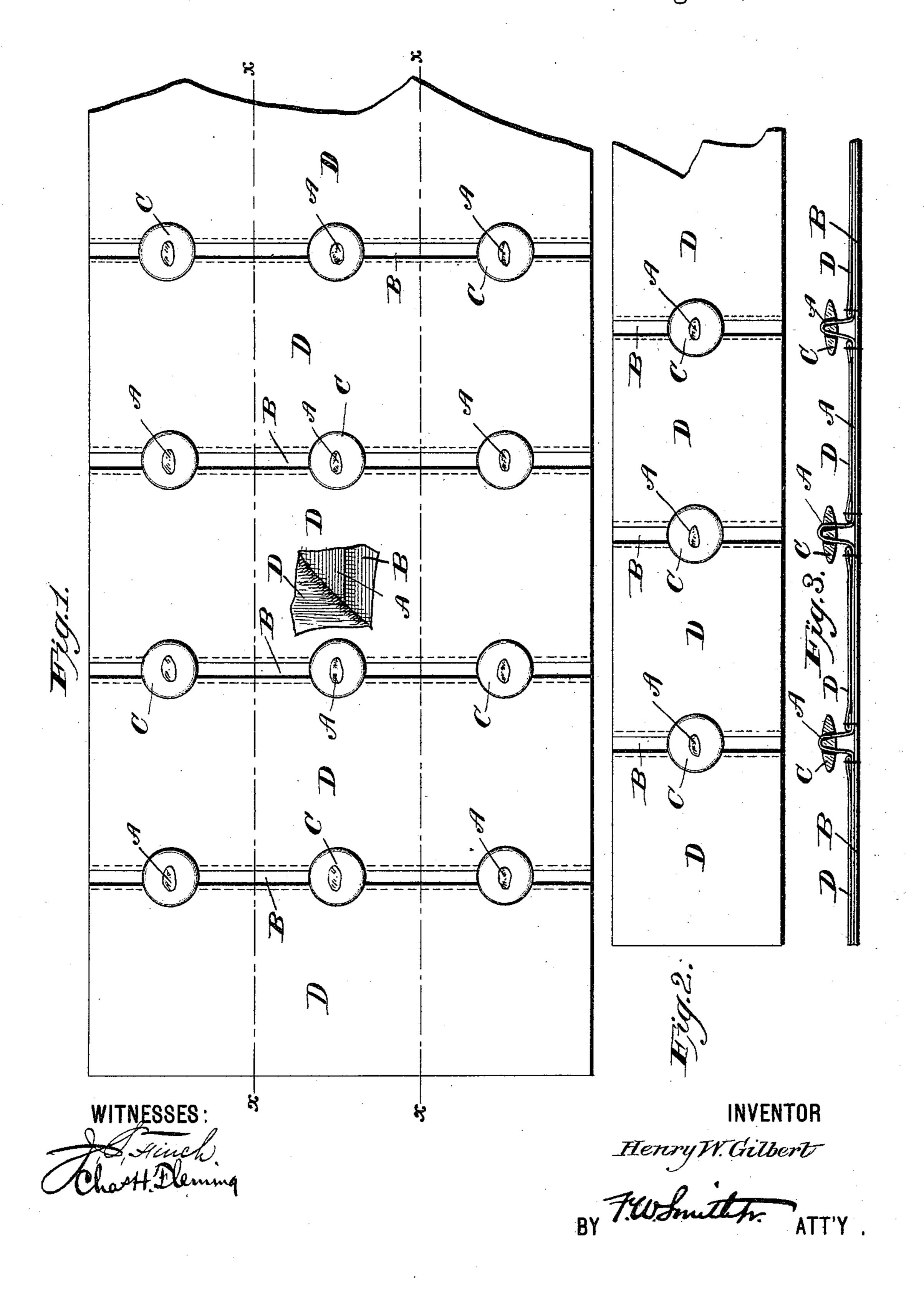
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## H. W. GILBERT. BUTTON STRIP.

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## BUTTON-STRIP.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Henry W. Gilbert, a citizen of the United States, residing at Bridgeport, in the county of Fairfield and State of Connecticut, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Button-Strips; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention has reference to button-strips; and it consists in the several details of construction, such as will be hereinafter fully set forth, and then specifically designated by the claim.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a plan illustrating my preferred mode of making the strips; Fig. 2, a detail plan of one of the strips, and Fig. 3 a central longitudinal section of the strip shown at Fig. 2.

Similar letters denote like parts in the several figures of the drawings.

I first place a series of continuous tapes A in parallelism upon a single base B, the buttons C having been previously strung upon said tapes at suitable intervals. I then place upon the tapes transversely thereof strips D, whose edges extend in close proximity on opposite sides of the loop of the tape which carsies the buttons, and I stitch these strips

along their edges through the tapes to the base B, all as shown at Fig. 1. I finally cut this completed series of strips midway between the tapes and parallel thereto, as at the lines x x of Fig. 1, and thereby obtain separate strips of the pattern shown at Fig. 2.

I am aware that button-strips have been made by securing a continuous button-carrying tape to a bottom strip by superimposed strips extending longitudinal of the tape and 40 stitched thereto, and I do not wish to be understood as claiming any such construction.

What I do claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A button-strip consisting of a base-strip, a 45 continuous tape extending longitudinally of said strip and carrying the buttons at suitable intervals, and separate strips superimposed transversely upon said tape and extending immediately beneath the buttons, 50 said strips being stitched at their transverse edges through the tape to the base-strip, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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