

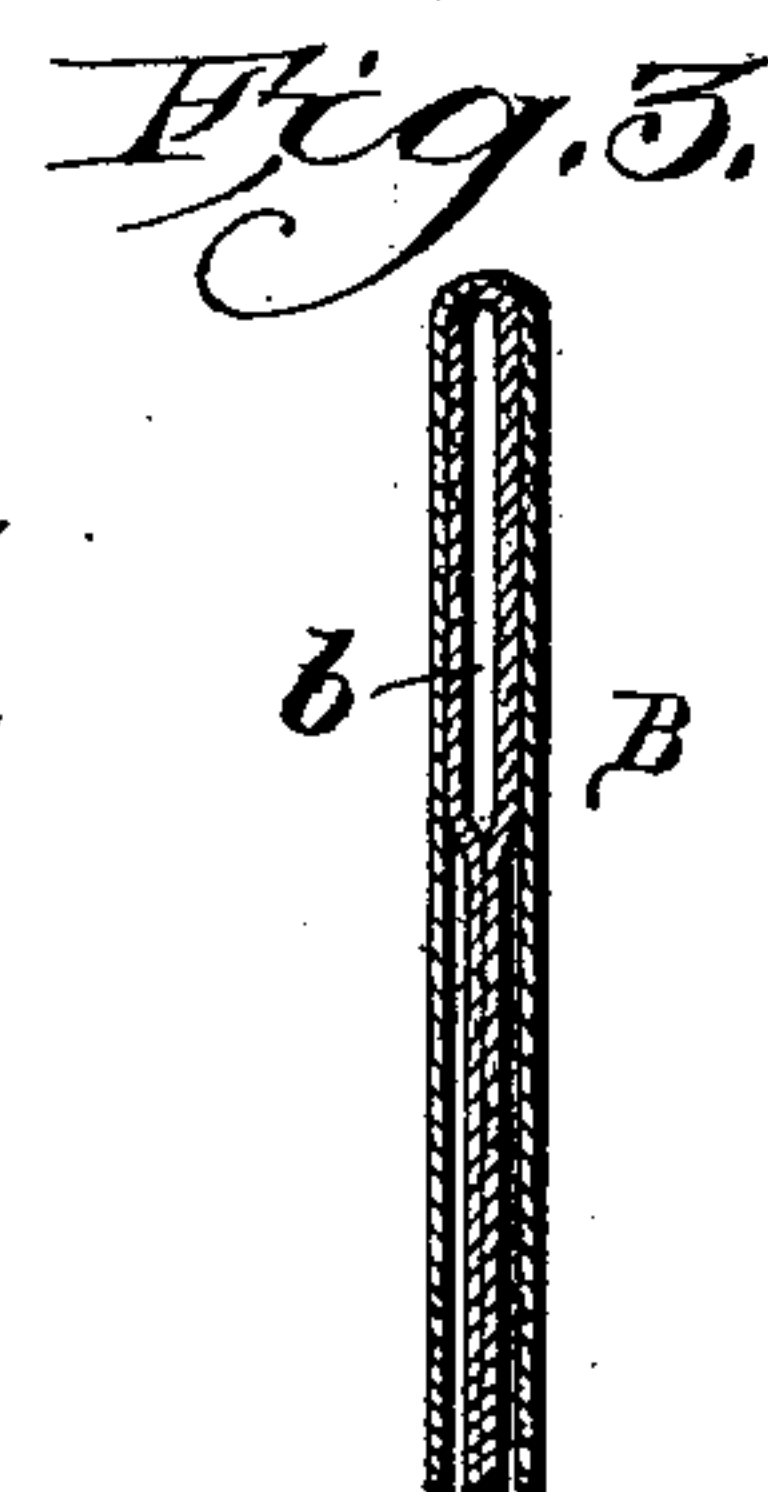
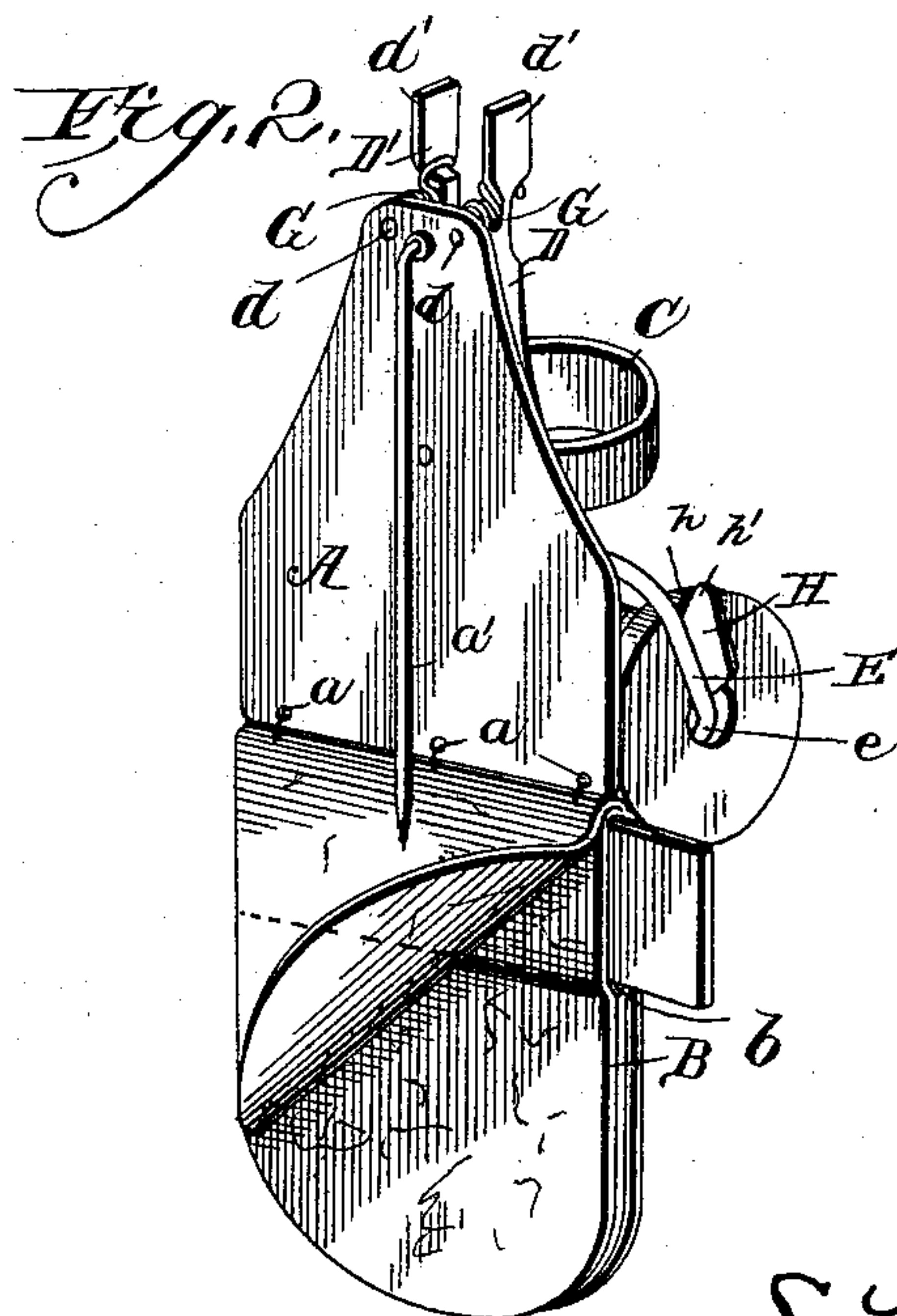
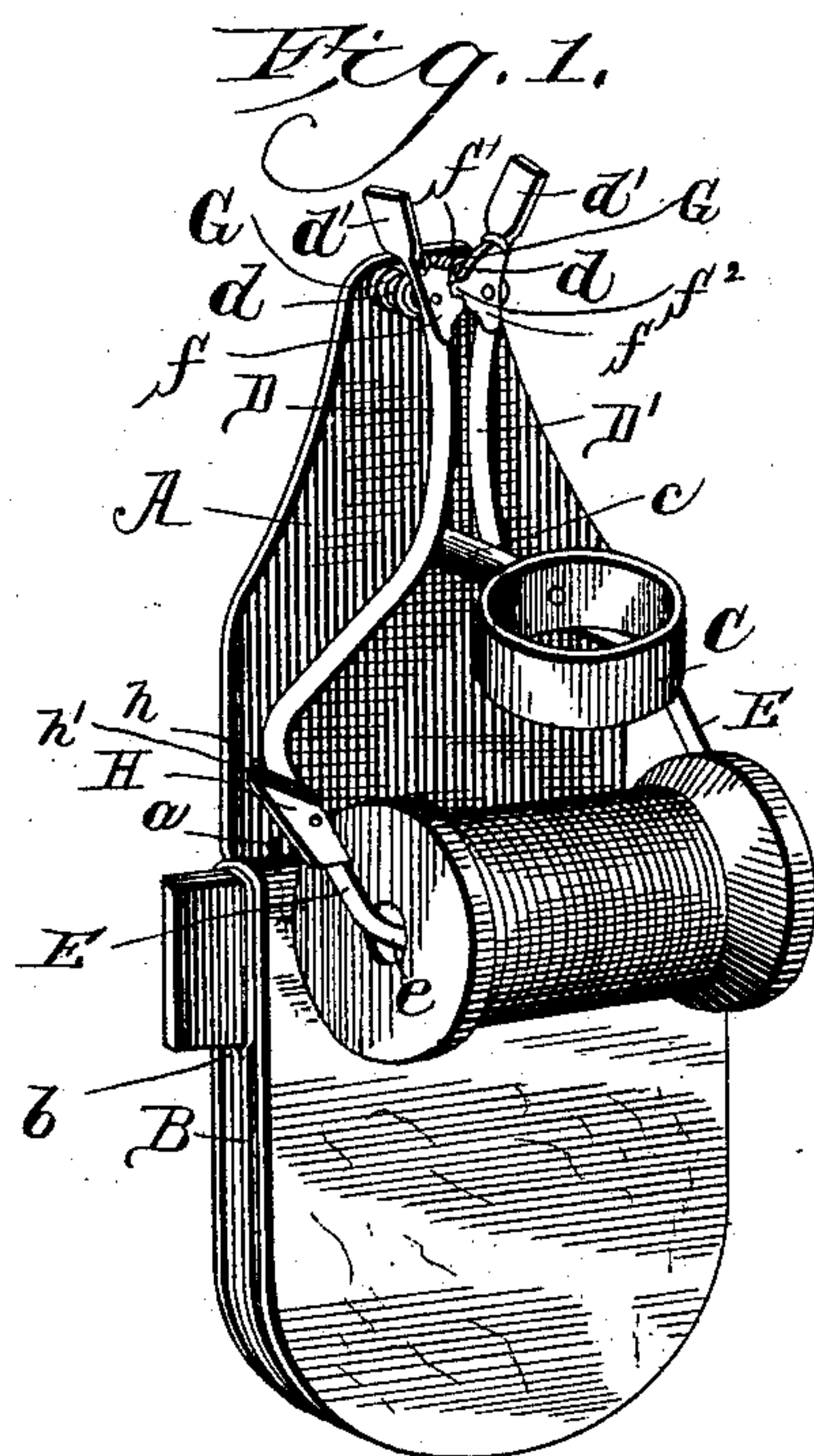
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SAMUEL W. FULLER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Waterville, in the county of Kennebec and State of Maine, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Spool-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

