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Fig. 1.

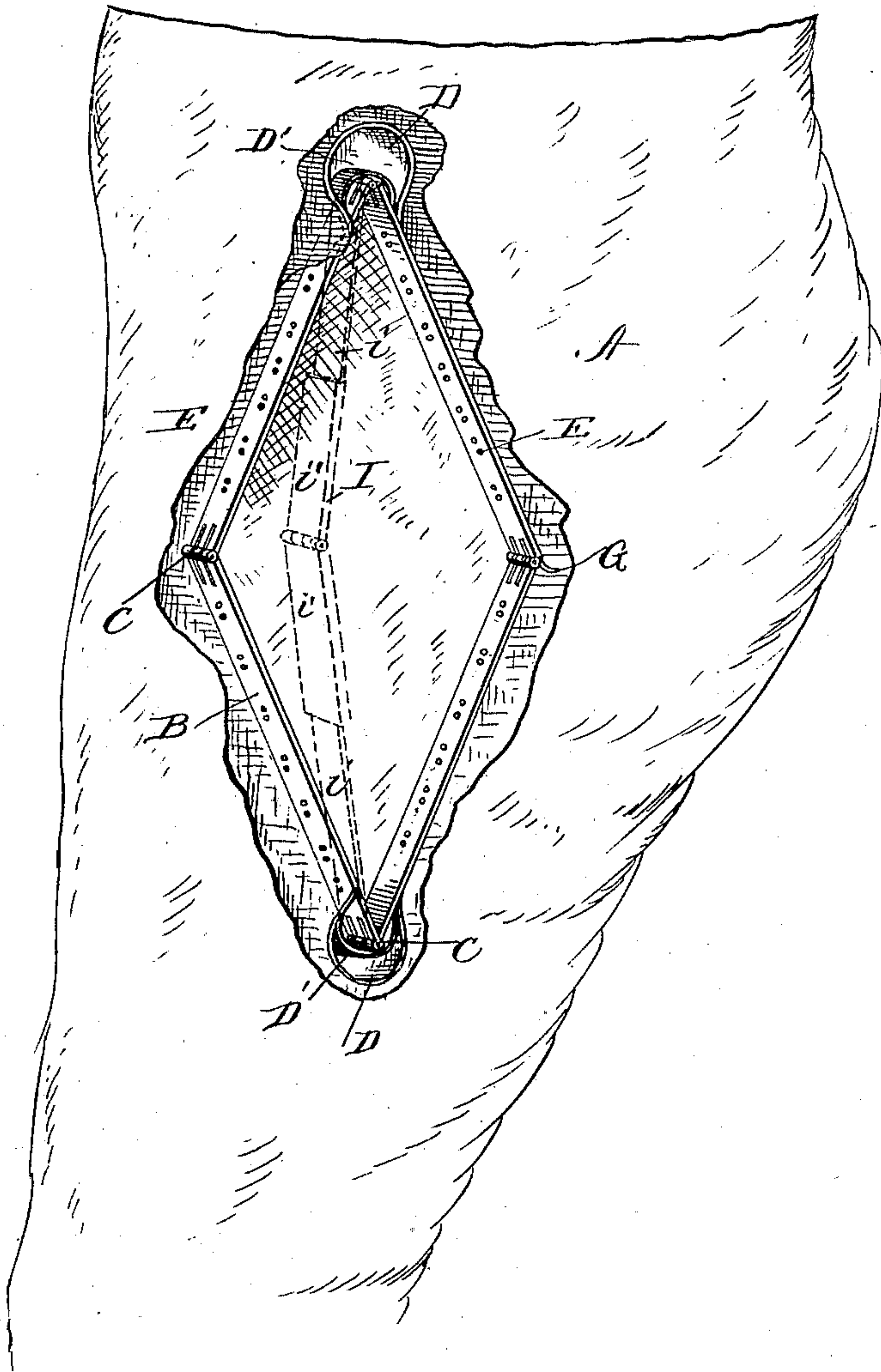
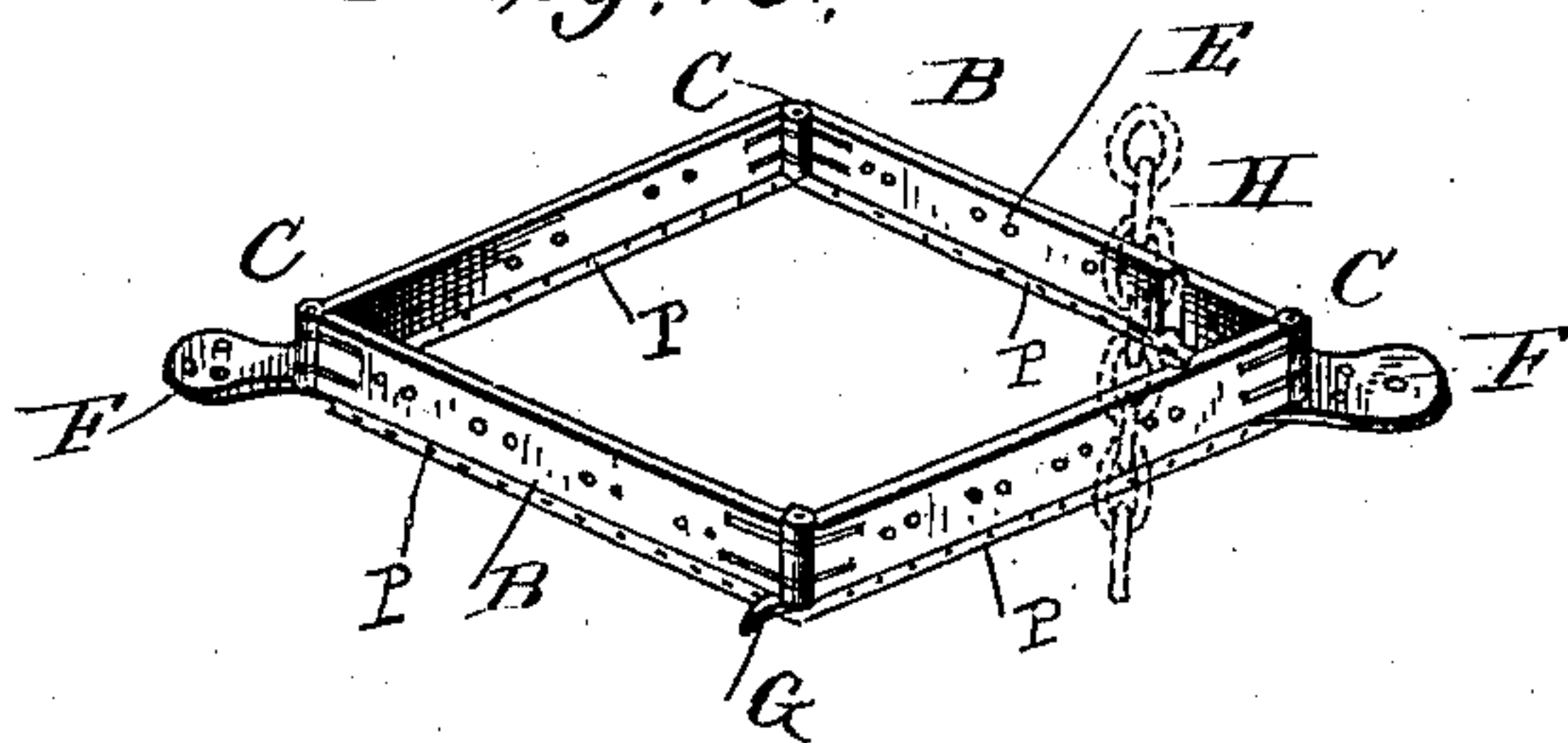


