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Fig. 1.

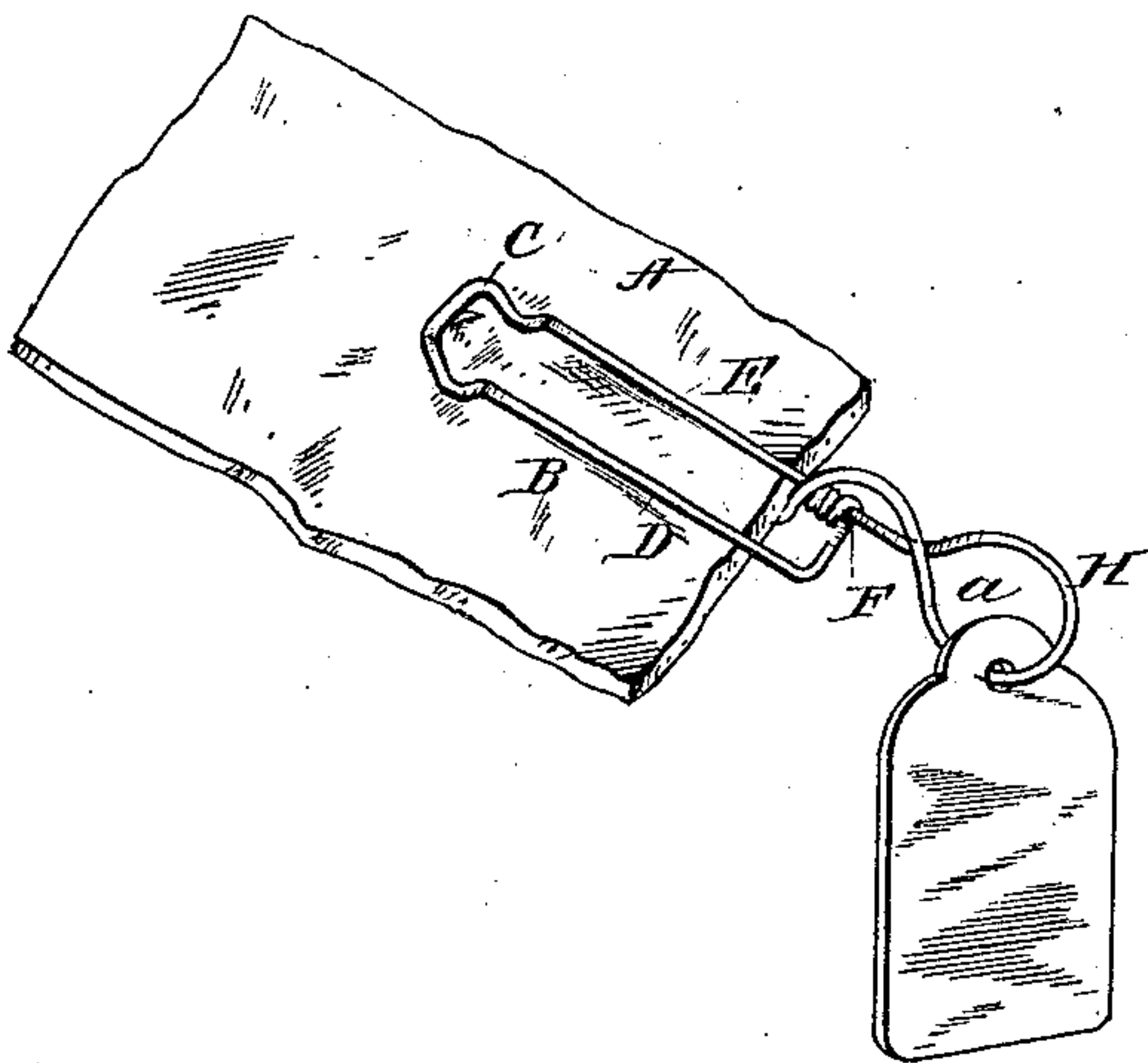


Fig. 2.

