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Fig. 1.

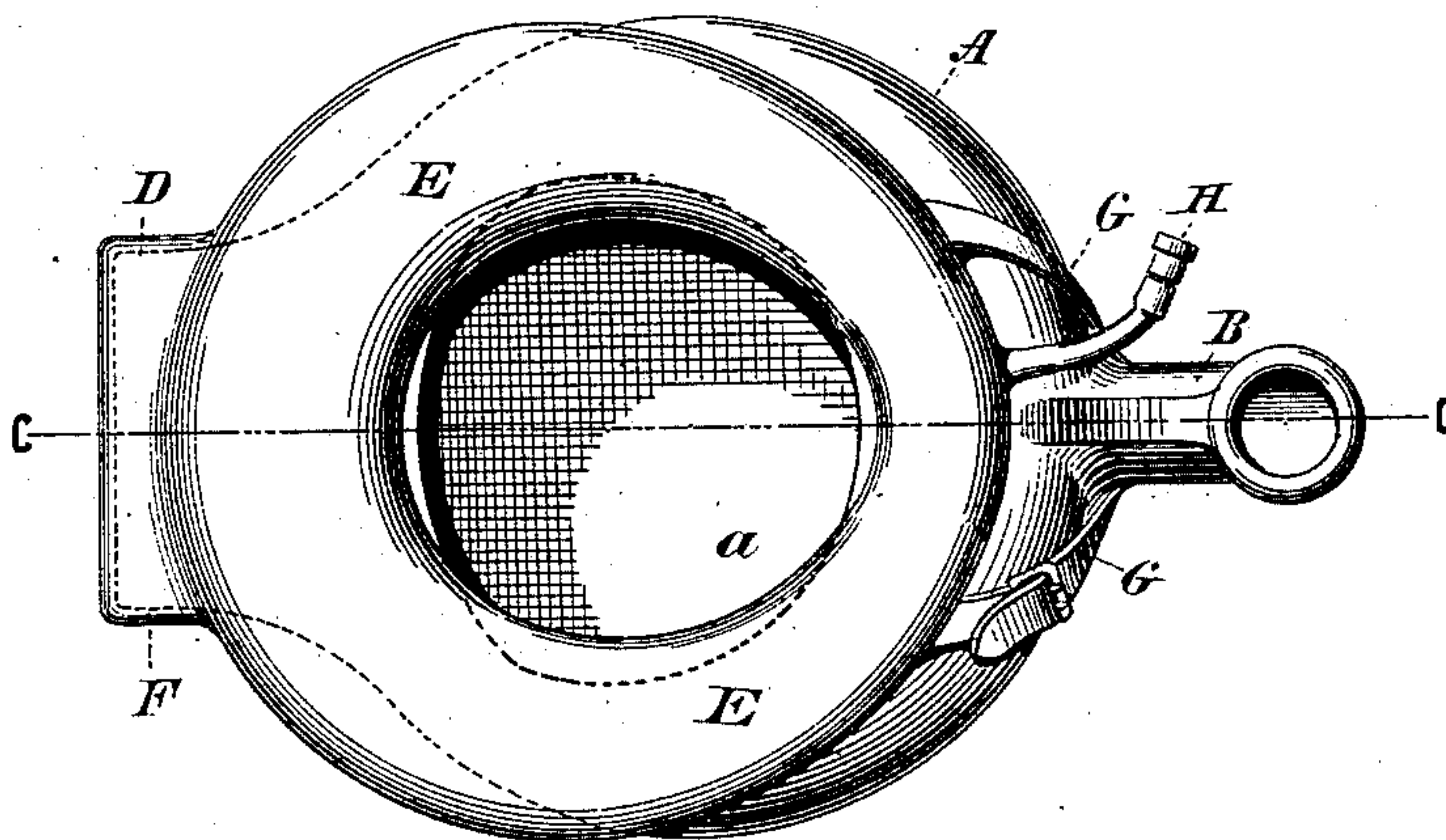
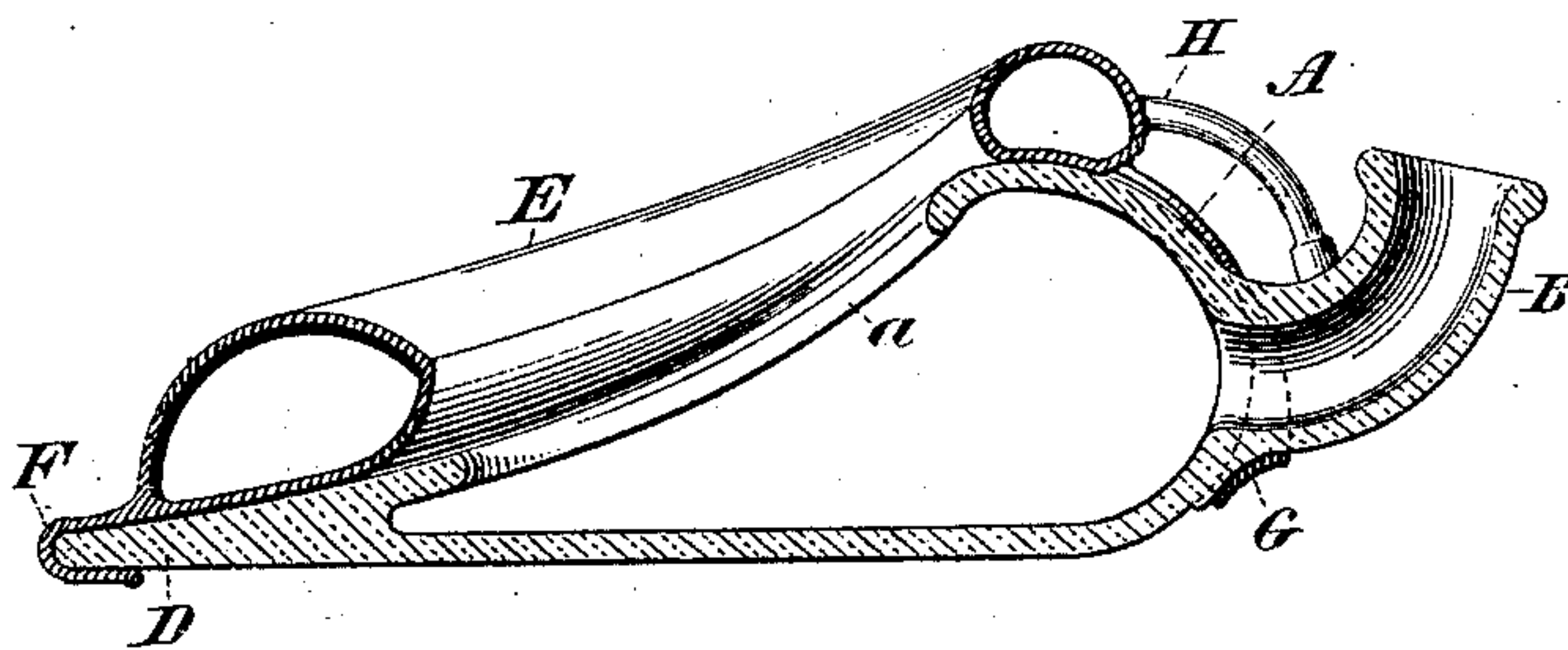


