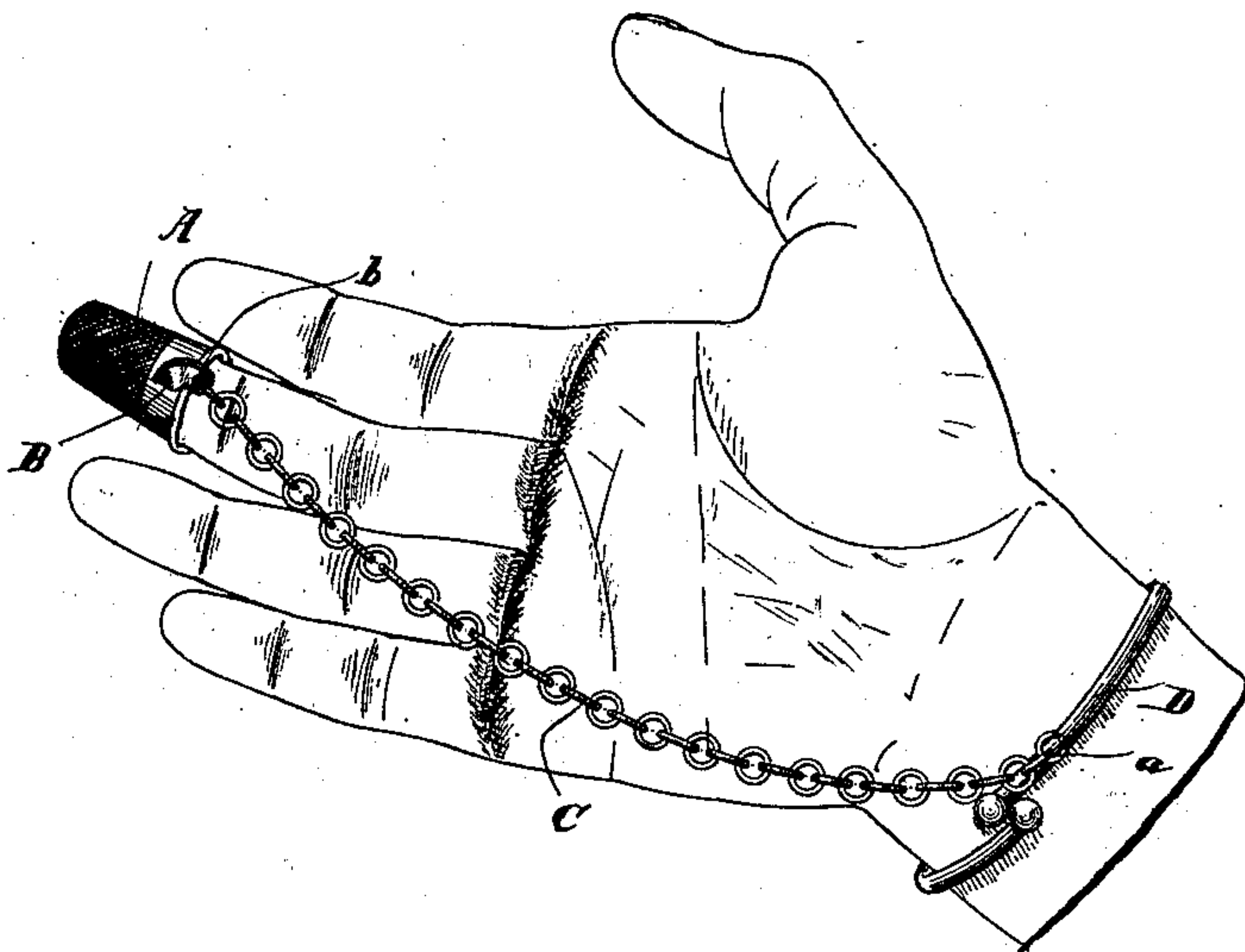


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SALLIE ANN WELLS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Annapolis, in the county of Anne Arundel and State of Maryland, have invented new and useful Improvements in Thimbles, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in thimble attachments to bracelets; and it consists of the construction and novel arrangement of parts, as hereinafter described and claimed.

The object of my invention is to provide a thimble attachment to a bracelet which will be neat and ornamental in appearance, and which will prevent the thimble from becoming lost or misplaced.

I have illustrated a device constructed in accordance with my invention in the accompanying drawing, in which the single figure is a view illustrating my thimble and attachment in position on the wrist of a person.

Referring by letter to the drawing, A designates the thimble of the ordinary or any preferred style or pattern. This thimble A has formed integral therewith, or in any suitable way secured thereto, an extension or lug, B, which projects below the plane of the open end of the thimble and outwardly therefrom, and is provided with an opening or eye, *b*, to receive one end of a cord or chain, C. This cord or chain C may be of any desired length and style, and has its free end connected or hooked by a ring or eye, *a*, onto a bracelet, D, which is adapted to be fastened upon the wrist.

From this construction it will be observed that I provide an attachment which will obviate all danger of the thimble becoming lost or mislaid, and that it serves the purpose of a useful and ornamental article.

It will also be seen that my attachment, while being neat and ornamental in appearance and very useful, is also simple in construction, and consequently very cheap, rendering

it an article of necessity to all who use the thimble.

I am aware that heretofore it has been proposed to provide a device for cutting cords on grain-bundles, consisting of a cap or plate having a cutting-edge and adapted to be fitted over the end of the finger, a wristband or cuff, and straps to connect the cap with the cuff; but such is not my invention.

I am also aware that a bracelet has been provided with a chain having at its opposite end a key to unlock the bracelet. My invention differs from these devices in that I employ a bracelet or wristband, a thimble having a downwardly-extended lug on its lower side, and a flexible chain connected to the lug of the thimble and the bracelet to permanently connect the parts together.

In my invention I provide the downwardly-extended lug on the lower side of the thimble, and connect the chain thereto and to the lower side of the bracelet, so that the chain is retained within the palm of the hand, and thereby held out of the way and prevented from catching into or interfering with the work.

I claim—

As a new article of manufacture, a thimble having a fixed lug, B, projecting downwardly from its lower side, a bracelet or band, D, adapted to be placed around the wrist, and a chain, C, connected to the lower extremity of the lug and the under side of the bracelet or band to permanently connect the thimble and band together, the said chain being retained within the palm of the hand when the device is in use, as and for the purpose 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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