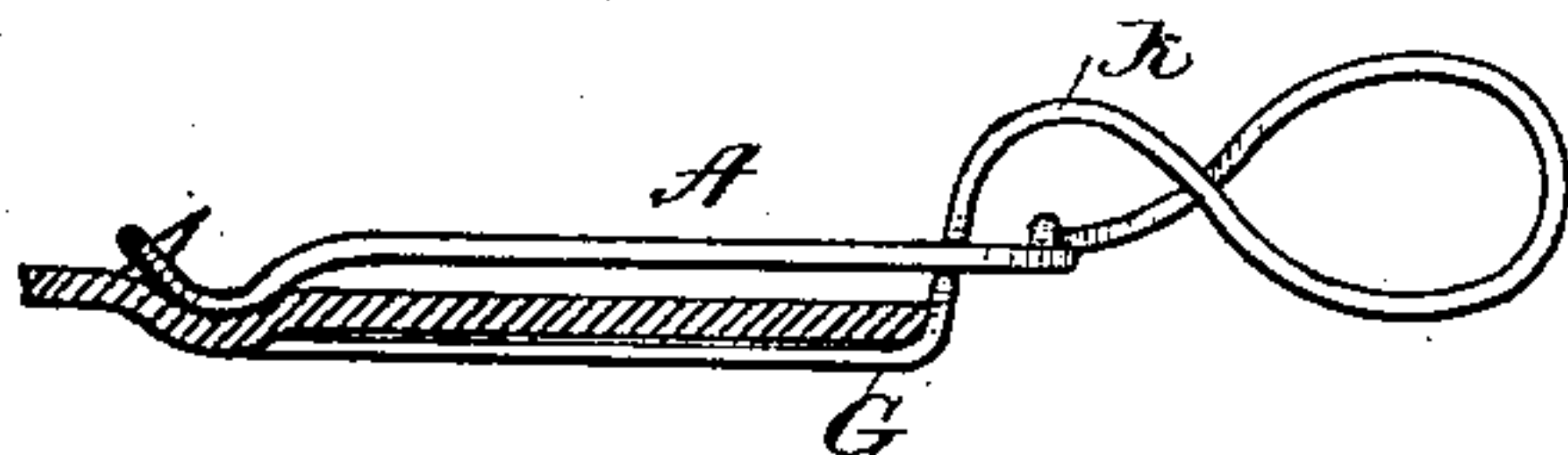
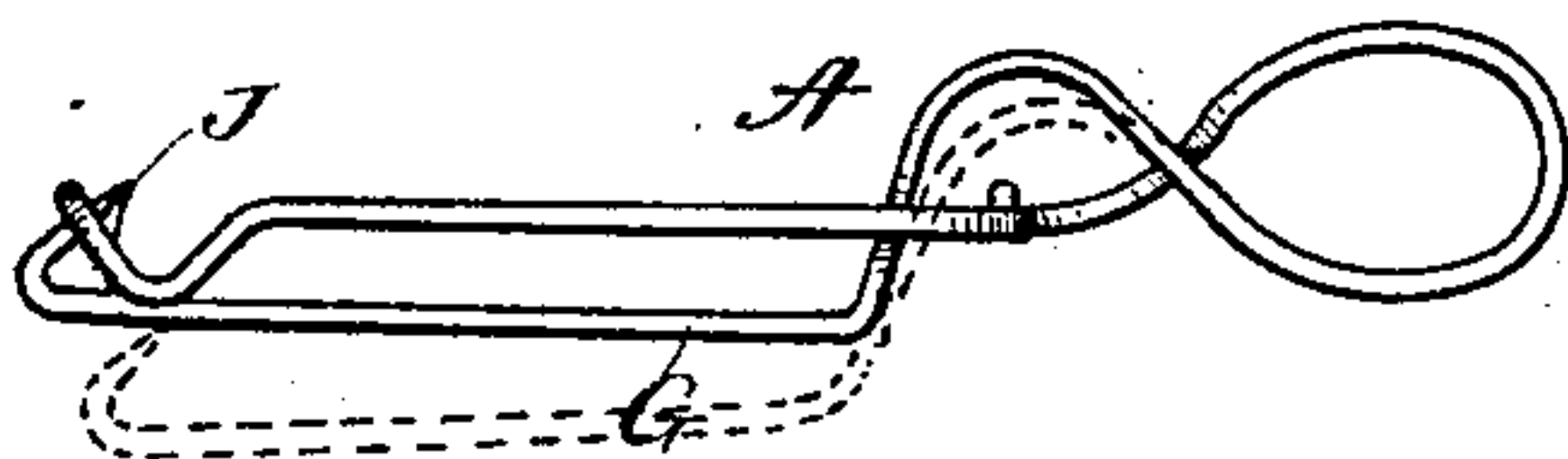


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GREGORY H. SCHARF, a citizen of the United States, residing at Toledo, in the county of Lucas and State of Ohio, have invented a new and useful Tag-Holder, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

This invention relates to tag-holders; and it has for its object to provide a device of this character which will be simple in its construction, convenient in its application, and efficient in use.

A further object of the invention is to provide a shield for the point of the hook, so as to allow a better hold on the goods and prevent said hook from catching in the folds of goods when rolled up. A further object is to provide a clamping action for the frame of the tag-holder that will insure the hooked pin catching in the goods, the goods being clamped between the frame and the hooked pin; and a still further object of the invention is to provide an improved form of loop for the attachment of the tag, said loop being of such a character as to suspend the tag away from the goods in a convenient place, so as to be readily seen.

