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Fig. 1.

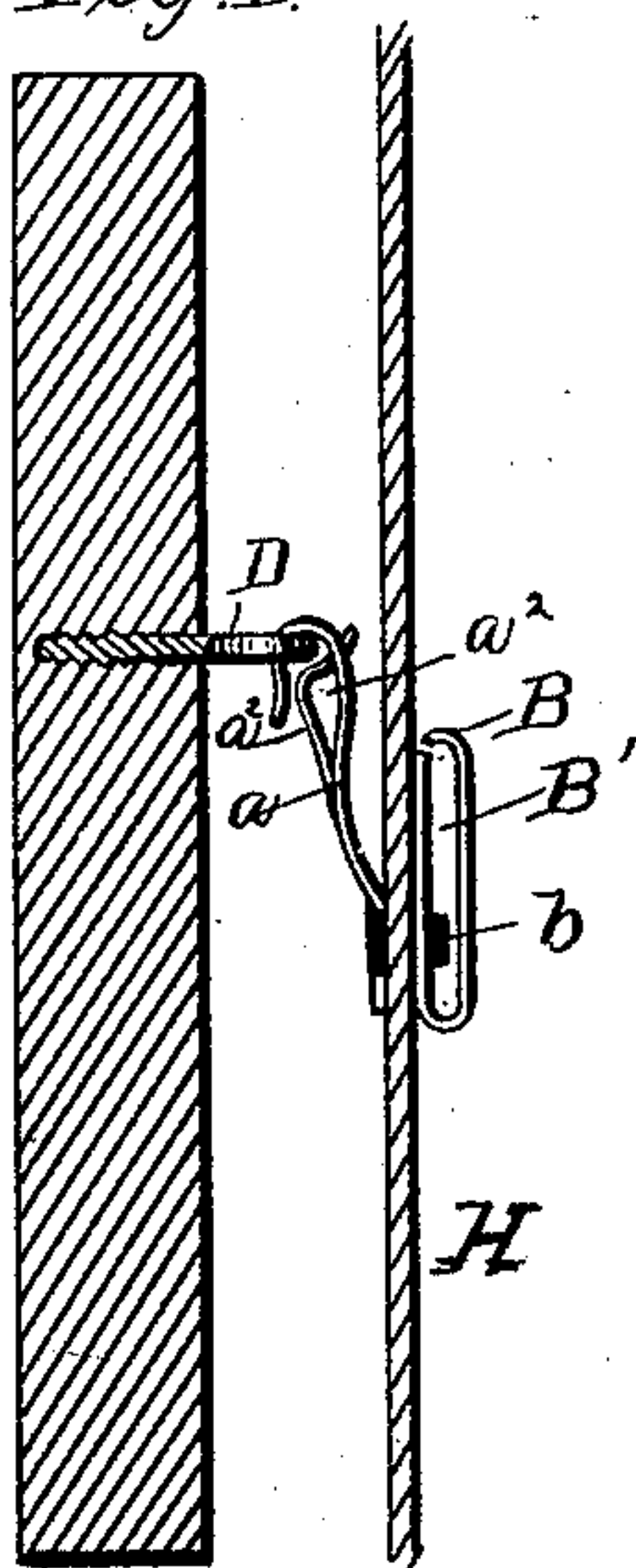


Fig. 2.

