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Fig. 1.

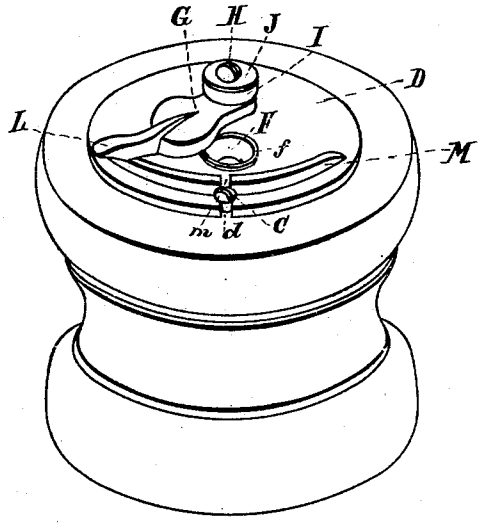
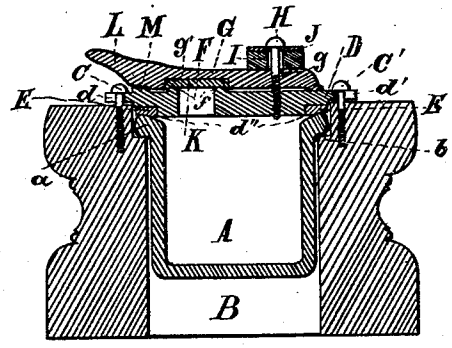


Fig. 2.



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INKSTAND.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE H. HENKEL, of Middletown, Butler county, Ohio, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Ink-Well Covers, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to a simple, cheap, and effective hermetical cover for ink-wells.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of an ink-well provided with my cover, the same being shown in the open condition. Fig. 2 is a vertical section of the same in the closed condition.

A may represent a customary glass or earthenware ink-well proper, having the usual marginal lip, *a*, for resting upon the accustomed ledge, *b*, in the supporting-stand B, which may be in portable form, as shown, but which generally consists of the top of a school or other writing-desk.

Secured by screws C C′ to the top of the stand or desk is a cap, D, preferably of cast-iron, whose notches *d d′* permit the traverse of said screws in the manner shown. An annular recess, *d″*, on the under side of cap D, receives a rubber or other suitable gasket, E, which, pressing upon the rim of the ink-well, makes the joint between it and said cap air-tight.

The dipping-hole consists of an orifice, F, in the cap, having a raised margin, *f*. This, when not in use, may be hermetically closed by my cover or button, consisting of a metallic bar, G, pierced at *g* for fastening-screw H, that also does duty as the pivot of said button.

Between the head of the fastening-screw H and the top of the button a rubber washer, I, backed by a metal or other suitable disk, J, serves to hold the button down with elastic pressure against the cap, and especially against the mouth of the dip-hole.

The button G is recessed at *g′* for a rubber or other suitable gasket, K. The button or cover G has a spur, L, for convenient manipulation.

The cap D has, concentric with the screw H, a ridge, M, which curves gradually upward to its center, where it is notched, as shown at *m*.

Access to the well is easily had at any time by removing one of the screws C, when the cap may be withdrawn edgewise, and as easily replaced by a reversal of these actions.

The inkstand is closed by vibrating the button G until it reaches the middle of the ridge M, where the spring or cushion I at once forces the button, with its gasket K, against the margin of the dip-hole, and thus closes the well.

The well is easily opened for use by a reversal of the above movement—that is to say, by a slight elevation of the free end of the button—followed by a lateral movement until it is clear of the dip-hole.

I claim as new and of my invention—

An ink-well having the cap D, provided with gasket E and fastening-screws C, which occupy notches *d d′*, and having a dip-hole, F, with raised margin *f*, in combination with cover or button G, secured to the said cap by pivot-screw H, and with spring or cushion I, and the notched swell or rib M *m* upon the cap D, substantially as set forth.

In testimony of which invention I have hereunto set my hand.

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