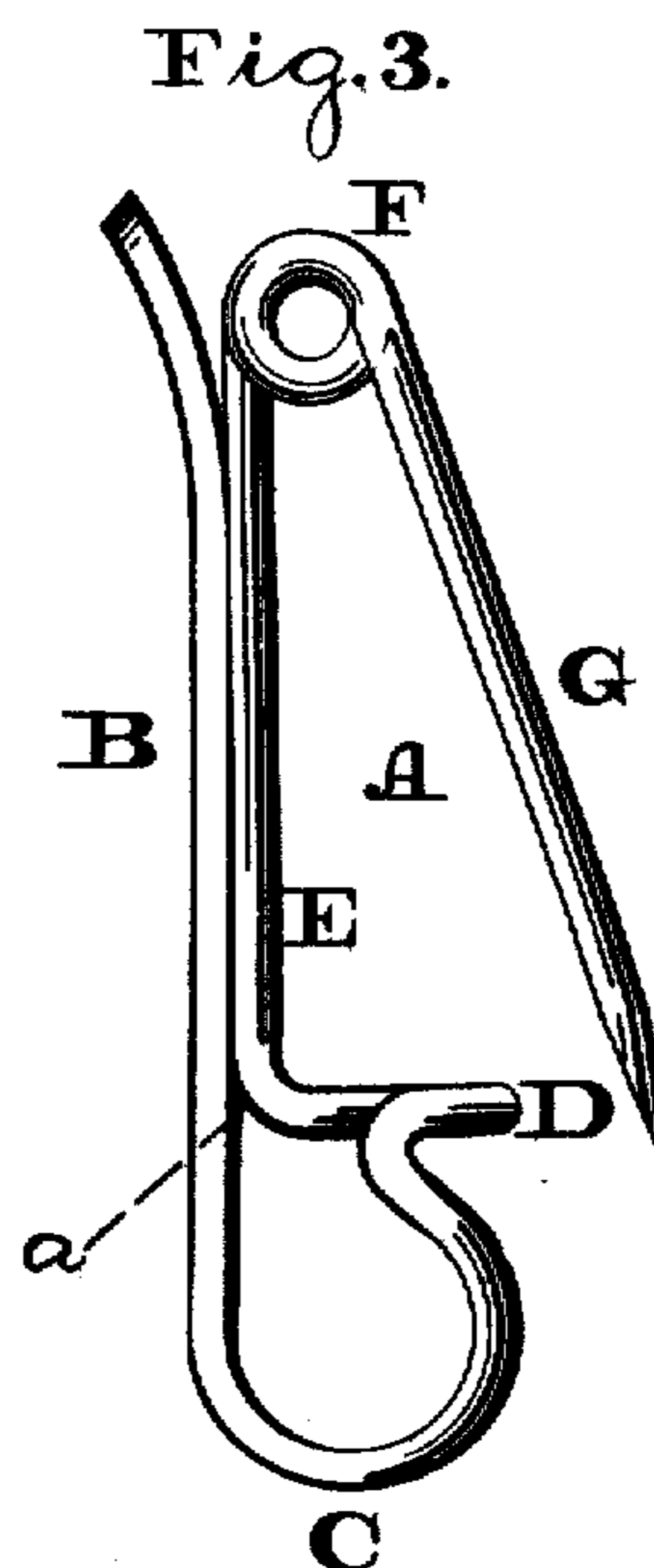
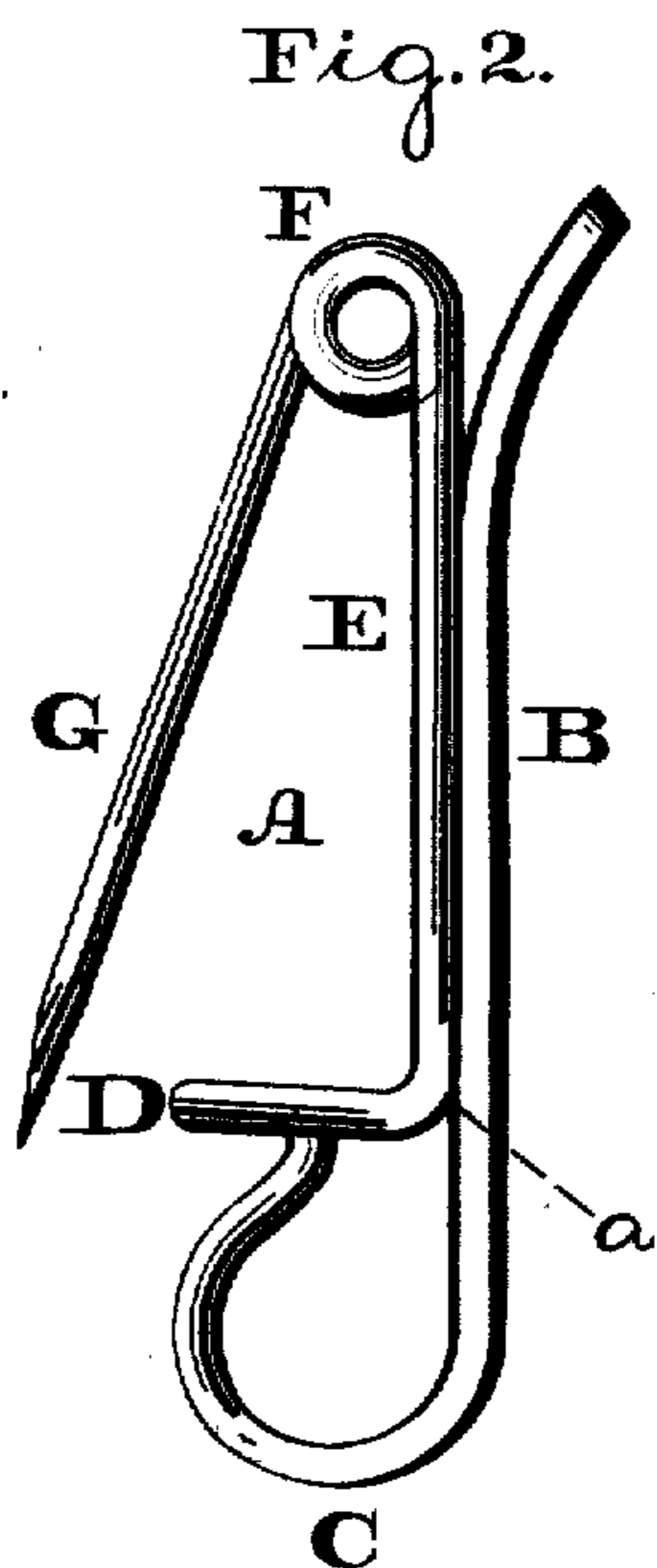
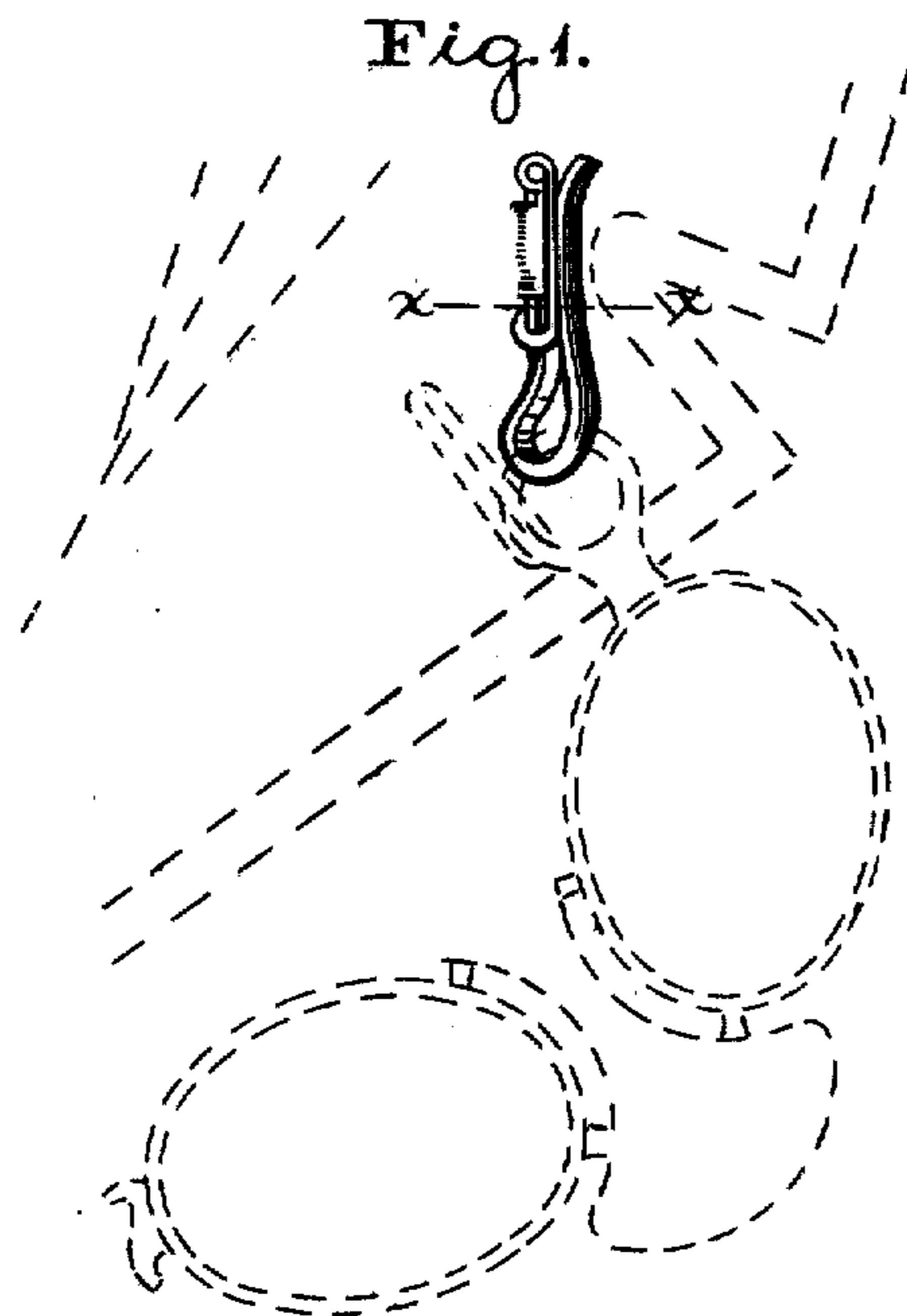


