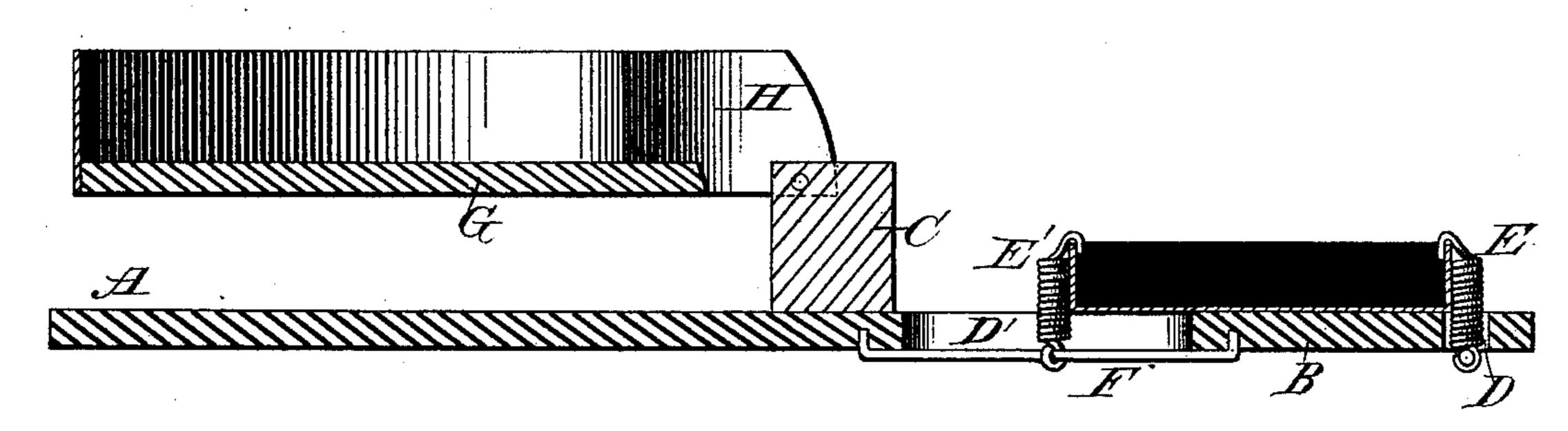
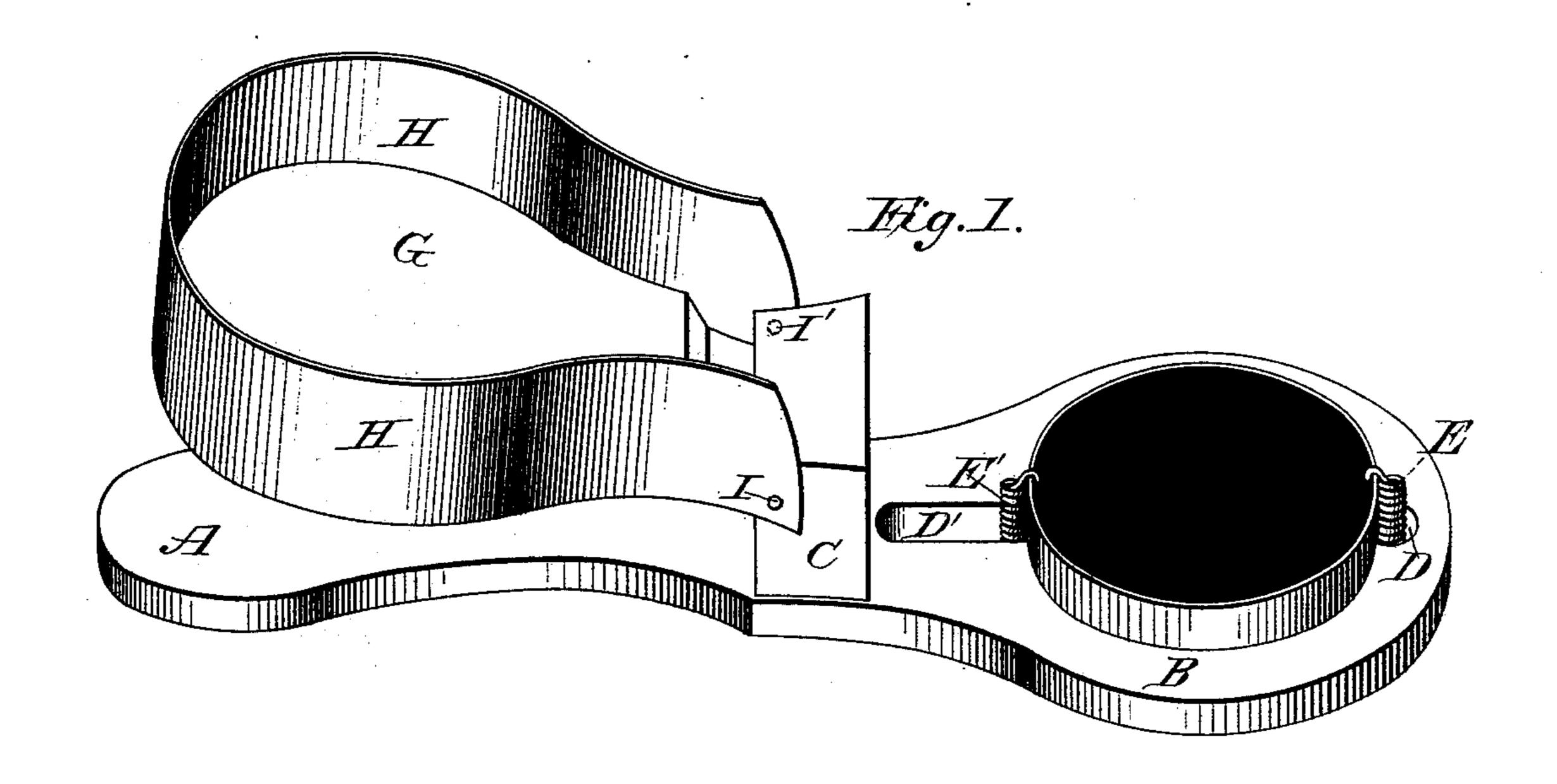
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Fig. 2.





