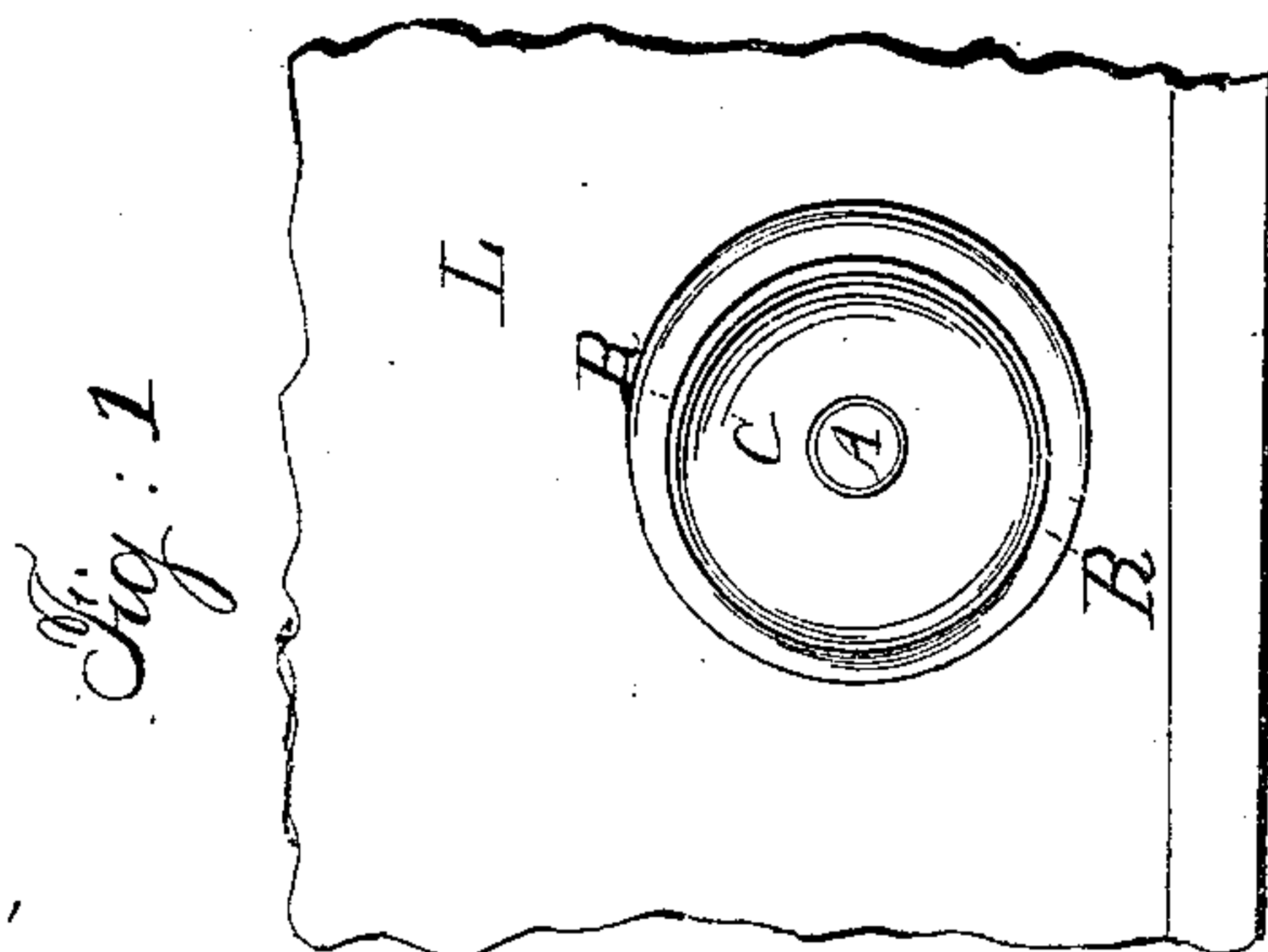
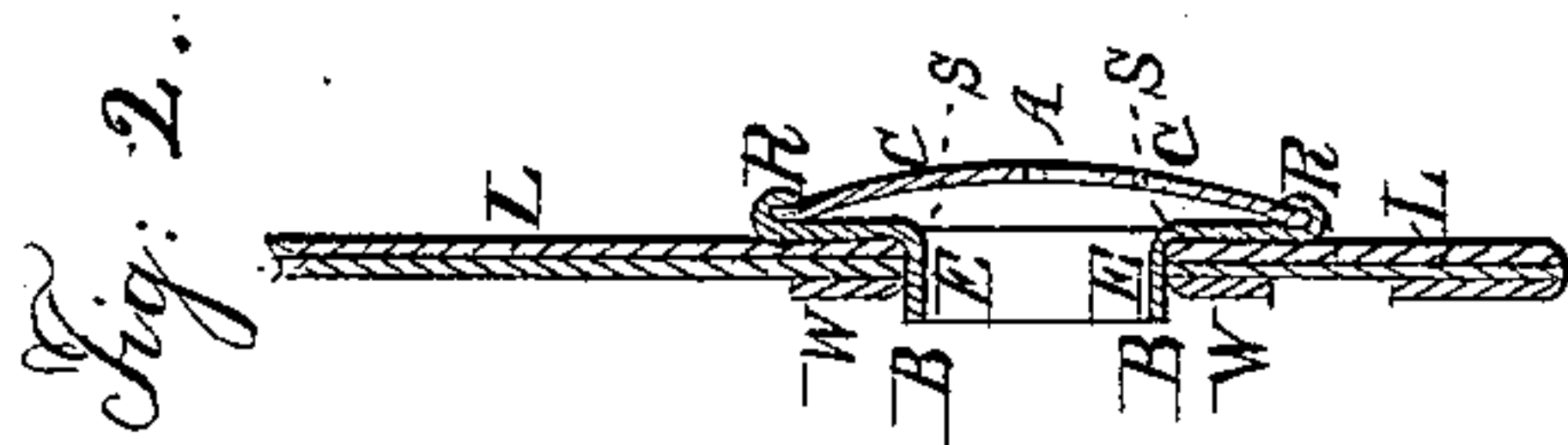