Fig. 2.



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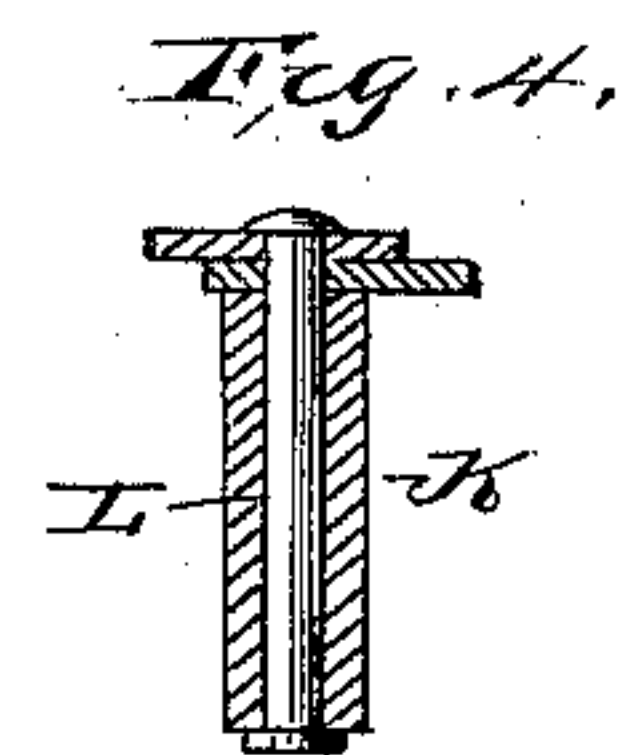
