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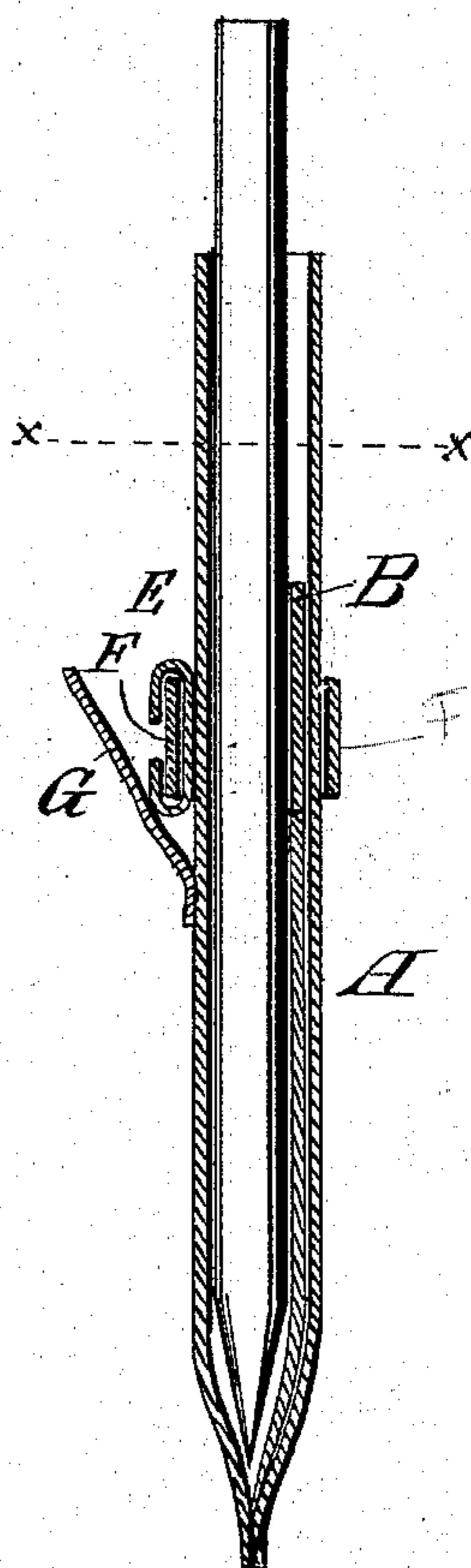
