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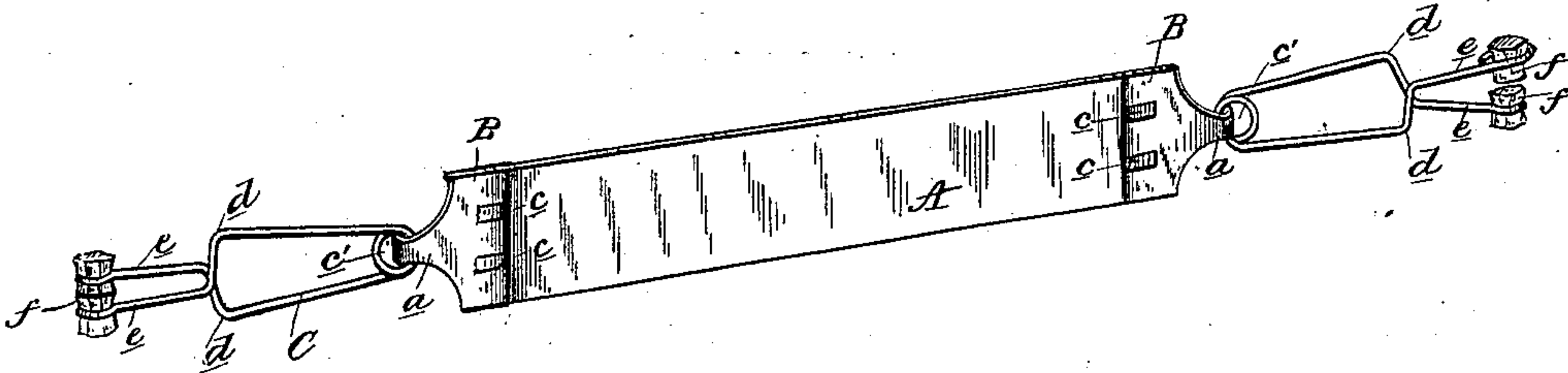


Fig. 1.

Fig. 2.

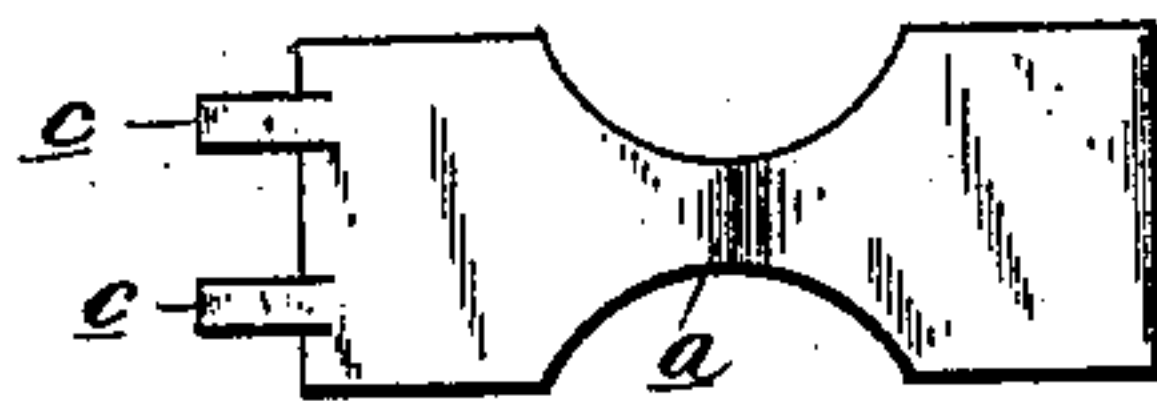
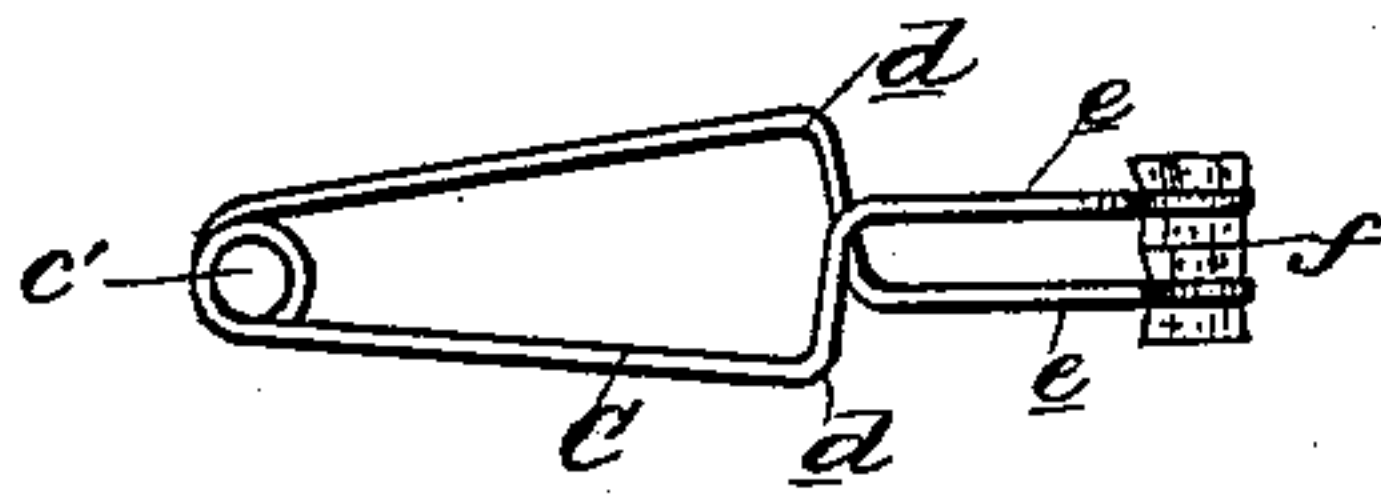


