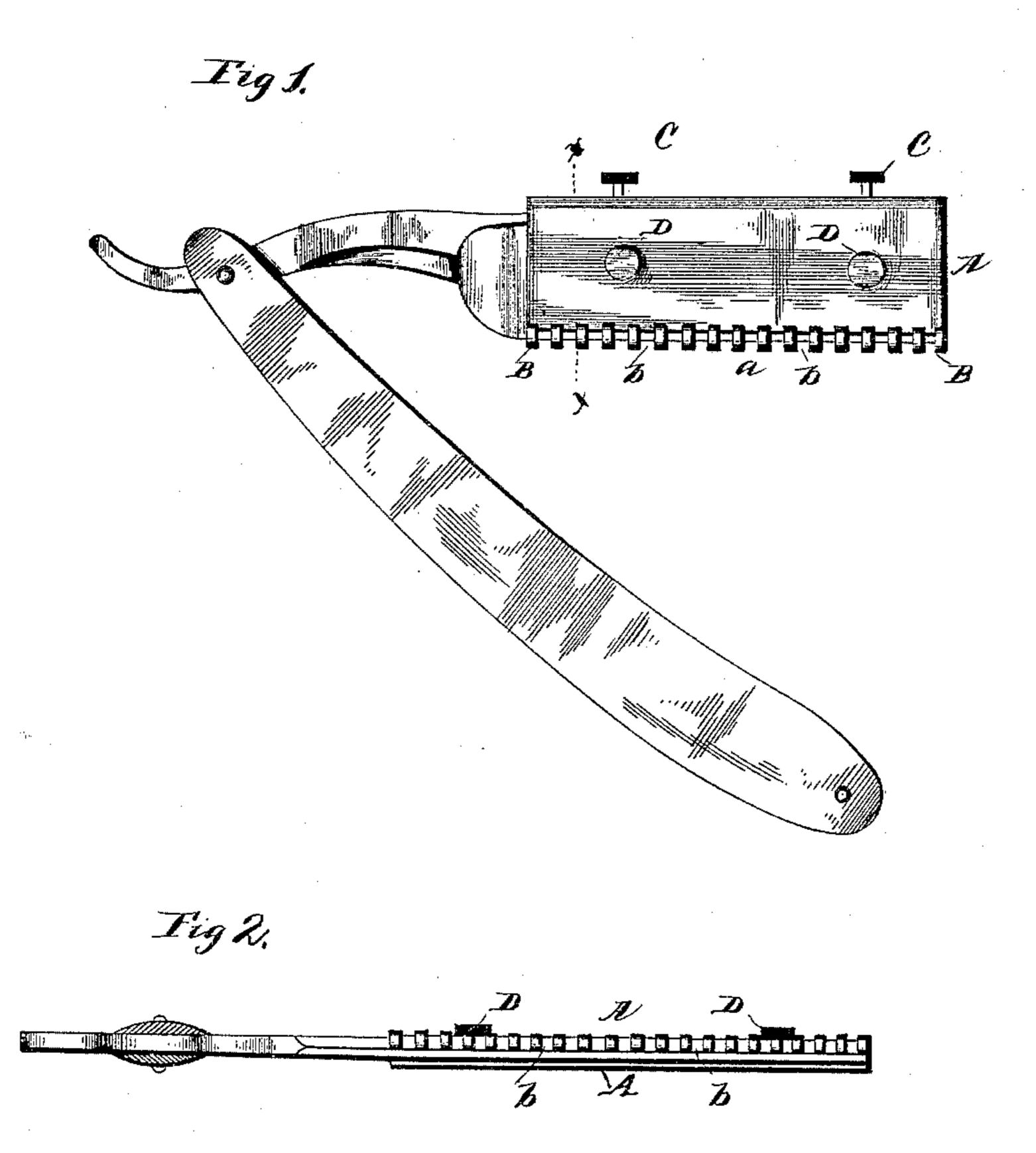
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## RAZOR-GUARD.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, Peter D. Murphy and Charles O. Chaplin, citizens of the United States of America, residing at Lock-port, in the county of Niagara and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Razor-Guards, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

Our razor-guard is designed to protect the face from being cut during the operation of shaving, and to be used with equal facility by left-handed and right-handed persons; and it consists in the novel construction, combination, and arrangement of the parts, substantially as hereinafter described, and pointed out in the claim, in which—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of our razor-20 guard. Fig. 2 is a front view of the same.

In the embodiment of our invention we construct our razor holder A from a single piece of metal, having slots b formed in one edge thereof, said holder being formed in an ap-25 proximately U shape, or in shape similar to the contour of the razor to be inserted therein. The slotted edge of holder A is folded back, as shown at B, to form a guard, so that when the razor is in its holder the curved edge 30 of the latter a may project beyond the razoredge and thus prevent it from contact with the flesh and its abrasion. Thus the beard is safely removed at each movement of the razor without the slightest danger of cutting 35 the flesh of the person being shaved. Holder A is provided in the rear side thereof with thumb-screws c c for adjusting the bladeedge a suitable distance from the edge of the

guard. The holder A is also provided with thumb or adjusting screws DD, arranged one 40 near each end and about midway its width for securing said holder upon the razor against lateral displacement, said screws engaging the sides of the razor. The holder, being of elastic metal, readily yields as press- 45 ure is transmitted thereto in manipulating or actuating the screws, thus removing the outer curved edges of the holder sufficiently from the razor to prevent the abrasion of the edge of the razor, which, it is obvious, would 50 otherwise occur by contact of the holder with said edge. The holder, it is thus apparent, is adapted to small and large razors either as to width or thickness.

Having fully described our invention, we 55 claim—

The razor-guard consisting of the holder formed of a single piece of elastic metal and having a backward-curved slotted edge, the thumb-screws arranged in its back-edge portion near the ends to engage the corresponding surface of the razor-blade, and the thumb-screws arranged in one side of said holder near its ends to engage the opposite surface of the razor-blade about in a plane, transfer of the razor-blade about in a plane, transfer versely passing through the razor-blade and the aforesaid screws, substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof we affix our signatures in presence of two witnesses.

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