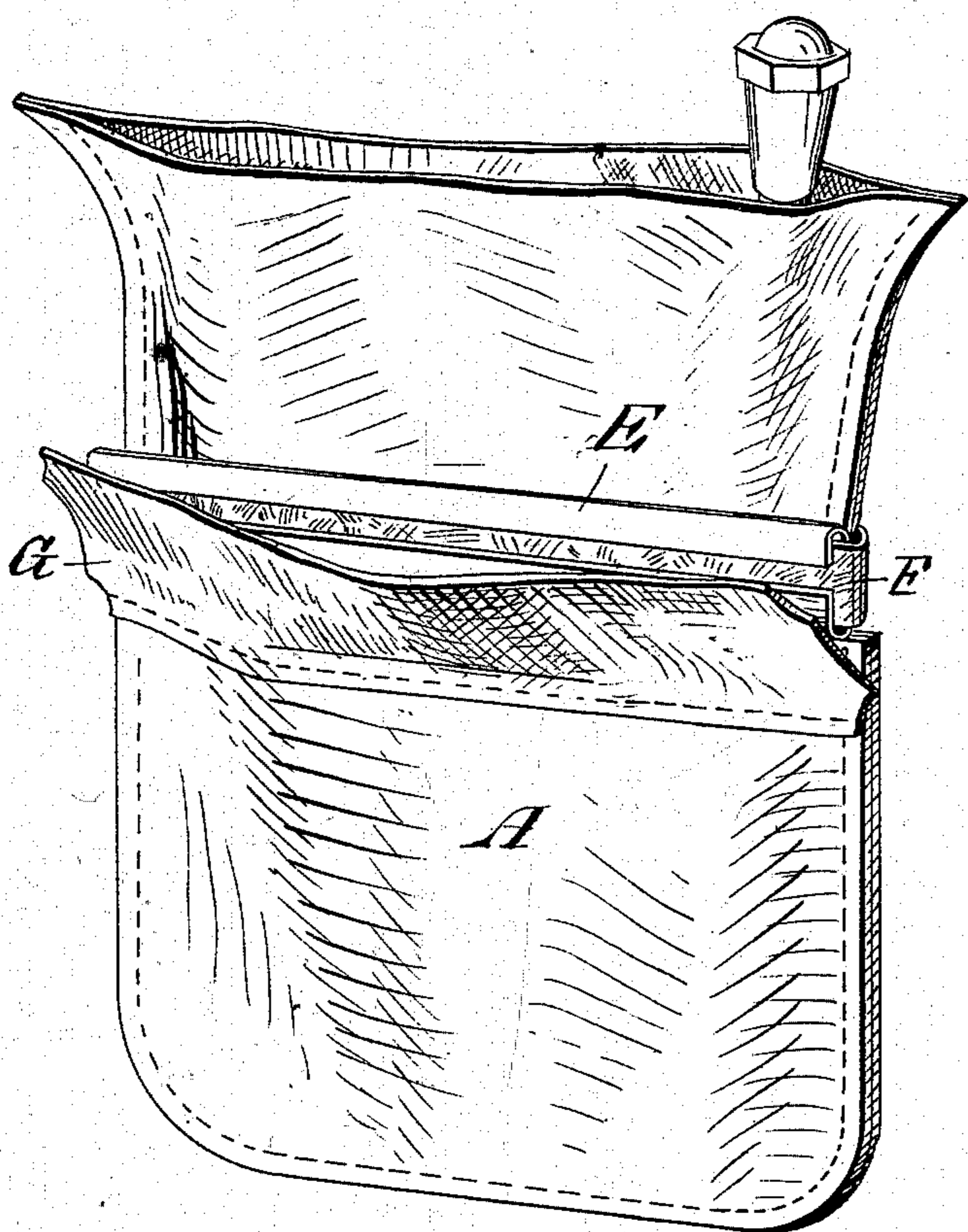
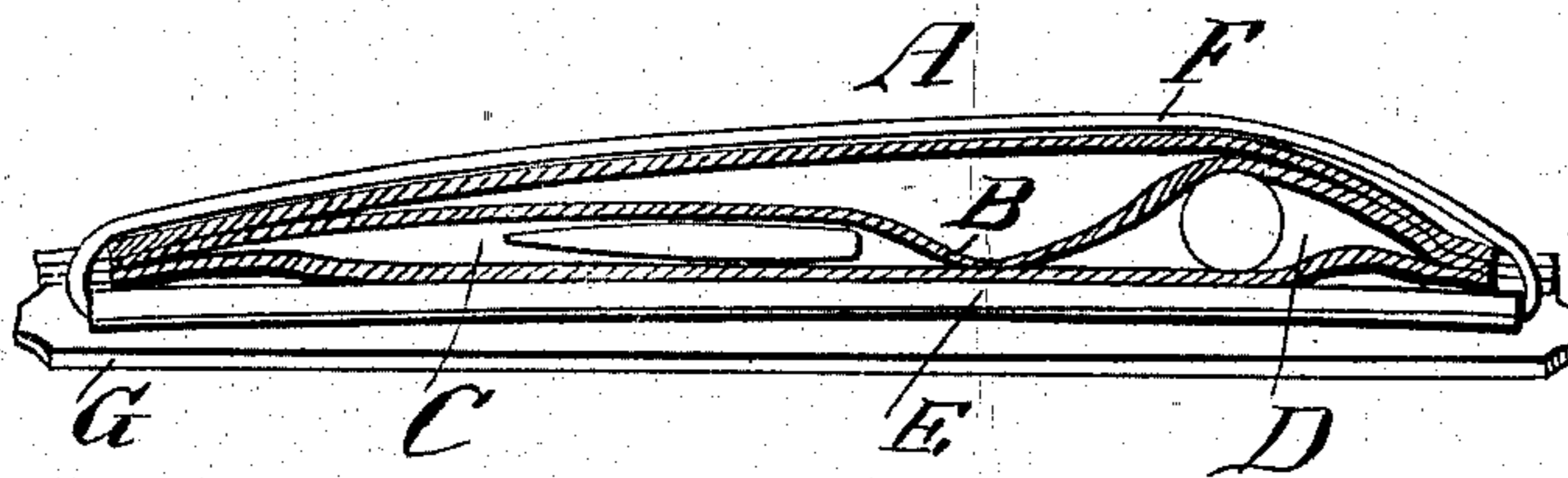


