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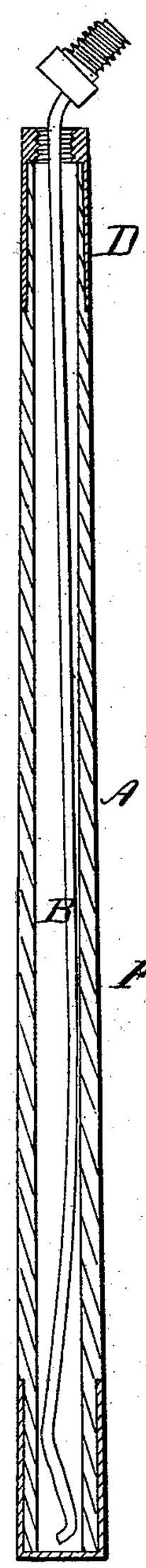

Fig. 2

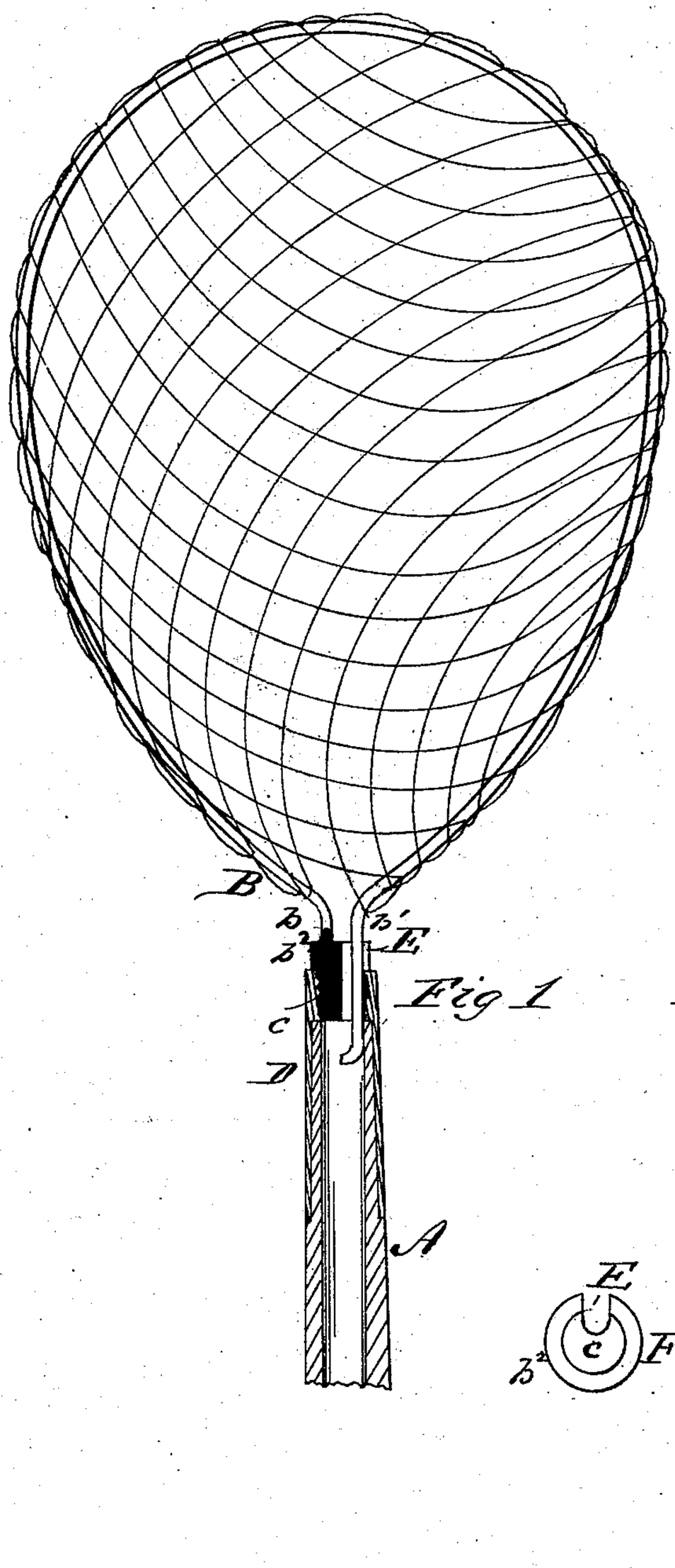

Fig. 1

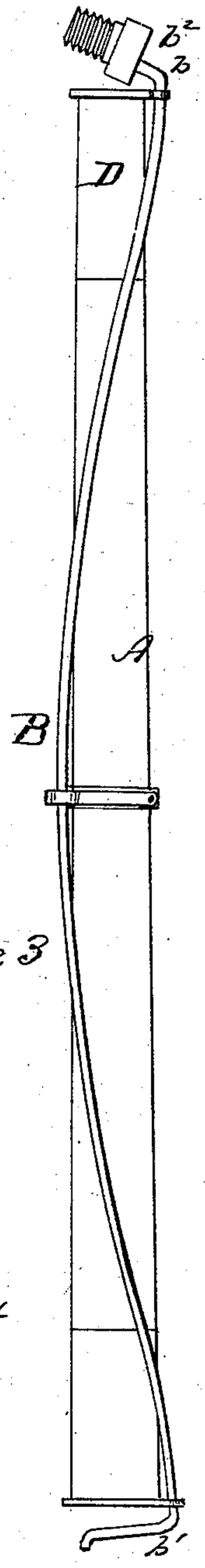

Fig. 3

Fig. 4

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LANDING-NET.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, O. M. MUNCASTER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Washington, in the District of Columbia, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Landing-Nets; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a face view of net-ring, with a portion of handle in section. Fig. 2 is a central longitudinal section through handle, showing ring-wire incased therein. Fig. 3 is a side view of modification, showing the net-ring wire secured for transportation. Fig. 4 is an end view of the slotted or channeled nut.

My invention has relation to landing-nets for the use of anglers; and it consists, first, in the provision of a hollow handle to receive the wire of the net-ring when the same is not in use, and, secondly, in the novel construction of the devices for fastening the wire in place when it is desired to use the implement, said devices being of such a character that the wire ring may be easily adjusted for use, and when not required as easily displaced and inserted in the handle.

In the accompanying drawings, A represents the handle, made of bamboo or other suitable material, hollowed out or bored to receive the wire of the net-ring, which is sufficiently elastic to bear straightening and bending without injury.

B represents the wire, having its ends bent outward, as shown at $b\,b'$, and having attached to one end a nut, b^2, threaded a portion of its length, as shown at *c*.

The rod or handle A has on one end an internally-threaded ferrule, D, designed and adapted to receive the screw portion of the nut.

E is a groove or channel cut in one side of the nut b^2, into which fits the free end of the wire when shaped to form the net-ring.

In fastening the net to the handle the ring is conveniently formed by first curving the wire until both ends are close together, and then holding them in that position by slightly pressing the ring against the breast. The free end of the wire is then fitted in the nut, and the latter is screwed into the ferrule. The net is arranged by passing the wire before bending through the meshes near its border.

In some cases the handle may be provided with eyes and a clasp, as shown in Fig. 3, so as to hold the net-wire on the outside.

What I claim as my invention is—

1. The combination of the net-wire B and the longitudinally-channeled nut b^2, the latter being adapted to fit a threaded ferrule on the end of the handle, substantially as described.

2. The combination of the hollow handle or rod A and the elastic net-wire carrying the longitudinally-grooved nut b^2, substantially as described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand this 27th day of September, 1882.

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