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Fig. 1.

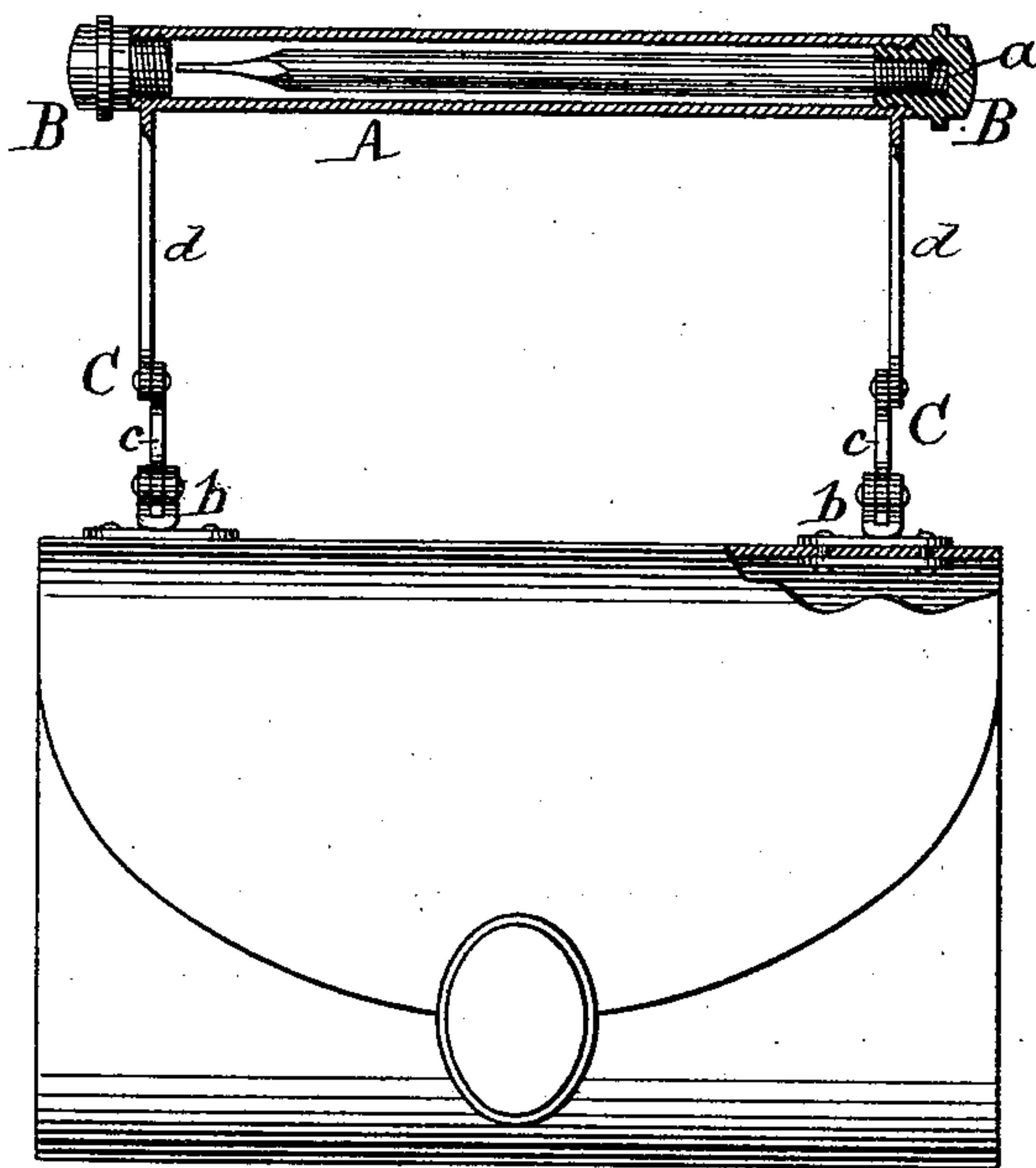
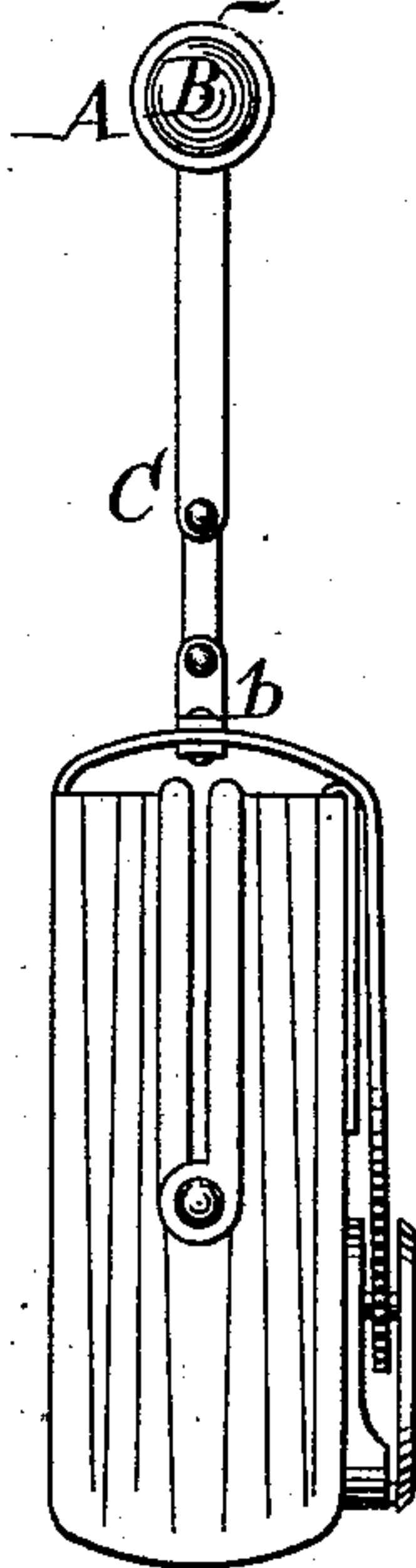