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES A. TATUM, a resident of New York city, in the county and State of New York, have invented an Improvement in Bed-Pans, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to bed-pans; and it has for its object to provide such pan with a cushion which can be attached to any of the existing forms.

Heretofore, where a bed-pan was provided with a cushion, the pan had to be of a particular construction, and therefore was more expensive than the addition of the cushion would warrant.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a plan view of my invention; and Fig. 2 is a section on the line *c c*, Fig. 1.

A is the bed-pan, which is one of the forms commonly in use. This pan is provided with the spout B on one end and the projection D on the other. Resting on the pan A, so as to surround the opening *a* therein, is an annular air-cushion, E, which is wider at one end than the other, so that where the greatest pressure

will take place the cushion will be largest. This cushion is secured to the bed-pan by a pocket, F, formed on one end of the cushion fitting over the projection D, and by the strap G, passing around the spout B. The pocket F may be replaced by a hook or hooks, which engage the edges of the projection D. The cushion E is of rubber or other suitable material, and is provided with the usual inflating-tube, H. This form of cushion is readily detached, requires no special form of bed-pan, and is inexpensive to make.

Having now described my invention, what I claim is—

1. The combination of a bed-pan with an air-cushion having the pocket or hook F and strap G, substantially as described.

2. An air-cushion, E, having the pocket or hook F and the strap G, substantially as described.

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