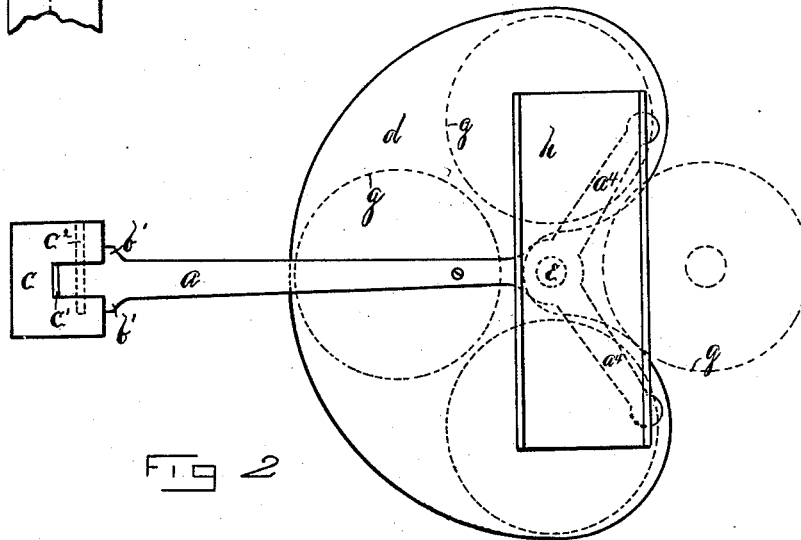
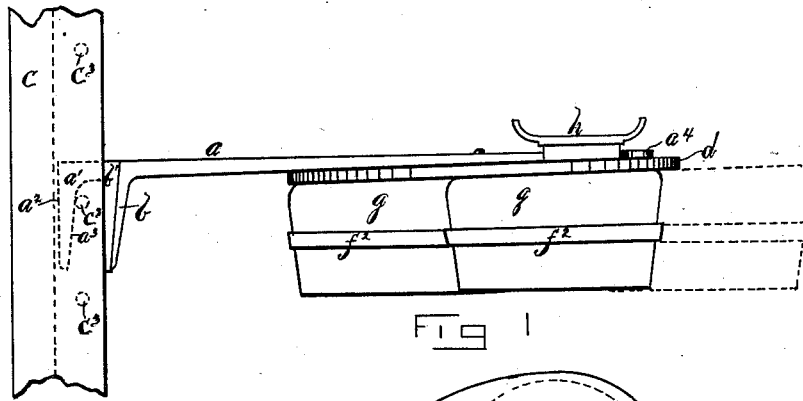


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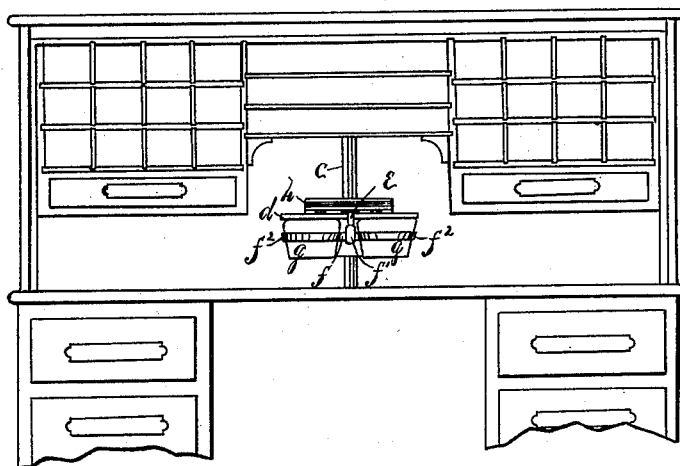


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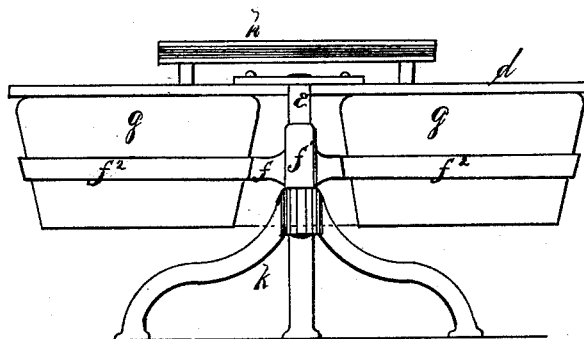


FIG 5

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## DEVICE FOR HOLDING INKSTANDS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ABNER CUTLER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Buffalo, in the county of Erie and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Devices for Holding Inkstands; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to letters or figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

My invention relates, more particularly, to certain improvements in devices for holding inkstands, for which Letters Patent No. 262,009 were granted to me August 1, 1882. In such patent is shown an adjustably-pivoted bracket or holder carrying an inkstand and a protecting pad or cover, under which the inkstand is swung when not in use, such pad or cover not being secured to or forming a part of such holder.

My present invention consists, broadly, of a revolving inkstand acting in conjunction with a protecting pad or cover rigidly secured to the axis upon which the inkstand-holder revolves.

My invention further consists in securing such revolving inkstand-holder and the protecting pad or cover above mentioned to the outer end of a vertically-adjustable bracket.

