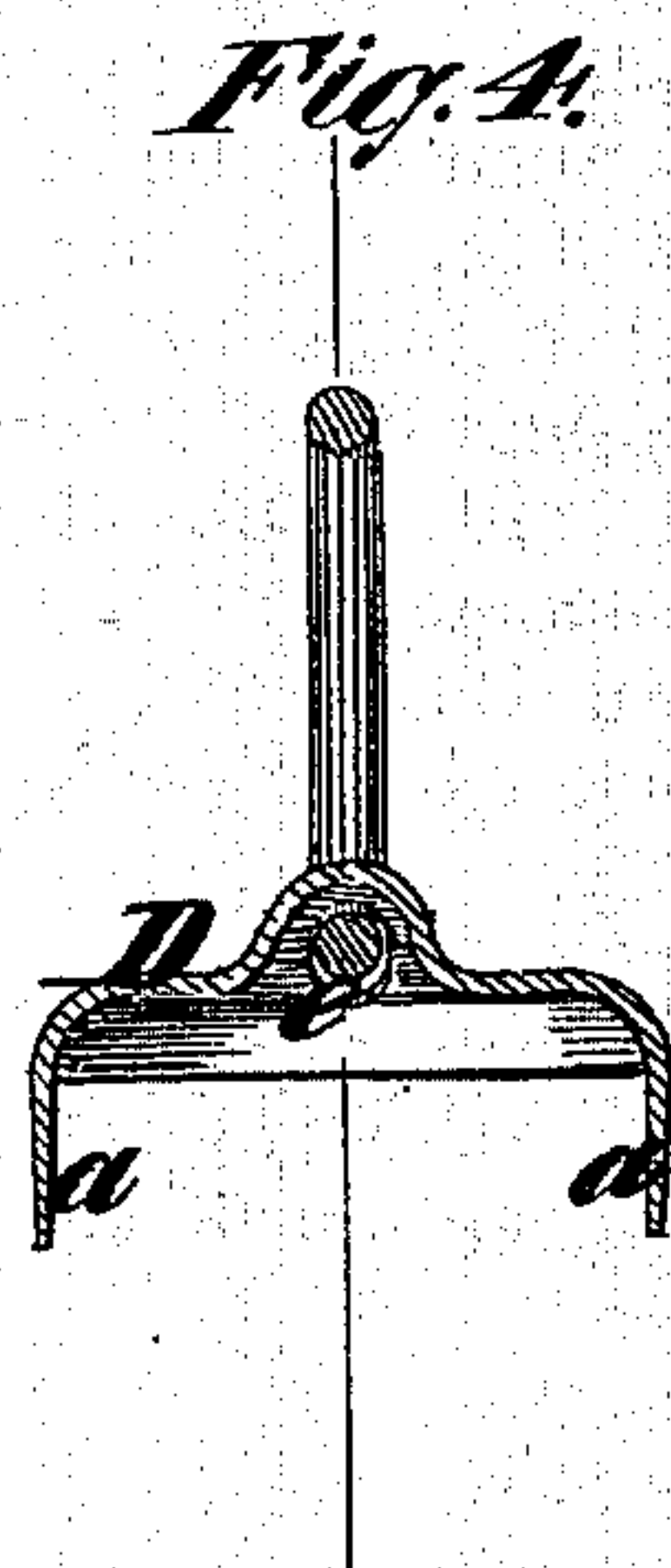
