

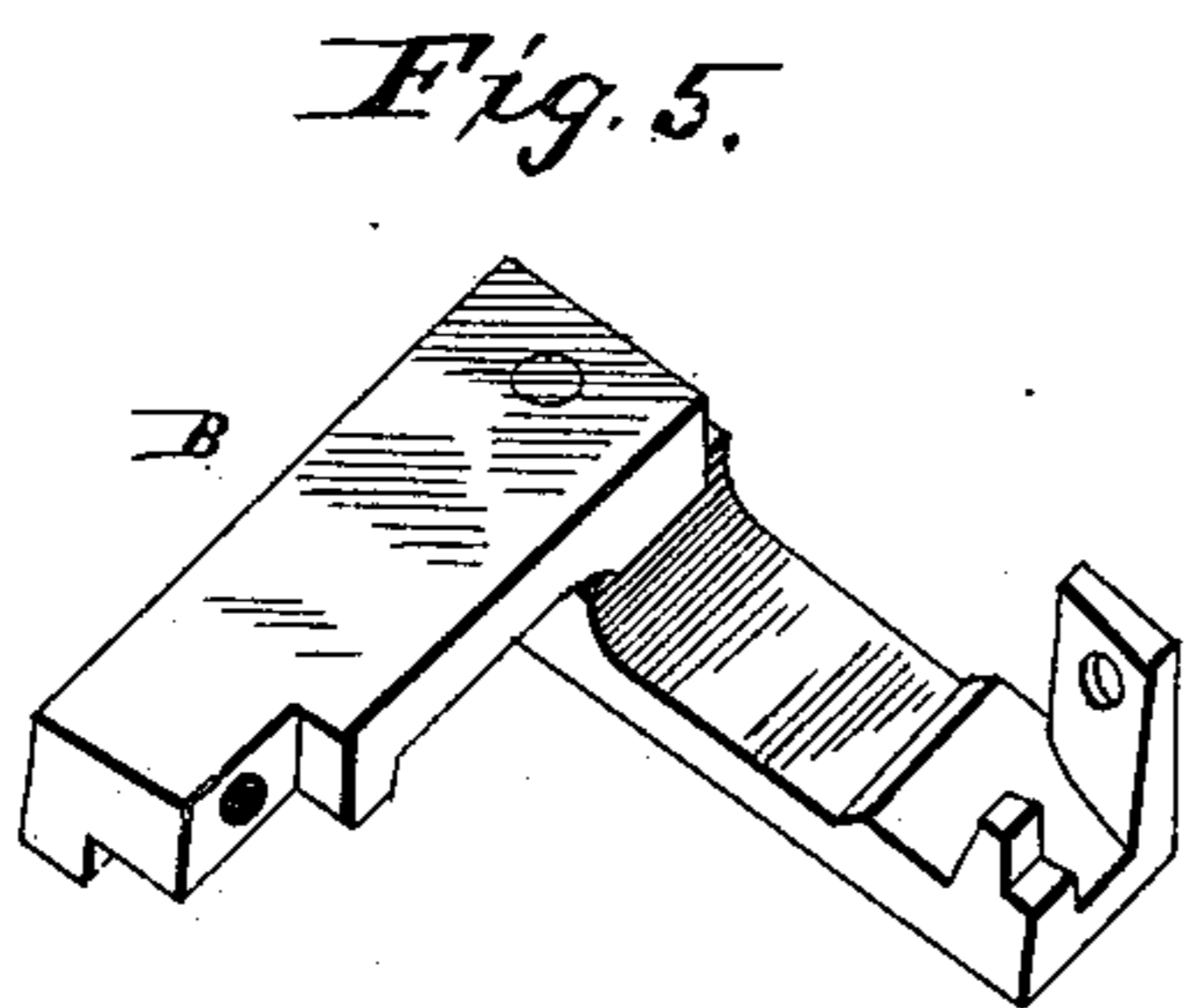
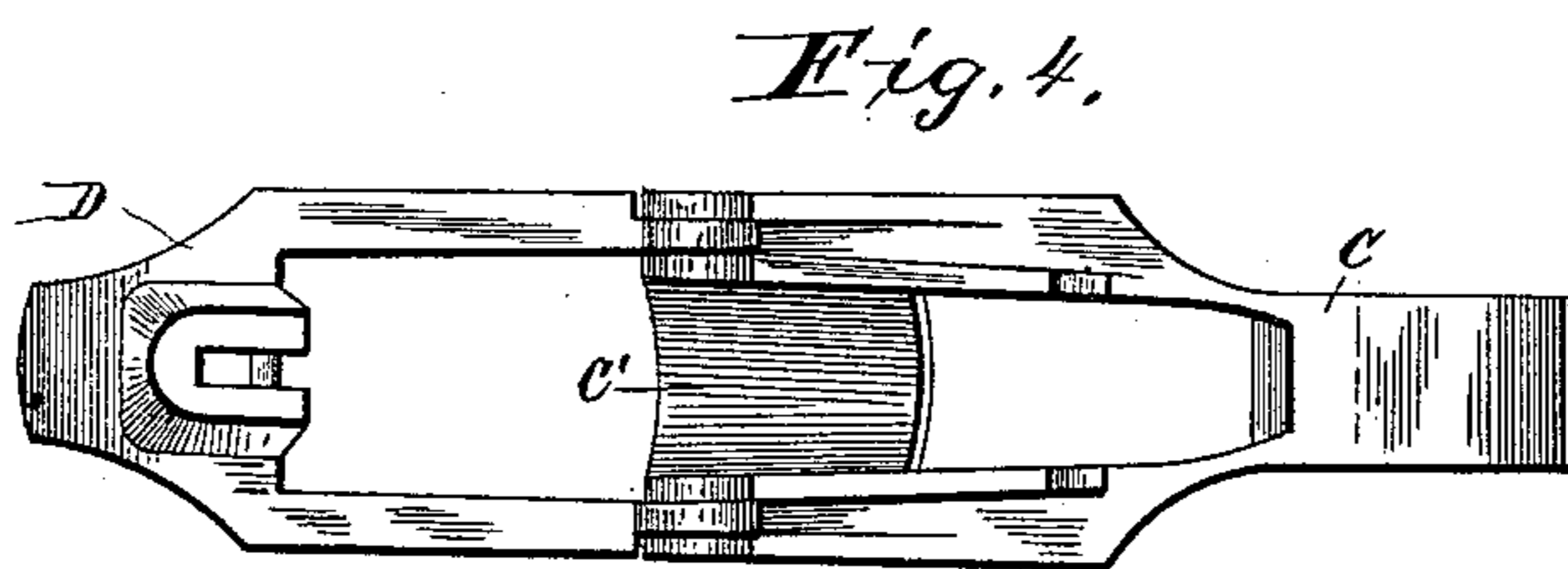
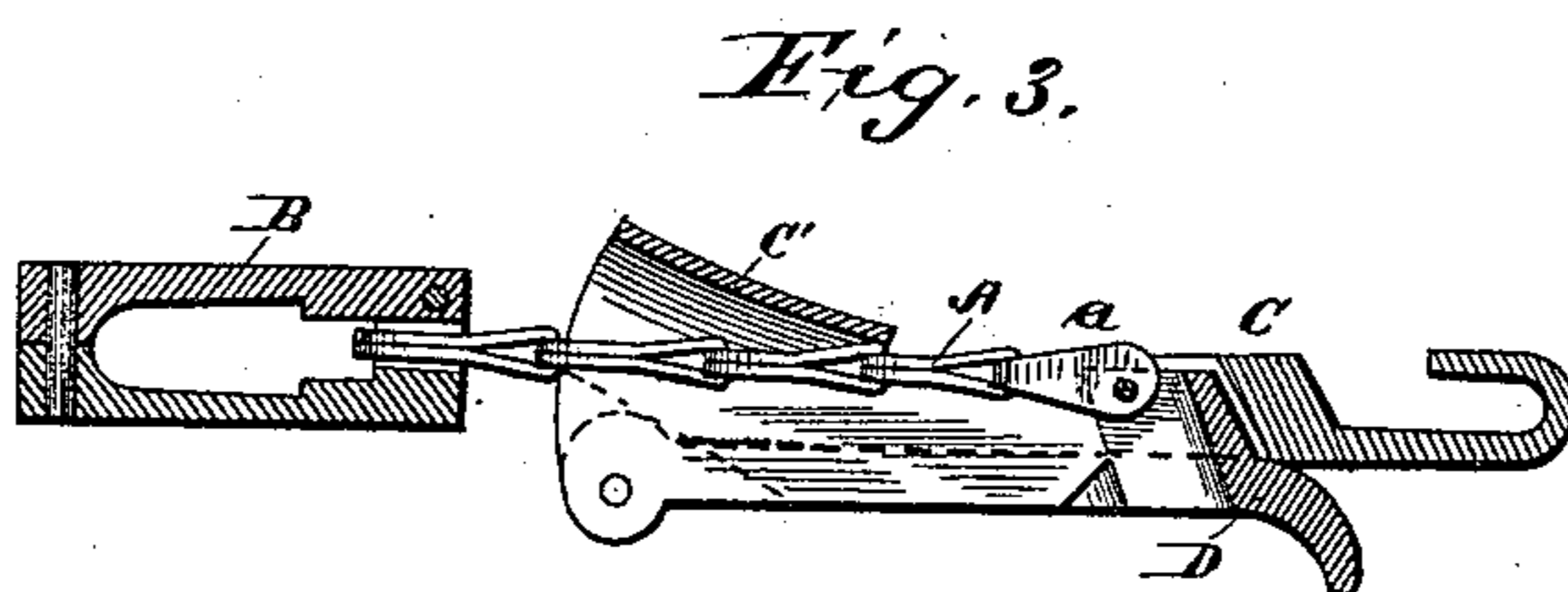
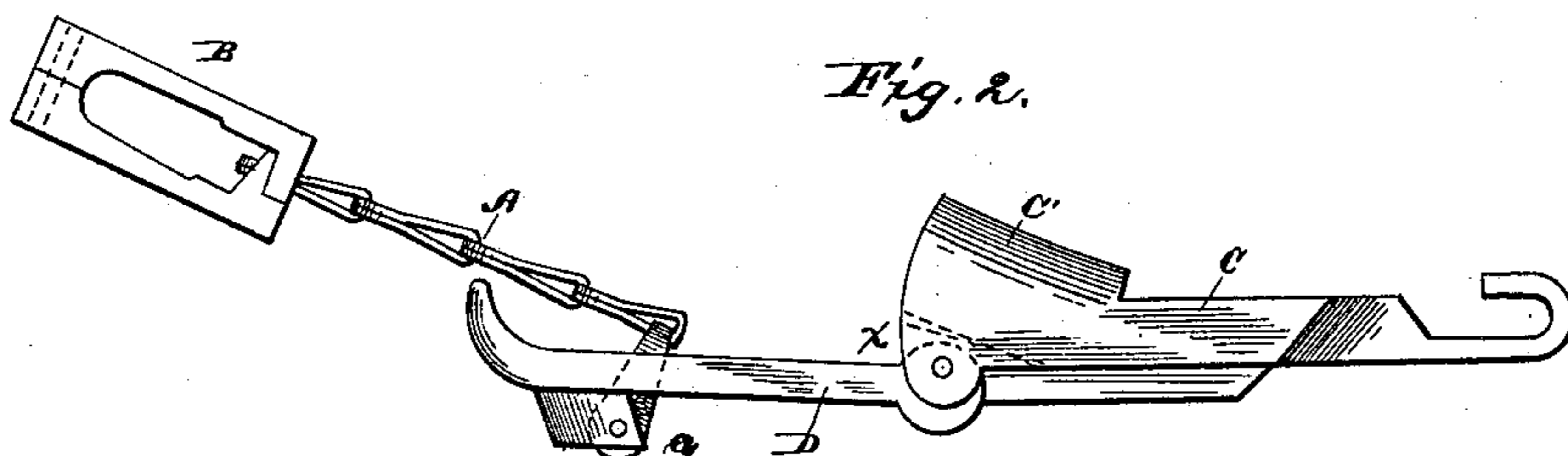
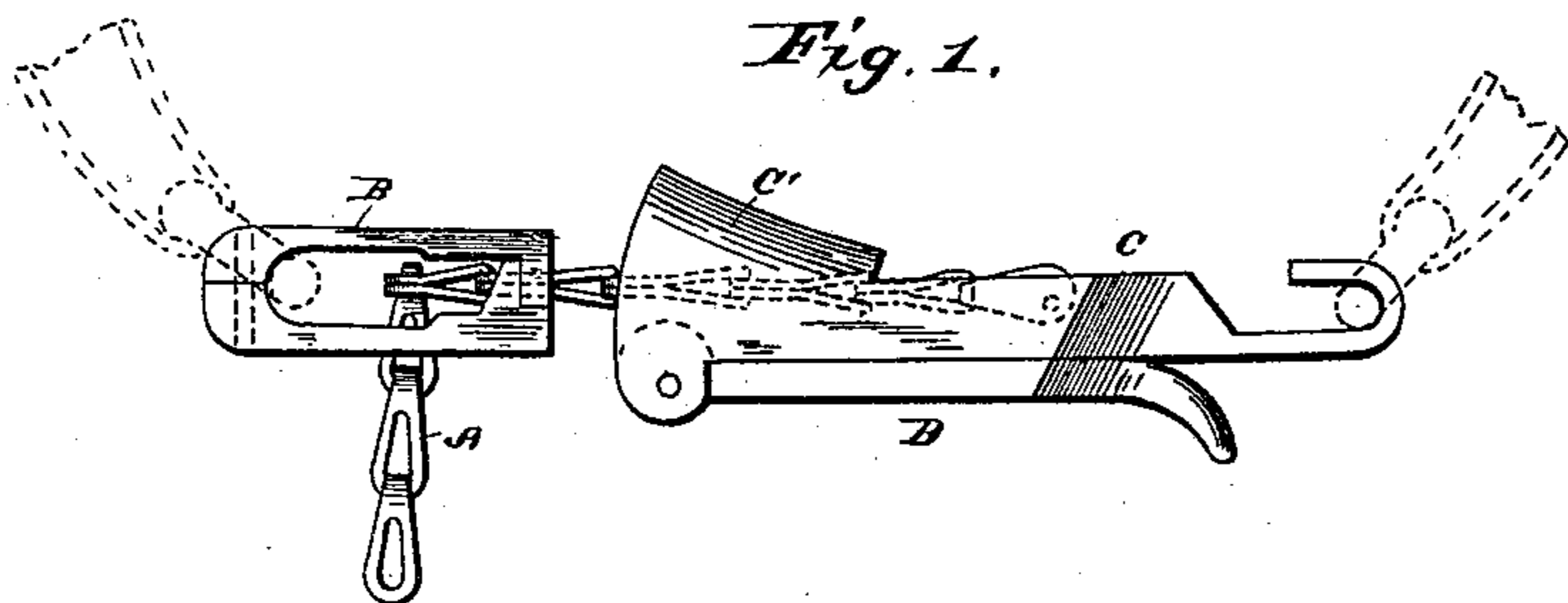
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## HAME-FASTENER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, HARRY C. MINTON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Dayton, in the county of Montgomery and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hame-Fasteners, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