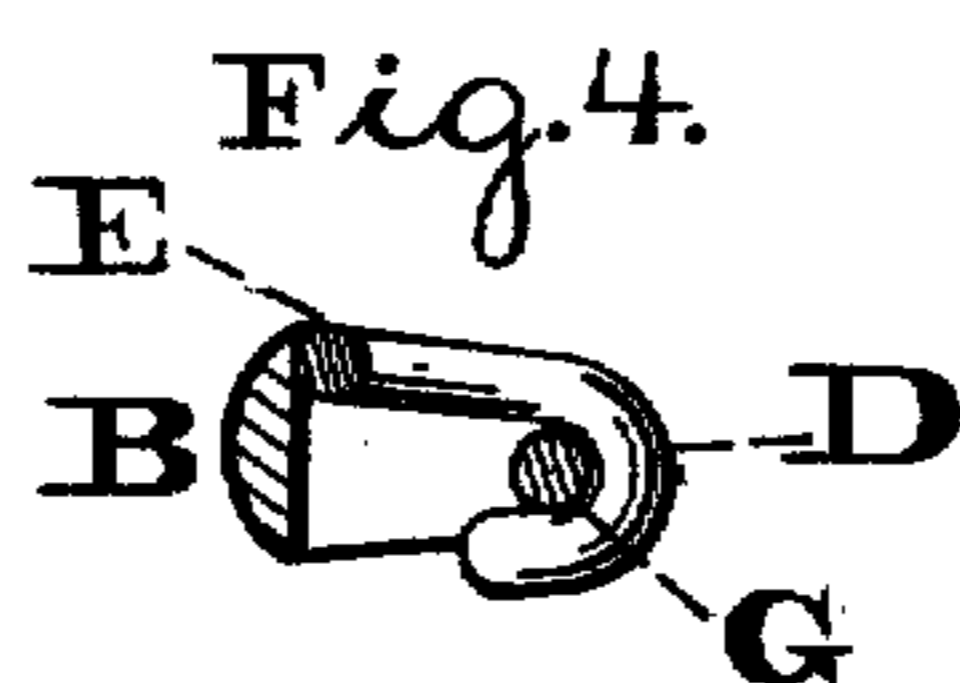
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## IMPROVEMENT IN EYEGGLASS-HOLDERS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, I. NEAL CLAWSON, of the city and county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Eyeglass-Holders; and I do hereby declare the following to be a clear and exact description of the nature thereof, sufficient to enable others skilled in the art to which my invention appertains to fully understand, make, and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the holder embodying my invention. Figs. 2 and 3 are views of opposite sides thereof. Fig. 4 is a transverse section in line *xx*, Fig. 1.

