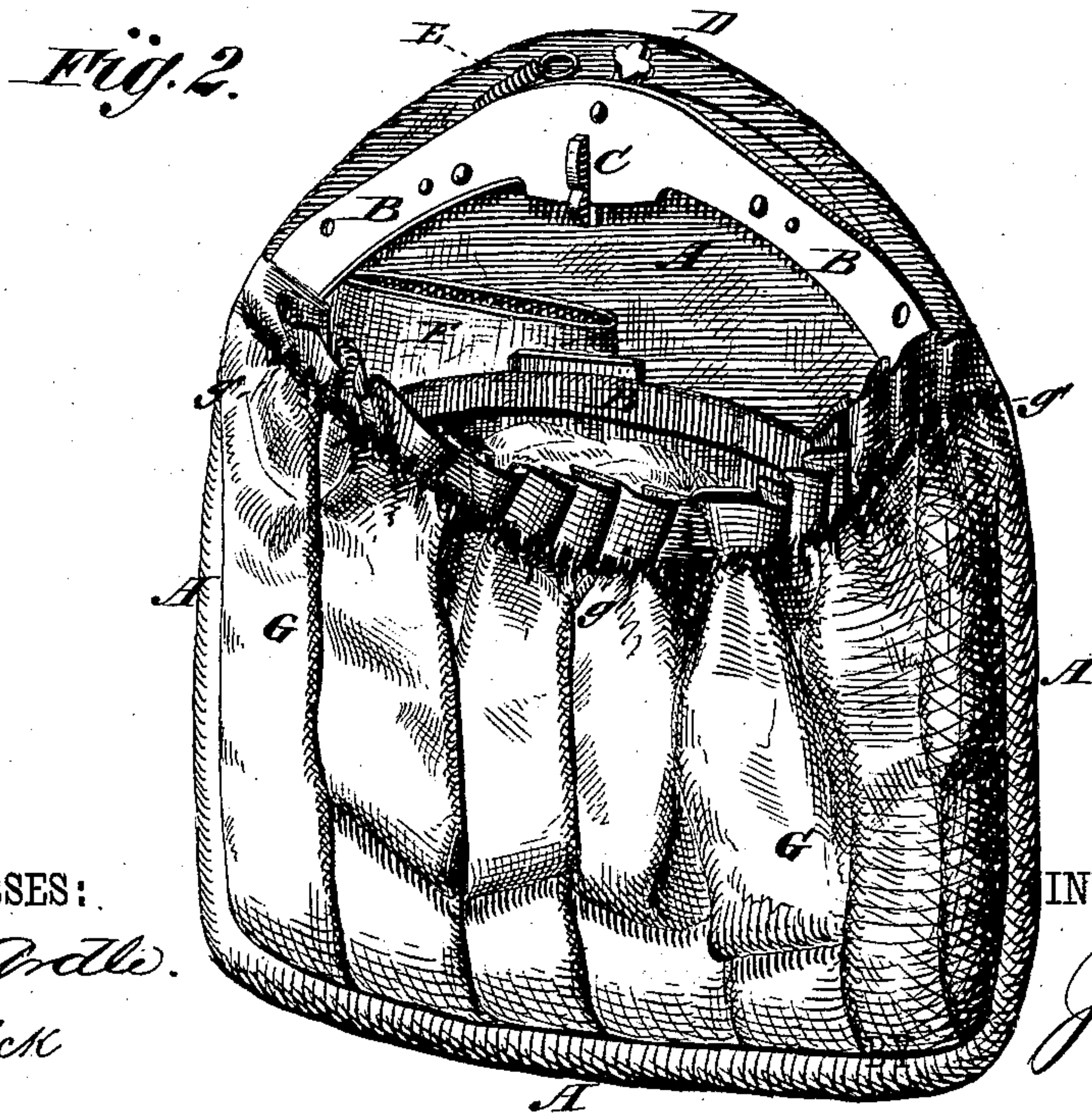
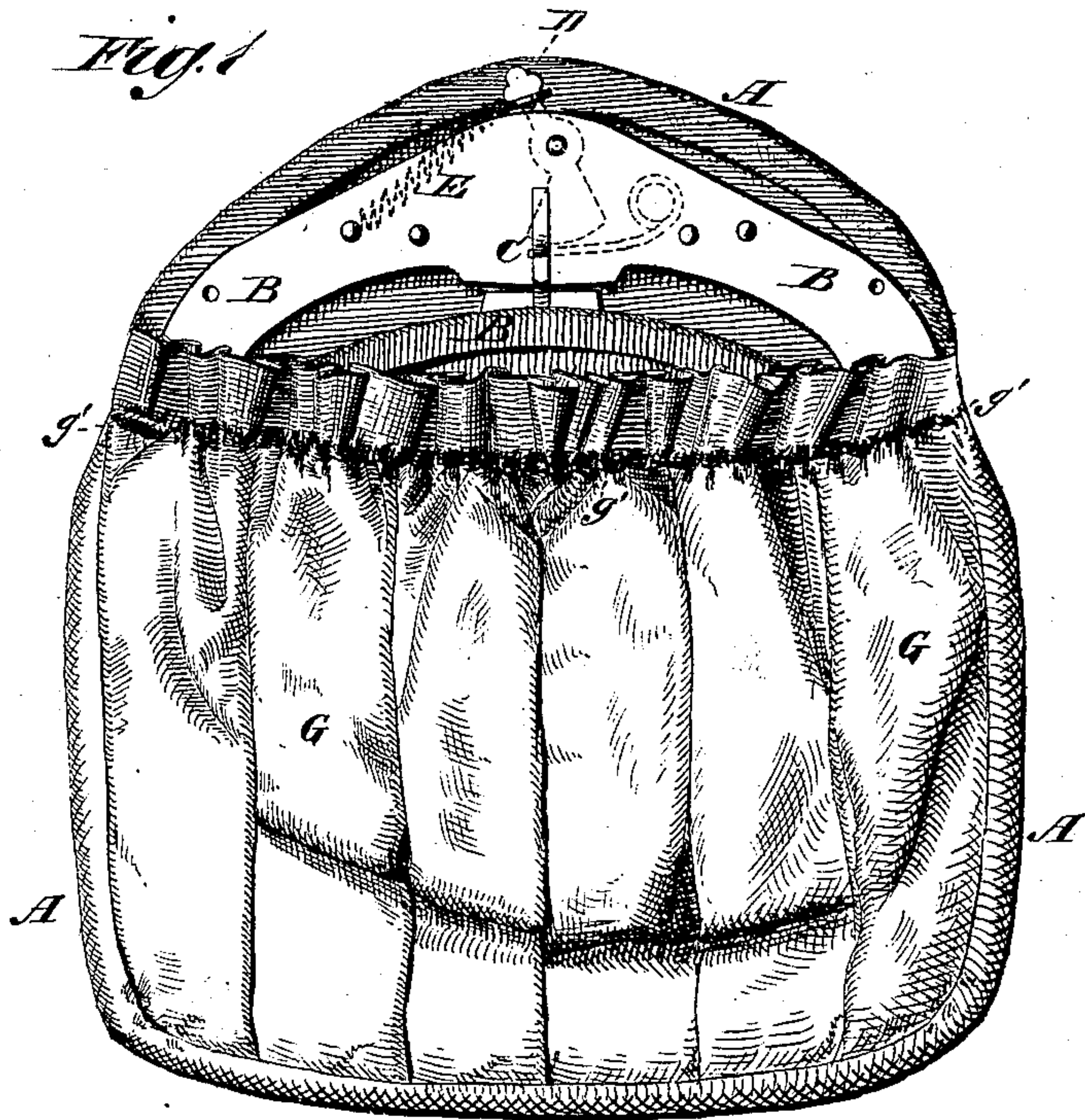


