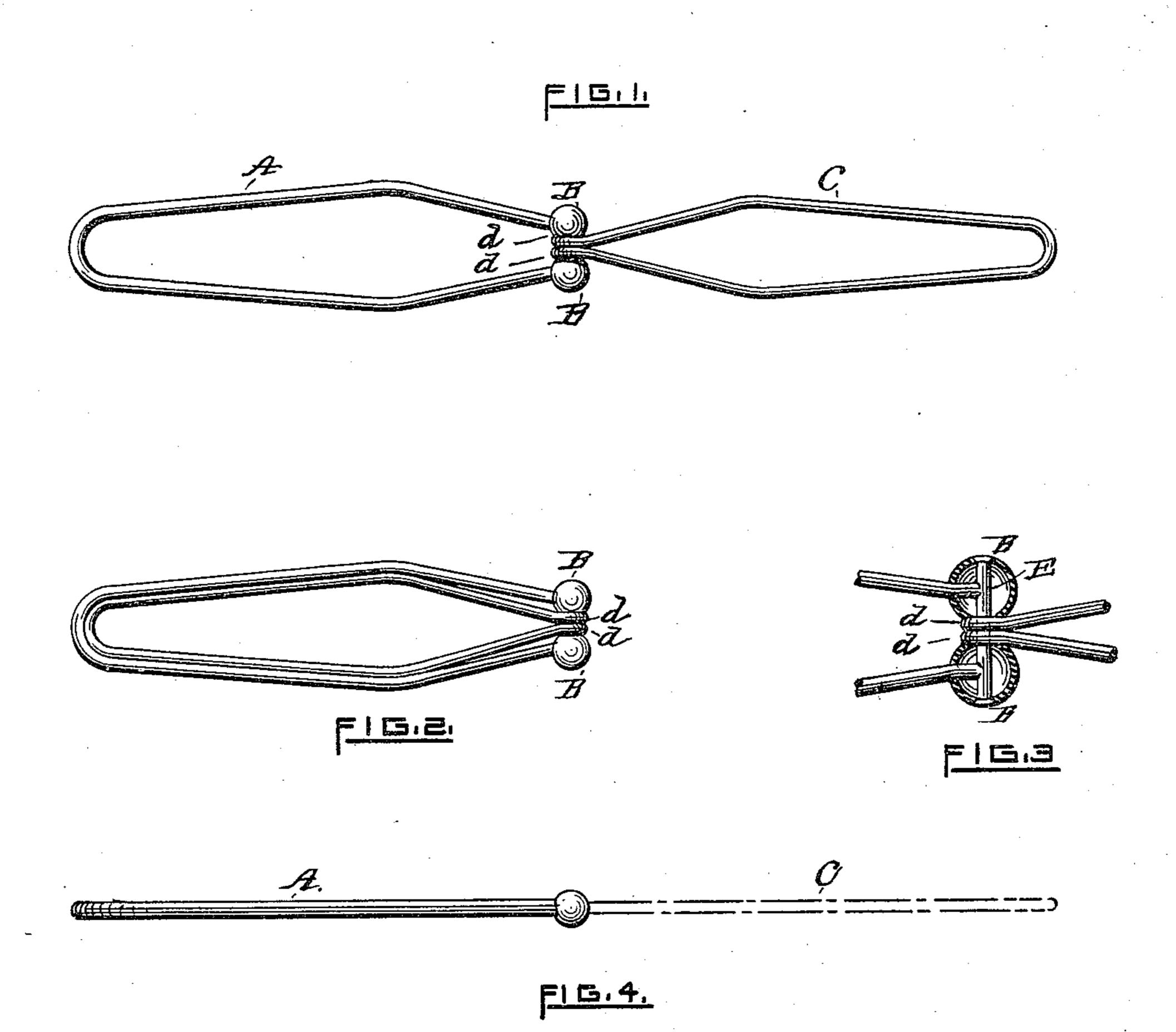
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THOMAS B. HODGE, of Providence, in the State of Rhode Island, have invented a new and useful Combined 5 Boot and Glove Buttoner; and I do hereby declare that the following specification, taken in connection with the drawings making a part of the same, is a full, clear, and exact description thereof.

Figure 1 shows the device open. Fig. 2 is a the same time resting in the palm of the a view of same closed. Fig. 3 is a horizontal section showing manner of construction and attachment. Fig. 4 is a side or edge view.

The object of my invention is to combine a boot and glove buttoner in a single article, and so construct the same that it can be folded up and conveniently carried in the purse or pocket; and it consists in the device hereinafter described.

In the drawings, A is a loop of suitable wire terminating at each end in a ball B B. C is a loop of similar wire terminating in an eye D D. The loop C is sufficiently smaller than the loop A to permit it to occupy a position within the latter.

The balls B B are connected by a cross-bar E, which passes through the eyes D D of the smaller loop, thus firmly securing the two

loops together and forming a pivot upon which

the smaller one may act.

The larger loop A is designed for a bootbuttoner and the smaller loop C for a glove-

buttoner and the smaller loop C for a glovebuttoner. When it is desired to make use of either of them, the device is opened, as shown in Figs. 1 and 4, and the one to be used is 35 firmly grasped with the thumb and fingers near the inner end of the same, the other loop at the same time resting in the palm of the hand and serving to steady the device during the buttoning operation. After using, the two 40 parts are closed or shut together, as shown in Fig. 2, when the whole can conveniently be carried in the vest-pocket or pocket-book.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The herein-described boot and glove buttoner, consisting of a loop A, having balls B B and cross-bar E at its open end, and the loop C, having the eyes D D on its open end lying between the balls B B, and having the bar E 50 passing through them, as set forth.

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