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CHECKREIN ATTACHMENT.

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Fig. 1.

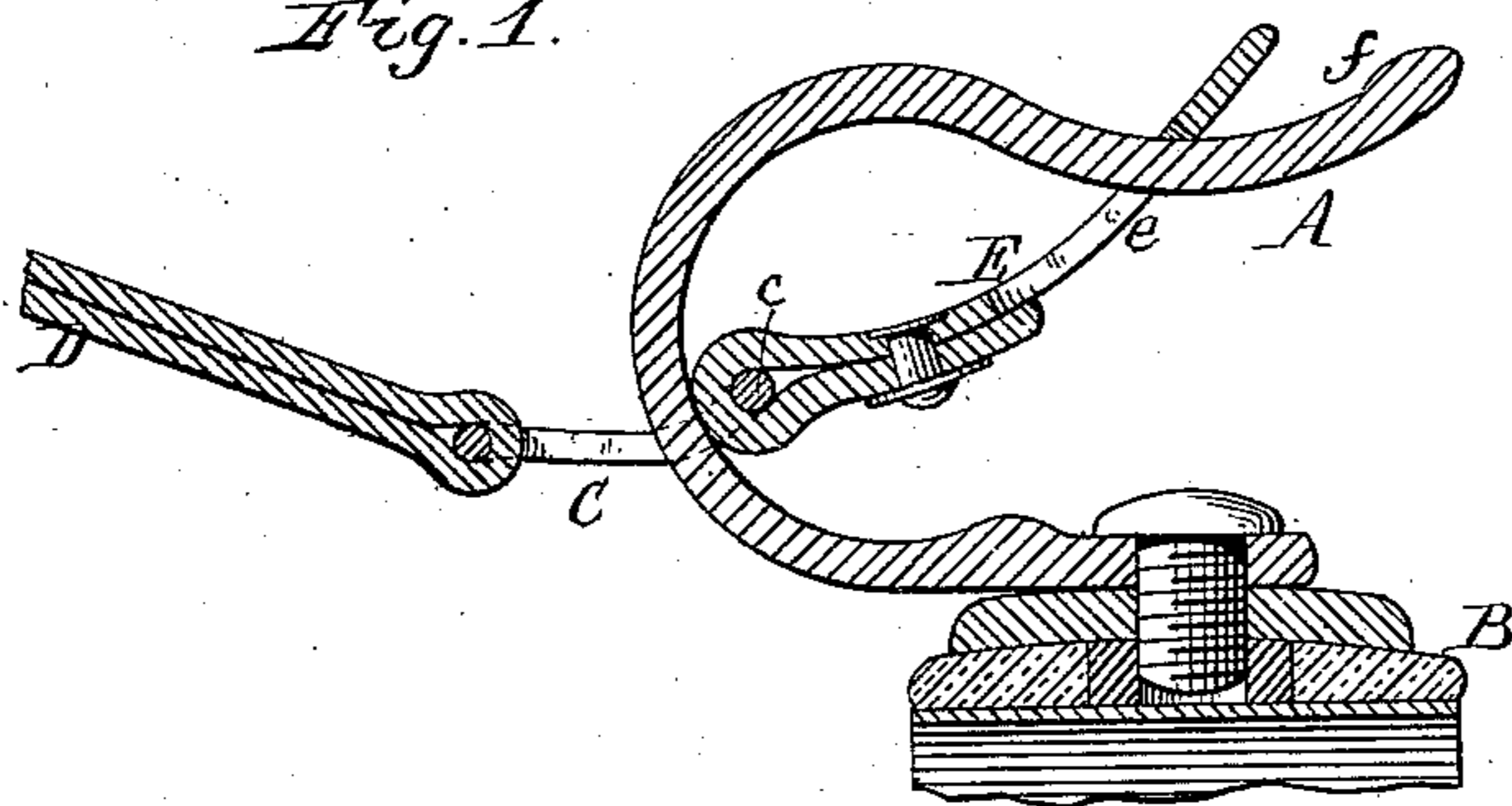


Fig. 2.

