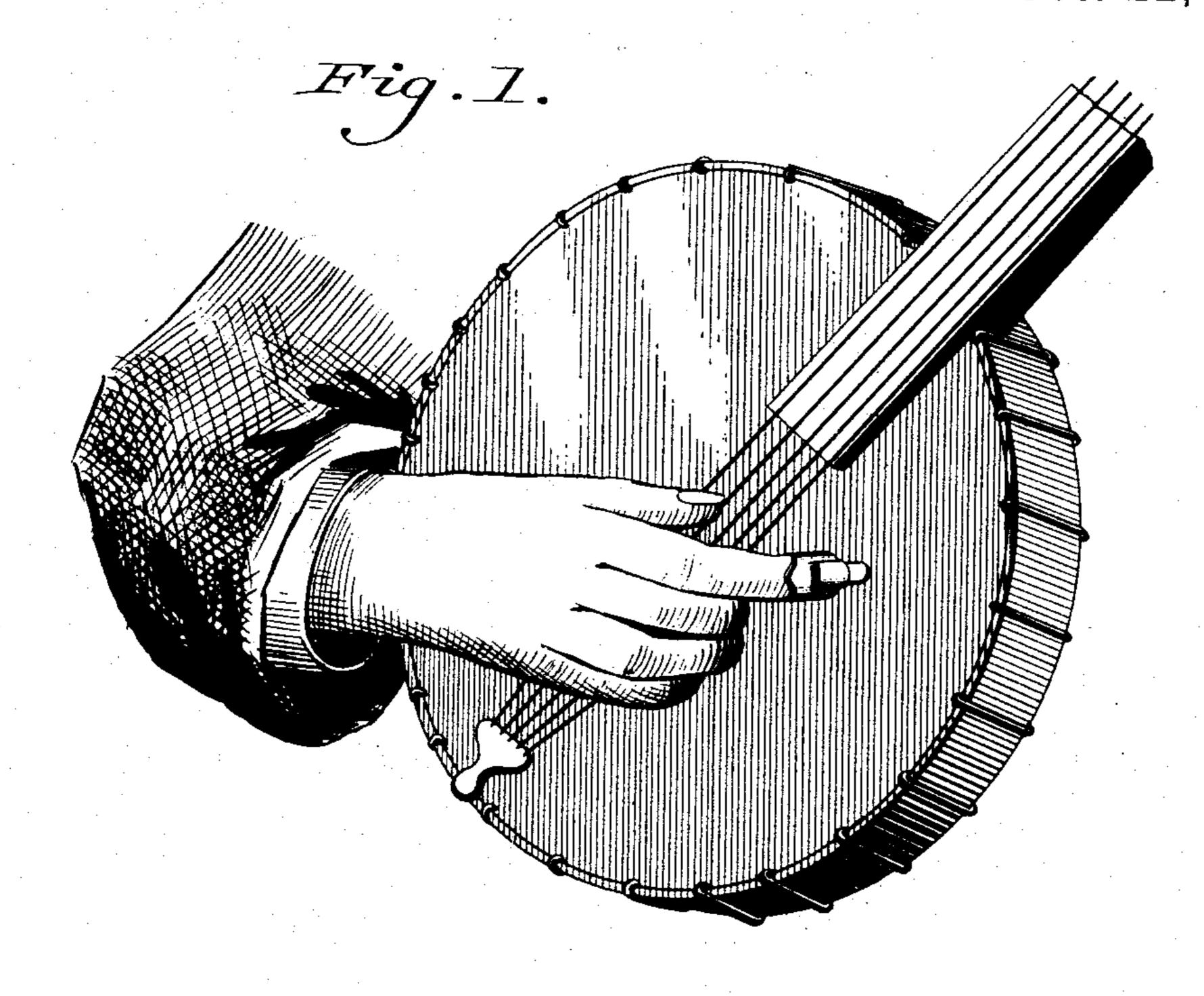
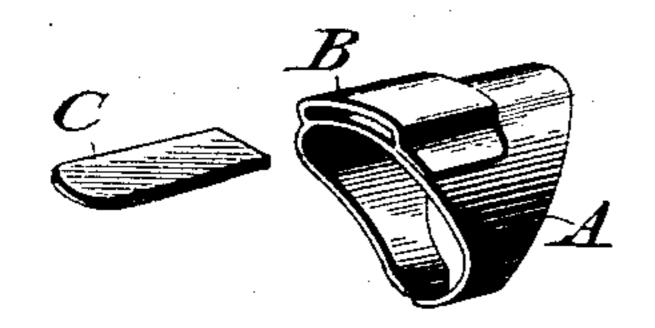
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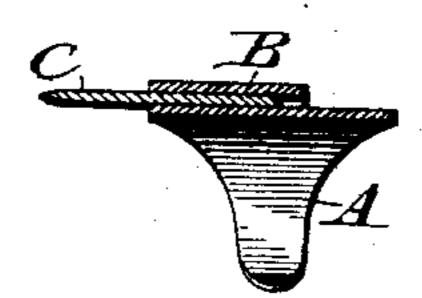
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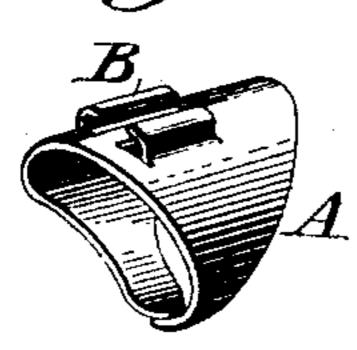
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## BANJO-THIMBLE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SAMUEL S. STEWART, a citizen of the United States, residing in the city and county of Philadelphia, State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Banjo-Thimbles, which improvement is fully set forth in the following specification and the accompanying drawings.

My invention consists of a banjo-thimble having a removable finger or striking-piece, for purposes hereinafter set forth.

Figure 1 represents a perspective view of a banjo-thimble embodying my invention, the same being shown in operative position. Fig. 2 represents a perspective view of the thimble on an enlarged scale, the parts thereof being separated. Fig. 3 represents a longitudinal section thereof. Fig. 4 represents a perspective view of a modification.

Similar letters of reference indicate corre-

sponding parts in the several figures.

Referring to the drawings, A designates a banjo-thimble, the same consisting of a ring adapted to embrace the finger, one face of the ring having a keeper or socket B, which is secured to or formed with the ring and receives the striking-piece or finger C. It will be seen that the piece C may be readily fitted in the socket B, and thus connected with the

thimble, and the same may be easily removed by being withdrawn from the socket—a matter of convenience should said piece break or it is desired to pack the thimble or carry the same in the pocket. Either the piece C or 35 the socket B may be tapering, so that said piece may be tightened in position.

The piece C may be made of horn or other suitable material of flexible or elastic nature, and the finger constructed of metal; but to 40 the material of which either part is made I do not limit myself.

In Fig. 4 the socket is substituted by lips which are bent up from the metal of the ring.

Having thus described my invention, what I 45 claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A banjo-thimble having a removable striking-piece or finger, substantially as described.

2. A banjo-thimble consisting of a ring having a socket and a separate striking-piece, the latter being adapted to be fitted in said socket, and thus connected with the ring, substantially as described.

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