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CUFF RETAINER.

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Fig. 1.

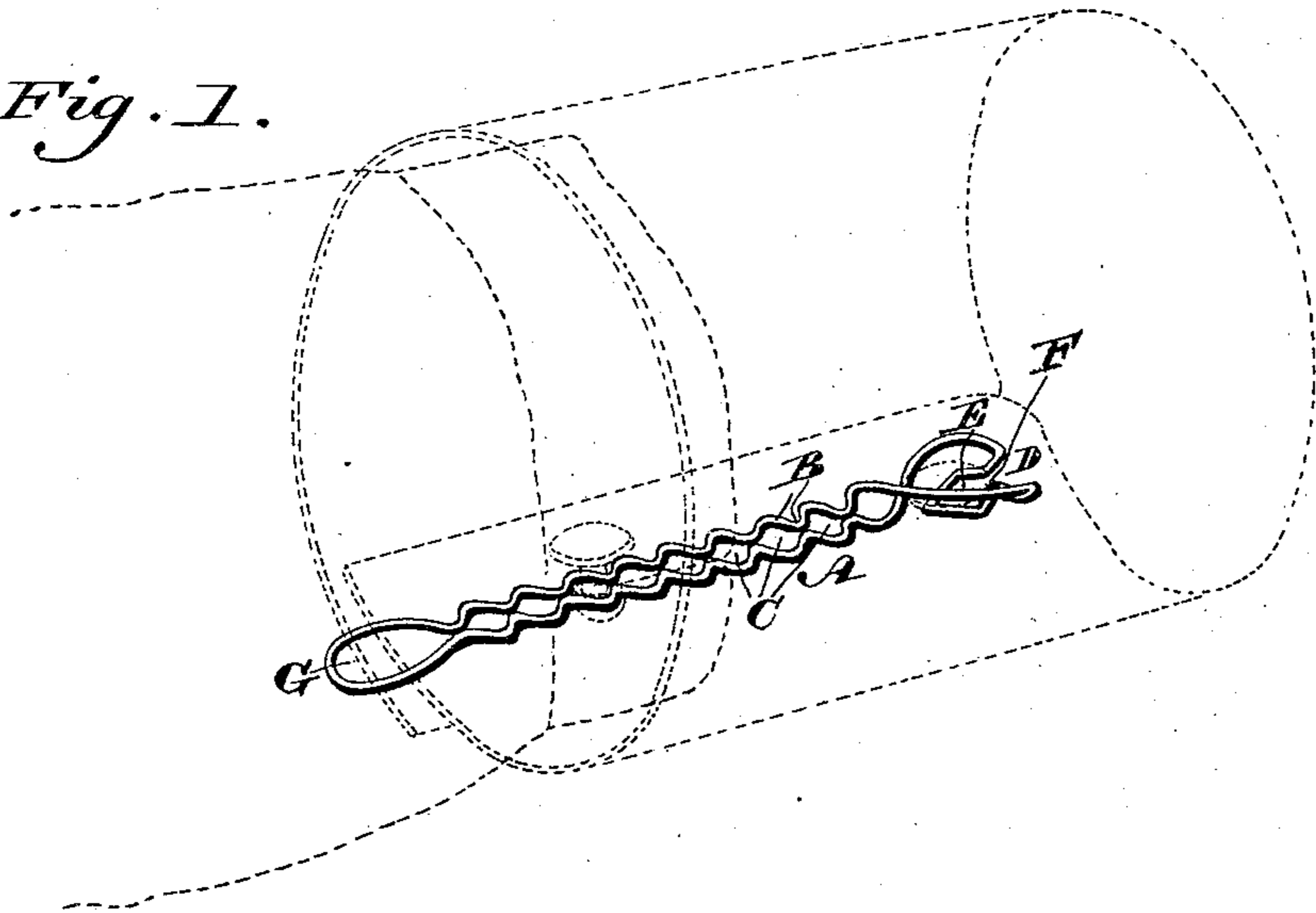


Fig. 2.