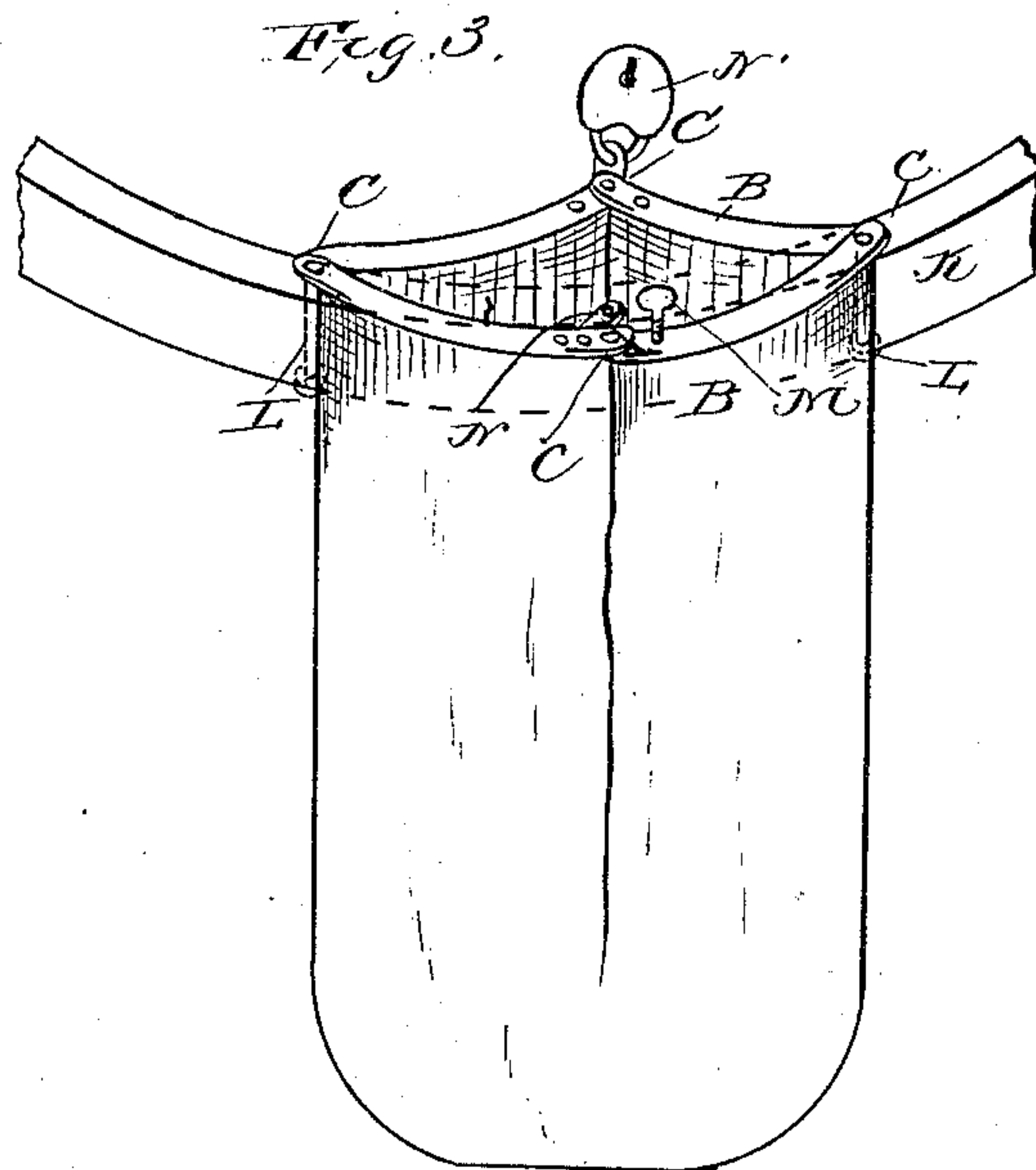
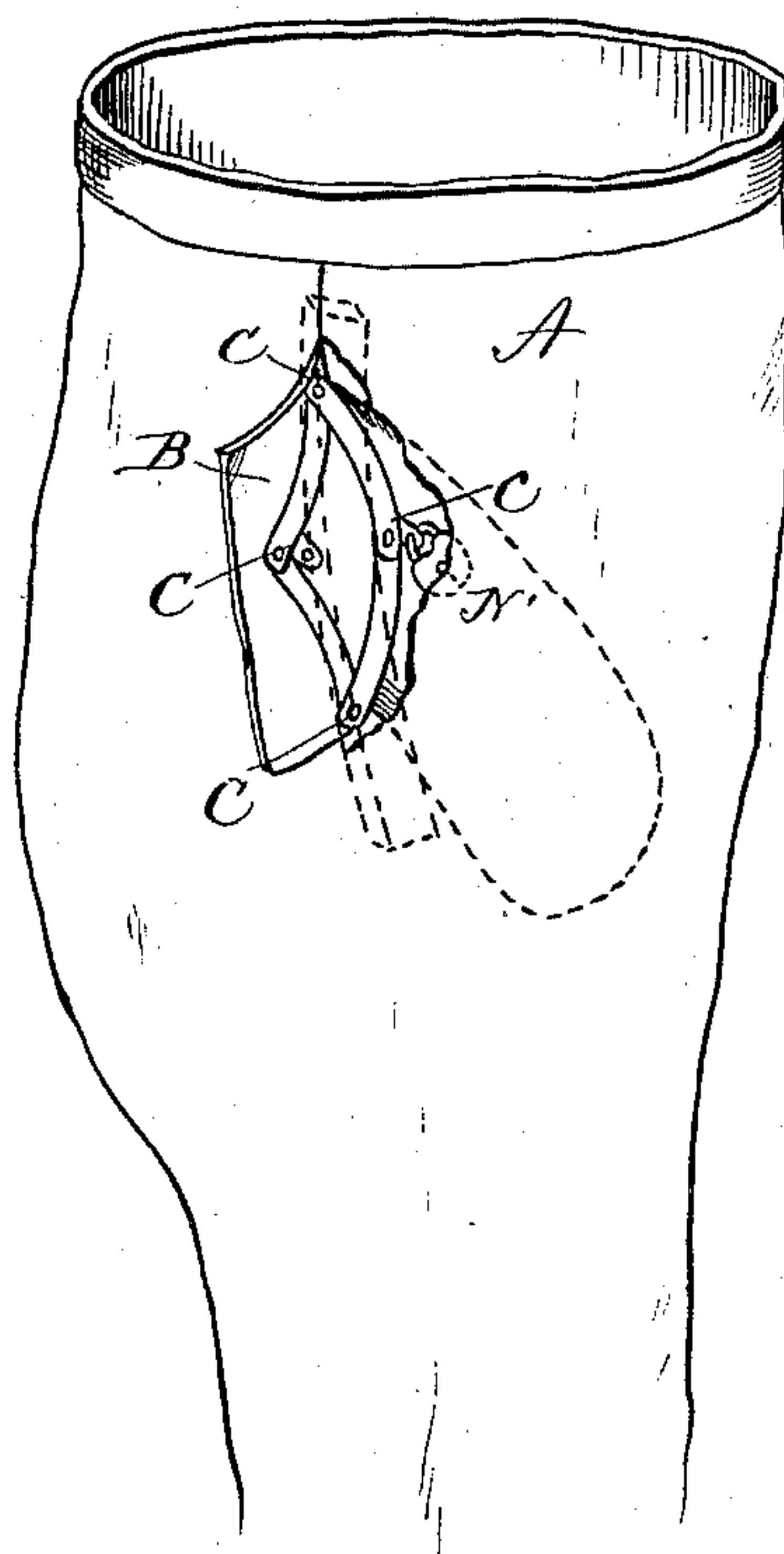


