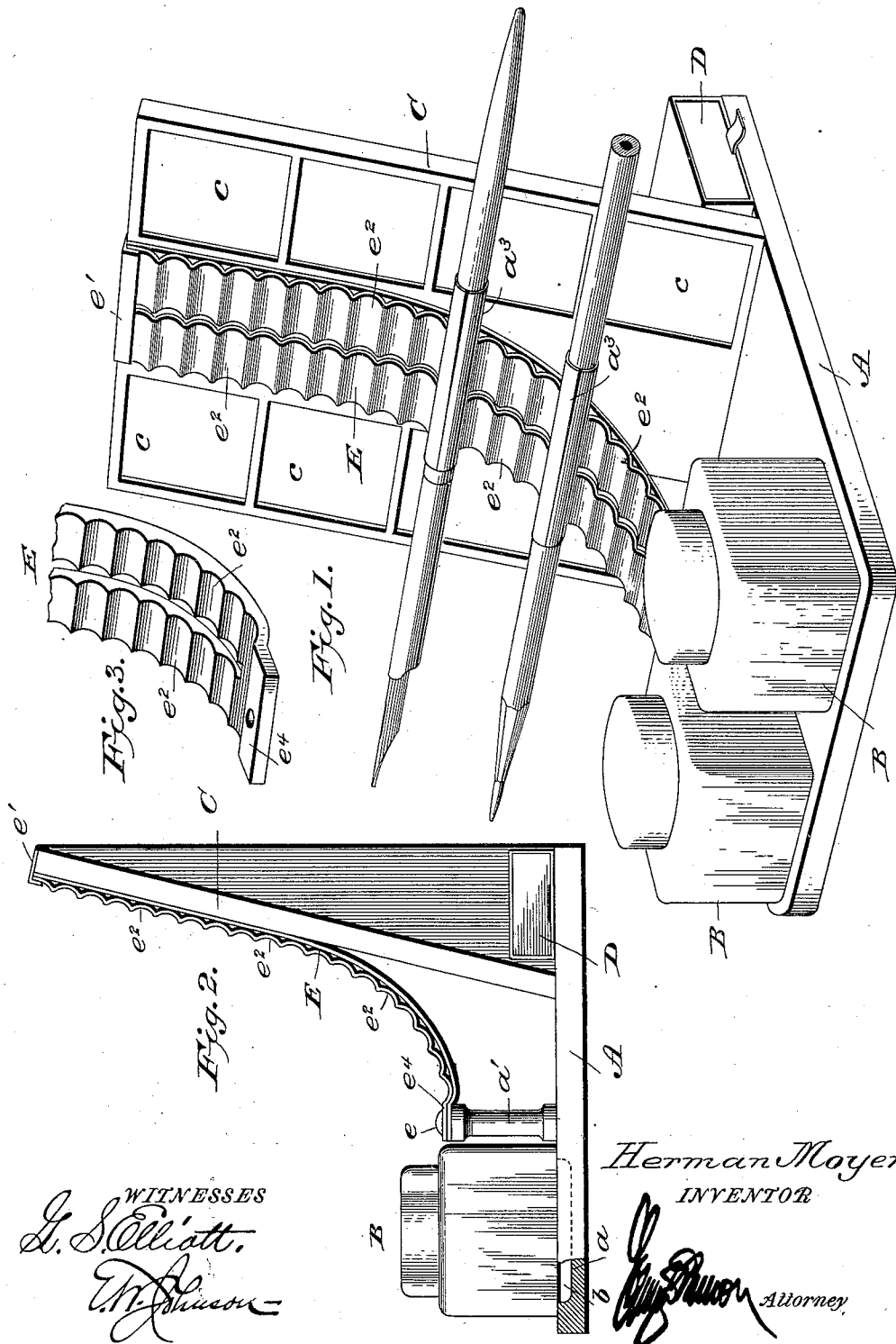


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, HERMAN MOYER, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Fort Worth, in the county of Tarrant and State of Texas, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in a Combined Inkstand and Pen-Rack; 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 of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

The invention relates to improvements in inkstands including a pen-rack, the latter being of particular construction and magnetized so as to readily hold a pen or pencil placed in contact with the same, and when a metal pen or pencil is not used in connection with the device I provide a metal tube or sleeve which is placed over the pen or pencil to hold the same upon the rack by contact of the metal tube or sleeve therewith, the inkstand being of peculiar construction to receive ink-wells, pen-boxes, as well as providing an upright plate or board to receive advertising matter or notices.

