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Blacking Brush Holder.

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Fig: 1.

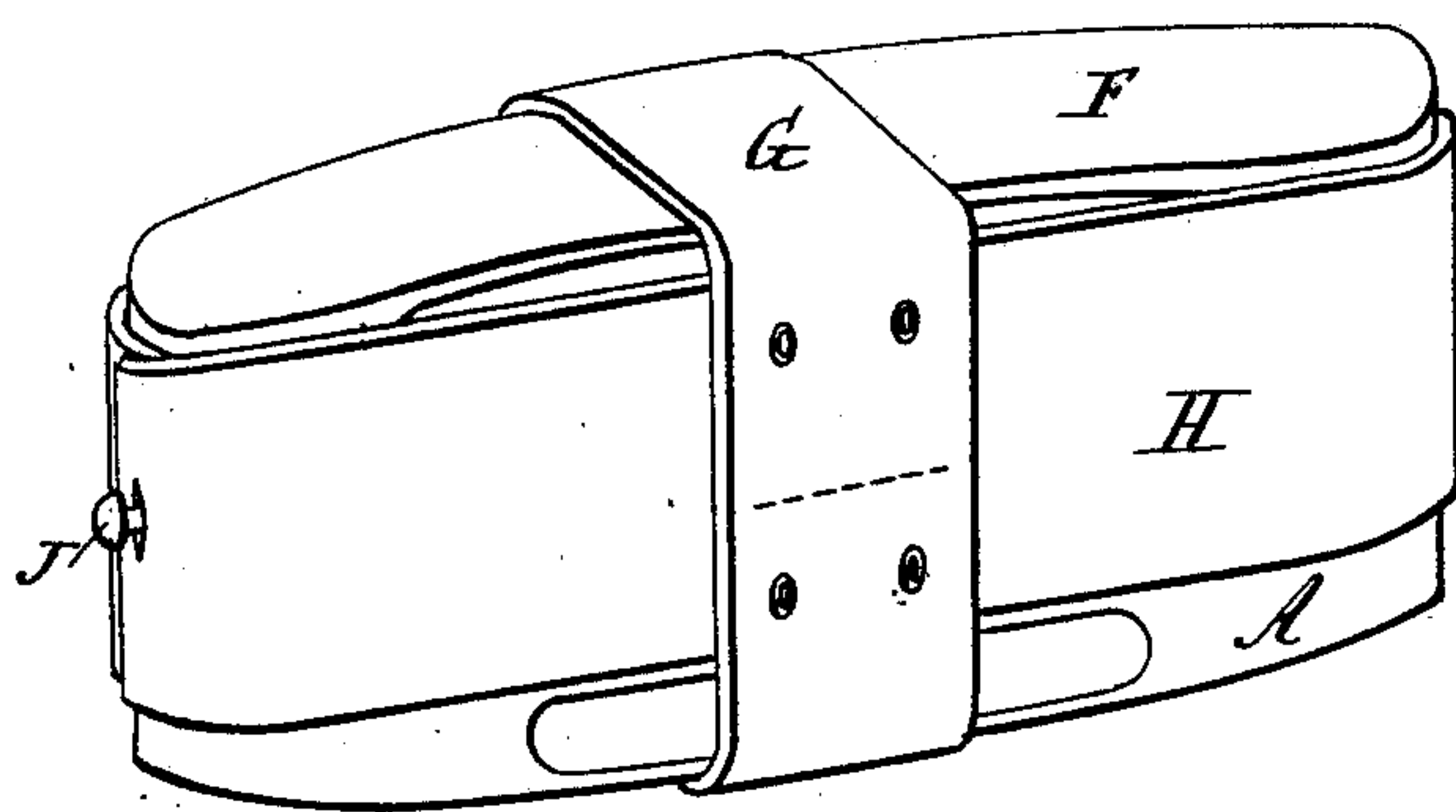
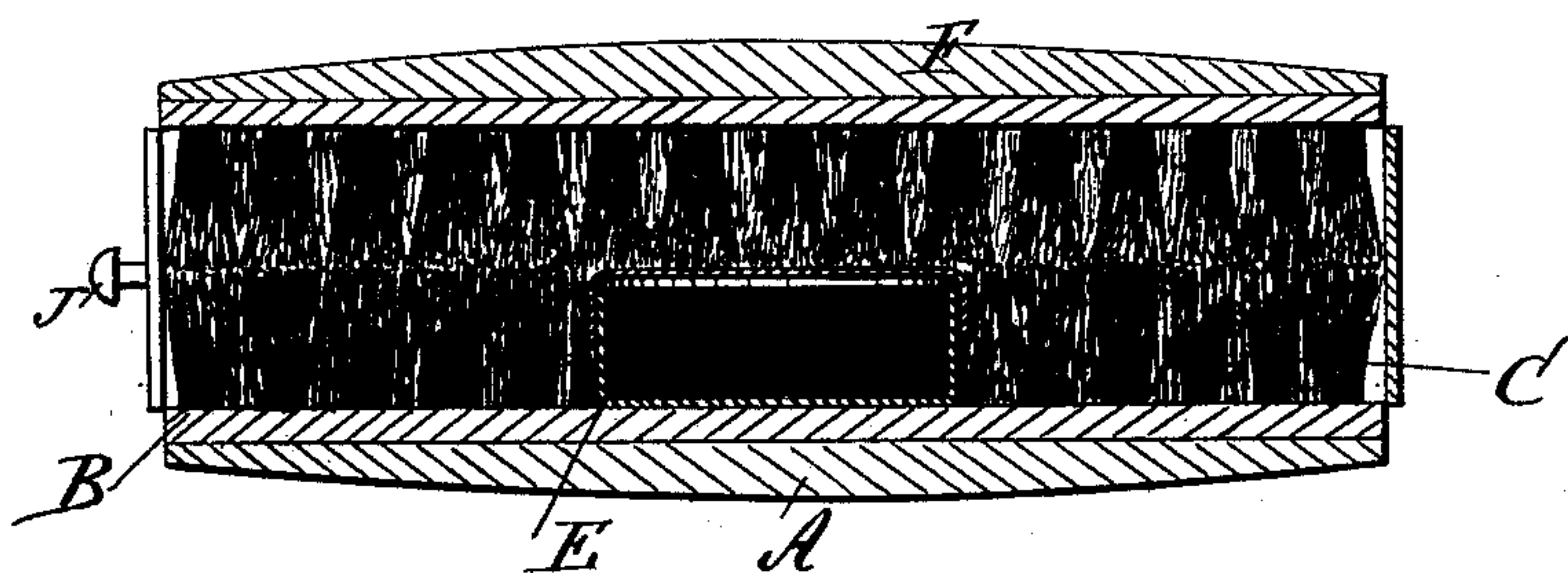


