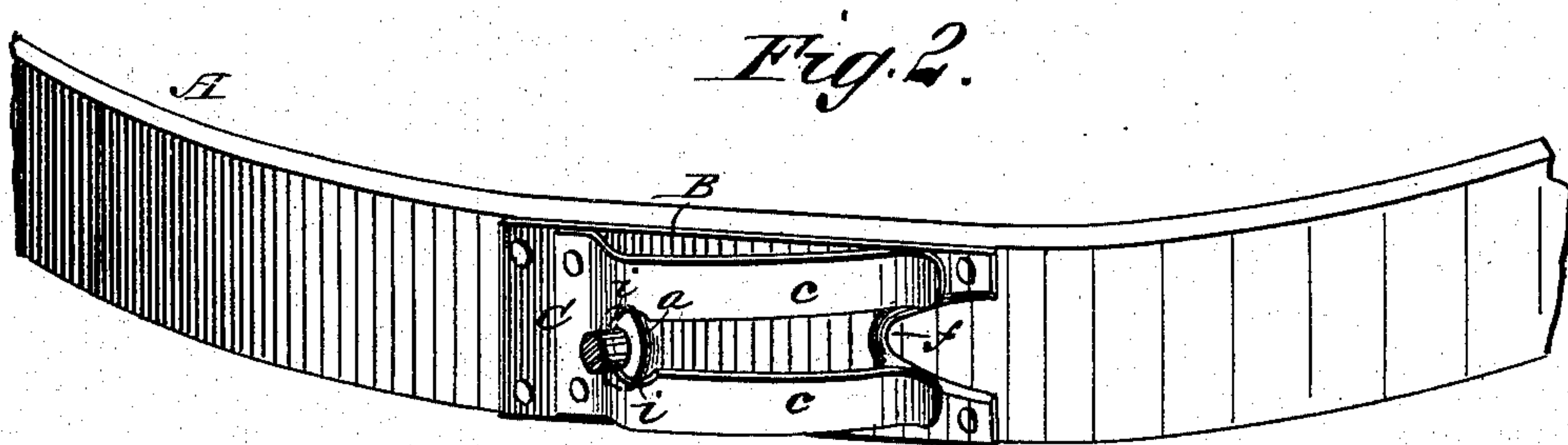
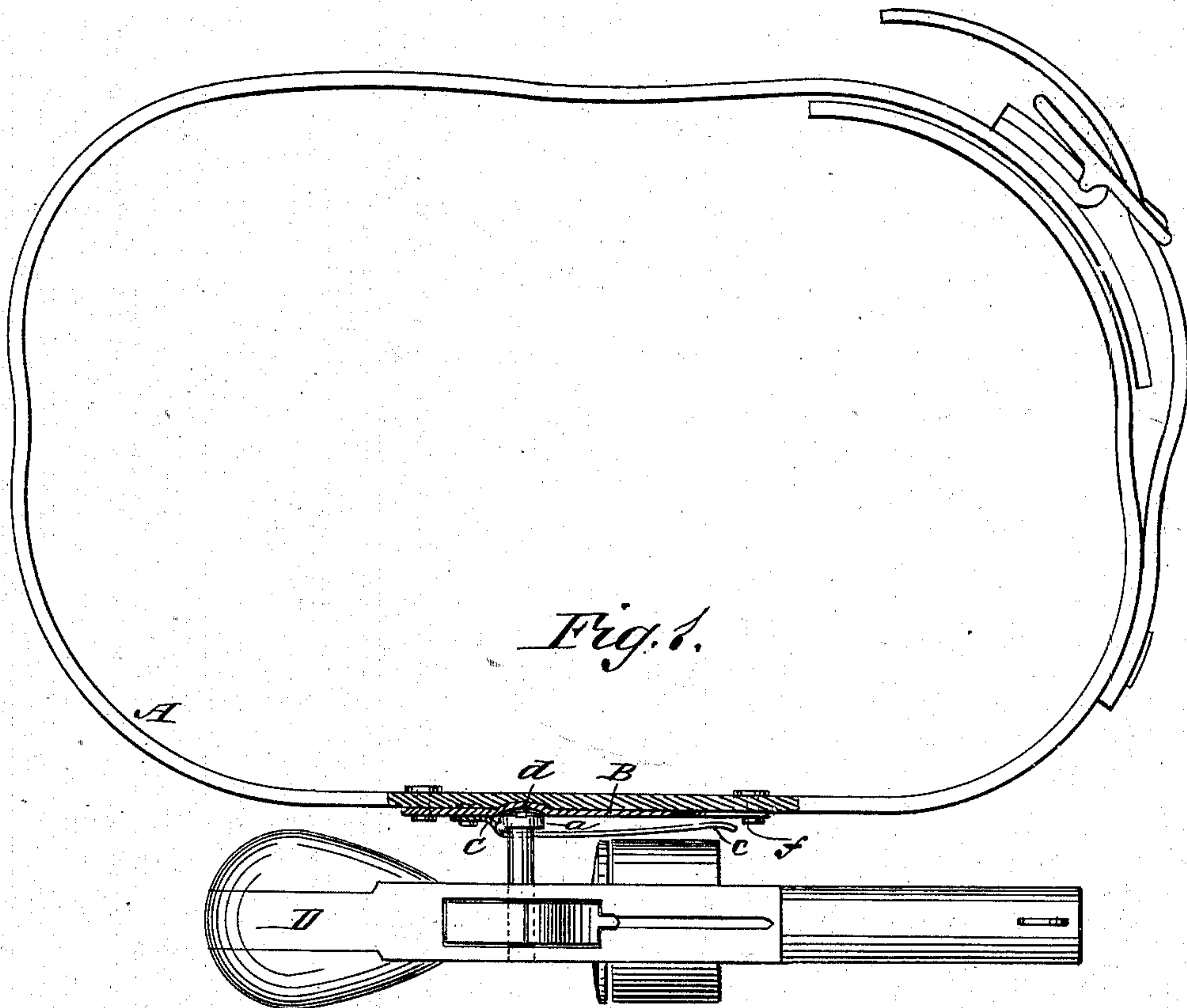