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ROBERT NICOL, JR., of Oshkosh, in the county of Winnebago and State of Wisconsin, have invented a new and Improved Pencil and Watch Pocket, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The object of my invention is to provide a new and improved pocket for holding pencils, combs, pocket-scissors, a watch, money, and other articles, in such a manner that the said articles cannot be dropped out of the pocket, and cannot be removed from the same without exerting sufficient force to call the attention of the owner to the attempt being made to remove the articles.

The invention consists in a pocket which is provided with a longitudinal partition which is secured between its ends to one of the sides of the pocket, whereby a series of compartments for pencils, watches, money, toilet articles, &c., will be formed, which articles are held within the pocket by an elastic band passed around the same, which elastic band is preferably held in a metal strip secured to one side of the pocket, as hereinafter fully described, and pointed out in the claims.

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

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved pencil and watch pocket. Fig. 2 is a cross-sectional elevation of the same. Fig. 3 is a sectional plan view of the same on the line *x x*, Fig. 2.

The pocket A is made of leather, cloth, buckskin, duck, canvas, or any other suitable material, pliable leather being preferred. The pocket is provided with a longitudinal partition, B, which divides the pocket into two parts longitudinally, of which one part is to be used for a watch or money, and the other part is to be used for pencils, a comb, pocket-scissors, a tooth-brush, or other toilet articles that are to be carried in the pocket. The longitudinal partition B is attached to one of the sides of the pocket for the purpose of dividing the comb and pencil pocket into two parts,

C and D, as shown in Fig. 3, of which parts C is for a comb and other toilet articles, and D is for a pencil or pen holder. A metal strip, E, having the longitudinal edges bent over to form grooved flanges, is attached to the outer surface of one of the sides of the pocket in such a manner that that side of the strip containing the grooved flanges will be exposed. An elastic band, F, is passed around the pocket and rests on the strip E, the edges of the elastic band passing within the grooved flanges of the said strip. The elastic band presses the sides of the pocket together and presses on the objects contained in the pocket, and thus prevents them from dropping out, and also affords some resistance to drawing them out of the pocket, the latter being held extended in the direction of its width by the metal strip. For instance, if a watch is placed in the pocket, the elastic band will press the sides of the pocket together above the top of the watch, and thus render it difficult for any other person than the owner to withdraw the watch.

In place of the elastic band, a spring of any other kind can be used to press the sides of the pocket together.

A shield, G, of cloth or leather, is attached to the side of the pocket in such a manner as to overlap and cover the strip E, and thus prevent the same from rubbing against the cloth of the garment and wearing off and ruining the same.

This pocket is to be attached to vests; but it can be attached to coats or other garments as well. In case the elastic band becomes worn out it can easily be replaced by another without removing the pocket from the garment.

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

1. The combination, with a pocket, of a rigid strip for keeping the pocket extended in the direction of its width and an elastic band surrounding the pocket, substantially as herein shown and described.

2. The combination, with a pocket provided with a longitudinal partition secured between its ends to one side of the pocket, of a rigid

strip secured to the pocket and an elastic band surrounding the pocket, substantially as herein shown and described.

3. The combination, with a pocket, of the
5 metal strip E, secured to the same, and the elastic band F, held to the said metal strip, substantially as herein shown and described, and for the purpose set forth.

4. The combination, with the pocket A, of the metal strip E, the elastic band F, and the shield G, substantially as herein shown and described, and for the purpose set forth.

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