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Buckles.

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Fig: 1

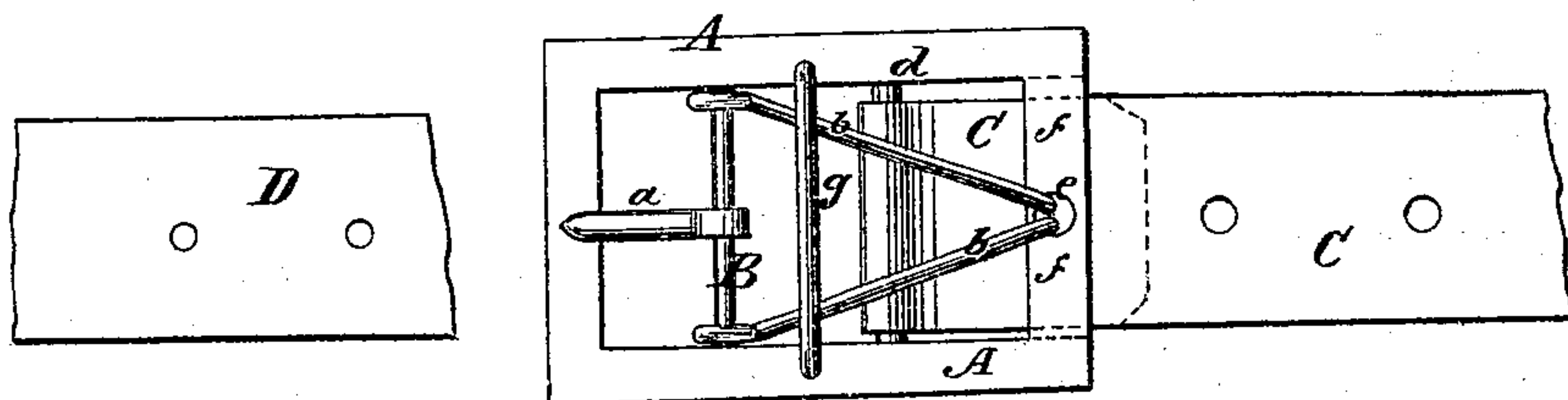
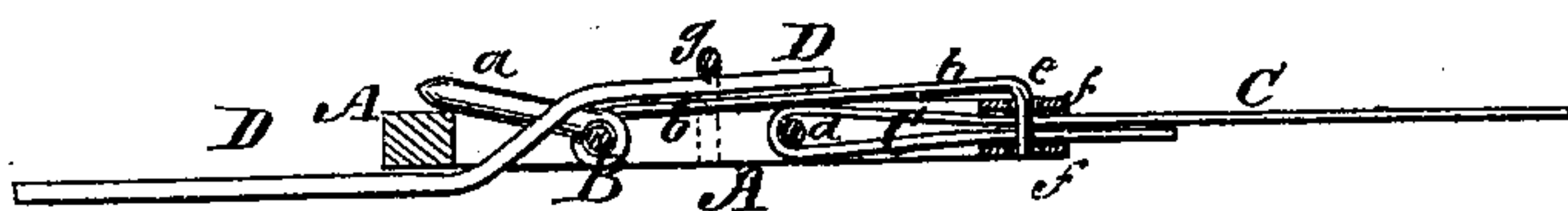


Fig: 2



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IMPROVEMENT IN BUCKLES.

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Specification describing a new and Improved Buckle, invented by JEROME B. R. HARDEMAN, of Tehuacana, in the county of Limestone and State of Texas.

This invention relates to a new buckle, which is provided with two two tongues on the same pivot, and with a guard for securing the same and the straps in position, thereby producing a simple and reliable means of connecting two straps.

In the accompanying drawing, Figure 1 represents a top view, and Fig. 2 a longitudinal section of my improved buckle.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

A in the drawing represents the frame of the buckle, of rectangular or other form. B is the pivot for the two tongues *a* and *b*, it being a rigid cross-bar in the frame. Another such cross-bar, *d*, is also formed in the frame, as shown. The tongue *a* is plain and short, and rests on the end of the frame. The tongue *b* is a forked wire, with a vertical prong, *e*, at the outer end, said end fitting through the

slotted end pieces *f* of the frame. *g* is a guard or cross-piece above the middle of the frame.

One strap, C, is drawn through the slotted piece *f*, laid around the cross-bar *d*, and then again drawn through the piece *f*, as in Fig. 2. The prong *e* of the tongue *b* is then let down through it and the piece *f*. The other strap, D, is buckled by the tongue *a* in the ordinary manner, and then drawn under the guard *g*, so as to rest on the tongue *b* and hold it down, preventing it from being raised out of the strap C.

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

The buckle-frame A, provided with cross-pieces B *d*, slotted end piece *f*, tongues *a* *b*, and guard *g*, all arranged to operate substantially as herein shown and described.

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