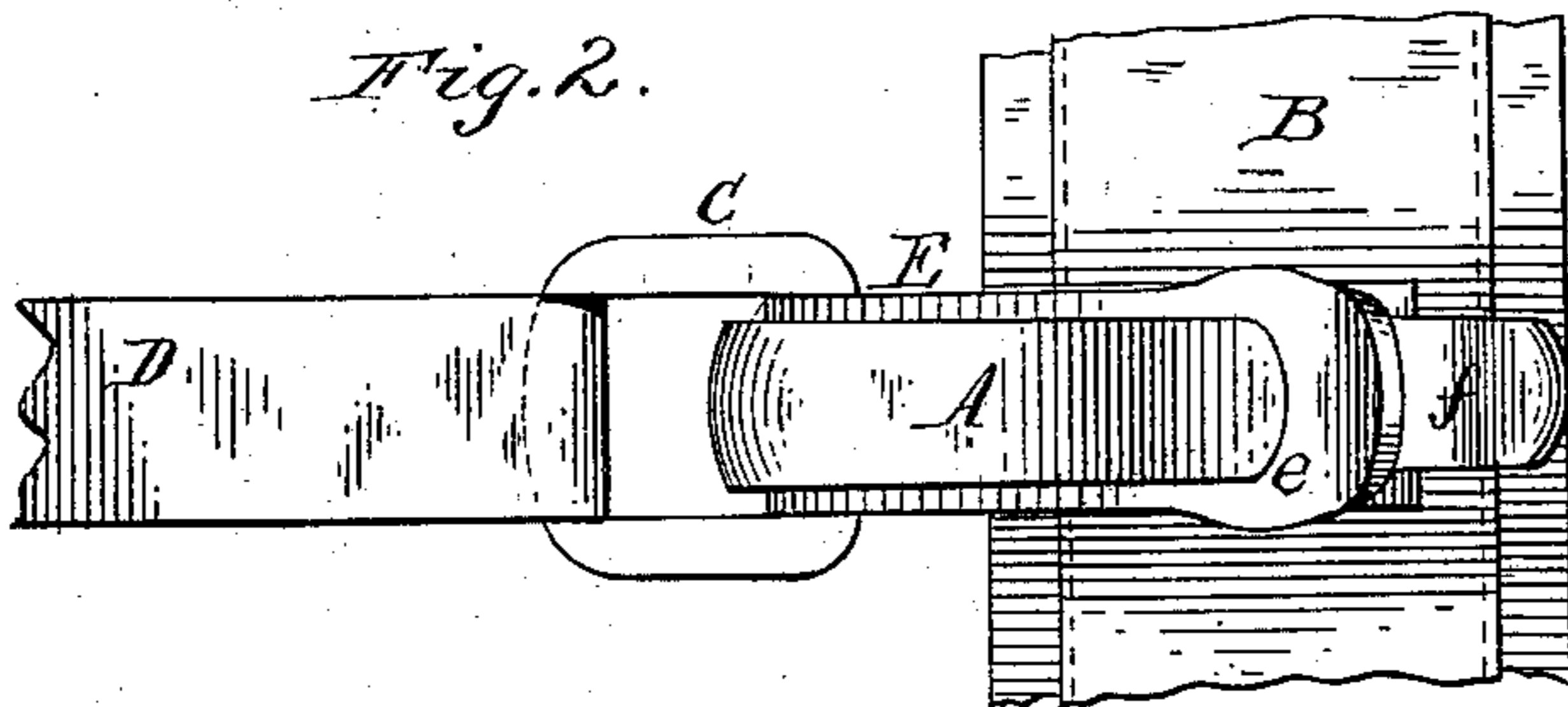


Fig. 3.