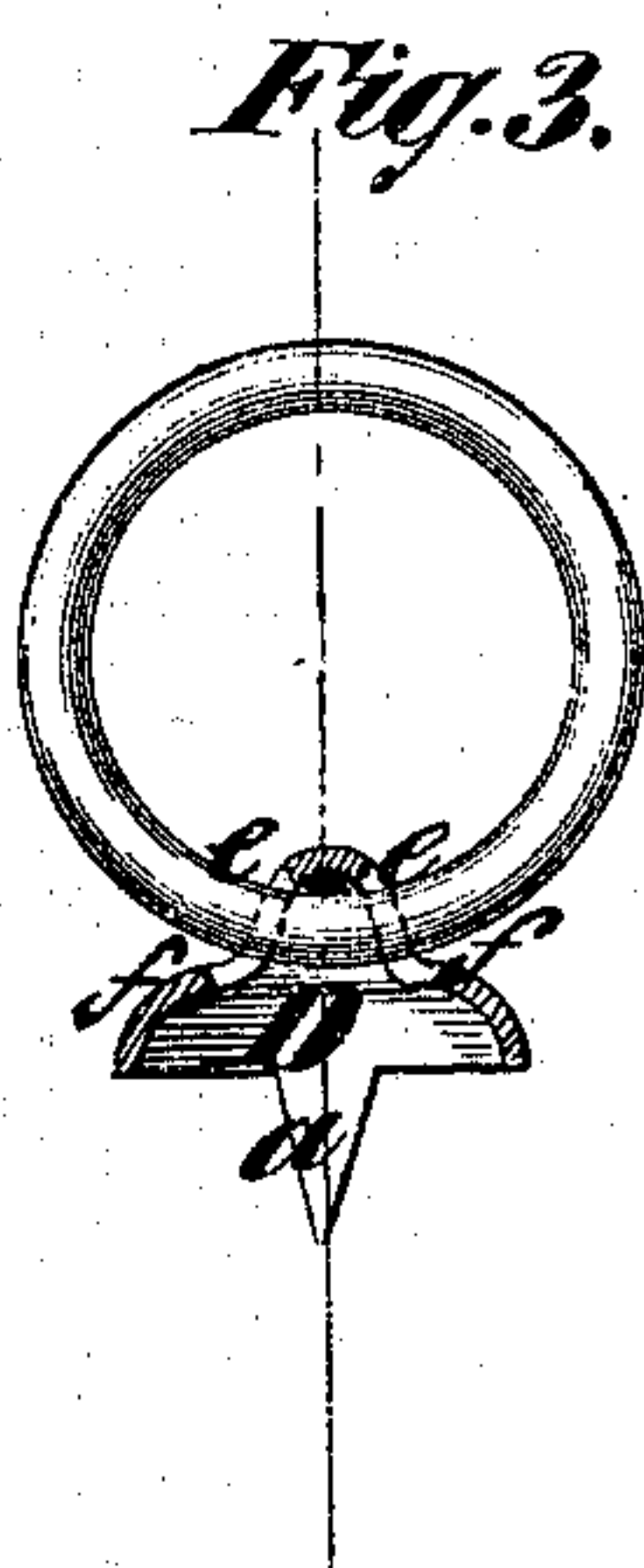
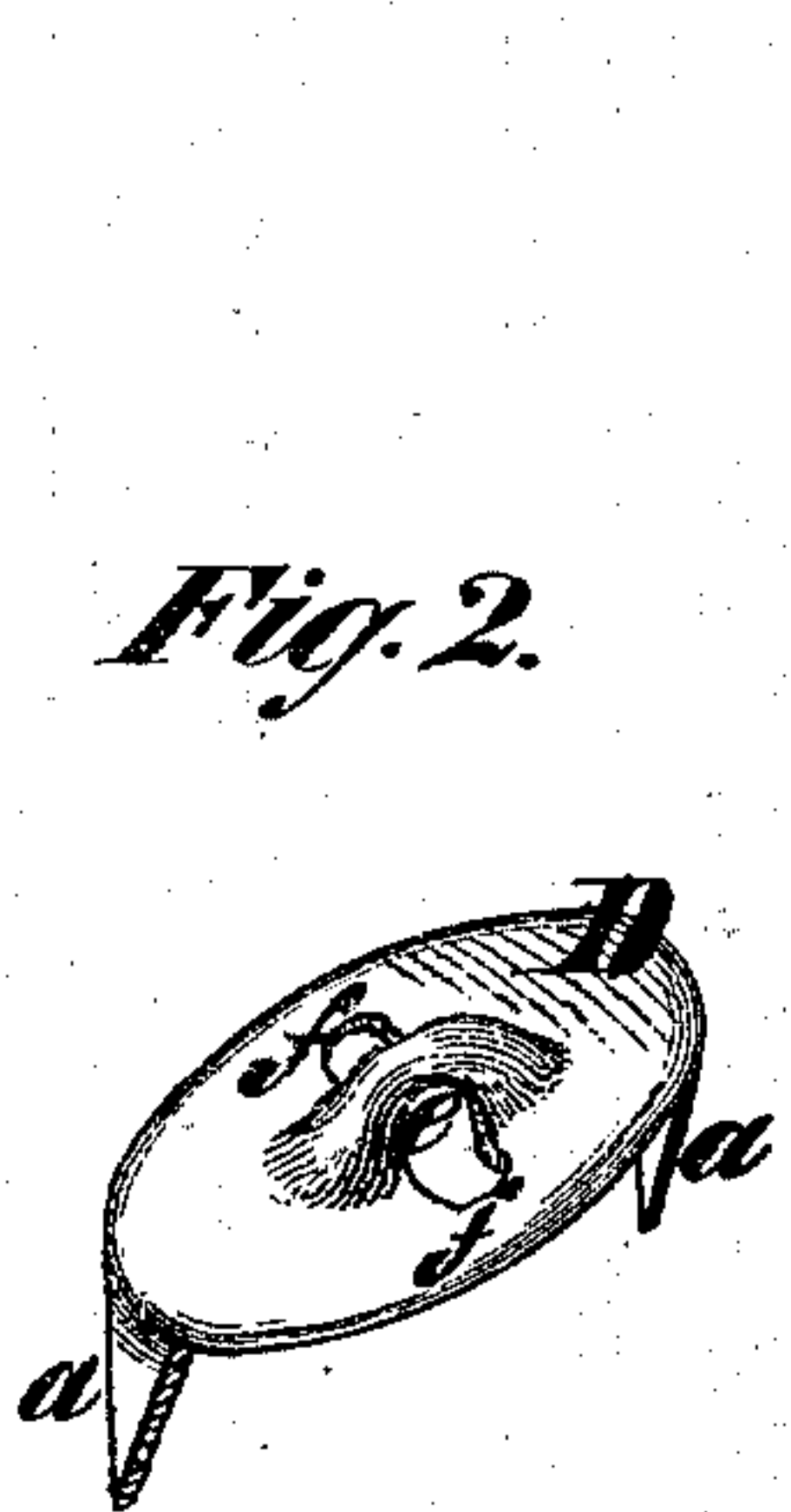
