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POCKET-BOOK.

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Fig. 1.

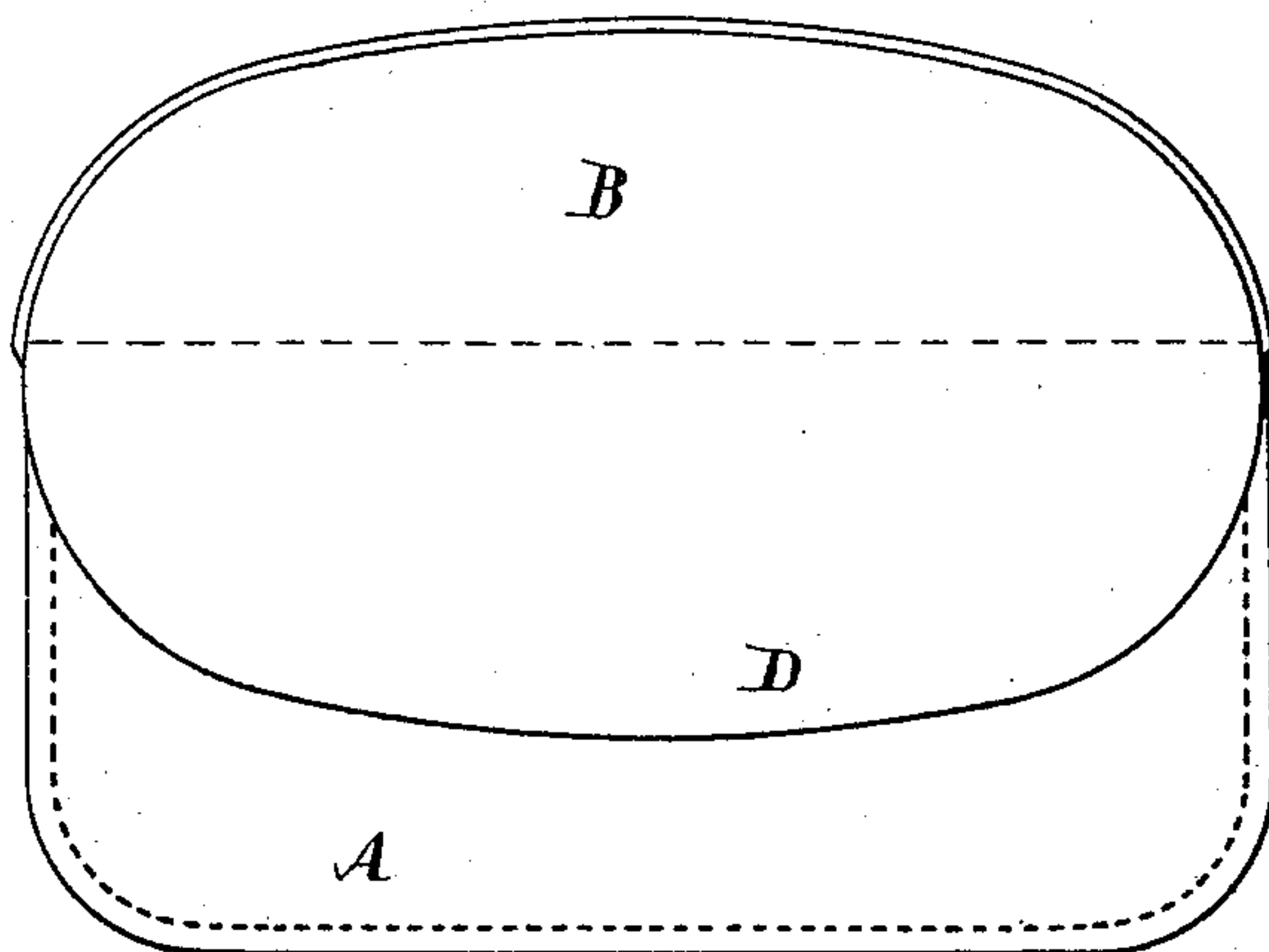


Fig. 2.