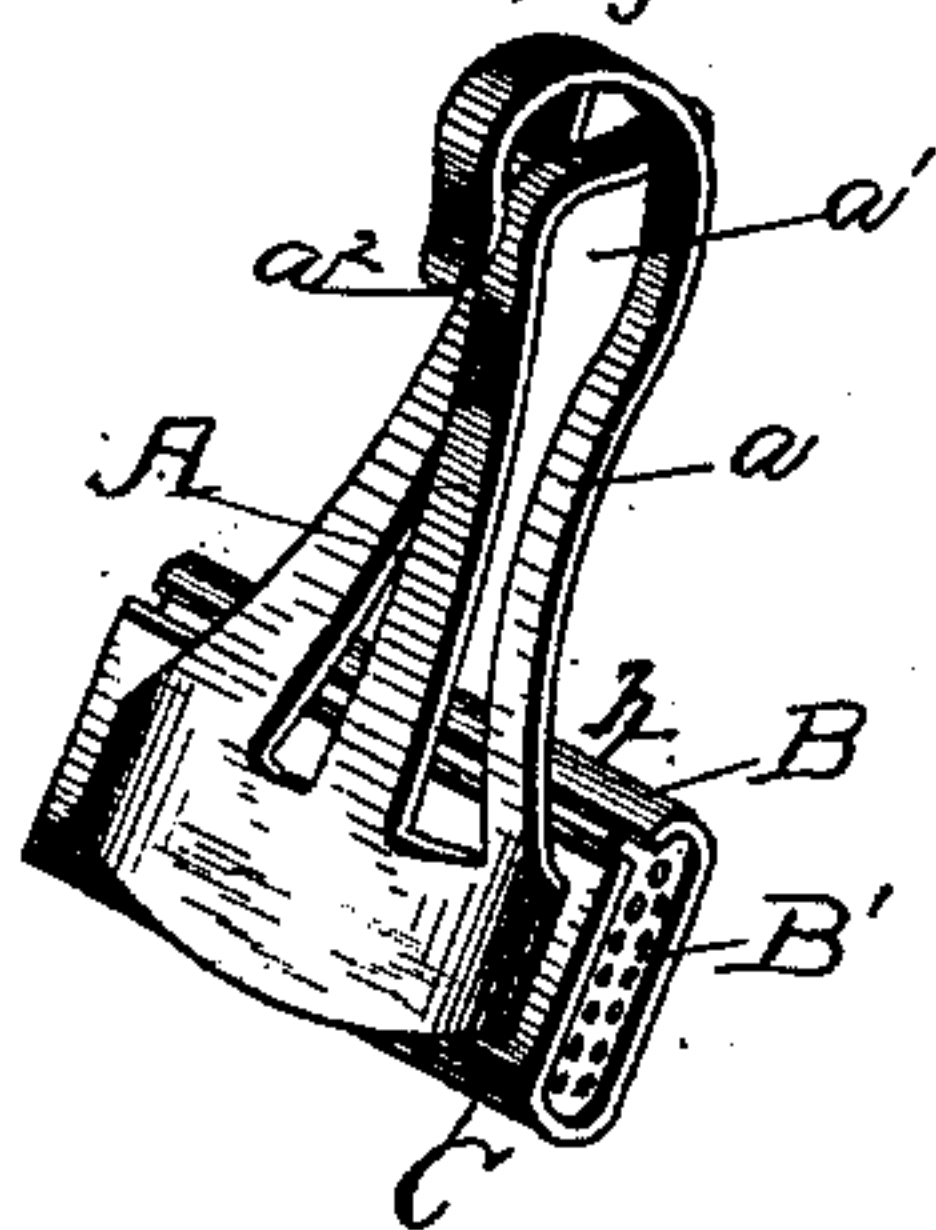
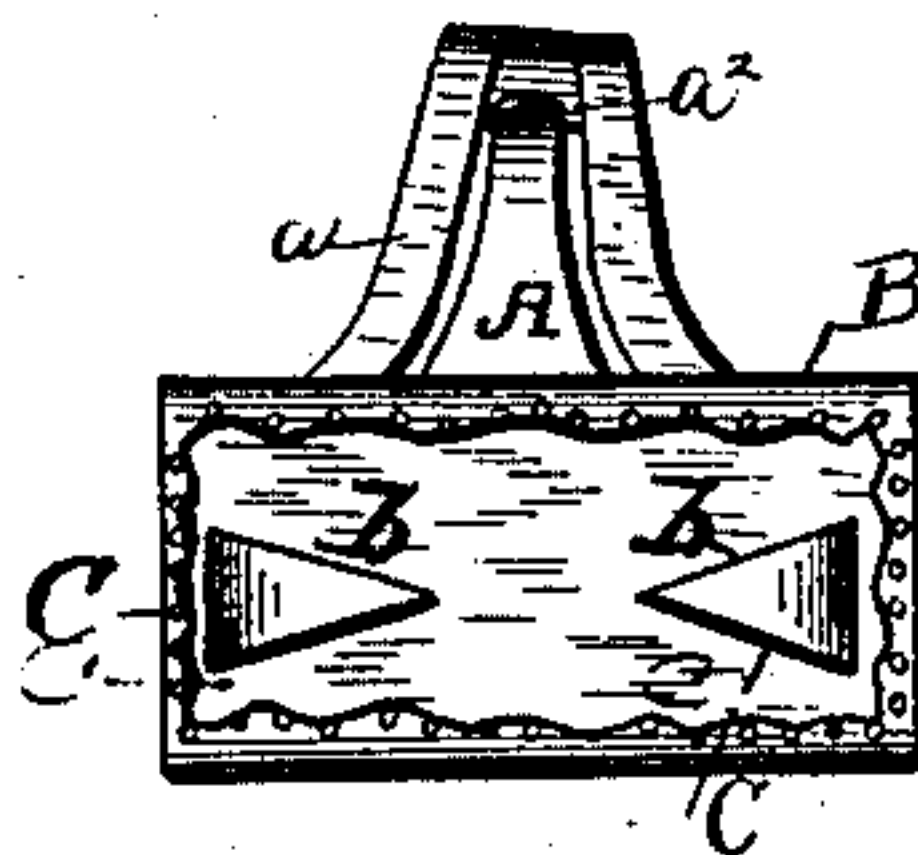


