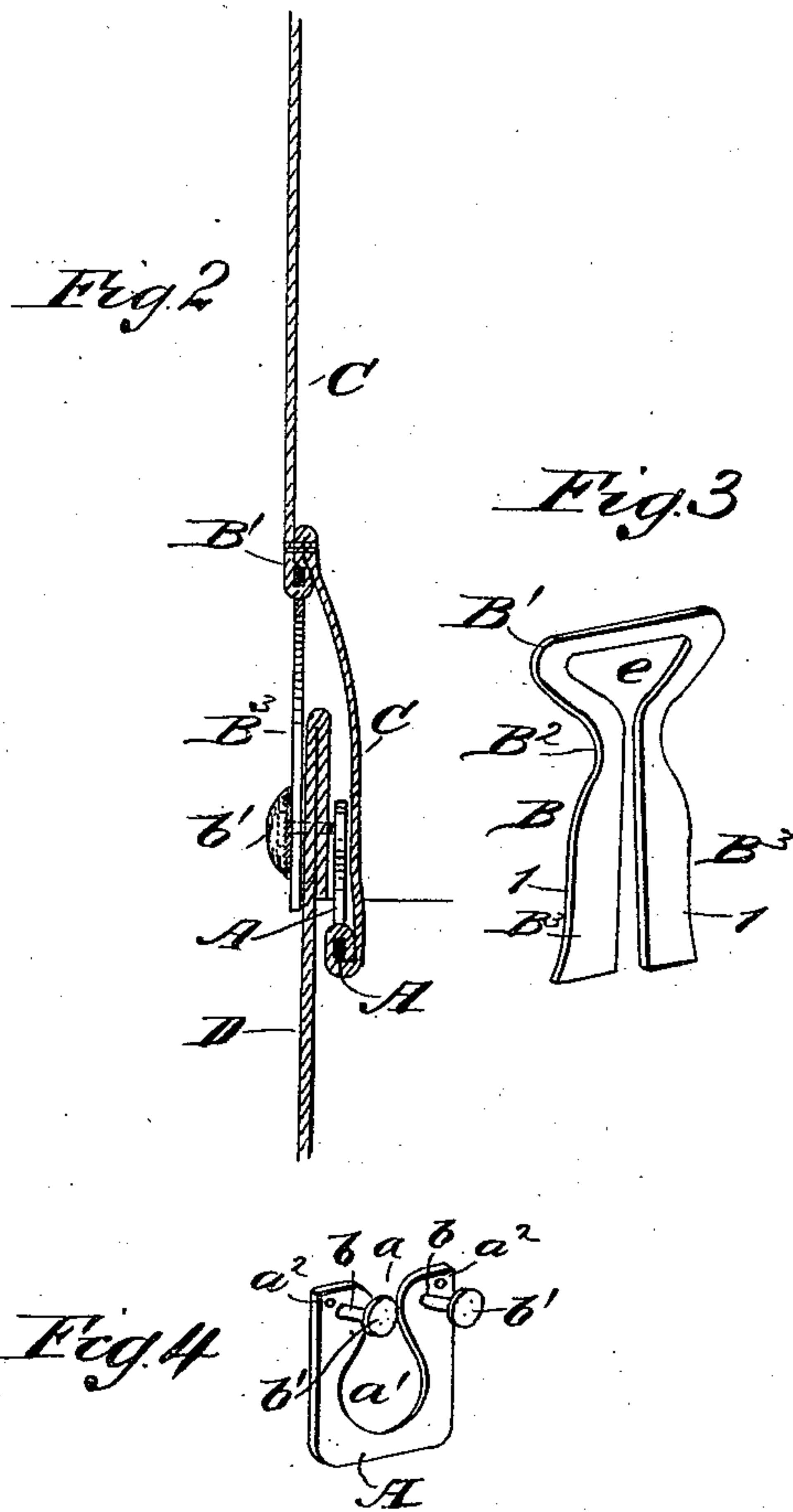
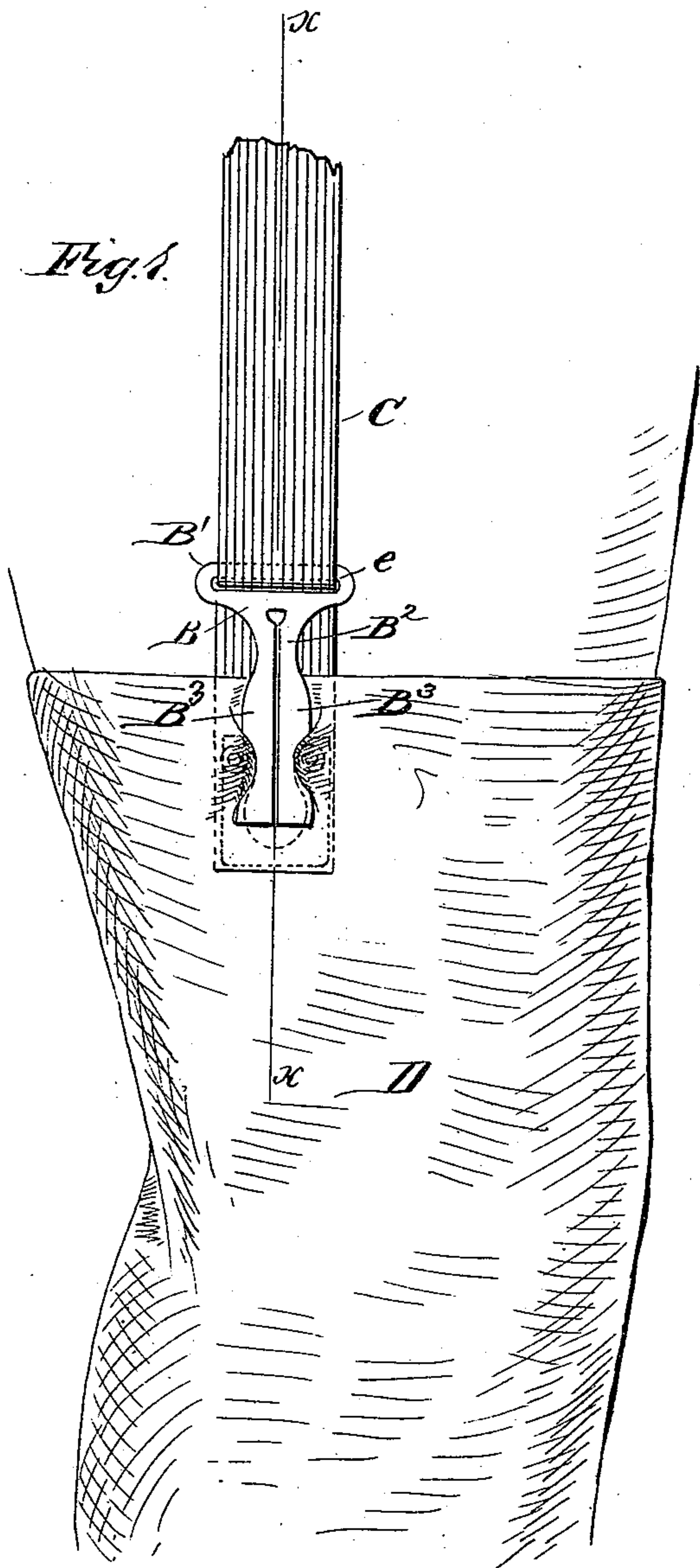