Fig. 3.



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## GARMENT-SUPPORTER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, CHARLES H. YARINGTON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Waterbury, in the county of New Haven and State of Connecticut, have invented a new and useful Garment Clasp or Support, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

My invention relates to clasps designed for use as sleeve, skirt, or hose supporter; and it has for its object to provide a device for this purpose which shall obviate all liability of the clasp to tear or otherwise injure the fabric to which it is attached and designed to support. Heretofore various means have been devised for this purpose, consisting of spring-pressed clamping-arms, the same being provided with teeth or serrated edges, which from strain or other causes punctured the object to which it was applied and eventually ruined the same.

A further object of my invention is to provide a clasp which may be manufactured and supplied at a slight cost, and one that will be durable in use.

With these ends in view the invention consists in the improved construction and combinations of parts, hereinafter fully described, and pointed out in the claim.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of two of my clasps applied to an elastic strip. Fig. 2 is a plan of the blank used for securing the clasp to the elastic ribbon or strip in connection with which it is used, and Fig. 3 is a plan view of the clasp detached.

In the accompanying drawings, in which like letters refer to corresponding parts in the several figures, A represents a strip of elastic ribbon, to the ends of which are attached plates B. These plates B are reduced at about their center to form a narrow portion, *a*, one of the ends of the said plate B being formed with prongs *c*, which are adapted to be inserted through the elastic ribbon and be folded against the end of the plate, as clearly shown in Fig. 1.

C represents the clasp, which is constructed of a single piece of wire. This wire is looped or twisted at one end to form an eye, *c'*, and is bent inwardly near its opposite end to form shoulders *d*, while the extreme forward ends are provided with bent ends. Each of these bent ends *e* is provided with a block of rubber, *f*, which bears against the article to be supported when the clasp is attached.

The device above described is applicable to various uses—a sleeve-supporter, for a skirt-supporter, a stocking-supporter; or it will be seen that it may be used to support various articles in dry-goods stores, such as handkerchiefs and other light articles.

The clasp or supporter above described is simple in its construction, may be manufactured and supplied at a slight cost, and prevents any liability to tear or otherwise injure the goods to which it is attached.

Various means may be used for the attachment of the clasp proper to the elastic; or, when used to display goods in stores, it might be suspended by wire, &c.; hence I would have it understood that I do not limit myself to any particular manner of attachment to the elastic.

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

As an improved article of manufacture, the herein-described clasp constructed of a single piece of wire, bent to form a loop at one end, and having two shouldered spring-pressed clamping-arms, each being provided with a block of rubber, substantially 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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