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Fig. 1.

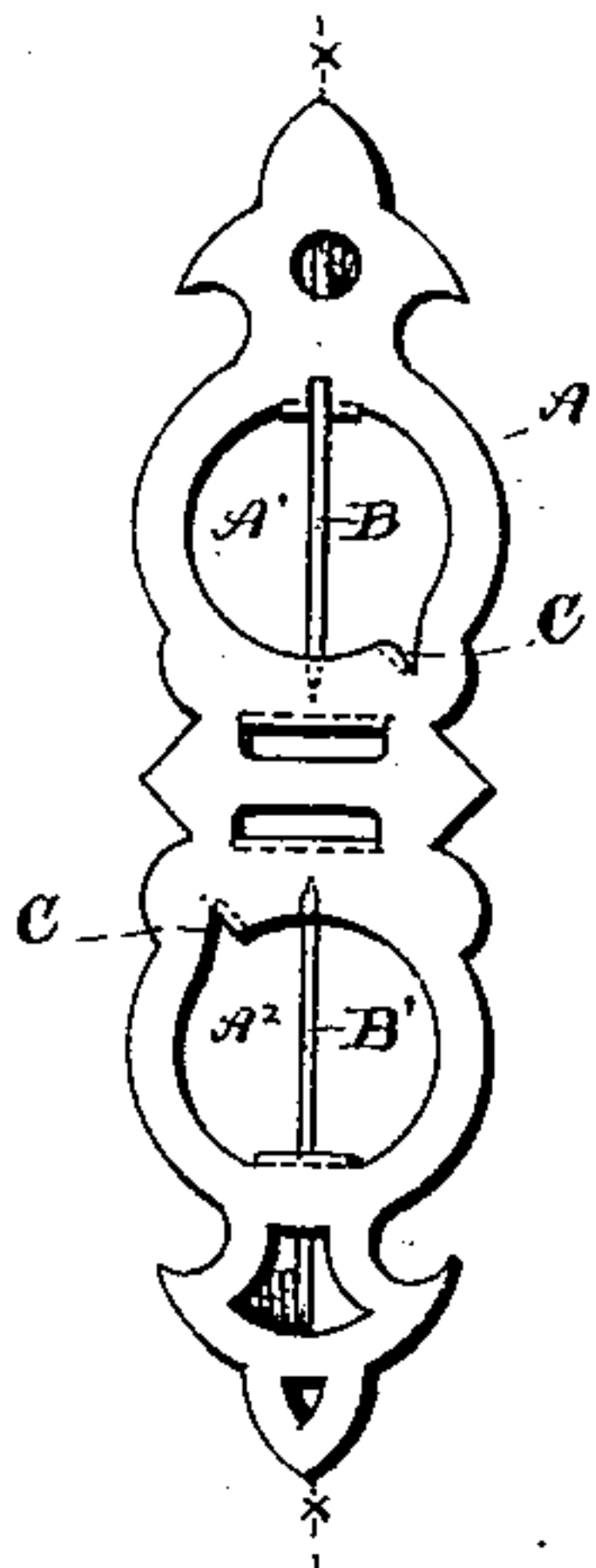


Fig. 2.