My invention relates to hame-fasteners, the object being to form a fastener which has one end secured to one side of the hame while the other end is secured to an eccentric lever attached to a hook which catches in the other side of the frame for making an easily-adjusted and easily-fastened fastener.

In the accompanying drawings, making a part of this specification, Figure 1 represents a side view showing the two parts of the hames clasped together, the parts being seen in dotted lines. Fig. 2 represents a side view with parts opened out. Fig. 3 represents a longitudinal section with parts closed. Fig. 4 represents a plan view of the hook and its lever. Figs. 5 and 6 are views of the chain-lock which holds the chain or fastener.

In the figures, A represents a chain or other suitable fastener, one end of which is secured in a chain-lock, B. This chain-lock is constructed as shown in Figs. 5 and 6. It is formed in two parts, and they are hinged together at one end. The other ends of the two parts of the chain-lock may be formed as herein represented, or in suitable manner, so that when they are brought together over the fastener or chain they will hold it securely from slipping. The two parts of the chain-lock when closed are secured together by means of a screw. One end of this chain-lock is connected to one side of the hame, as seen in dotted lines, Fig. 1.

C represents a hook, which has two arms

projecting toward its rear, and which are connected by a hood, *c'*. Eccentrically pivoted between these arms and beneath the hood is a lever, D. To the loose end of this lever is connected the chain-fastener by means of a short lever, *a*.

In using this invention the chain-lock B is first secured to one side of the hame. The length of chain or fastener is then regulated, and the chain-lock is closed, the other end of the chain being attached to the short lever *a*, which connects with lever D. The hook C is then caught in the opposite side of the hame. The lever D is then carried around until its free end rests against the hook C. This tightens the two parts of the hame. It will readily be seen that the lever D being eccentrically pivoted to the hook C, and that its point being within the line of draft when closed in, it will securely hold the two parts of the hames together.

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

1. In an improved hame-fastener, the chain-lock B, connected to one side of the hame, constructed in two parts, and adapted to receive and retain one end of a chain, in combination with an eccentric lever and hook connecting with the chain and other side of the hame, substantially as described.

2. The hook, its eccentric lever, the fastener, and the chain-lock, as herein set forth, connected and combined, substantially as herein described.

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

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