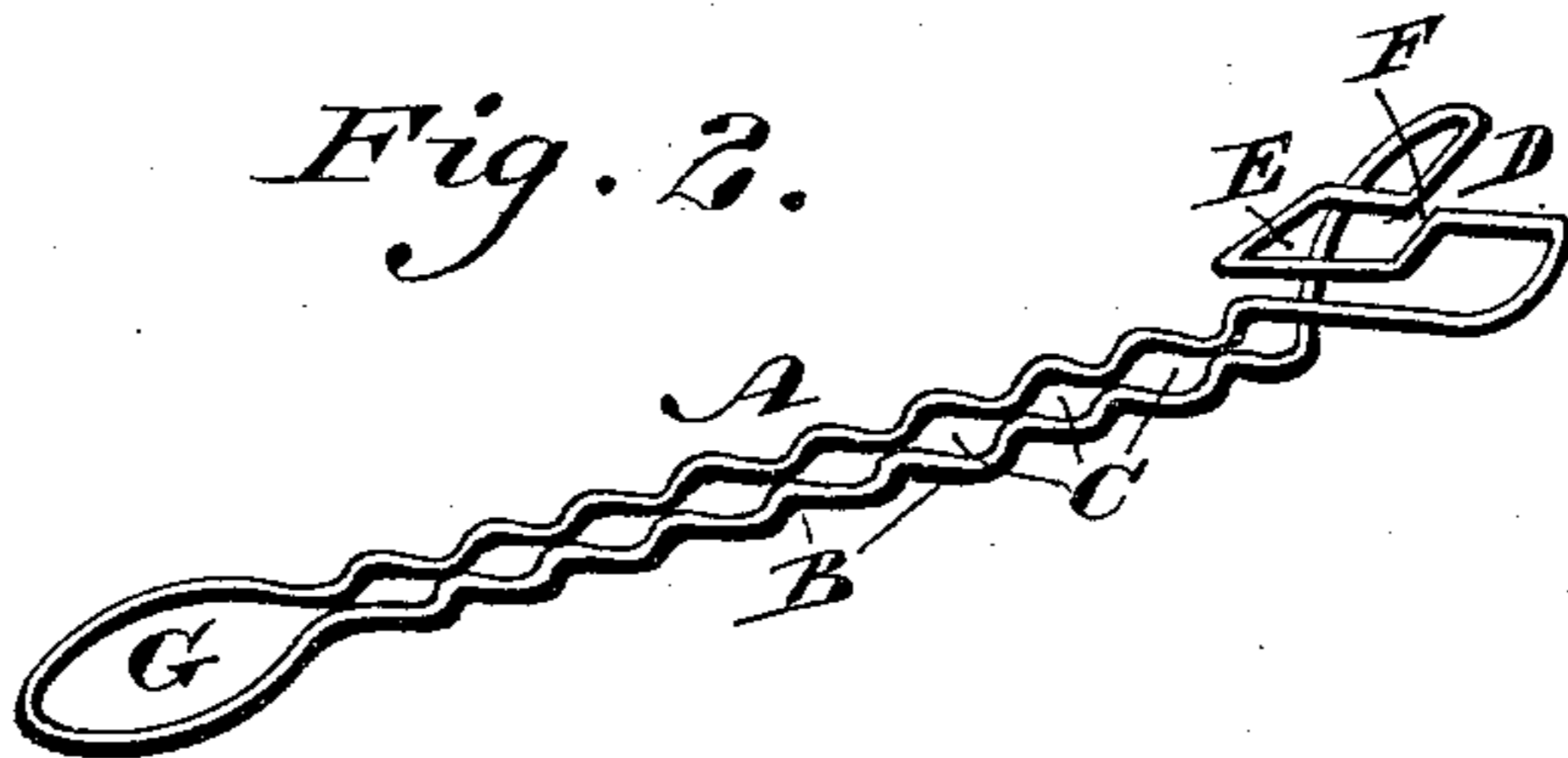
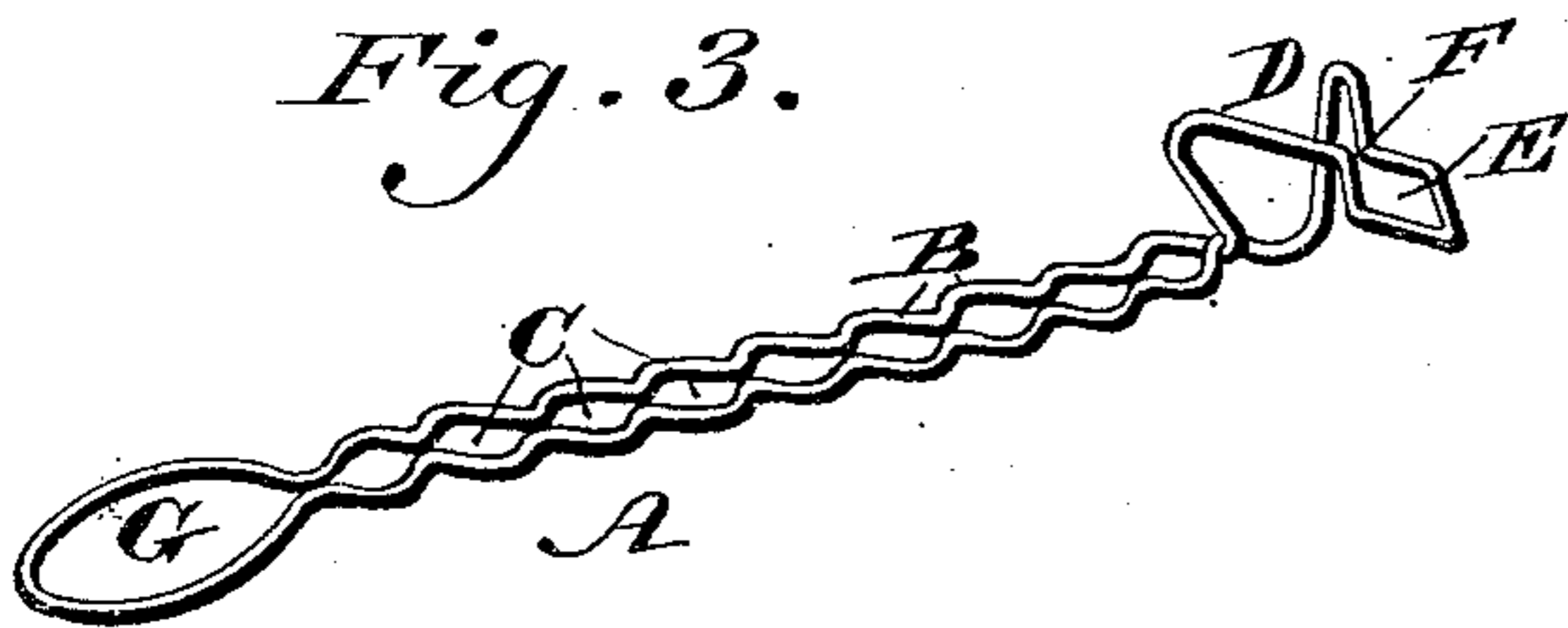