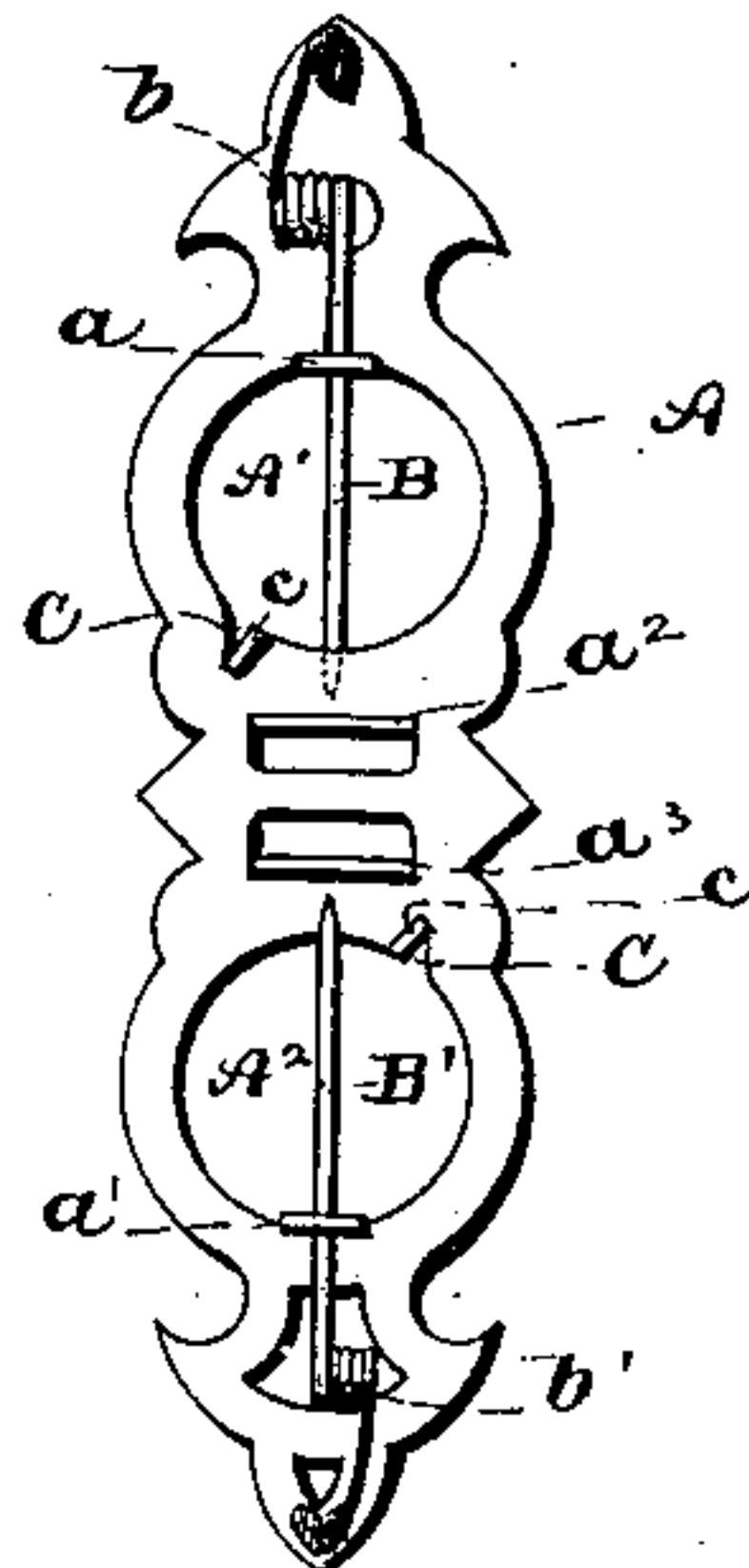


Fig. 3.

