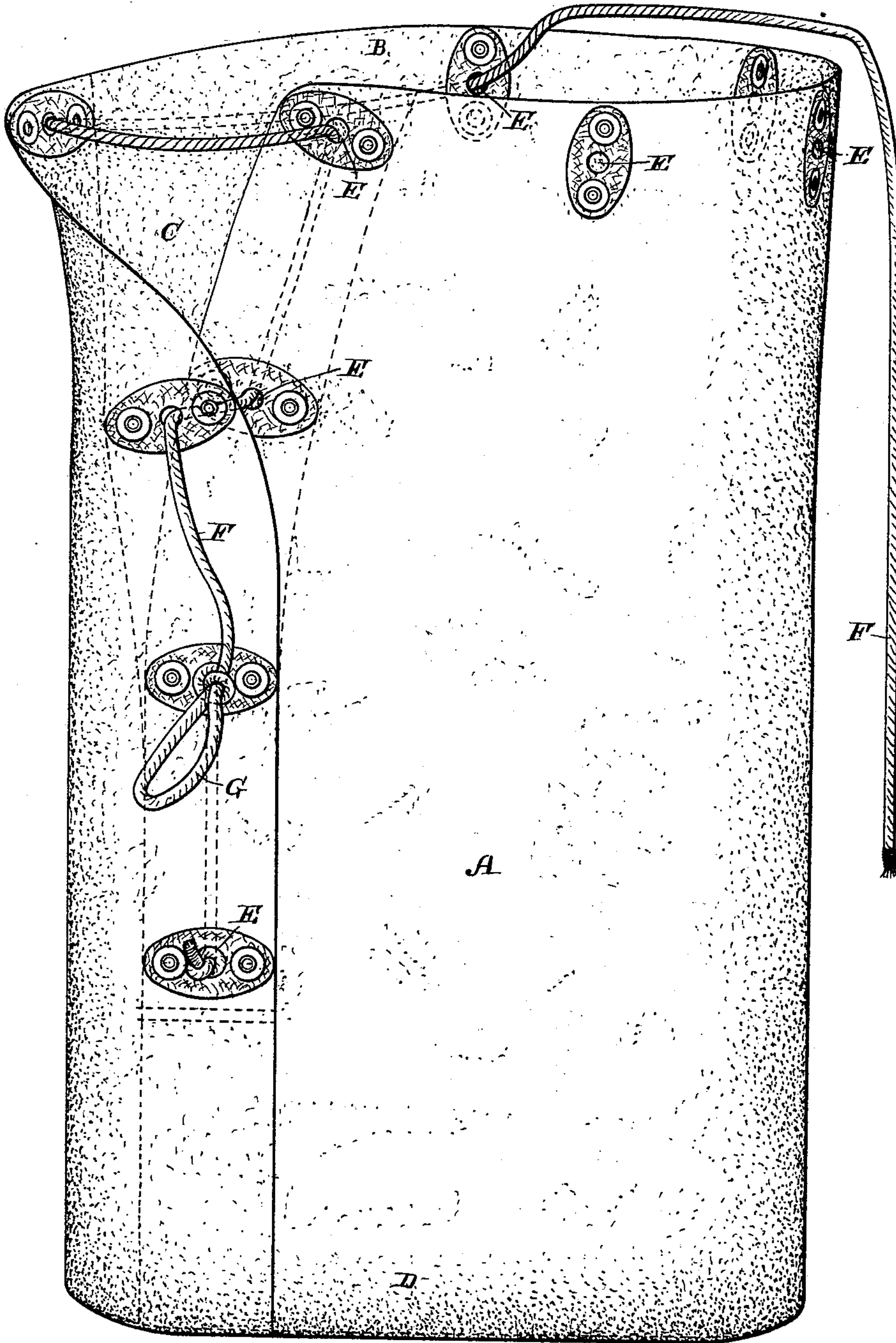


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## COTTON-PICKER'S SACK.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, TAYLOR CLIETT, of Martindale, in the county of Caldwell and State of Texas, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Cotton-Pickers' Sacks, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to an improvement in sacks of the class used in gathering cotton in the field and transporting it to the places of storage or ginning; and my object is to provide a sack into which the cotton as gathered may readily be inserted, the sack be closed and securely fastened when filled, and from which the cotton may expeditiously be emptied.

In the accompanying drawing my improved sack is shown in elevation with its mouth open and its side partially closed.

The sack A, as shown, is made with an open end or mouth, B, and with an opening, C, at one side extending from the mouth nearly to the bottom. The side opening may be extended entirely to the bottom D, if preferred; but the extension of this opening from the mouth toward the bottom for, say, two thirds or somewhat more of the length of the bag answers well. The edges of the bag at the mouth and side opening are provided with lacing-holes or eyelets E, suitably re-enforced by leather, heavy cloth, sheet metal, &c., to prevent injury. These eyelets are arranged so that each of those on one side of the mouth and side opening is directly opposite one of those on the other side, the eyelets thus registering in pairs when the side opening and mouth are closed. The edges of the bag at the side opening lap sufficiently to provide for bringing the opposite eyelets together.

A lacing-cord, F, is secured at one end by passing it through the lower pair of the side eyelets and knotting it. By threading this cord successively through the respective pairs of eyelets, drawing it taut, and finally knotting or looping it, the sack may be securely fastened both at side and mouth to retain its contents, while by untying or unlooping the cord it may quickly be slacked by pulling on it between the eyelets, and the sack may then be readily emptied.

In filling the sack its side may be secured at intervals as the filling progresses by looping the string after passing it through a pair of eyelets. The side of the bag is shown as partially closed by the looping of the string at G after threading it through the eyelets and drawing it taut to that point. When the opening is to be further closed, it is only necessary, after properly threading the cord through the eyelets, to pull on the cord with sufficient force to slip the loop, and then, after tightening the cord again, loop it at the proper point to prevent back-slip. After closing the side the cord, being passed through the mouth-eyelets, is drawn taut and secured. By relaxing the cord, and thus measurably relieving the cotton of compression, it may quickly be turned out by shaking the sack.

It will be seen that I provide not only for the convenient filling and thorough securing of the sack, but for its expeditious emptying, thus saving time, avoiding the heretofore common waste of cotton in carrying it from the field, because of inadequate fastening of the mouth of the sack, and lessening the chances of injury to the sack by tearing, such as frequently results when the sack has to be violently shaken in emptying it.

I am aware that a sack open at side and mouth is old; also, that such a sack has been provided with buttons and button-holes for closing the side. I do not therefore unqualifiedly claim a sack with an open side and mouth, nor, broadly, means for closing such a sack.

I claim as my invention—

The sack having the opening at one side and the open mouth, and the fastening means around the edges of both the mouth and the side opening, as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name.

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