

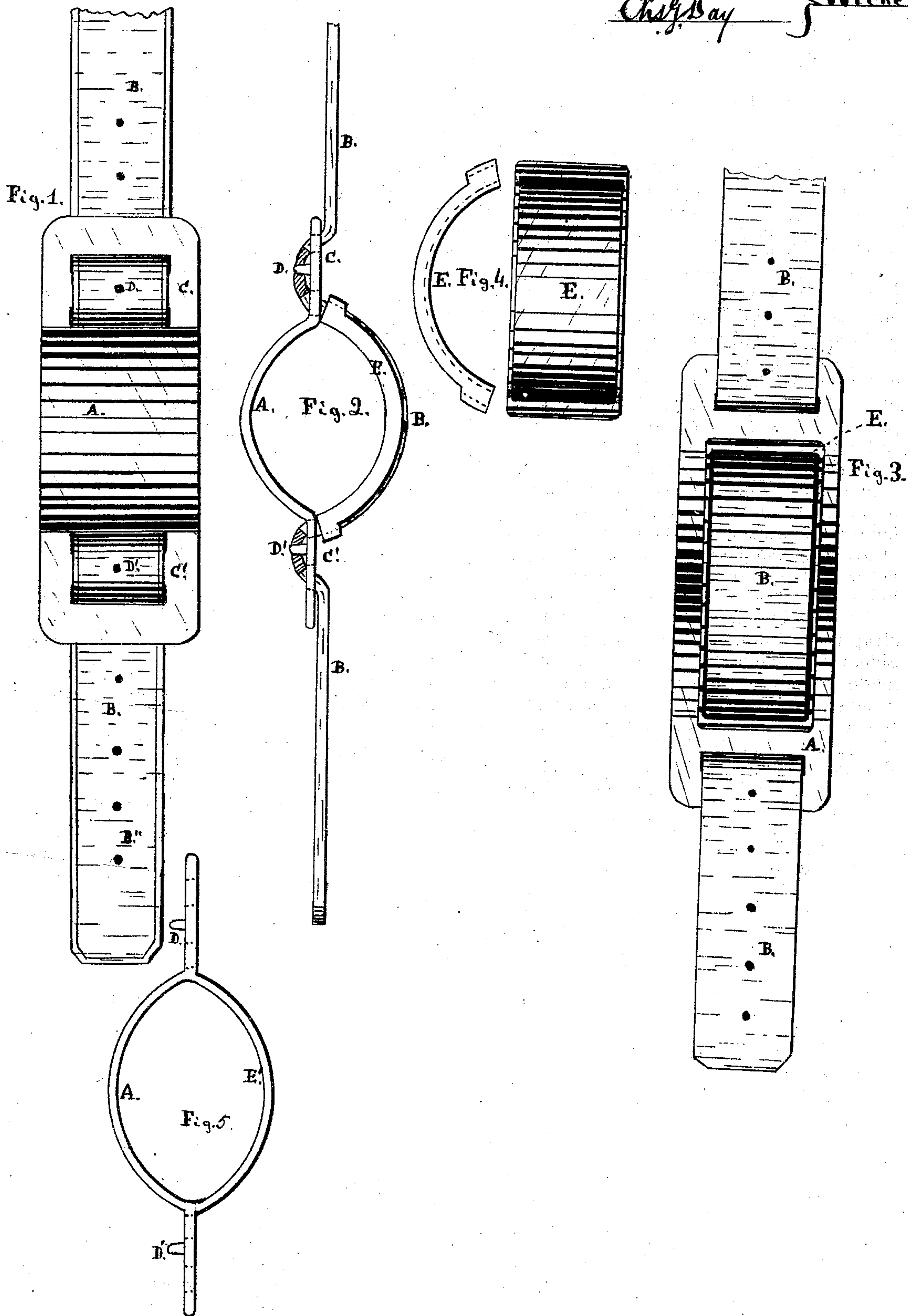
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Buckle and Thill Holder.

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IMPROVEMENT IN TUGS FOR HARNESS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ISAAC H. ALEXANDER, of Newfield, Tompkins county, New York, have invented an Improved Buckle and Thill-Holder, of which the following is a specification:

My object is to make a partial or complete metallic surface for the wear of the thill, and an adjustable buckle therewith; and the nature of my invention will be apparent as I describe it.

Figure 1 is a front view of my device; Fig. 2, a view of one edge of the same; Fig. 3, a view of the back thereof; Fig. 4, of the rear metallic piece. Fig. 5 shows the side or edge of the metallic parts made as one piece.

In Fig. 1, A is the front or outward metallic piece, and B is the skirt-strap or strap from the harness-saddle, which strap passes through two holes at C, and thence behind the curved portion of A, and also behind the thill and a part, E, not seen in this figure, and thence through two holes at C', and at last at B'' has holes for the belly-band buckle of the harness. To hold the strap from slipping, as well as to make it adjustable, two immovable studs or tongues, D D', are made fast to the piece A. In Fig. 2 the same letters show the same parts, and, further, how the strap lies in the hollow of the metallic piece E. Fig. 3 is the back side of the same parts, showing the strap B lying in the hollow of the piece E; and in Fig. 4 are two detached views of

the part E. Fig. 5 represents the parts A and E as modified so as to make a solid metal case for the thill. The piece E' is made plainer than E, Figs. 2 and 4.

Without further description it is apparent that in the cavity between the metallic piece A and pieces E the thill rests; that the holes and the tongues make the height of the thills adjustable; and that the whole, acting together, make a serviceable and useful thill-holder and buckle. It is evident that the part or piece E may be entirely dispensed with when the strap B makes one part of the thill-holder and the metallic part A the external part of the holder. The other advantages and uses of my invention are apparent to those skilled in the art to which it appertains.

I claim—

1. The thill-holder described, made of the external part or plate A, the internal metal part E, held together by the strap B, with the arrangement of the holes C C' and tongues D D', substantially as set forth.

2. The plate A and strap B, arranged together for a thill-holder without the part E, substantially as described.

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