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Coat-Hanger.

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Fig: 1.

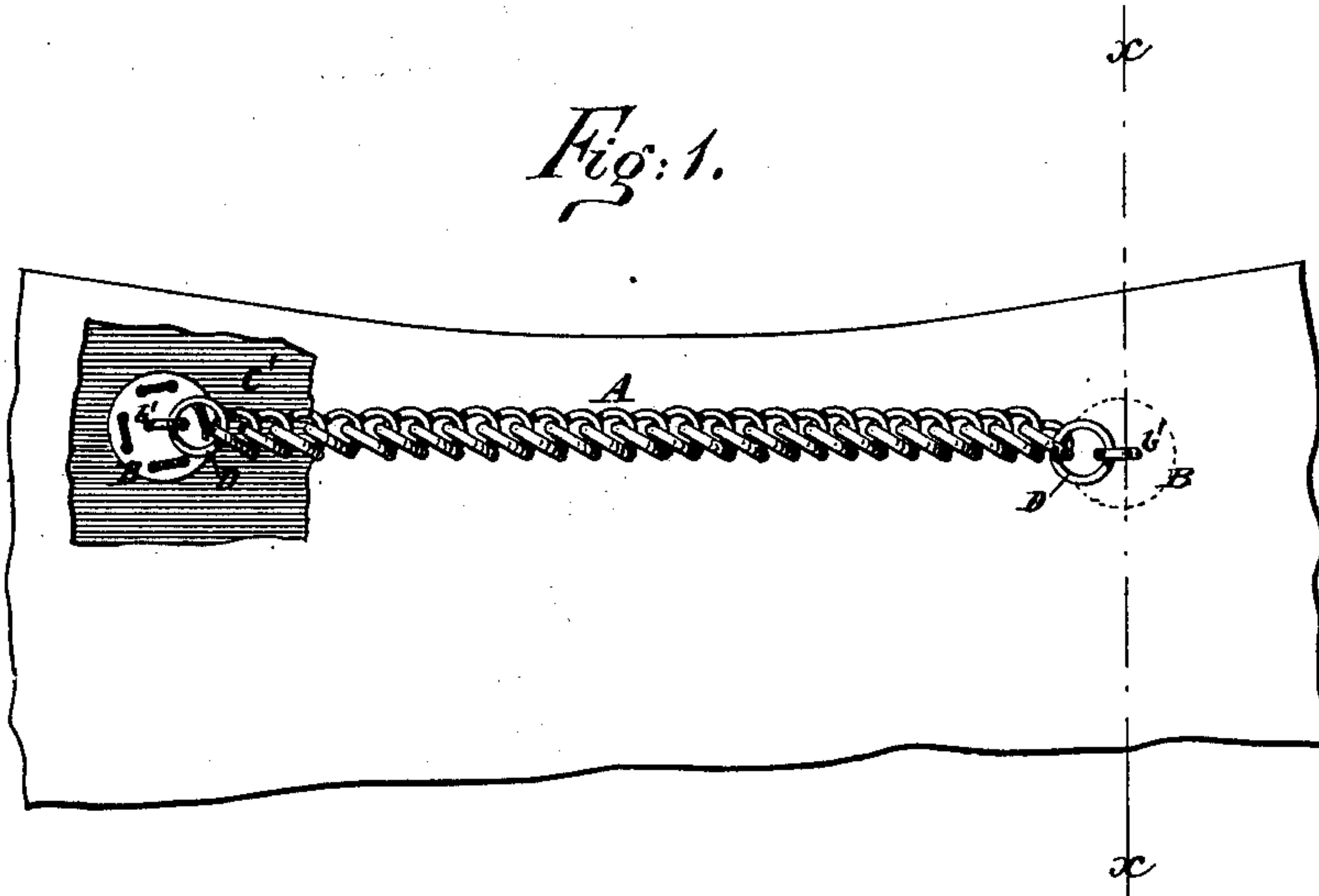
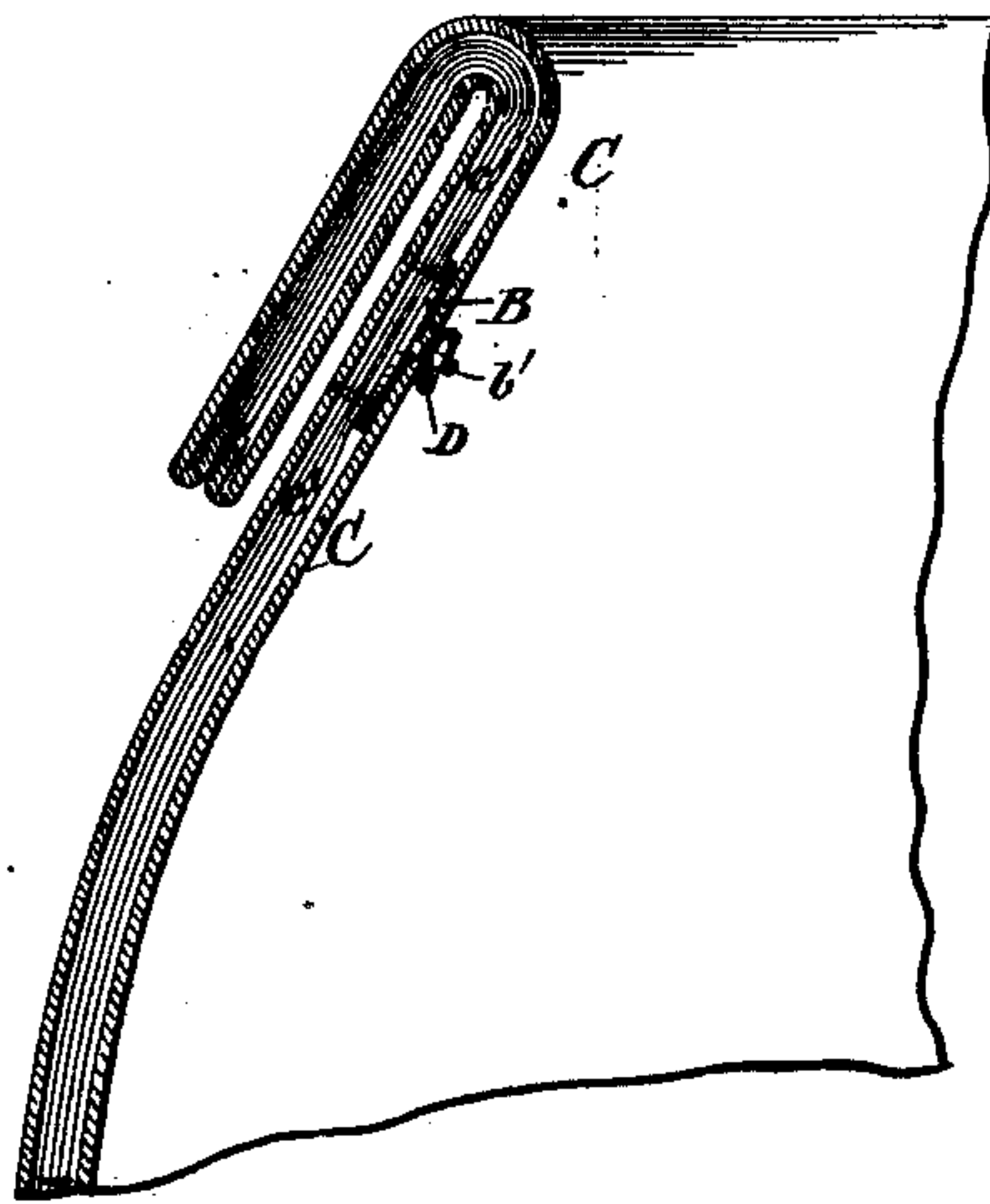