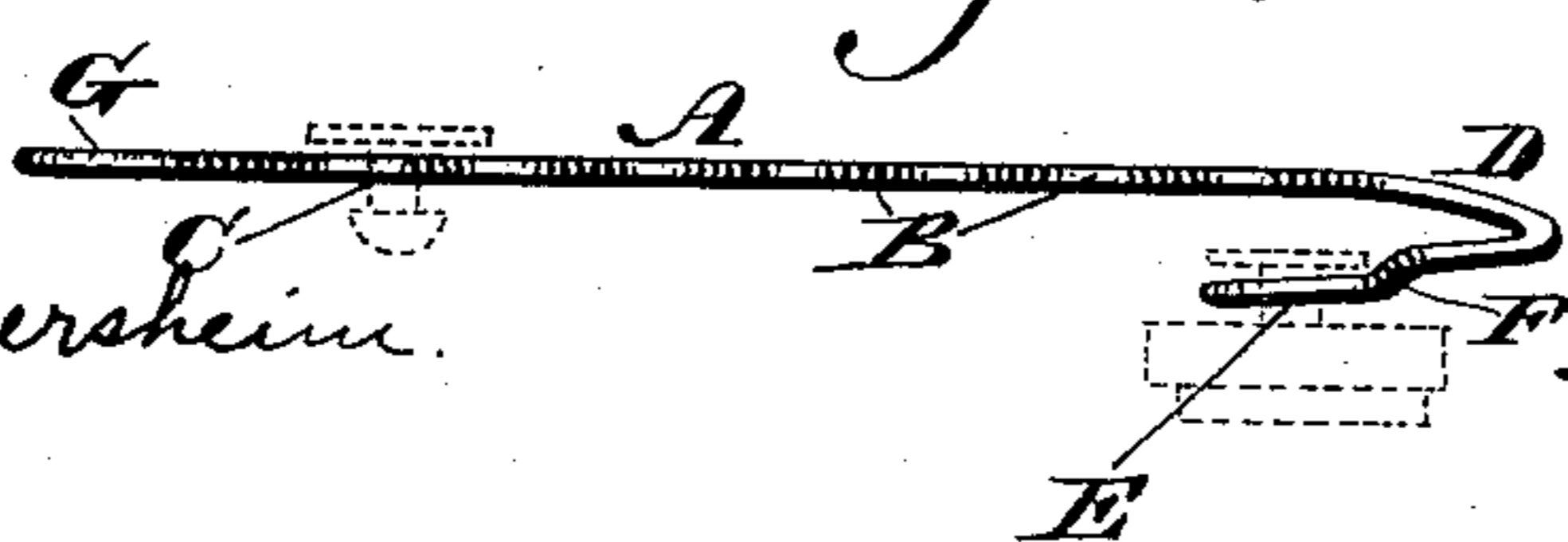
Fig. 3.