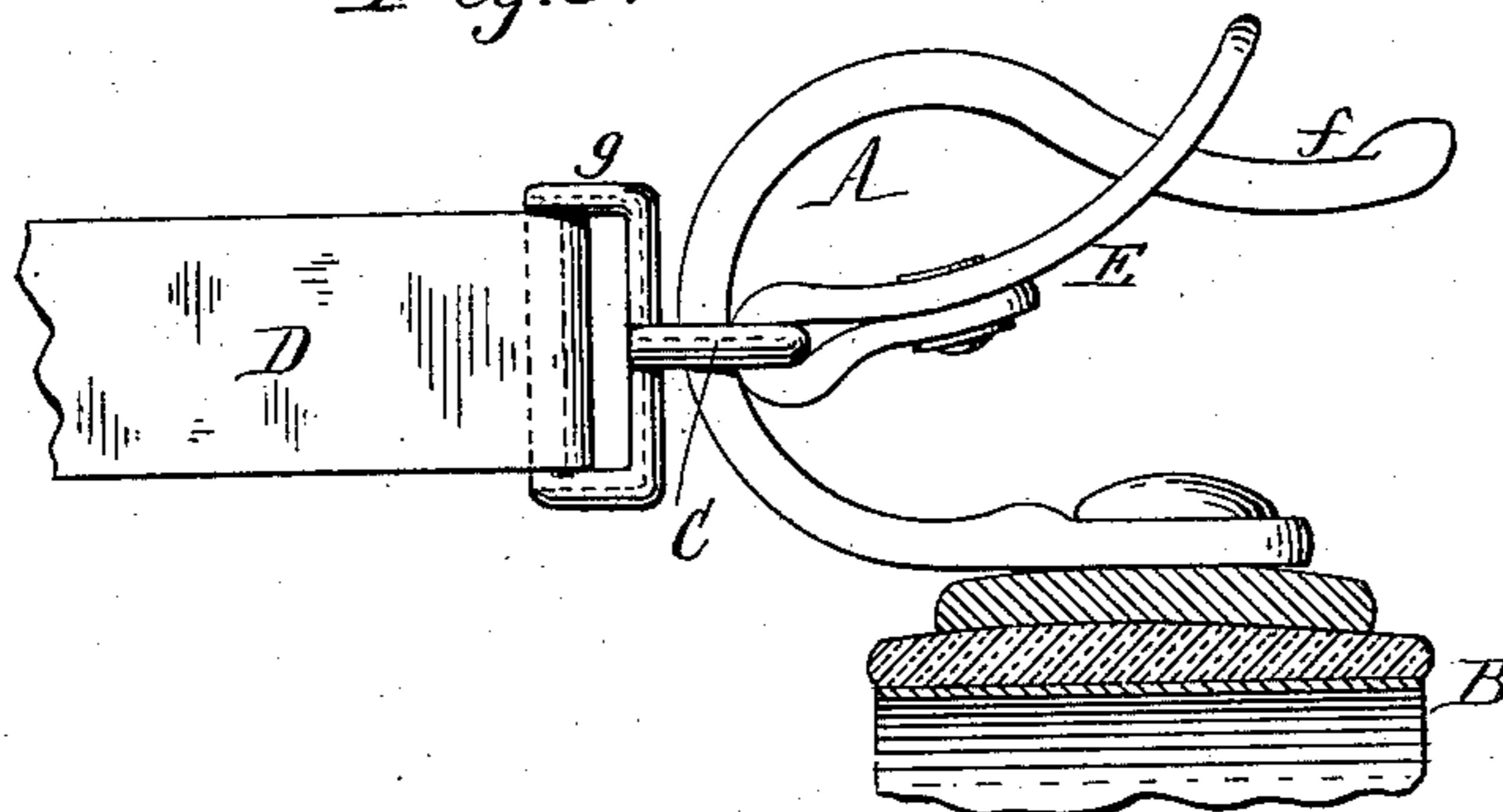
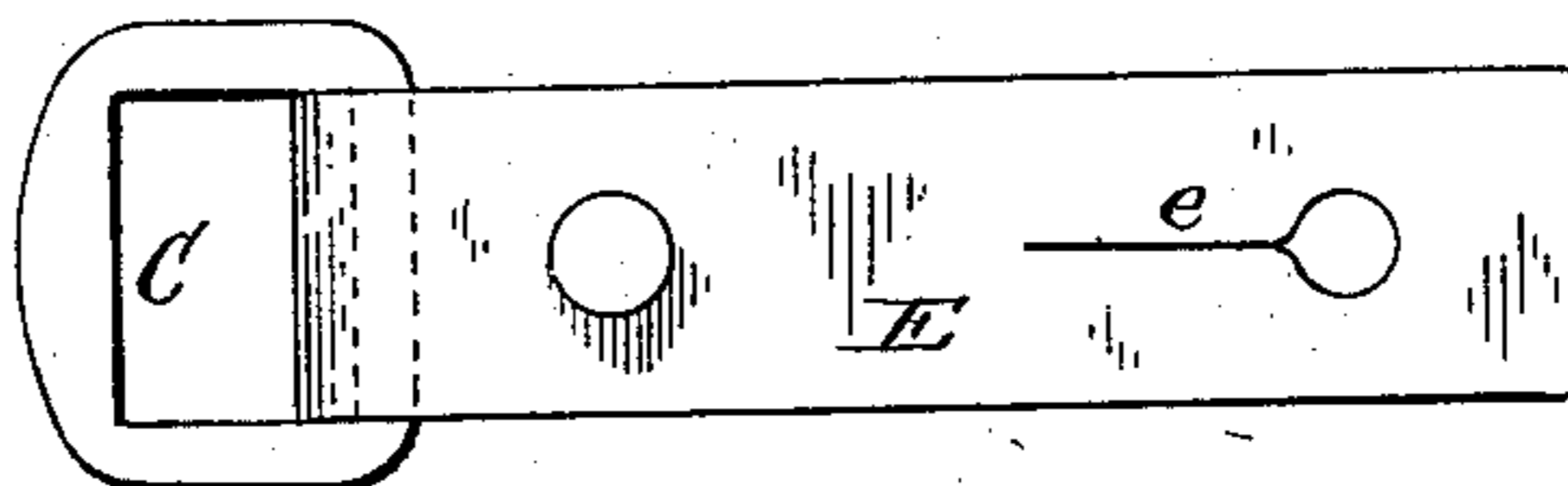