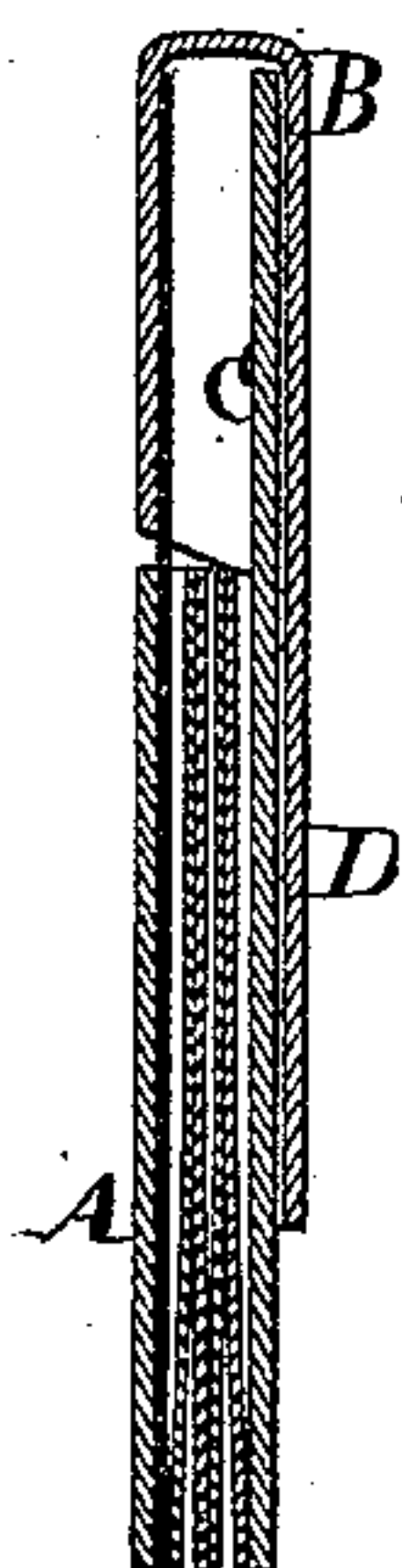
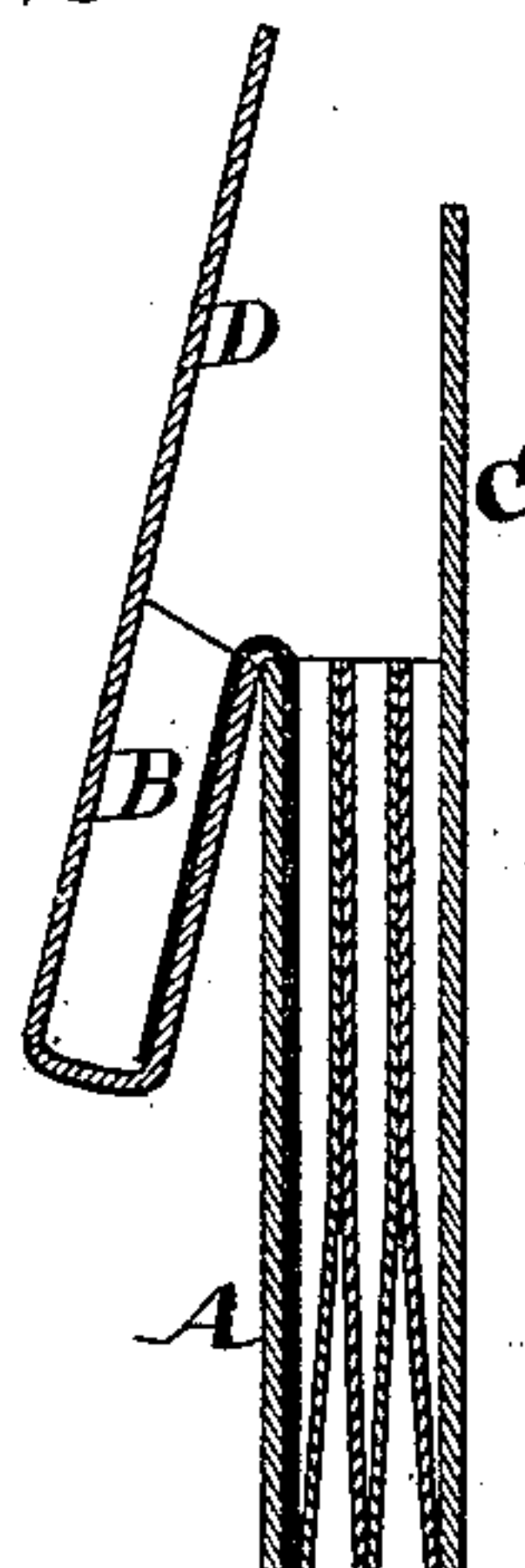


Fig. 3.



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## IMPROVEMENT IN POCKET-BOOKS.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. **175,718**, dated April 4, 1876; application filed February 11, 1876.

*To all whom it may concern :*

Be it known that I, ALEXANDER M. LEVINO, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Pocket-Books and similar Articles, which improvement is fully set forth in the following specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, in which—

Figure 1 represents a front view of my invention. Fig. 2 is a cross-section thereof when shut. Fig. 3 is a like section of the same when open.

Similar letters indicate corresponding parts.

My invention relates to certain improvements in pocket-books and other similar articles, and has for its object to furnish a cheap, simple, and effective device for closing such articles, and one containing no springs or other paraphernalia which are liable to get out of order.

The invention consists in providing the pocket-book or other article with a projecting front side or cover, to receive the closing pocket, by means of which the proper adjustment of the pocket is facilitated and its accidental displacement prevented.

In the drawing, the letter A designates a pocket-book of ordinary form, to which I have, in this example, shown my invention applied; and B is the closing pocket. This pocket B is arranged to take the flap hitherto commonly used for closing pocket-books and other similar articles, with the exception, however, that no supplemental device is required for retaining the pocket B in its position on the pocket-book.

This closing pocket B forms an integral part of the pocket-book, and is connected at one of its edges to the rear side or cover, as seen in Figs. 2 and 3, or it may be made in one piece with such cover, the first-named mode of connection being preferred on account of the greater freedom of movement thus given to the

pocket. It is obvious that when the pocket B is so adjusted as to envelop the opening of the pocket-book A, as shown in Fig. 2, the latter is firmly held shut, while by the elastic nature of the pocket-book the closing pocket can be readily adjusted in its place or removed, as shown in Fig. 3, for the purpose of gaining access to the interior part of the book.

In order to prevent the pocket-book being accidentally opened, the front cover of the same is elongated or extended above the pockets of the pocket-book, as seen at C, Figs. 2 and 3. By this arrangement the pocket B, when adjusted to its closing position, is received by the projecting cover C, on or from which it can be drawn with extreme facility, while at the same time the pocket is not liable to become displaced by accident. The edge of the projecting cover C is preferably curved, and a correspondingly curved outline given to the pocket B, in order to still further facilitate the adjustment of the pocket.

If desired, the pocket B may have a projecting part, D, by which it can be conveniently grasped in its removal from the pocket-book. The closing pocket B is applicable not only to pocket-books, but also to cigar-cases, card-cases, bill-books, and a variety of other articles of a similar nature.

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

The combination of a closing pocket, B, with a pocket-book or other similar article, which is provided with a projecting cover, C, substantially as described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 9th day of February, 1876.

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