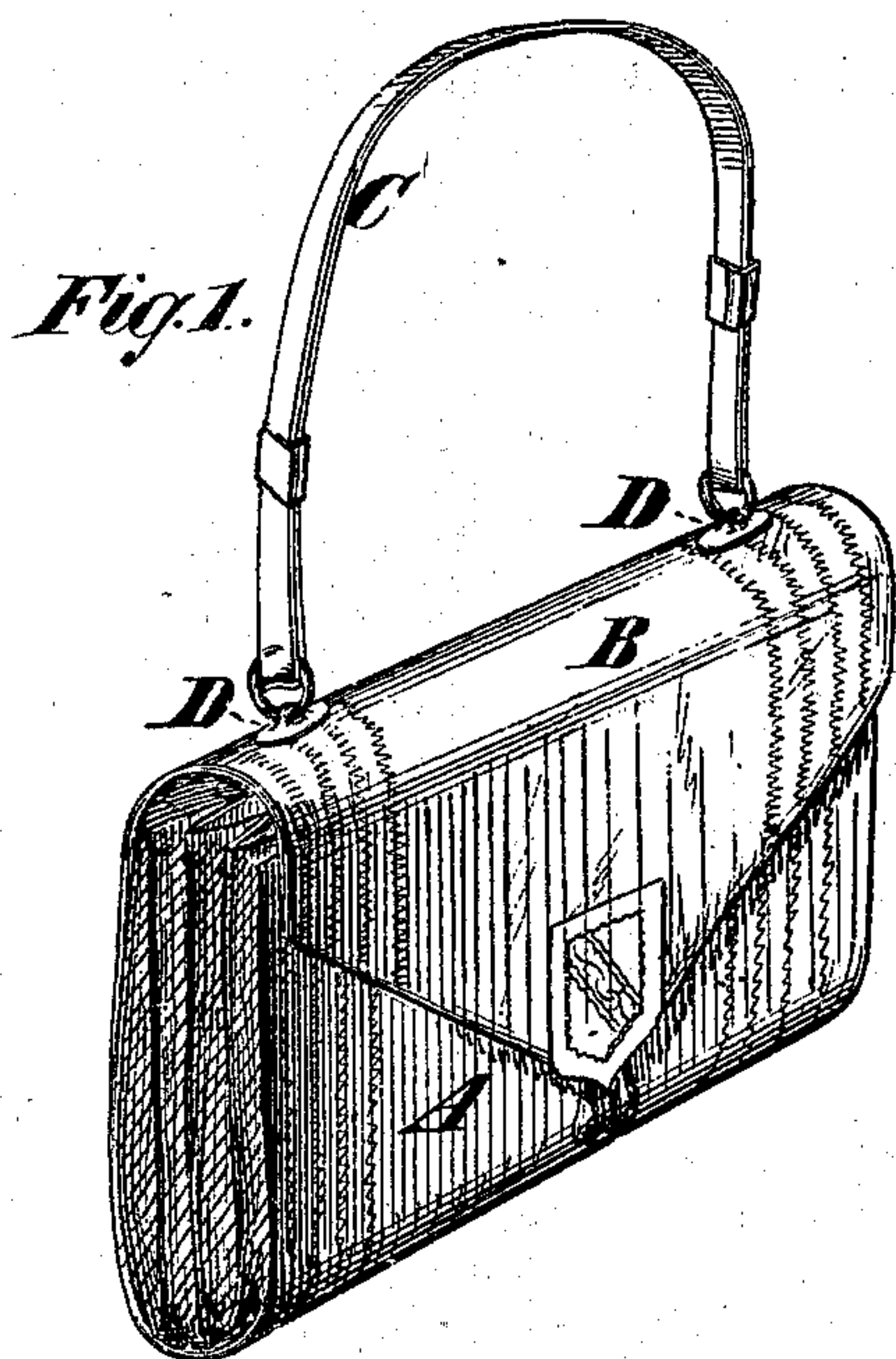


