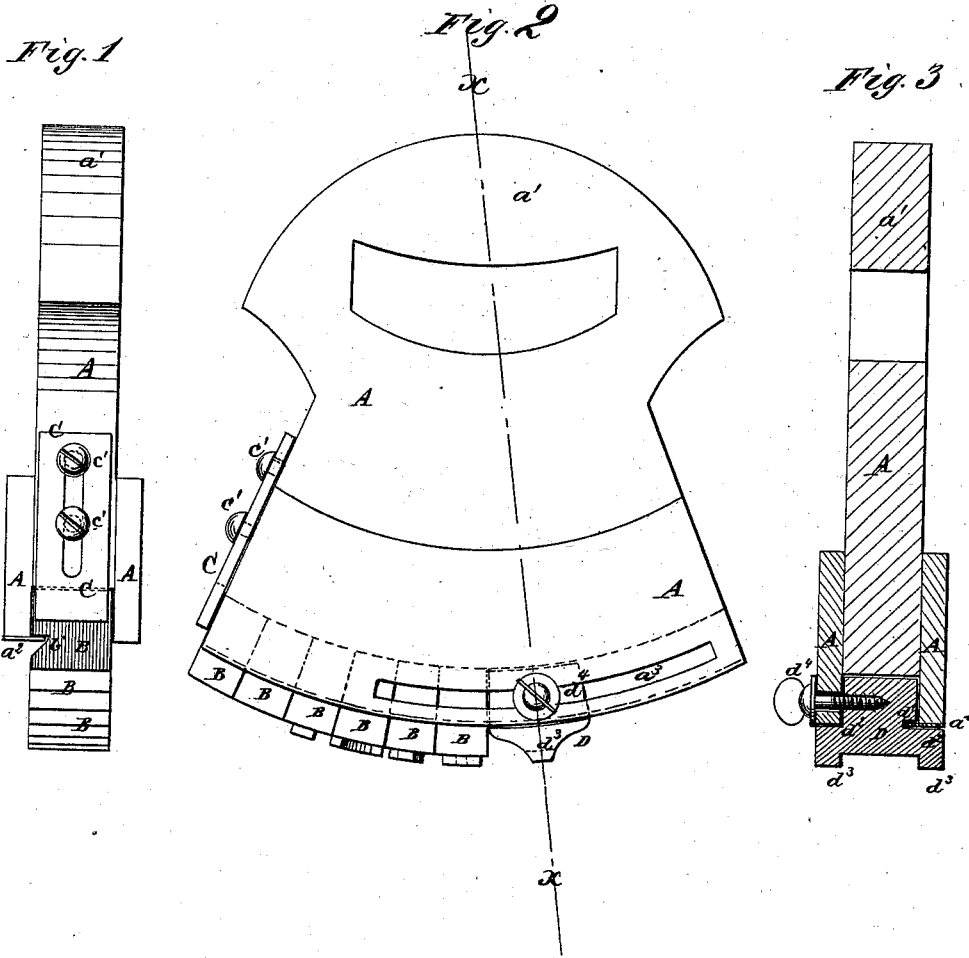


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IMPROVEMENT IN HAND-STAMPS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM T. MORGANS, of Liberty, in the county of Sullivan and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Hand-Markers, of which the following is a specification:

Figure 1 is an edge view of my improved device. Fig. 2 is a side view of the same. Fig. 3 is a detail section of the same, taken through the line *x x*, Fig. 2.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

The object of this invention is to furnish an improved device to take the place of stenciling and brush-marking, which shall be simple in construction and convenient in use, and which will enable the marking to be done quickly and with accuracy.

The invention consists in the stock having a groove in its curved face, an inwardly-projecting flange along its groove, and a curved slot at the side of the said groove, and provided with a slotted stop-plate and a clamping-block provided with guide projections, and a clamping-screw.

A is the block or stock of the marker, in the upper part of which is formed, or to it is attached, a handle, *a'*. The lower edge of the stock A is curved, and in its face is formed a groove to receive the types B. To the face of the stock A, along one edge of its groove, is formed a flange, *a²*, which projects over the said groove to enter a transverse groove, *b'*, formed in the side of the types B. The flange *a²* and groove *b'* keep the types B from dropping out. The groove *b'* also serves as a guide in placing the type, and renders it impossible to place them in a wrong position.

To the forward edge of the stock A is secured a plate, C, which is slotted longitudinally to receive the screws *c'*, by which it is

secured in place, so that by loosening the screws *c'* the plate C may be slid up to allow the type to be readily slipped out, and lowered for the forward type B to rest against.

The types B, when arranged in the groove of the stock A, are clamped in place by the block D, which fits into the groove of the stock A; has a slot, *d¹*, in one side to receive the flange *a²*; has shoulders *d²*, which project over the strips or flanges at the sides of the slot of the stock A; and has projections *d³* formed upon its face, directly over its shoulders, which serve as stops to rest the device upon when arranging it for marking, and as guides in bringing it into proper position. The block D is secured in place, when adjusted, by a clamping-screw, *d⁴*, which passes through a slot, *a³*, in the side flanges of the stock A, and screwing into the side of the block D. The letters or other characters to be formed upon the box or other object to be marked are formed upon the faces of the types B, of soft rubber or other suitable yielding material.

Several grooves may be formed in the face of the stock A to receive types B, when it is desired to mark more than one line at a time.

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

The stock A, having a groove in its curved face, an inwardly-projecting flange, *a²*, along the groove, and a curved slot, *a³*, at the side of said groove, and provided with a slotted stop-plate, C, and a clamping-block, D, provided with guide projections *d³*, and a clamping-screw, *d⁴*, substantially as herein shown and described.

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