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BLACKING-BOX HOLDER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, KIMBALL C. ATWOOD, of Buckfield, in the county of Oxford and State of Maine, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Blacking-Box Holders, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to provide a blacking-box holder which may be easily adjusted to hold any ordinary-sized tin blackingbox in such a manner as to avoid the possibility of soiling the hands or cuffs during the operation of blacking the boots, being at the same time so simple in construction as to admit of its being manufactured and sold at a very low price. This object, it is believed, has been secured in the following manner, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

Figure 1 is a perspective view, and Fig. 2 a

view in section, of the holder.

The bottom of the holder is shaped as shown in the drawings, Fig. 1, A representing the handle; B, the base or place for the blacking-box. Inserted in the hole D and slot D' are the spiral springs E and E', said springs terminating in small hooks at the top, which, by hooking over the edge of the blacking-box, hold the same firmly in place. A small wire

rod, F, extends longitudinally through the slot D', to which is fastened the spring E' by means of an eye on the bottom of the same, so constructed as to admit of the spring being moved backward or forward to accommodate large or small blacking-boxes. Around the edge of the cover G is tacked a narrow strip of tin, H, which extends back and beyond the said cover 35 G far enough to form a hinge by driving through the same and into the ends of the cleats C the nails or screws I and I'.

The advantage gained by this cover hinged in this manner is, that when open it forms a 40 perfect protection for the hand and cuff from the spattering of the blacking.

To insert a box of blacking in this holder, remove the tin cover of the box, and hook the springs E E' over the edge of the box. This 45 holder can be opened by a toss of the hand.

What I claim is—

The combination, with the base-block B, having the rod F, of the spring-catch E and the sliding spring-catch E', as set forth.

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