Fig: 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN COAT-HANGERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THOMAS DONOHUE, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Coat-Hanger, of which the following is a specification:

The object of my invention is to furnish a strong and durable hanger for coats, dresses, and other wearing apparel, and which shall not be liable to retain the shape it assumes while on the rack, causing it to project over the collar of the wearer, as is often the case with ordinary coat-hangers.

The invention consists in a coat-hanger formed of a metallic chain, and in the fastening for securing the same to the collar, as will be hereinafter described.

In the accompanying drawing, Figure 1 represents a plan view of my improved coat-hanger secured to a coat-collar. Fig. 2 is a cross-section taken on the line *x x* of Fig. 1.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

A is a metallic chain, of suitable length and size, and formed of links so short as to preclude all tendency of retaining any shape it assumes while the coat is suspended by it. B are two metallic eye-plates, perforated to facilitate their attachment, and sewed to the stiffening and back collar *c'*, at suitable distances apart, with the eyes *b'* left protruding through the collar-covering C at the neck, on

the inside of the coat. D are two ordinary split rings, by which the ends of the chain A are attached to the eyes *b'* of the plates B.

The length of the chain, including the split rings, should be equal to the distance between the eyes *b'* when the collar is straightened out. By means of the split rings D the chain A can be attached or detached at will.

The eye-plates B being sewed to the stiffening and back collar *c'*, the covering C is relieved from strain, and, being concealed from view, detract nothing from the neatness of appearance.

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

1. The chain A, of suitably short links, in combination with a coat or other wearing apparel, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. The coat-hanger having the split ring D, in combination with the eye-plate B and chain A, for the purpose substantially as specified.

3. The eye-plate B and split ring D, in combination with the chain A and a coat or other apparel, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

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