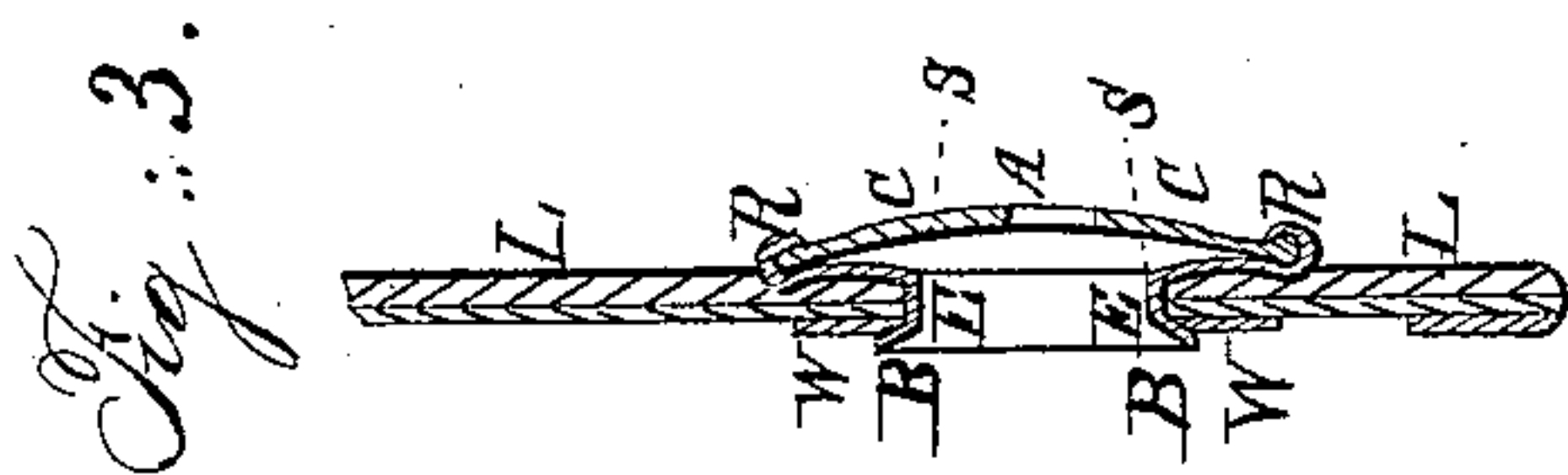
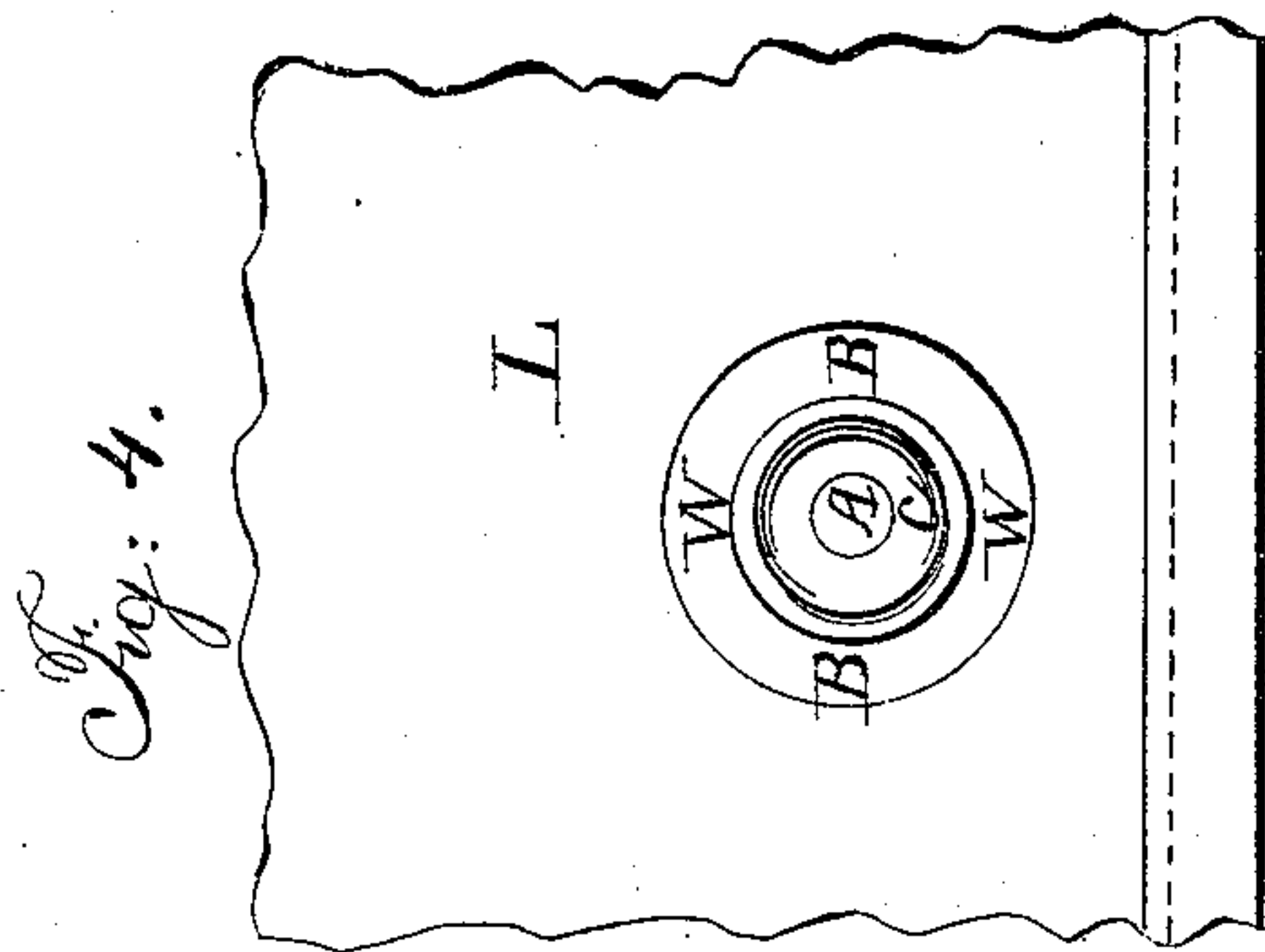


