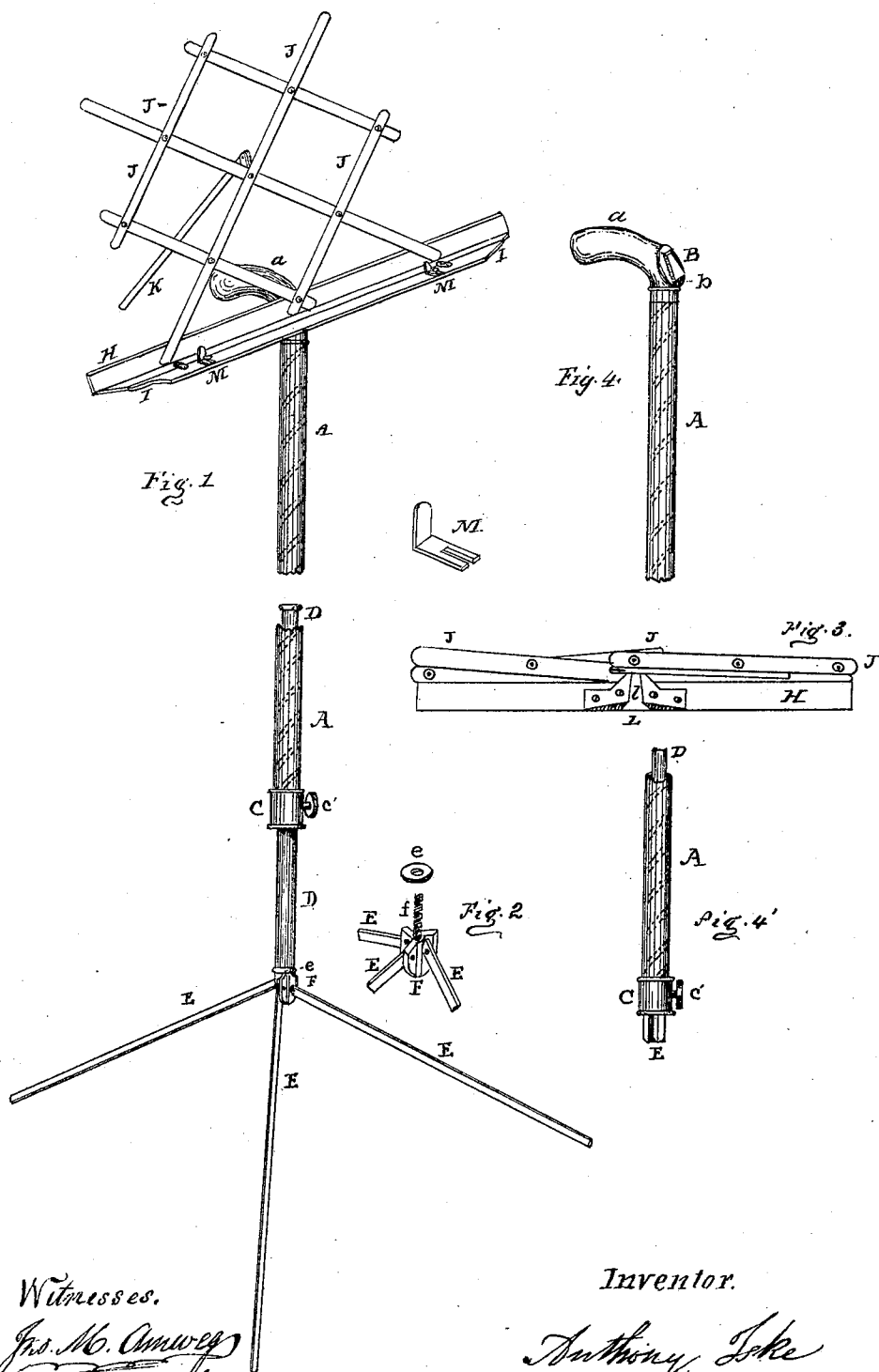


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IMPROVEMENT IN COMBINED MUSIC-BOOK-SUPPORTING STANDS AND WALKING-CANES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ANTHONY ISKE, of the city of Lancaster, in the State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain Improvements in a Combined Music-Book Support and Walking-Cane; and I do hereby declare that the following is a specification of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 represents the upper and lower portions of the holder, drawn out and in position for use. Fig. 2 illustrates the screw on the three-fold bracket, to which the feet or legs are hinged with a washer, detached. Fig. 3 shows the book-holder detached and folded—a rear view; Figs. 4 4', the tubular cane-like case, with the closed legs and inner tube or sliding holder inclosed therein, and secured by the binding-screw.

This invention has for its object the construction of a portable adjustable holder for music-books, which can be used as an ordinary walking-stick or cane, consisting of a single tubular piece with its fixed head, and to which the book-holder is readily affixed, which also folds up in close contact, while the tripod or legs contained within the cane or tube are easily drawn out and spread apart, so as to stand firmly.

A represents the outer tube, say, seven-eighths inch in diameter and thirty-two inches in length—common gas-pipe will answer—with the crook *a* affixed, to form the top of the holder, thus being in the form of a common walking-stick. There is an oval plate, B, on the angle of the crook *a* and A, which has a key or wedge-shaped catch, *b*, upon it, which wedge has bevel sides to fit in a slot, *l*, in the plate L, attached to the back of the book-holder strip H, Fig. 3, which can be opened out, as shown attached in Fig. 1. The lower end of the tube or outer case A has a ferrule or metallic band, C, through which a binding-screw, C', enters, to hold the adjustment or inclosed parts in place. Into this outer tube A is fitted a round rod or tube, D, which may be eighteen inches long and five-eighths inch in diameter. This has a screw-thread cut in its lower end, for the reception of the screw *f* on the three-fold bracket F, Fig. 2. To the projecting wings or sides of

this bracket the three legs E are hinged, so as to fold into the recess and jointly occupy the same space as that of the inner tube or rod. These legs E may be one foot or more in length, and when spread out and screwed up tightly, they will sit firmly on the ground or floor like a tripod. By relaxing the screw with its washer, the legs will fold together so as to slide into the outer case, excepting so much as may be desired to protect the metallic band C, with its set-screw C'.

The holder for the music-book when removed and folded together can be carried in the pocket, so that nothing but what looks like an ordinary walking-stick remains to be carried—by no means unwieldy as a staff or weapon of defense.

The rod K, attached to the rear of the book-holder by means of pivot-pin on a plate, or made detachable by a thumb-screw, is designed as a prop, when the pivoted slats and holder are intended for use on a table, either for ordinary books or music. There are also two leaf-holders, M, on the hinged bottom or table-slat I, held by thumb-screws, to adjust them. The object is to clamp or hold the book or leaves. This table I is so hinged to the base H as to fold up against the folded slats. These slats have pivots, with brass or metallic washers at the several crossings, as shown in Fig. 1, on which pivots they are extended or folded at pleasure, to make the holder higher or lower in its adjustment.

What I deem new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. In combination with a cane-headed tube, A *a*, and beveled key-plate B *b*, the slotted plate L *l* on the base H I of the music-holder, with its adjustable slats J J J J, the whole arranged in the manner and for the purpose set forth.

2. In combination with said cane-headed tube, and its basal ring and binding-screw *c c'*, the sliding rod D, flanged screw F *f*, legs E, attached and arranged in the manner and for the purpose described.

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