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GARMENT-SUPPORTER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SPURGEON C. SCANTLEBURY, of Eastport, in the county of Washington and State of Maine, have invented a new and useful Garment-Supporter, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to improvements in garment-supporters, and is especially adapted for use as a hose-supporter, although it may be used for supporting any garment or for a clasp; and the object of my invention is to provide a simple and efficient device that may be quickly and easily applied to a garment, that will not slip, and that will not tear the garment to which it is applied.

To this end my invention consists in the particular construction and arrangement of parts, as hereinafter fully described, and pointed out in the claim.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the views.

Figure 1 is a front elevation of the device attached to a strip of elastic and used as a hose-support; Fig. 2, a vertical section of the same on the line xx of Fig. 1; Fig. 3, a detail view of the binding-key, and Fig. 4 a detail view of the base-plate.

The base-plate A is preferably of a rectangular form, although the form is not essential. It has in one end a slot a , which terminates in an enlarged central opening a' , and projecting from the plate on each side the slot a is a stud b . The studs b are fixed firmly to the plate A and project a short distance therefrom, each stud being provided with an enlarged head b' to assist in holding the binding-key in place.

The binding-key B is made of flat spring metal. It has a flattened slotted head B' , to which a tape or elastic may be attached, and which enables it to be easily operated, a narrow neck B^2 , which may be easily inserted between the studs b of the plate A, and a wedge-shaped body split lengthwise, as shown, to form the two members B^3 . The body of the key B is widest at its lower

end to enable it to be wedged between the studs b . The key is tempered in such a manner that the members B^3 will have a tendency to spring apart slightly, so as to press against the studs b and hold the key in position when there is no support from above, and to enable the members to hold still more firmly upon the studs they are slightly concaved at the points 1.

To apply the supporter to a garment as a clasp, the plate A is placed upon one side of the garment and the key B on the other. The neck B^2 of the key is then inserted between the studs b , thus pressing the cloth of the garment between them, and the key is drawn up tightly between the studs, thus binding the cloth firmly between the key and the studs, and the spring of the key will hold it in position.

In order that the key may not cut the garment, its outer edges should be slightly rounded.

In Figs. 1 and 2 I have shown the device suspended by a tape or elastic C and applied to a hose D. In this case the plate A is sewed to the end of the tape, which may be easily done by reason of the opening a' and perforations a^2 therein, and the key B is attached to the tape a short distance above the plate A. The tape C may be suspended from the garments above in the usual manner, and the supporter is attached to the top of the hose by placing the plate A upon the inner side of the hose, the key B upon the outer side, and inserting the key between the studs b , in the manner already described.

From the foregoing description it will be seen that the device may be used as a clasp as well as a supporter, and that it may be used in many ways.

It will be observed that the key shown in Fig. 1 varies slightly from that shown in Fig. 3; but the difference is merely in form and not in principle, in one case the members B^3 being separated by a slot extending to the slot e of the head B' , and in the other case the slot between the members does not extend quite so far into the head.

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

5 A garment-supporter constructed of a plate
A, having the slot *a* and opening *a'* therein,
and having the studs *b* projecting therefrom,
and the key B, having slotted head B', neck

B², and spring members B³, substantially as
described.

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