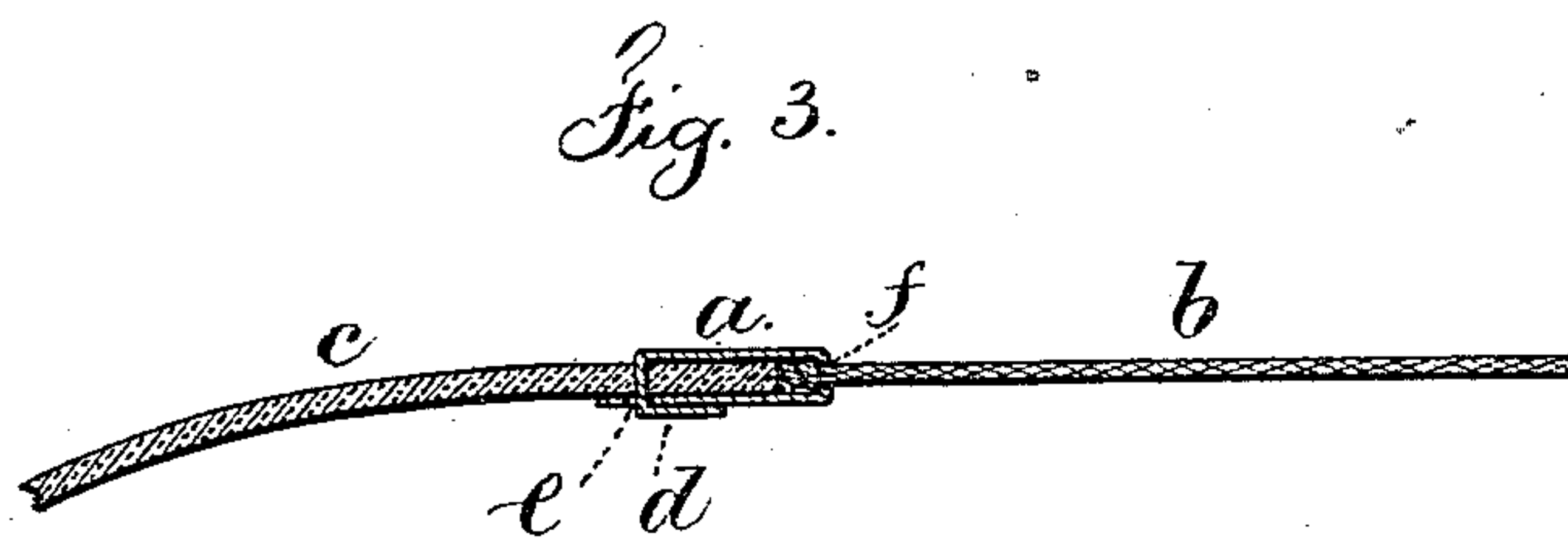
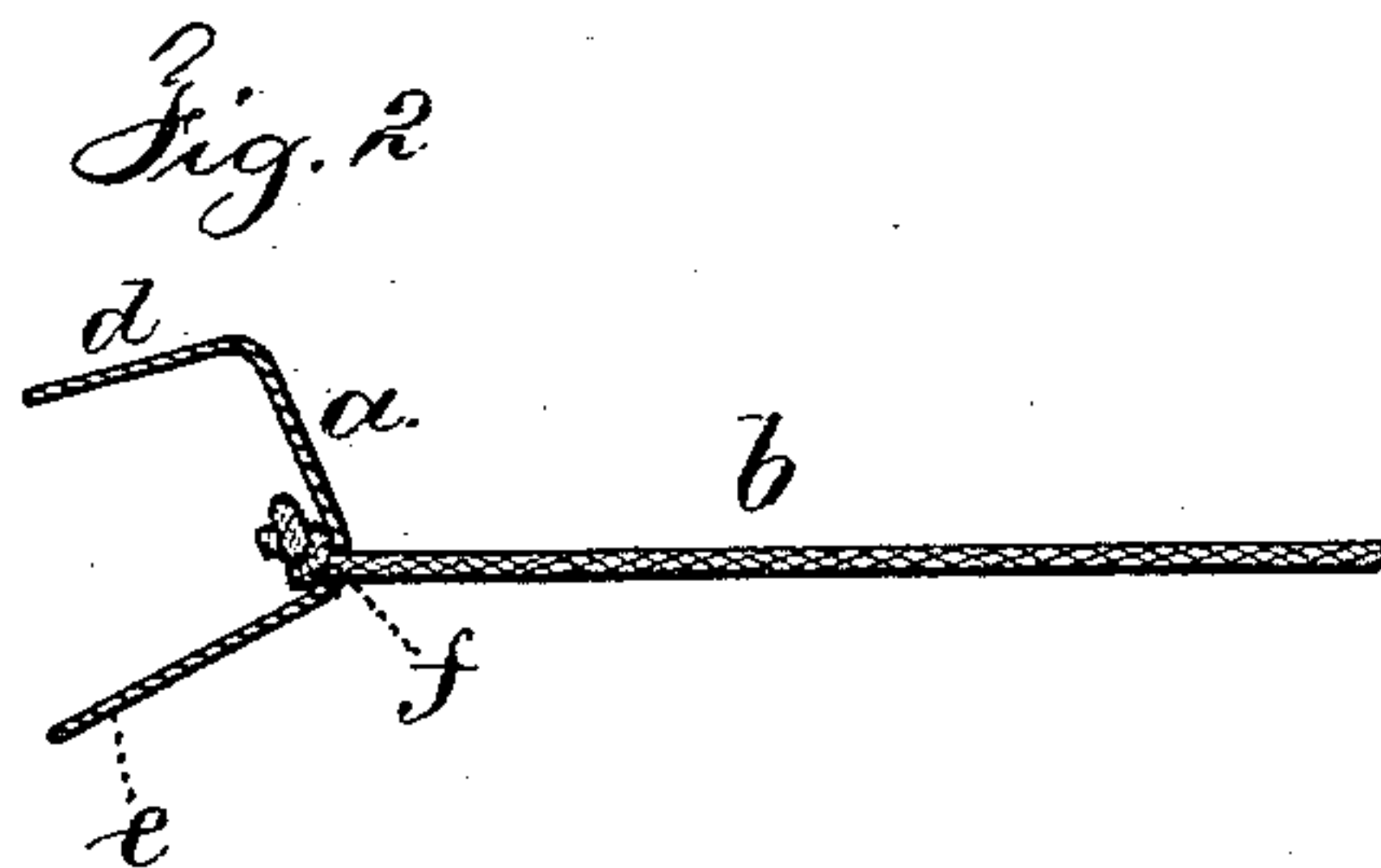