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN HANDLES FOR POCKET-BOOKS, SACHELS, AND OTHER SIMILAR ARTICLES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, LOUIS MESSER, of the city, county, and State of New York, and CHARLES W. JENKS, of the city and county of Philadelphia, and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Handles for Pocket-Books, Satchels, and other Similar Articles, which improvement is fully set forth in the following specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 shows a pocket-book, in side view, containing our invention. Fig. 2 is an end view of the same.

Similar letters indicate corresponding parts.

This invention consists in a handle for pocket-books, composed of a tubular portion or case adapted to receive a pencil or other instrument, a tip fitting the end of the tubular portion or case for holding the article therein, and devices attached to said tubular portion for connecting it with the pocket-book or other similar article, all of which will be fully hereinafter described.

The invention further consists in the combination, in a handle for pocket-books, satchels, and other similar articles, of a bar or case, two arms extending from said bar or case, brackets secured to the pocket-book or other article, and pivoted links connecting said brackets to the arms of the bar or case, as hereinafter more fully set forth.

In the drawings, the letter A designates a hollow bar or case; B, a tip fitted to the case, and C connecting devices combined according to our invention to form a handle.

The case A is preferably made cylindrical, and its diameter and length are such that the same is capable of receiving a lead-pencil, writing-pen, tooth-pick, crochet-needle, or other small instrument, while it carries a tip, B, at each end. The tip B is provided with a socket, *a*, into which the end of the instrument which it is desired to incase may be inserted, as shown in Fig. 1; and said tip, moreover, is provided with a screw-thread, or otherwise adapted to be secured to either end of the case A. The connections C are secured to the case A at one end, and are attached to clips *b* at their opposite ends, by which latter they may be secured to a pocket-book or other similar article or receptacle. We construct these connections C so that they are flexible, and in the example shown have attained this object by

jointing the same; but, in lieu of this arrangement, the bands may be constructed of a series of interlaced chain-links, or constructed in other known ways.

If a pencil or the like is attached to the tip B, and the latter is fastened to the case A, the pencil is held within the case, where it is protected and concealed, while at the same time the pencil can readily be removed for use.

By reason of their flexibility the connections C are adapted to be folded over alongside the article to which our handle is applied, and hence our handle does not interfere with placing the article as a pocket-book in the pocket.

In some cases the case A may be made in the shape of a solid bar with two rigid arms, *d d*, which are connected to the clips or brackets *b* by pivoted links *e*, so that the bar or handle H can be swung down to the side of the pocket-book or other article, or turned up to the position shown in the drawings.

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

1. A handle for pocket-books and other similar articles, consisting of a tubular case adapted to receive a pencil or other instrument, a tip fitting the end of the tubular case for holding the article therein, and devices attached to the said case for connecting the same to the pocket-book, &c., all substantially as shown and described.

2. The combination, in a handle for pocket-books, satchels, and other similar articles, of a bar or case, two arms extending from said bar or case, brackets secured to the pocket-book, satchel, or other article, and pivoted links connecting said brackets to the arms of the bar or case, substantially as set forth.

In testimony that we claim the foregoing I, the said LOUIS MESSER, have hereunto set my hand and seal this 19th day of March, 1879, and I, the said CHARLES W. JENKS, have hereunto set my hand and seal this 24th day of March, 1879.

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