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

My invention relates to means for conveniently and securely holding or suspending an eyeglass when not in use. It consists of an inwardly-closing hook which is continuous of the pin and intermediate spring and eye, said hook closing against the bar of the holder between the spring and eye, so that the glass will always be retained in the bottom bend of the holder.

The eye is so constructed that it will increase the elasticity of the hook, so that it will readily open when force is exerted to withdraw the glass and close tightly against the adjacent bar of the holder.

Referring to the drawings, A represents the holder, which is formed of the hook B, bottom bend C, laterally-extending eye D, bar E, spring-coil F, and pin G, made continuous of each other. The hook B rests flat and firmly

against the entire extent of the bar E, and the eye is a single U-shaped piece, into which the end of the pin may be introduced by pressing it past the bend until it reaches the entrance of the eye, and then by directing the pin to said entrance and letting it go the pin will enter the eye and rest against the bend thereof, as shown in Figs. 1 and 4.

It will be seen that the bottom bend C is firmly closed at the point *a* of junction of the hook B and bar E, so that the bow of the eyeglass, unless purposely withdrawn, cannot pass upward beyond the said point *a* and be caught and supported horizontally between the hook and bar; but it will be confined in the bend and thereby hang loosely and freely therein. It will also be seen that the eye D is a single bend or open, as stated, and it increases the elasticity of the hook, so that it will assist in permitting the hook to open when power is exerted on the glass to withdraw it, and subsequently return the hook to its closed position against the length E.

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

The inwardly-closing hook B, bottom bend C, and bar E with the contact point *a* closing the upper space of the bend, in combination with the single laterally-extending open eye D, and with the coil F, and pin G, all constructed and arranged to operate as specified.

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