The invention is a combined spool rack or holder, thimble-support, needle-book, and thread-cutter; and it consists in the construction and novel combination of parts, hereinafter described, illustrated in the accompanying drawings, and pointed out in the claims hereto appended.

In the drawings, Figure 1 represents a perspective view of the device suspended from a suitable support. Fig. 2 represent a perspective view of the device seen from the rear. Fig. 3 is a sectional view of the needle-book.

Referring to the drawings by letter, A designates a plate, preferably of metal, provided adjacent to its lower edge with the openings *a a*, and having the pin *a'* secured to the rear surface. By means of said pin the device may be suspended to an eye or loop or any suitable support, or attached to a convenient part of the dress. The latter is preferable. B is a needle-book, depending from the lower edge of the plate A, to which it is secured by threads stitched through the openings *a*. The middle two leaves of the needle-book are stitched together transversely, forming a pouch or pocket, *b*, adapted to contain a paper of needles.

C is a ring, having its shank *c* secured at a proper point to the plate A. The said ring serves to receive and hold a thimble.

D D' are similar catch-rods, pivoted upon the cylindrical bosses *d d* at the upper end of the face of the plate A. The said rods have the upwardly-diverging finger-holds *d' d'* above their pivotal points, and extend below the latter to opposite points below the thimble-ring, where they are bent into hook shape, as at E, with the points *e* of said hooks extending inward. The rods are flattened and widened, as at *f*, around their pivotal points, the flattened portion of the rod D having in its inner edge a notch, *f'*, into which enters a tooth, *f''*, on the inner edge of the flattened portion of the rod D', so that when either rod turns on its pivot it will turn the other rod equally in the opposite direction.

G G are coiled springs surrounding the bosses *d*, between which their inner ends rest to prevent said ends from turning or to give them fulcrum-points, the outer ends of the springs being wrapped around the neck of the finger-hold *d'*. By means of the said springs the points *e* of the hooks E are forced inward, so that by inserting said points into the orifices of the axial opening of a spool the latter will be supported thereby.

H is a diamond-shaped blade, secured to the outer portion of the hook of the rod D, with its edge *h* extending upward and outward from said rod and making an acute angle, *h'*, therewith, into which angle a strand of thread or spool-cotton may be drawn and cut against the edge *h*.

The method of using the device is obvious from the above description without further explanation.

Having described my invention, I claim—

1. The herein-described needle and thimble holder, comprising the plate having the attaching-pin, a needle-book provided with a pouch and depending from the lower edge of the plate, and a thimble-ring having its shank secured to the face of said plate, substantially as described.

2. The herein-described needle, thimble, and spool holder, comprising the plate having the attaching-pin, a needle-book provided with a pouch depending from the lower edge of the plate, a thimble-ring secured to the face of the plate, and a spool-holder secured to said plate and having its supported hook below the thimble-ring, substantially as described.

3. The herein-described combination device comprising the plate A, having the pin *a* secured to its back, the needle-book B, depending from the lower edge of said plate and having its middle two leaves stitched transversely together to form the pouch or pocket *b*, the thimble-ring C, having its shank *c* secured about centrally to the face of the plate A, the catch-rods D D', pivoted on the plate A, and having the finger-holds *d'* above their pivotal points, the hook-shaped portions E, and the rod D, having the notch *f'* in its flattened portion, and the rod D', having the notch *f''*, to engage said notch, the coiled springs G, actuating said rods, and the diamond-shaped blade H, secured to the hook of the rod D, with its edge inclin-

ing upward and outward therefrom, as set forth.

4. In a spool-holder, the plate A, in combination with the catch-rods pivoted to said
5 plate and having their lower ends bent inward and adapted to enter the hole in a spool, the tooth on one rod engaging a notch of the other, and a spring to actuate the rods, substantially as specified.

10 5. In a spool-holder, the plate A, in combination with the spool-holder attached to said

plate and the needle-book depending from the plate and provided with the pouch or pocket b, said book being stitched to the plate, as 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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