Fig: 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY B. PERHAM, of Cairo, Alexander county, Illinois, have invented a new and Improved Blacking-Brush, 5 of which the following is a specification.

The invention consists in securing blacking-brushes for transportation or packing in trunks with wearing-apparel by an incasing cross-belt, which not only retains them in a compact 10 form, but incases them so as to prevent the surrounding articles from being soiled.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved brush packed with another brush, and Fig. 2 is a longitudinal 15 sectional elevation of the two brushes.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

A brush, A, is provided with very coarse bristles B at one end and with finer bristles 20 C at the other end, and a space without any bristles, and large enough to receive box E of blacking, remaining in the middle of the brush. The end with the coarse bristles is used for removing the mud and dirt from the boots or 25 shoes, and the end with the softer bristles is used to apply the blacking.

As the box E of blacking is very liable to fall out of the brush A, a softer polishing-brush, F, is placed upon the brush A, as shown 30 in Fig. 2.

The two brushes are held to each other by a

strap or belt, G, passing around the brushes and attached to another strap or belt, H, surrounding the sides of the brushes. The strap or belt H is closed by means of a button, J, 35 or some other suitable device.

The within-described brush is very handy, and can be packed among articles of clothing without soiling them, as it is entirely covered 40 by the belts or straps.

The construction may be modified by using only one kind of bristles on the brush and by arranging the space for the box E at the end of the brush instead of in the middle. However, the first-described arrangement is pre- 45 ferred.

Before use the blacking is removed, so that the brush having bristles A B may be readily applied thereto.

I am aware that it is not new to use bristles 50 of varying thickness on the same brush, or a space for the blacking-box between the bristles; but

What I claim as new is—

The incasing cross-belt G H, combined with 55 two blacking-brushes having their bristles placed opposite each other, as and for the purpose specified.

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