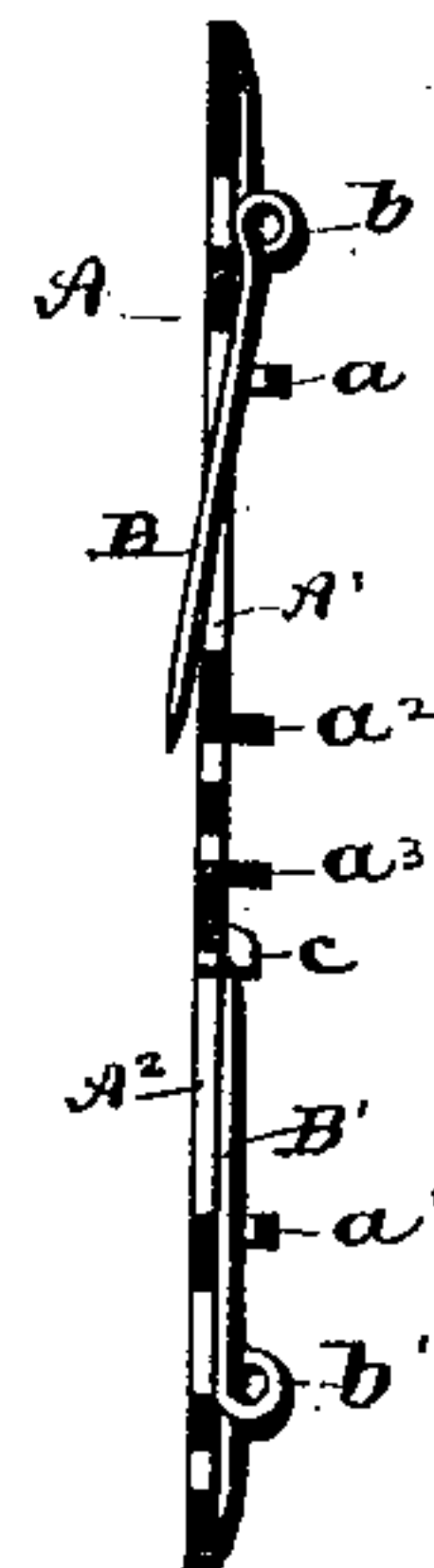


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM B. SILVER, of Cleveland, in the county of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Napkin-Supporters; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it pertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to napkin-supporters, and has for its object the production of a napkin-supporter that can be carried in the pocket of the user or left secured to the napkin, as desired, without danger of wounding the person when handling, one that can be readily applied and at the same time be secured to the napkin in such a manner that it will not become detached while in use.

With these objects in view my invention consists in the combination, with a plate, of a pin for securing the supporter to the person or napkin, the pin provided with a spring for holding it in contact with the plate, and a guard for the point of the pin, and in other combinations of parts that will be more particularly hereinafter described, and pointed out in the claims.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a plan view of the front of my improved napkin-supporter. Fig. 2 is a plan view of the back of the same with one of the pins, showing its position when it is desired to permanently secure the supporter to the napkin. Fig. 3 is a vertical sectional view of the same through the center of the device. Fig. 4 shows the manner of applying my device to the person.

In the drawings, A represents a metallic plate, cut in any desirable shape, provided with two openings, A' and A², sufficiently large to accommodate the end of the finger. To the plate A are secured the pins B and B', each permanently secured to the plate at one end, and provided with a spring, b and b', for retaining the free end of the pins against the plate A. These pins B and B' pass through keepers or guards a and a'. The object of these guards is to hold the pins in position across the center of the openings A' and A².

a² and a³ are guards for the points of the pins as they are held against the plate A, and formed by turning up the metal cut from openings in the plate, as shown in Fig. 2.

C C are slits or openings connected with the larger openings A' and A². The object of these openings is to permit the passage of the pins B and B' to engage with the fabric, and are then returned to their first position, bearing against the rear of the plate A, and thus forming a lock. This feature of my device is useful when it is desired to secure the supporter to the napkin and leave it attached to the napkin when not in use.

The slits C C are provided with a guard, c c, which is formed from that portion of the plate cut away to make the openings C C. The object of these guards is to prevent the pins B and B' from slipping through the openings C inadvertently.

It will be observed that my device consists, simply, of two or three pins, a plate, A, and the pins B and B'. The guides a a' are integral with the plate, as also are the guards a² and a³ and the guards c c. The plates, therefore, can be made cheaply, cutting the plate with all its parts with proper dies, except the pins. These may be secured in any suitable manner to the back of the plate.

What I claim is—

1. In a napkin-supporter, a plate provided with an opening for the passage of the finger for manipulating the pin, and a smaller opening for the passage of the point of the pin, the latter opening provided with a guard, substantially as and for the purposes described.

2. In a napkin-supporter, the combination, with a plate, of a guide to the pin, and a protector for the point of the pin, the guide and protector being integral with the plate, substantially as and for the purposes described.

In testimony whereof I sign this specification, in the presence of two witnesses, this 28th day of February, 1885.

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Witnesses;

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