Fig. 5.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, DAVID LUBIN, of Sacramento City, in the county of Sacramento, and in the State of California, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Pockets; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, making a part of this specification.

This invention relates to an improved safety attachment or frame for pockets, pouches, purses, satchels, carpet-sacks, and other like articles, and to certain improvements in the construction of such pockets, &c., for the reception of the attachment or frame; and it has for its objects, first, to provide an attachment or frame constructed of hinged sections of such configuration as to conform to the shape of the body, or of any other desired shape, and adapted to be secured at the mouth of the pocket or other article, either temporarily or permanently, to prevent the contents of the same from being fraudulently abstracted, as more fully hereinafter set forth; second, in the combination, with the attachment or frame constructed of hinged metallic sections, of a pocket, pouch, or other like article constructed of metallic links or chain-work, as more fully hereinafter specified; third, in the combination, with the attachment or frame constructed of hinged metallic sections, of a pocket of textile fabric, as more fully hereinafter described; fourth, in the combination, with a pocket or pouch and the improved attachment or frame, of a belt to which said pocket or pouch or the attachment or frame is attached, the belt being so arranged as to be worn either inside or outside of the garments, as may be desired; fifth, in certain improved means whereby the attachment or frame may be secured to the coat, vest, pants, dress, or shirt pockets, or other articles of male or female wearing-apparel; sixth, in certain improved means whereby a watch may be secured in the pocket provided with my improved safety attachment or frame to prevent its being picked from the pocket; seventh, in certain improved devices whereby the attachment may be adjustably fitted to the pocket, pouch, or other article; and, eighth, to

certain improved devices in combination with the pocket and hinged frame or attachment whereby the pocket may be divided into two or more compartments, as more fully hereinafter described.

The above-enumerated objects I attain by the devices illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which Figure 1 represents a view of a portion of a pair of pants, showing a side pocket provided with my improved safety frame or attachment. Fig. 2 represents a view of the frame or attachment in perspective and detached. Fig. 3 represents a view of a pocket or pouch, showing a modification of the frame or attachment secured to a belt and provided with fastening devices to lock the said pocket or pouch. Fig. 4 represents a vertical transverse section of the belt and frame or attachment, showing the means of securing the same to the belt; and Fig. 5 indicates a side view of a portion of a pair of pants, showing my improved pocket and frame or attachment.

The letter A, Figs. 1 and 5, indicates the leg of a pair of pants having the usual side pockets; and B, my improved attachment or frame. This is constructed of thin strips of metal or other suitable material hinged together at their ends, as indicated by the letter C. These strips are preferably made to conform to the shape of the body, as indicated in Figs. 3 and 5, or they may be straight, as indicated in Figs. 1 and 2, as may be desired.

As indicated in Fig. 1, the pocket at each end of the mouth or opening is provided with a small pouch, D, in which is secured a looped band of elastic material, D', in such manner as to receive the upper and lower ends of the frame or attachment B. These, by their elasticity, hold the attachment in place; and the said attachment may be further or permanently secured by stitching through the apertures E, provided for the purpose. In inserting the attachment one end of the frame or attachment is inserted in one of the pouches D and is pressed into the same, the elastic band yielding until the other end can be inserted in the other pouch, the frame or attachment being held by the elasticity of the two bands, as before mentioned.

The frame or attachment may be provided at its ends with extensions F, which are perforated and serve as a means of attachment, and the side of the frame may be provided with a point, G, which may be placed next to the body of the wearer, so as to prick the flesh and indicate any attempt to open the pocket.

The frame or attachment may be provided with a recess, H, in which the watch-chain may be fastened to prevent the watch from being picked from the pocket, and the frame may be provided with double hinges, as indicated in Figs. 1 and 2, or with single hinges, as illustrated in Figs. 3 and 5.