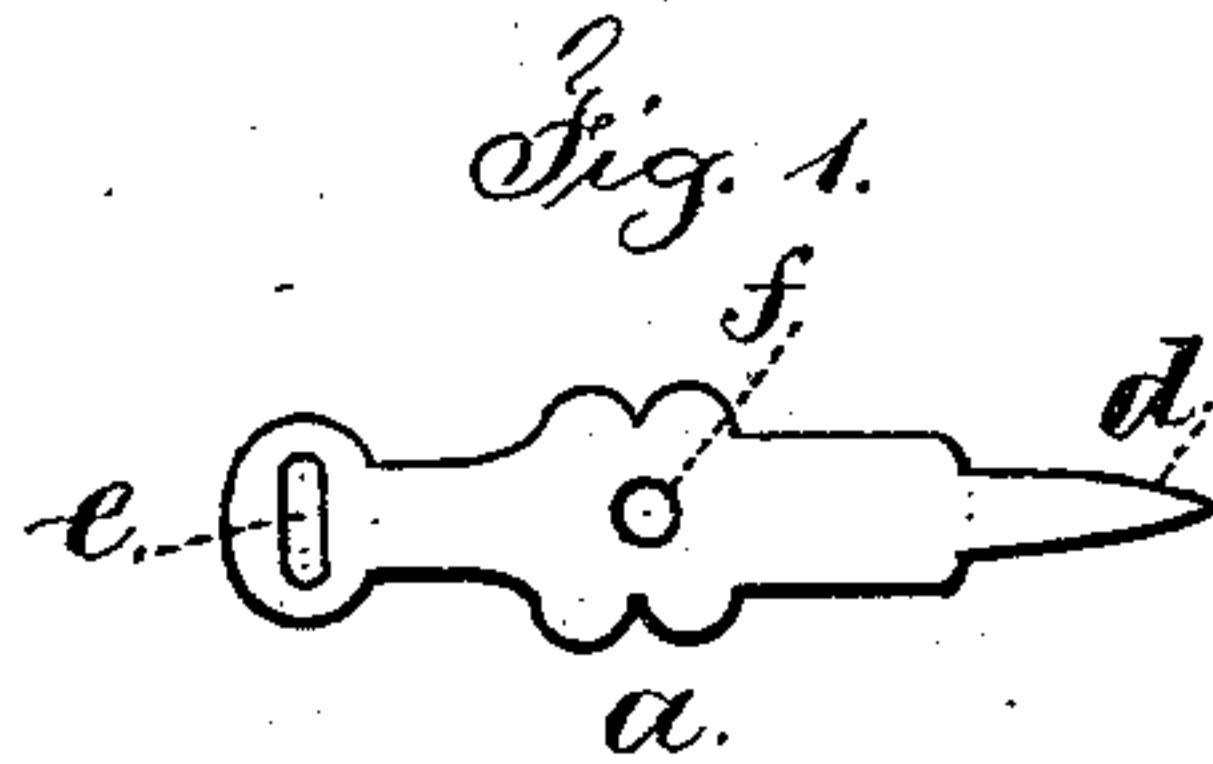