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## IMPROVEMENT IN CURTAIN-EYELETS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOHN STARKEY, of Portland, in the county of Cumberland and State of Maine, have invented a new and Improved Curtain-Eyelet, to be called "Starkey's Improved Curtain-Eyelet;" and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon.

Figure 1 is a perspective or front view of the eyelet or button-hole, as it appears on the outside when set in the curtain. Fig. 2 is a section showing the eyelet passed through the curtain, but not attached or set. Fig. 3 shows the same after it is fixed, attached, or set in the curtain. Fig. 4 is a front view of the eyelet as it appears on the inside when attached to or set in the curtain.

E is an eyelet, of brass, copper, composition, or other metallic substance, extended in the form of a shoulder, S, and terminating in an oval rim, R.

C is a disk, of rubber, leather, cloth, or other material, held by the rim R of the eyelet, and having in its central part an aperture, A, for the admission of a knob or button.

W is a washer, of any metallic substance, fitting over the eyelet E. The latter is passed through a hole of proper size in the curtain, and the edge of it then rimmed down over the inner edge of the washer W at B, as shown in Fig. 3.

L is the curtain, of leather, cloth, or other material.

This eyelet is intended more especially for carriage-curtains, but may be used for any curtain, cloth or leather, or any garment which is secured and held in place by a knob or button. The aperture in the rubber disk may be

made of any convenient size or shape to fit any form of knob or button. By the use of this eyelet the curtain will be protected from tearing out, wearing, or stretching around the knob, and it can be easily buttoned or unbuttoned, whether from the inside or outside of the carriage.

When the rubber or other substance used in the eyelet is worn or otherwise injured, it may be readily replaced by a new disk. Two curtains may be buttoned onto the same knob or button by attaching the eyelet in one upon the inside and in the other upon the outside, so that the two flat surfaces (see Fig. 4) will come together.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. An eyelet, of brass, copper, or other metallic substance, holding in an oval or nearly flat rim a disk of rubber or other strong material, with an aperture therein for the admission of a knob or button, and attached to a curtain or garment, of leather or other material, by means of a washer, of brass, copper or other metallic substance, through which the eyelet passes, and over the inner edge of which the edge of the eyelet is rimmed down, thus holding the curtain or garment firmly and securely between the shoulder of the eyelet and the washer.

2. The eyelet E, having shoulder S, and terminating in oval rim R, with or without the washer W, and in combination with the disk C, all constructed as described, and for the purposes set forth.

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