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THEODORE SCHIMPER, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented an Attachment for Rings, Handles, or other Articles to Pocket-Books and the like, of which the following is a specification:

The object of this invention is to produce a neat, simple, and secure attachment for fastening rings, chains, or handles, and other appendages, to pocket-books, satchels, and similar articles. To this end it consists in a clip-like attachment, stamped from a single piece of sheet metal, with two prongs, which afford the means of attachment to the pocket-book or other article, and an intermediate eye for the reception of the appendage, formed by cutting in the clip two slits, and setting up its intervening portion, whereby is obtained an extremely simple and efficient attachment, which can be fastened to any part of the pocket-book, and is especially adapted for fastening handles, because they need not be fastened to the side edges of the flap, and when the handles are fastened to the book at a distance from its edges, the appearance of the article is much enhanced, as will readily be perceived by inspecting the accompanying drawing.

Figure 1 in the drawing is a perspective view of a pocket-book having its handle fastened to it by this improved attachment. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of one of the attachments alone. Fig. 3 is a transverse section of the same with a ring in its eye, and Fig. 4 is a longitudinal section of the same from prong to prong.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the several figures.

A indicates the body of the pocket-book; B, its flap or cover, and C its handles. D D designate the attachments which form the subject of this invention. They somewhat resemble clips, having at each end a prong or tooth, *a*, which passes through the pocket-book, and its protruding portion is bent over against the inner side of the pocket-book, and thereby firmly secured to it. In the middle of each of these attachments two slits are cut, and the intervening portion is struck up to somewhat

resemble a bridge, which, together with the body of the attachment, forms an eye, *e*, that receives and holds the ring or other appendage to be fastened to the pocket-book. To enable the attachment the better to receive the appendage, it is stamped out sidewise from the eye, as illustrated at *f f* in Fig. 2, whereby the appendage is permitted to enter the body of the attachment, and has, therefore, plenty of room to move in, and consequently is free to turn. The entire body of the attachment is struck up, so that it is raised slightly from the article to which it is fastened, as shown in Figs. 3 and 4. This enhances its appearance, and renders it more prominent as an ornament to the pocket-book, aside from the increased strength which is thereby afforded to it.

This attachment is especially applicable for fastening chains or other handles to pocket-books, on account of its cheapness and ornamental appearance, and more especially on account of the facility afforded for fastening the handles at a distance from the side edges of the pocket-book—a result that has not been attained hitherto in so efficient a manner. The attachments hitherto generally employed for this purpose have embraced the edges of the pocket-book's flap, and been furnished with eyes at their overlapping ends. They are not nearly so secure as these of mine, and cannot compare with them, either in neatness or in cheapness of manufacture. Mine are cheaper, because of the materially less amount of metal in them, and because less labor is expended on them. They are applicable, as before mentioned, to fasten various other appendages to pocket-books, and they are useful for other purposes.

What I claim as my invention is—

The plate D, constructed of a single piece of metal, with the engaging-prongs *a*, struck-up eye *e*, and recesses *f f*, for connecting a handle with a pocket-book, substantially as herein shown and described.

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