The device is intended, primarily, to be placed in hotel-lobbies, banks, or other places where inkstands are in constant use by the general public, so that the said device will become an effective advertising medium as well as provide an article that will be useful.

To the above end the invention consists in the construction and combination of the parts, as will be hereinafter fully set forth, and particularly pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, Figure 1 is a perspective view of an inkstand and pen-rack constructed in accordance with my invention, and Fig. 2 is a vertical sectional view. Fig. 3 shows a variation in the formation of the magnet.

A designates the base-plate of the device, which consists of a rectangular piece of board or metal provided on its upper side, near its forward end, with two or more depressions *a* to receive the depending portions *b* of the ink-wells B, said ink-wells being of the usual construction. Near the rear end of the base-

plate A is attached an upright board or plate C, which is preferably inclined rearward, as shown, and behind this board is placed a box or boxes D, attached to the base-plate or merely placed thereon and adapted to receive pens, pins, paper-fasteners, or other such articles of stationery.

To the upper part of the board or plate C and centrally thereon is attached a pen-rack E, which leaves said board about midway of its length and extends to a post or standard *a'*, to the upper end of which it is attached by a screw *e* or other fastening device. The upper end of the pen-rack is connected to the upper end of the board or plate C by means of an angle-plate or insulator *e'*, one member of which is attached to said pen-rack and the other rests upon the edge of the board C. The pen-rack consists of two members or poles joined at their lower ends by a metal plate *e''* and magnetized so as to hold or support metal objects placed in contact therewith. The members or poles of the pen-rack E are provided with transverse corrugations *e''* so as to better hold the pens, pencils, or other articles which are placed thereon. These corrugations are formed by stamping strips of metal and placing them upon a backing, as shown in the drawings, or the magnet may be made of a solid piece of metal and the corrugations stamped therein.

In case wooden penholders and pencils are used in connection with the device hereinbefore described, I provide metal tubes or sleeves *a''*, which are placed over such articles to present a metal surface that will be held by attraction when placed against the magnet.

It will be noted that the end portion of the poles of the magnet are at the upper part of the device and nearly vertical, while the weaker portion of said magnet is curved forwardly, so that but a small amount of magnetic attraction is required to hold the penholders and pencils thereon.

The front side of the inclined plate or board C is provided on each side of the pen-rack E with recesses or spaces *c*, adapted to receive advertising matter or business cards.

The inkstand and pen-rack herein shown and described presents a very useful device, as well as one that can be employed as an effective advertising medium, though the ad-

vertising-spaces could be omitted when the device is intended for use in a private office.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A combined inkstand and pen-rack consisting of a base-plate A adapted to receive ink-wells and provided with an upright or support, and a magnet E connected at the ends of its poles to said support and curved forwardly therefrom, substantially as shown and for the purpose set forth.

2. A combined inkstand and pen-rack consisting of a base-plate A adapted to receive ink-wells and provided with an upright or support, a post or standard mounted on said base-plate in front of said support, and a magnet E the connection portion of which is attached to the post or standard and the poles curved upwardly therefrom, the ends of the poles being attached to the support by a non-conductor, substantially as shown and for the purpose set forth.

3. A combined inkstand and pen-rack consisting of a base-plate A adapted to receive

ink-wells and provided with an upright or support, a box or boxes located upon the base-plate in the rear of said support, a standard in front of the support, and a magnet the connecting portion of which is attached to said standard and the poles curved upwardly therefrom, the ends of the poles being connected to the support by a non-conductor, substantially as shown and described.

4. The combination, of the base-plate A, inclined board C mounted thereon and provided with recesses or spaces *c*, post or standard *a'*, and magnet E the connecting portion of which is attached to the post or standard from which the poles of the magnet are curved upwardly as shown and connected to the board C by a non-conductor, the base-plate being adapted to receive ink-wells, substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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