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## MASK-FASTENER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, CHARLES H. DESSART, of the city and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Mask-Fastener; and the following is declared to be a correct description of the same.

The means heretofore made use of to secure masks to the face of the wearer have been objectionable, as the hole for the reception of the tying-string or elastic, or the sewing that held the same on, was near the edge of the mask, and the tension of said string or elastic would tear the edge of the mask away, and thereby disfigure the same.

My invention is made to overcome these difficulties; and it consists in a metal clip or fastening, the center part of which has a hole for the reception of the tying-string or elastic, and one end is provided with a penetrating-point for passing through the mask, and there is a slot in the other end of the clasp for receiving said penetrating-point.

In applying this clip to the mask it is only necessary to bend the same around the edge of the mask in a U form and press the penetrating-point through the mask and into the slot, and then turn the same down, in order to clinch the clip and fasten it securely upon the mask, and the place at which said point enters the mask is far enough away from the edge to avoid liability of tearing the material by the tension of string or elastic.

In the drawings, Figure 1, I have shown my improved clip or fastening as laid out flat. Fig. 2 represents the same by a section (and with its elastic) as bent ready to be applied to

the mask; and Fig. 3 represents the same as fastened to the edge of the mask.

*a* is the metal clip, which, by preference, is made of tin; *b*, the elastic or tying-cord, and *c* the mask, and the penetrating-point *d* forms one end of the clip *a*. The slot *e*, for receiving such point, forms the other end, while the hole *f*, for the elastic or tying-string, is in the center of the clip.

This clip can be applied with rapidity at the edge of the mask, and the cord or elastic drawn through the hole more or less, so as to adjust the length.

The elastic or cord may be passed through the eye, as shown, or through the fold of the clip.

I am aware that a tag-fastening has been made of a strip of folded metal with two incisions, one of which cuts an opening in the sheet and forces back a point, and the other cuts a curved opening with a shield-piece. I do not have either of these devices.

I claim as my invention—

The folded mask-fastening made of sheet metal, with a point projecting from one end to go through the mask, and a transverse slot near the other end for the point to be passed through and turned over, and adapted to receive the elastic or cord, substantially as specified.

Signed by me this 6th day of September, A. D. 1879.

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