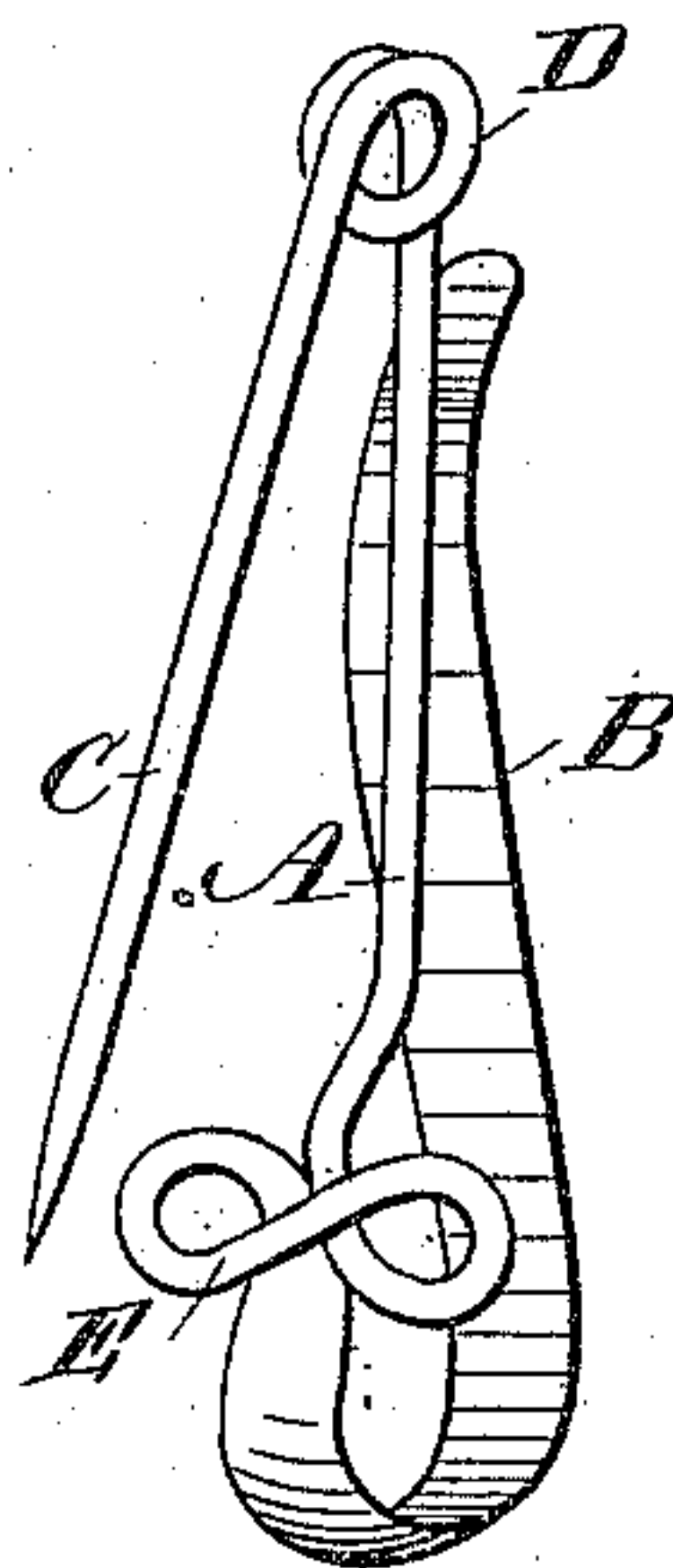


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SAMUEL F. MERRITT, of Springfield, in the county of Hampden and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and Improved Eyeglass-Holder, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in that class of hooks or holders which are held on garments and are used to suspend eyeglasses.

The object of my invention is to prevent the holder from swinging against the garment and resting on its side, as the hooks in use heretofore are apt to do.

The invention consists in a combined hook and pin provided at or near its bottom with a cross-piece, which prevents the hook from swinging against the garment.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawing, forming part of this specification, in which a perspective view of my improved eyeglass-holder is shown.

The hook-pin is formed of a single piece of wire, A, which has one end flattened, bent, and curved to form the hook B, and the other end pointed to form the pin C. At the upper end of the pin the wire is bent to form a coil-spring, D, and at the base of the hook the wire

is bent to form a cross-piece, E, which projects equally from both side edges of the base of the hook. The cross-piece may consist of two opposite eyes or loops, or may have any other desired shape. The pin C is passed through the garment, and its end is passed under one end of the cross-piece E in the same manner as the end of a safety-pin is passed into the pocket. The cross-piece E, which is at the lower part of the device, rests against the outer face of the garment, and prevents the hook from swinging laterally in such a manner that the side edge of the hook rests against the garments, but always keeps the hook in such a position that it will be in front of the pin.

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

An eyeglass-hook made from a single piece of wire flattened and bent at one end to form the hook B, the spring D, the pin C, projecting downward from the spring, and the cross-piece E, produced by making a double loop at the lower rear part of the hook B.

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