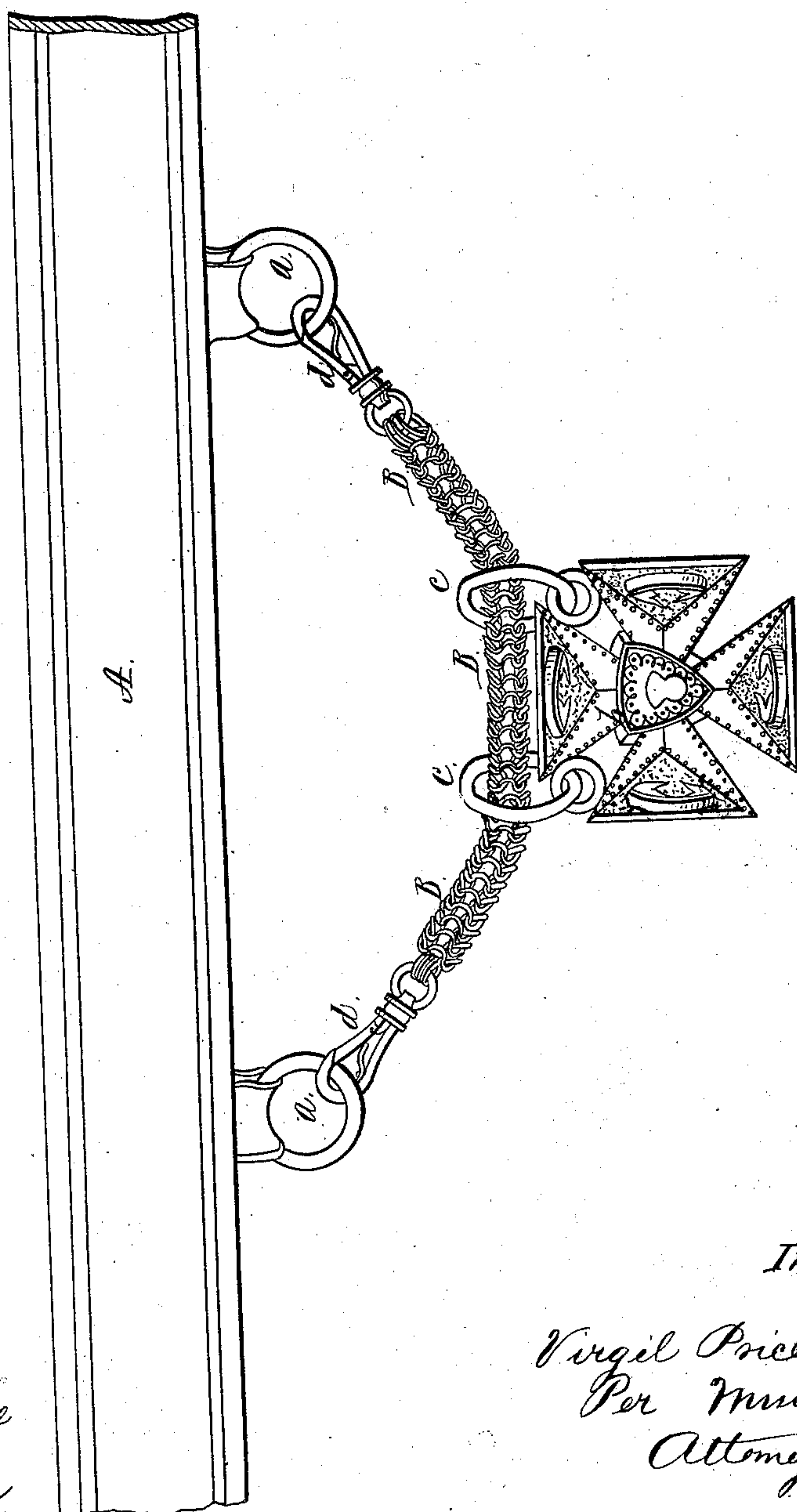


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## METHOD OF HANGING SWORDS.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

### TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that I, VIRGIL PRICE, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and improved Method of Hanging Swords; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification.

This invention relates to an improvement on the method of hanging swords, for which Letters Patent were granted to J. Ball on the second day of November, 1858.

The invention consists in securing the plate in which the scabbard is held to the belt by means of a chain so as to make a flexible attachment, which does away with all the straps used to hang officers' swords, it being as simple as the frog attachment which is generally used to attach fancy swords, for freemasons' and other uses, to the belts.

By attaching either the scabbard directly or the aforesaid belt-plate to the lower end of a leather frog or short strap which slides on the belt, the attachment is not flexible enough, and the sword often annoys the wearer when he is marching or seated. But when the aforesaid chain is used in place of the frog the attachment will be flexible, and the sword will be easier managed. In the annexed drawing, which represents a side view of this invention, the improvements are fully illustrated.

A is a common belt provided with two rings, *a a*. The sash or belt-plate *b* is also provided with two (more or less) rings *c c*, and a chain, B, passes through the latter, its ends being secured in the rings *a a* by means of snap-hooks or otherwise. When the belt is not used the plate *b* is secured to the end of the sash, (worn by freemasons, &c.,) and the chain is done away with. This chain may also be used with advantage where the plate *b* is not used, the chain passing through one or more rings which are secured directly to the scabbard.

I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

The chain B in combination with the plate *b*, for the purpose of suspending swords from belts, substantially as herein shown and described.

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