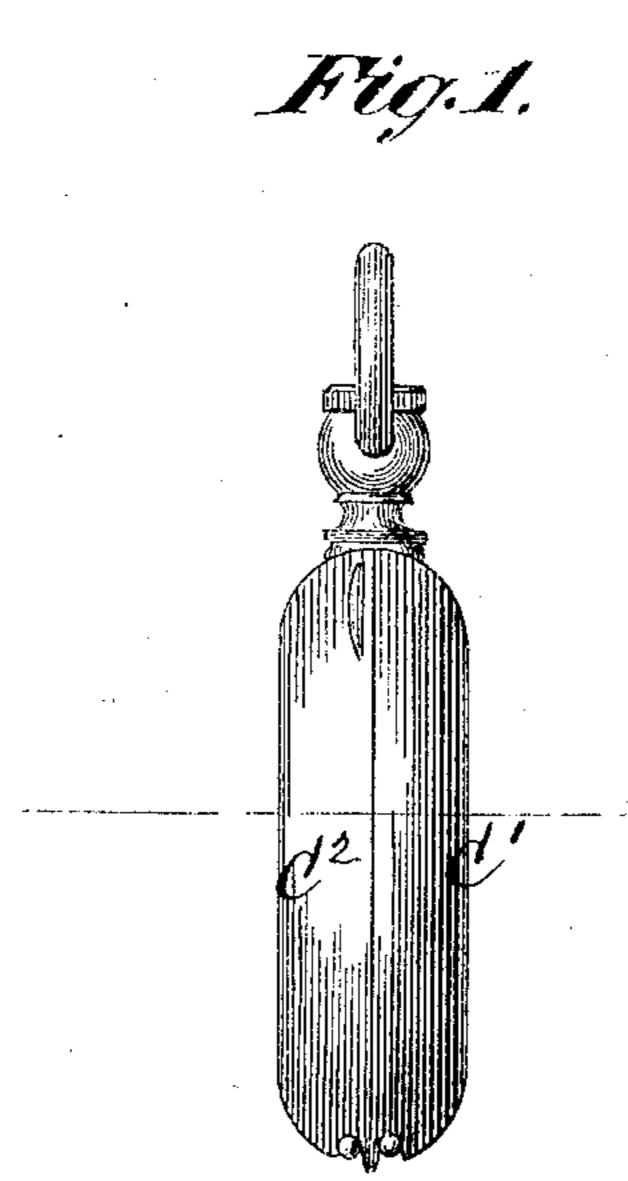
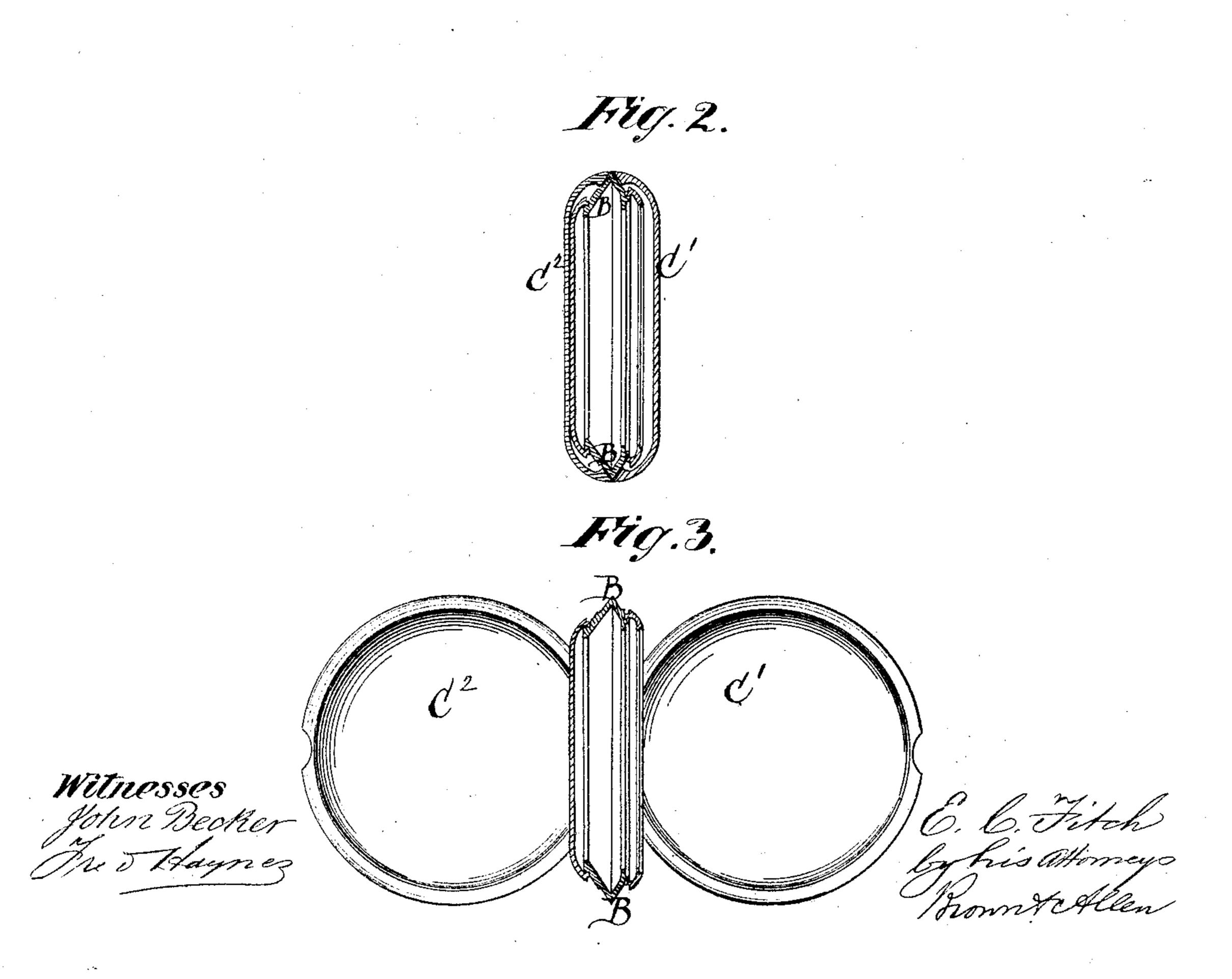
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IMPROVEMENT IN WATCH-CASES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Ezra C. Fitch, of the city of New York, in the county and State of New York, have invented an Improved Watch-Case, of which the following is a specification:

