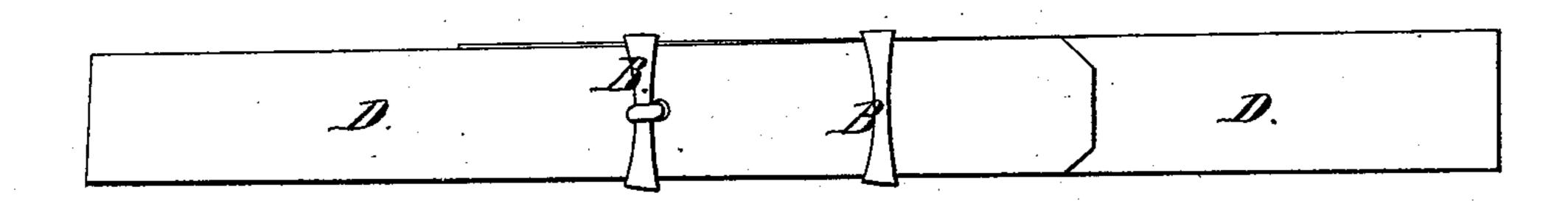
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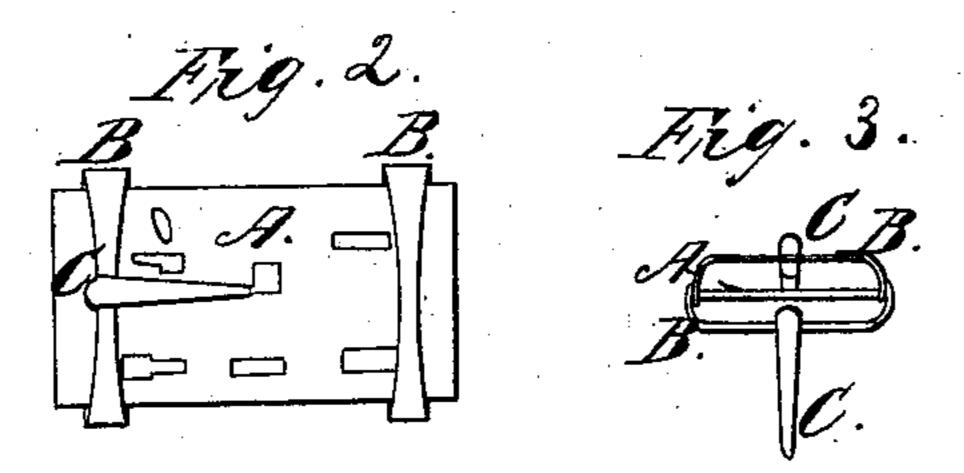
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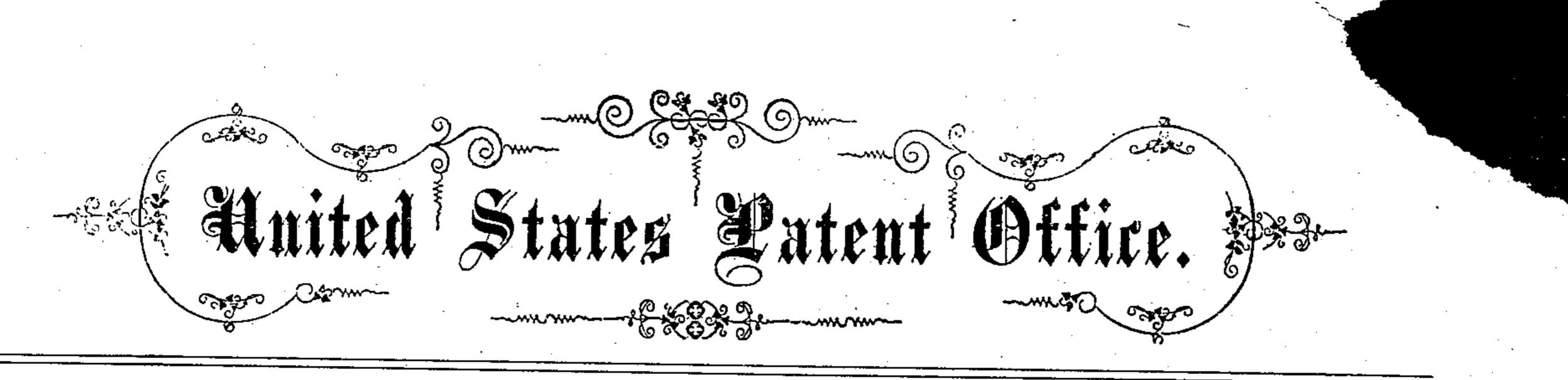
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Letters Patent No. 83,102, dated October 13, 1868.

## IMPROVEMENT IN BUCKLES.

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, Perry W. Smith, of Abingdon, in the county of Knox, and in the State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Buckles; and do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon.

The nature of my invention consists in the construction of a double buckle for fastening two pieces of leather together, which obviates the necessity of

sewing the buckle to the leather.

In order to enable others skilled in the art to which my invention appertains to make and use the same, I will now proceed to describe its construction and operation, referring to the annexed drawings, which form a part of this specification, and in which—

Figure 1 shows the buckle applied to two pieces of

leather,

Figure 2 is a plan view of the buckle, and Figure 3 is an end view of the same.

A represents a metallic plate, of suitable dimension, on each side of which I place two transverse clasps, B B, one at each end of the plate.

Upon two of these clasps, that is, on one on each side, and at opposite ends, I place a tongue, C, which tongues face inward on the plate.

When the leather strap, D, is to be fastened to the buckle, it is taken under the clasp B, to which the tongue is attached; then the tongue inserted in the hole in the leather, and the end of the strap drawn under the clasp at the other end of the plate.

It will thus be seen that the strap D covers the entire plate A, and all that is seen are the two clasps B, and the end of the tongue fastened to one of them.

Having thus fully described my invention,

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

As an article of manufacture, the within-described double buckle, when constructed and operating substantially as and for the purposes herein set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this 5th day of August, 1868.

PERRY W. SMITH. [L. s.]

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