With these and other objects in view the said invention consists in certain details of construction and combination of parts, as hereinafter set forth, and particularly pointed out in the claim.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a portion of goods illustrating the application of my improved tag-holder. Fig. 2 is a detail perspective view of the tag-holder. Fig. 3 is a longitudinal section of the same.

Like letters refer to corresponding parts in the several figures.

Referring to the drawings, A designates my improved tag-holder, constructed of one piece of wire, and bent by suitable means into the form shown in the drawings and hereinafter fully described. The said tag-holder comprises a rectangular frame, B, formed at its lower end with an approximately-V-shaped bend, C, one end of the wire forming one of the sides, D, of the frame B being bent or clamped around the other side, E, as shown at F, and in this manner the frame is given a

clamping action and is strengthened, and the end F, being bent around and turned inward, will not catch in the goods, as in the present form of tag-holder. The other end of the wire, forming the other side, E, of the frame, extends upwardly, and is bent in the shape shown to form a figure-8-shaped loop, H, in a plane at right angles to the frame B. The upper coil, a, of the loop receives the tag I, and thus the latter is suspended away from the goods and out of contact therewith. The wire, after forming the loop H, extends downwardly from the terminus of the same, over the upper end of the frame, and through the same, and forms a pin, G, the end of which is provided with an inwardly-extending hook or point, J, bent at an angle of forty-five degrees to the body of the pin, the end of said hook resting against the flattened inner face of the V-shaped bend of the frame.

It will be seen that the hooked pin G extends downwardly parallel with the sides of the frame, and partly outside of and between the same, said hooked pin being longer than the frame, and as the hook J extends inward from the end of the pin it will rest against the inner face of the V-shaped bend, and thus provide a shield for the hook, and enable the same to have a better hold onto the goods.

The operation of my invention will be readily understood from the foregoing description, taken in connection with the annexed drawings.

In applying the tag-holder to the goods, the coil or loop k of the 8-shaped loop H is pressed downward or outward by the thumb or finger, so as to withdraw the hook J from the shield, when the holder may be slipped in place over the goods, the said goods being clamped between the frame and the hooked pin, as shown, the pressure on the coil k being then released, and the tag-holder assumes its proper position, the hook J passing through the cloth or goods and resting at its end against the inner face of the V-shaped bend. In withdrawing the tag-holder, pressure is applied similarly to the coil or loop k, so as to disengage the hook from the cloth or goods, when the holder may be slipped off and applied again as desired.

It will be seen that the pressure on the coil or loop k provides a simple means for withdrawing and applying the tag-holder, and as

the tag is attached to the other coil, *a*, of the 8-shaped loop said tag will not interfere with the application of the holder to the goods. The V-shaped bend at the lower end of the frame provides a shield for the point of the hook J, and as the bend presses against the goods adjacent to the hook the latter will have a firmer hold, while the end of the hook will not catch in the goods when the latter is rolled up. The clamping action of the frame, in connection with the 8-shaped loop, enables the hook to automatically catch in the goods as soon as the holder is in proper position, the cloth being held between the hooked pin and the frame.

It will also be seen that the figure-8-shaped loop provides means for attaching the tag away from the goods and out of contact therewith, one coil of the loop being arranged to be operated in applying the tag-holder. Other advantages of my invention will be apparent; but it will not be necessary to further recite them here, since they will be demonstrated by practical use.

The device is simple in construction, inexpensive to manufacture, convenient in its application, and efficient in use.

In order to define the nature, advantages, and scope of the present invention, I would have it understood that I am aware of the patent of Ten Eyck, No. 101,680, and do not claim the construction therein shown, as it does not attain the object of the present invention, and possesses numerous disadvantages. To overcome these defects I provide a figure-8-shaped loop, the outer coil of which receives the tag,

so as to suspend the same away from the goods; and, furthermore, the wire forming one of the sides of the frame is clamped around the other side, so as to provide sufficient spring force for the holder. Another important feature of my tag-holder is the V-shaped bend at the lower end of the frame, serving to press the goods against the hooked pin, and also form a shield for the point, which extends at an acute angle to the body of the pin.

Having described my invention, I claim—

As an improved article of manufacture, the herein-described tag-holder, comprising the rectangular frame having sides D E, the end of the wire forming the side D being bent or clamped around the upper end of the side E, the end of the wire forming the other side, E, extending upwardly to form an 8-shaped loop, the outer coil of which receives the tag, a V-shaped bend at the lower end of the frame, and a hooked pin extending from the terminus of the loop over the upper end of the frame, downwardly parallel with the sides, and beyond the lower end of the same, the hook of the pin extending inwardly from the end thereof at an acute angle thereto, and having its point resting against the inner face of the bend, as set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereto affixed my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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