My invention relates to certain improvements whereby but a single joint or opening in the case is exposed. The invention consists in a watch-case having the rim or band between the caps beveled or V-shaped, or of other suitable approximate form in its cross-section, and the inner edges of the caps of corresponding form and greater circumference, so that when the case is closed the inner edges of the caps come in contact with each other, and form but a single joint, covering and concealing the rim or band.

In the accompanying drawing, Figure 1 is an edge view of a watch-case embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a transverse section with the case closed. Fig. 3 is a transverse section with the case open.

My invention may be applied to either double or open-faced cases with equal facility. The drawing represents a double case, C¹ being the face cap, and C² the back cap. The

rim or band B is beveled or V-shaped, or of other suitable approximate form, instead of a broad and hoop-like surface, and it is smaller in circumference than the caps C¹ C², instead of equal thereto, as is usual in watch-cases. The caps C¹ C² have their inner edges extended so as to reach to the center of the rim or band B, instead of terminating before reaching said center. By this construction the inner edges of the caps meet each other when the case is closed, and entirely cover and conceal the rim B, forming but a single joint, as shown in Fig. 2.

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

A watch-case having its rim or band of V-shaped or other suitable approximate form, and the inner edges of the caps of corresponding form, and coming together in a single joint outside of the rim, substantially as and for the purpose shown and described.

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