My invention further consists of certain details of construction, to be definitely hereinafter described and claimed.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a side elevation of my improved bracket, showing its manner of adjustment. Fig. 2 is a top plan view, and Fig. 3 is a bottom plan view, of the same with the inkstands removed. Fig. 4 is a partial view of a desk, showing my improved bracket applied thereto; and Fig. 5 is a front elevation of a modification.

Referring to the drawings,  $a$  is the vertically-adjustable bracket, having the downwardly-projecting tapering portion  $a'$  at its extreme rear end. The outer rear face,  $a^2$ , of this portion  $a'$  is a flat surface at right angles to the

upper surface of the bracket, the taper being upon the surface  $a^2$ , as clearly shown in Figs. 1 and 3. Just in front of this tapering portion  $a'$  is another downwardly-projecting portion,  $b$ , which also projects outwardly on each side a short distance, forming the shoulders  $b' b'$ . This construction just described enables the bracket  $a$  to be removably secured at different heights to the upright post  $c$ , suitably secured to a desk, as illustrated in Fig. 4. This post has the central vertical slot,  $c'$ , across which a removable pin,  $c^2$ , (shown in dotted lines in Fig. 2,) can be adjusted in the different holes  $c^3$ .

The adjustment of the bracket  $a$  in the post  $c$  is briefly as follows: The pin  $c^2$  having been inserted in one of the holes, the tapering portion  $a'$  of the bracket is inserted in the slot  $c'$  and pressed down tightly upon the pin  $c^2$ , the portion  $b$  with its shoulders  $b' b'$  resting against the post  $c$ , and acting as an additional brace to hold the bracket  $a$  firmly in position. The bracket is thus capable of easy adjustment at different heights. The outer end of the bracket  $a$  is provided with the arms  $a^4 a^4$ , and to these arms and the bracket is rigidly secured the protecting pad or cover  $d$ , which is of a size and shape to protect the inkstand-holder to be placed beneath it.

$E$  is a depending axis, (clearly shown in Fig. 4,) secured to the under side of the bracket  $a$ , upon which revolves the frame  $f$ , having the collar  $f'$  and the rings  $f^2$ . These rings  $f^2$  are intended for the reception of the inkstands  $g$ . I have shown these rings  $f^2$  in the drawings as preferably three in number, although there may be more or less without departing from the spirit of my invention. I have adopted the plan of having three, by preference, as the three rings  $f^2$  are located close to the axis and to each other, thereby leaving a space in front, into which any one of the three inkstands can be swung, such space being left free of access by shaping the cover  $d$  as shown, so as to exclude the air and dust from all the inkstands when not in use, as shown in Fig. 1, and permitting each one of such inkstands to be easily swung out from under the cover when in use, or easily removed therefrom when necessary

without disturbing the pad or cover, as clearly shown in dotted lines in Figs. 2 and 3. It will thus be seen that where there is more than one inkstand employed the use of more than one  
 5 kind of ink is thereby permitted, which in the operation of the device, as described, is of very great convenience; and to further increase its utility I have provided the pad or cover *d* with the pen receptacle or trough *h*, securely  
 10 attached to its upper surface.

I have thus far described my improved device (which consists, broadly, of the revolving inkstand-holder acting in conjunction with the pad or cover rigidly secured to the axis  
 15 upon which the inkstands revolve) as adapted to be removably adjusted at different heights upon the bracket *a*; but in Fig. 5 I have shown such device secured to and revolving upon a standard, *k*, of any suitable description, which  
 20 adapts it for use upon a flat-top desk.

I claim—

1. A device consisting, substantially, of a frame for holding one or more inkstands, such frame being adapted to revolve upon a verti-  
 25 cal axis, and having a protecting pad or cover rigidly secured to the axis upon which the inkstand-holder revolves, such pad or cover having an open space, constructed substantially as shown, into which each inkstand can be swung  
 30 for use or removed from the holder without disturbing the pad or cover, the whole applied to a desk or table, and combined and operating substantially as shown and described.

2. A device consisting, substantially, of a  
 35 frame for holding one or more inkstands, such frame being adapted to revolve upon a verti-

cal axis, and having a protecting pad or cover rigidly secured to the axis upon which the inkstand-holder revolves, such pad or cover hav-  
 40 ing an open space, into which each inkstand can be swung for use or removed from the holder without disturbing the pad or cover, such device being secured to a bracket adapted to be vertically adjusted in a post secured to a desk,  
 45 all combined and operating substantially as shown and described.

3. The combination, with the bracket *a*, having the extensions *a'* and *b* at one end, adapting it for vertical adjustment in the slotted post *c*, and the pad or cover *d*, secured to its  
 50 other end, with the frame *f f' f''*, adapted to revolve upon the depending axis *E* upon the bracket *a*, and the inkstands *g*, carried by such frame, substantially as and for the purpose stated.

4. The combination, with the bracket *a*, hav-  
 55 ing the extensions *a'* and *b* at one end, adapting it for vertical adjustment in the slotted post *c*, and the pad or cover *d* and pen receptacle or trough *h*, secured to its other end, with  
 60 the frame *f f' f''*, adapted to revolve upon the depending axis upon the bracket *a*, and the inkstands *g*, carried by such frame, substantially as and for the purpose stated.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name  
 65 to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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