Fig. 3.



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CARRIAGE-CURTAIN FASTENING.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WASHINGTON WELKER, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Fremont, in the county of Sandusky and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Vehicle-Curtain Fasteners, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

This invention relates to an improvement in buggy or vehicle curtain fastenings; and it consists in a peculiarly-constructed fastening adapted to effect the ready and easy fastening of the curtain without the use of buttons or knobs, substantially as hereinafter more fully set forth and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a vertical section of a buggy-curtain and shifting rail with my improvement applied thereto. Fig. 2 is a detailed perspective view of the fastener; and Fig. 3 is a detail, the plate B being broken away.

In carrying out my invention, I construct the fastener A of a single piece of metal, said fastener consisting of a hook, *a*, with its beak curved inward, and a slot, *a'*, formed in its body, and provided with a tongue, *a²*. The tongue is inclined or curved outward in contact with the beak of the hook *a*, while its point is extended into or through the slot *a'* of the body of the hook, a space being left between the outer end of the tongue and the inner curvature of the hook to receive the ring portion of the eye D of the bow or shifting rail of the buggy.

The shank or body of the hook is struck up with pointed or sharpened flanges *b*, which enter slots C in the inner side of the curved

plate B, which plate may be, on the outer side thereof, ornamentally perforated or stamped, as shown in Fig. 2. In fastening the hook or fastener to the curtain the sharpened flanges *b* are passed from the inside through slits in the curtain, and then through slots C in the curved plate B, the slotted side of said curved plate being placed next to the curtain. The flanges are then clamped down upon the plate, and the plate is then curved again at *h* to unite with the slotted side of the plate, which completes the process of securing the fastener to the curtain.

It will be noticed that to effect the fastening of the curtain to the bow or shifting rail provided with the eye D it is only necessary to place the end of hook *a* in eye D, and to draw upon the curtain H, when the tongue *a²* will be pressed into slot *a'*, and thus the curtain will be fastened. In unfastening the curtain it is only necessary to draw plate B toward you, and then to slightly elevate it.

I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

1. A curtain - fastener consisting of the curved plate B, hook *a*, having flanges *b* and tongue *a²*, and eye D, substantially as shown and specified.

2. The combination of the curved plate B, hook *a*, having slot *a'*, tongue *a²*, and flanges *b*, and eye D, substantially as shown, and for the purpose described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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