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE HOSLEY, of the city of Buffalo, in the county of Erie and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Checkrein Attachments, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a device for preventing the accidental detachment of the check-strap from the check-hook. The bobbing and jerking of the animal's head frequently cause the check-strap to be disengaged from the check-hook, thereby putting the driver to much inconvenience by requiring him to alight and replace the check-strap.

The object of my invention is to provide a simple device which will retain the check-strap upon the hook, and which can be readily applied to an ordinary check-hook and be sold at small cost.

The invention consists of the improvements which will be hereinafter fully set forth, and pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a sectional side elevation of my improved attachment applied to a check-hook. Fig. 2 is a top plan view of the same. Fig. 3 is a side elevation showing a modified form of my improved attachment. Fig. 4 is a top plan view of the attachment removed from the check-hook.

Like letters of reference refer to like parts in the several figures.

A represents a check-hook of any ordinary construction, which is secured to the saddle B in the usual manner.

C represents a metallic loop which loosely surrounds the body or curved front portion of the check-hook and to which the check-strap D is permanently attached.

E is a short strap which is secured with its front end to the rear cross-bar, *c*, of the loop C. The strap E is provided near its rear end with an opening, *e*, which engages over the nose *f* of the check-hook, as clearly shown in the drawings, and whereby the strap is secured to the check-hook.

In applying my improved attachment, the check-strap is first attached to the loop C, and the latter is then slipped over the hook until it reaches the position represented in Figs. 1,

2, and 3. The opening *e* in the strap E is then passed over the nose of the check-hook, the opening being preferably made somewhat smaller than the end of the hook, so that the opening must be forced over the hook, thereby more securely attaching the strap to the hook.

The strap E prevents the loop C from working off the check-hook by the jerking movement of the check-strap, and thereby retains the latter upon the check-hook at all times. The forward pull on the check-strap causes the front end of the strap E and the rear cross bar, *c*, of the loop C to bear against the inner side of the curved portion of the check-hook, whereby the opening in the strap E is relieved from strain and prevented from enlarging and working loose on the hook. The check-strap is detached from the hook by simply stripping the strap E and the loop C off the check-hook.

In Figs. 1 and 2 a horizontal loop is shown, which is adapted to receive an overdraw-check, while in Fig. 3 the loop C is provided with a vertical bar or loop, *g*, which is formed on the rear cross-bar of the loop C and is arranged in a plane at right angles to the loop C, so as to receive a side check-strap.

I claim as my invention—

1. The improved check-hook attachment herein described, consisting of a strap or suitable holder having at one end a ring or loop for holding a checkrein and for connecting the rein to the check-hook, and its opposite end provided with a loop or opening adapted to pass over the free end of the hook, all substantially as set forth.

2. The combination, with a check-hook, of an attachment consisting of a strap or suitable holder having at one end a ring or loop, C, provided with a loop, *g*, arranged at right angles to said loop and adapted to receive the check-strap, and at its opposite end with a loop or opening adapted to pass over the free end of the hook, substantially as set forth.

Witness my hand this 31st day of October, 1887.

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