In Fig. 1, the letter I indicates a device by means of which the pocket may be divided into two compartments. This consists of two strips, i, hinged at the ends of the frame or attachment, and working in hinged rectangular tubes or slides i', which permits the frame to be properly opened or closed. The said device forms a means of attachment for the outer edge of a textile or chain partition for dividing the pocket.

In the forms illustrated in Figs. 3 and 5 of the drawings the frame is represented as shaped to conform to the shape of the body. In Fig. 3 the frame and pocket are represented as attached to a belt, K, by means of vertical bolts L at each end, and is provided with a thumb-screw, M, by means of which the parts may be fastened when closed, or it may be provided with a hasp, N, and padlock N' or a satchel-lock, or other fastening device, as may be desired.

Instead of fastening the frame to the pocket by stitching, as before mentioned, it may be permanently secured by hooks or otherwise, as may prove convenient.

As constructed it will be evident that any attempt to open the pocket will be indicated even when the frame or attachment is not provided with fastening devices, as when opened the sides would be pressed apart and one side would press against the body of the wearer, and this will be particularly the case when the frame or attachment is provided with point G, as indicated in Figs. 1 and 2 of the drawings, thus rendering it impossible to rob the wearer when asleep as well as when awake. Of course the locking devices offer additional security to the pocket, and the watch-chain fastening prevents the watch from being fraudulently removed, whether the pocket is open or closed. Moreover, by reason of the point at one side of the hinged frame, it will be evident that it will be impossible to tear the fabric of the garment, as the opening of the pocket will force the point into the flesh, making it necessary to loosen his clothing or otherwise relieve the pressure upon the frame before the frame can be opened sufficiently to injure the fabric, and when made long enough the point will virtually lock the pocket.

In case of a belt, which is usually employed

by travelers carrying large sums of money, the ends are locked or otherwise securely fastened, but no provision is made for preventing the belt from being forced by violence down over the hips of the wearer. To prevent this the belt may be provided with a chain to pass around the neck of the wearer and another to be passed between the legs whereby the belt will be prevented from being moved either up or down without breaking the fastenings or mutilating the body of the wearer.

In order to permit the frame or attachment to be secured to the garment, it may be provided with perforated strips P at its lower edges, by means of which it can be stitched to said garment.

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

1. As a new article of manufacture, an attachment or frame for pockets, pouches, or other like articles, the same consisting of a frame constructed of metal or other suitable material, in sections, hinged together at the sides and ends and adapted to be secured to the pocket or other suitable article, substantially as specified.

2. In combination with a pocket, pouch, or other like article constructed of textile fabric, the attachment or frame constructed of hinged sections, as described, and made to conform to the shape of the body of the wearer, substantially as and for the purposes set forth.

3. In combination with the pocket or pouch and the hinged frame, made to conform to the shape of the body, a belt to which said frame and pocket or pouch are secured, whereby the pocket may be adapted to be worn either inside or outside of the garments, substantially as and for the purposes set forth.

4. In combination with the hinged attachment or frame and the pocket, the small pouches at the end of the mouth of the pocket, and the elastic looped bands secured therein, whereby the device may be temporarily secured to a coat, vest, pants, dress, or shirt pocket, or to other articles of male and female wearing-apparel and held by the elasticity of the bands, substantially as set forth.

5. In combination with a pocket or pouch, the hinged frame or attachment, formed as described, and provided with a recess in which a link of a watch-chain may be hooked to secure the watch, substantially as specified.

6. In combination with the pocket provided with small pouches at the mouth and with elastic bands secured in said pouches, of the hinged frame or attachment, provided with apertures whereby it may be stitched to the garment, substantially as and for the purposes set forth.

7. In combination with the hinged frame, the intermediate section, consisting of the hinged strips i and the hinged rectangular tubes or slides i', hinged together as described,

whereby the pocket may be provided with a dividing-partition, substantially as specified.

5 8. In combination with the hinged attachment or frame, the perforated strips P, secured to the said frame, whereby the same may be attached to the garment, substantially as specified.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature, in presence of two witnesses, this 1st day of February, 1882.

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