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IMPROVEMENT IN SAFETY-POCKETS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSEPH COLTON, of New Orleans, in the parish of Orleans and State of Louisiana, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Safety-Pockets, of which the following is a specification.

Figure 1 is a front view of one of my improved safety-pockets, shown as closed. Fig. 2 is a front perspective view of the same, shown as opened.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

The object of this invention is to furnish an improved pocket for carrying a watch and money, and which shall be so constructed that its contents may be safe from pickpockets, and which shall be provided with a convenient receptacle for a pocket-handkerchief.

The invention consists in the combination of the parts, as hereinafter described.

A represents the pocket, which is provided with an inner lining of chain-work, and which is designed to be secured to the garments within an ordinary pocket, or as an independent pocket, as may be desired.

The rear part of the mouth of the pocket A projects above the forward part, and to the said parts are secured the parts of the clasp B. The two parts of the clasp B are arched, and the forward part is made the smaller, so as to close into the cavity of the rear part, bringing both parts into the same plane.

The clasp B is fastened by a sliding catch, C, which is held down by a spring, and which may be locked by a cam-lever, D, pivoted to the rear part of the said clasp B in such a position that its cam may be swung over a shoulder

der of the said spring-catch C. The spring-catch C may be still further secured against being opened by a spiral spring, E, one end of which is secured to the rear side of the rear part of the clasp B, and its other end is provided with a ring to be slipped over the head of the cam-lever D, as shown in Fig. 1.

To the pocket A, within the clasp B, is secured a small pocket or fob, F, to receive a watch, which is thus shut up within the clasp B, and the chain of which may pass out between the parts of the said clasp B.

Upon the front of the pocket A is formed a pocket, G, to serve as a pocket or pouch for the reception of a pocket-handkerchief, gloves, or other small articles, and which is provided with an elastic cord, *g'*, at its mouth, to keep the said mouth closed and prevent anything put into the said pocket from working its way out and being dropped and lost.

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

1. The combination of the spiral spring E with the clasp B, and with the cam-lever D, that fastens the spring-catch C of the said clasp B, substantially as herein shown and described.

2. The combination of the pocket or pouch G, provided with an elastic cord, *g'*, at its mouth, with the safety-pocket A B, substantially as herein shown and described.

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