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LOUIS S. FLATAU, of Pittsburg, in the county of Camp and the State of Texas, have invented a new and Improved
5 Pistol and Carbine Holder, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The object of my invention is to provide cheap and efficient means for carrying firearms either upon the person or on horseback,
10 the same being so constructed that the arm may be quickly and easily drawn for use and easily returned to place in the holder.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification,
15 in which similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in both the figures.

Figure 1 is a plan view, partly in section, of my invention as it appears when attached to a belt to be worn upon the person, a pistol being shown in place; and Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the holder, a portion of the belt,
20 and the button, the arm being removed to more clearly show the construction.

A represents the belt; B, the steel plate, which is riveted to the belt; C, the bifurcated metal spring, which is riveted to the said plate; and D represents the arm. The arm is provided with the button *a*, which, in this instance, forms a part of the pin upon which the hammer of the arm is pivoted, and which is adapted to pass between and under the parts or prongs *c c* of the spring, as clearly shown in the drawings.

Immediately under the point where the parts
35 *c c* of the spring join the plate B is depressed, as shown at *d* in Fig. 1, and at this point the parts of the spring are somewhat cut away, as shown at *i i*, Fig. 2, to form a sort of journal or seat for the button to rest in for holding the
40 arm securely; and when the arm is to be removed the button and the depression have a cam action upon each other, so that a slight

pull upon the arm will cause the spring to be forced upward and permit the arm to be quickly and easily drawn.

The ends of the parts *c c* of the spring are slightly upturned to facilitate the insertion of the button under and between them in the act of replacing the arm in the holder; and to still further facilitate the passage of the button under the parts of the spring the plate B is cut away to a point under the inner corners of the parts of the spring, as shown at *f* in Fig. 2.

In cases where the arm is to be carried is a pistol or revolver of ordinary construction the button should be formed on the hammer-pivot, as then the additional expense will be very slight. In case the arm is a breech-loading carbine, or other similar arm, the button may form a part of the pin upon which the breech-block is pivoted; but I do not wish to be understood as confining myself to any particular attachment of the button, as it can be attached in various ways and still involve the principle of my invention, and I do not wish to be understood as confining myself to any special means of attachment of the holder to the person or saddle, as this also may be accomplished in various ways.

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

1. The combination of the belt A, the plate B, secured thereto, the spring C, having prongs *c c*, made fast to plate B and adapted to hold the arm D, with its button *a*, as shown and described.

2. The combination of the prongs *c c*, upturned at the ends, and the plate B, cut away to allow the passage of the button, as shown and described.

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