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Fig. 4.



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CUFF-RETAINER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, FREDERICK W. BENDER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Narberth Park, in the county of Montgomery and State of Pennsylvania, and FERDINAND L. SCHEIDEMANN, 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 Cuff-Retainers, which improvement is fully set forth in the following specification and accompanying drawings.

Our invention relates to improvements in cuff-retainers, and has for its object a simple and inexpensive device, which can readily be secured to the shank of a cuff-button, and also adjustably connected with a button on the sleeve or wristband of the shirt, so that the cuff may be reliably held in its proper place; and for this purpose it consists of the novel construction hereinafter set forth.

Figures 1, 2, and 3 represent perspective views of cuff-retainers embodying our invention. Fig. 4 represents a side view of the retainer shown in Fig. 1.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the several figures.

Referring to the drawings, A designates a cuff-retainer formed of a piece of material, preferably wire, the same being bent and united at its ends, and having the portions thereof forming the shank part of the device of serpentine or corrugated form, as shown at B, thereby providing a series of communicating-openings C, the walls of which are adapted to embrace the shank of a button on the wristband or other portion of the sleeve of the shirt. One end of the retainer is bent and slotted or provided with a throat D, which leads into an opening E in the said bent end, the walls of which are adapted to embrace the shank of a cuff-button. The sides of the throat D converge at F, but, owing to the spring or elastic character of the material of the retainer, are readily separated by pushing them against the shank of the button, so as to permit the entrance of the said shank into the opening E, and closing reliably re-

tain the shank within the said opening. The other end of the device has a loop G, which readily receives the head of the wristband or sleeve button, so that the shank of the said button can be passed between the sides of the shank of the device into the desired opening C, and thereby adjusting the place of the cuff, said loop G also serving as a finger-piece for readily handling the device.

In Fig. 3 the throat D is formed in the side of the retainer instead of at the end.

Owing to the series of openings C, the distance between the cuff or sleeve button and the wristband-button can be adjusted so that the cuff can be located as desired.

The retainer can first be secured to either the wristband-button or the cuff-button, as desired, the slotted end portion being brought into engagement with the cuff-button, so that when secured it is in the position shown in Fig. 1, the closed end having the opening E, being adjacent to the cuff. It will be noticed that, owing to the elasticity of the portions of wire forming the shank of the device, the said portions can be separated, permitting the same to be moved on the shank of the button, so that the cuff can be adjusted in position.

By constructing the retainer of wire, which may be a single piece of such material easily bent into the required shape, there is formed a light and serviceable device at a trifling cost.

Having thus described our invention, what we claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A cuff-retainer consisting of a piece of elastic wire bent in serpentine or corrugated shape, the opposing bends thereof bearing against each other, and thereby disconnecting the openings between the same, and having at one end a loop and at the other a throat with an eye bent at an angle thereto, the wire between said throat and eye being bent inwardly, forming a neck, substantially as described.

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