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BELT BUCKLE PLATE.

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fig. 1

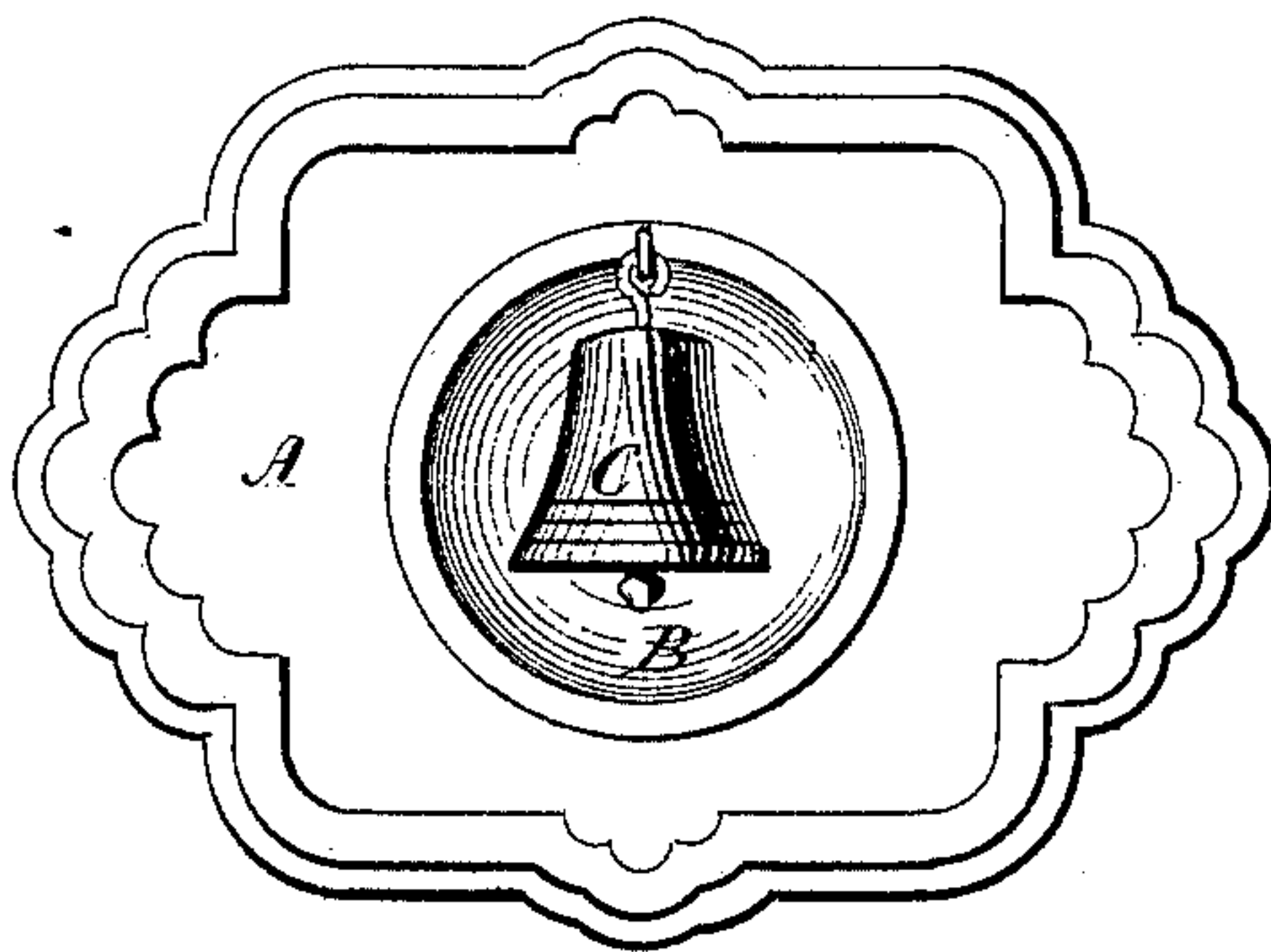
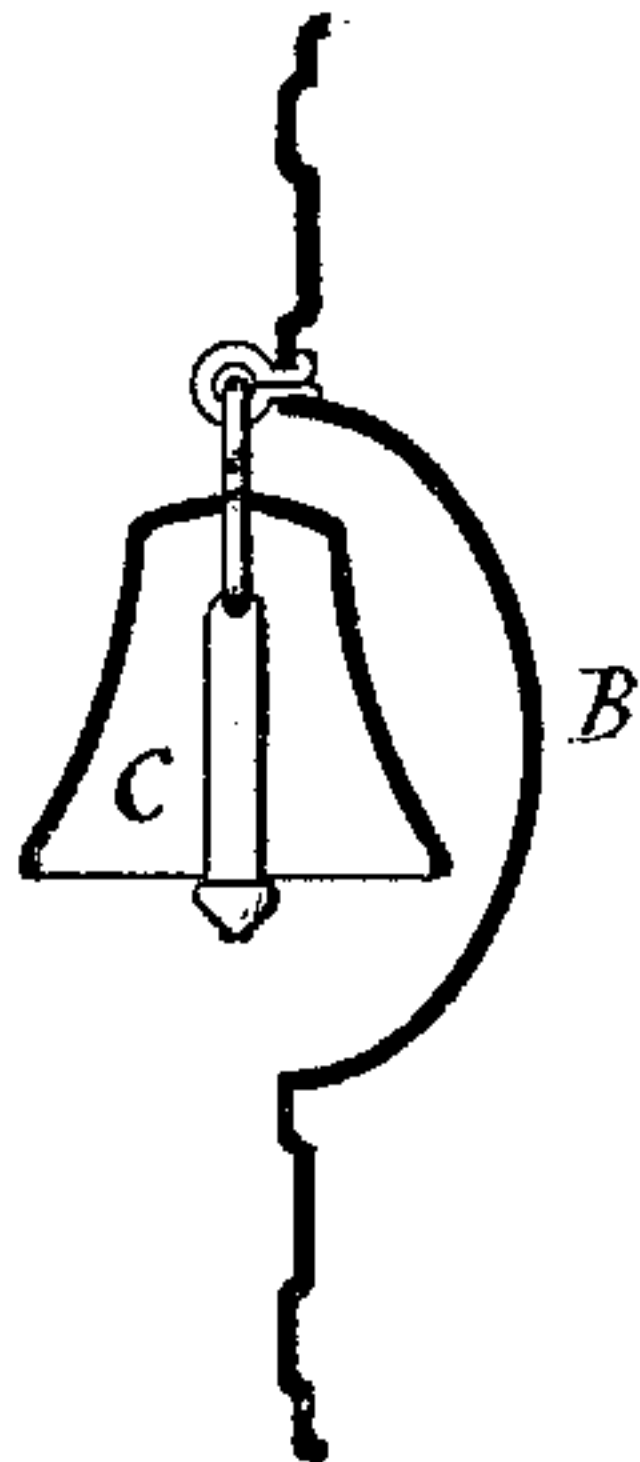


fig. 2



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IMPROVEMENT IN BELT-BUCKLE PLATES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSEPH R. SMITH, of Waterbury, in the county of New Haven and State of Connecticut, have invented a new Improvement in Buckles; and I do hereby declare the following, when taken in connection with the accompanying drawings and the letters of reference marked thereon, to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, and which said drawings constitute part of this specification, and represent, in—

Figure 1, front view; Fig. 2, transverse section.

This invention relates to an improvement in belt-buckles, the object being to combine a bell with the buckle; and it consists in a plate having a recess in its front adapted to receive a bell.

A is the plate, of any desirable outline or ornamentation of surface. In the center or

at other desirable point in the plate is a recess, B, and in this a bell, C, is suspended. This bell will be rung by the movement of the body of the person wearing it, and it affords an attractive ornament for children's wear. The bell may be loosely suspended or rigid, but a loose suspension is preferable.

The form of the recess is immaterial, it only being essential that it be such as to leave the bell free from contact with the plate, which would interfere with the vibration of the bell.

I claim—

A belt-buckle plate provided with the recess adapted to receive the bell, substantially as shown and described.

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