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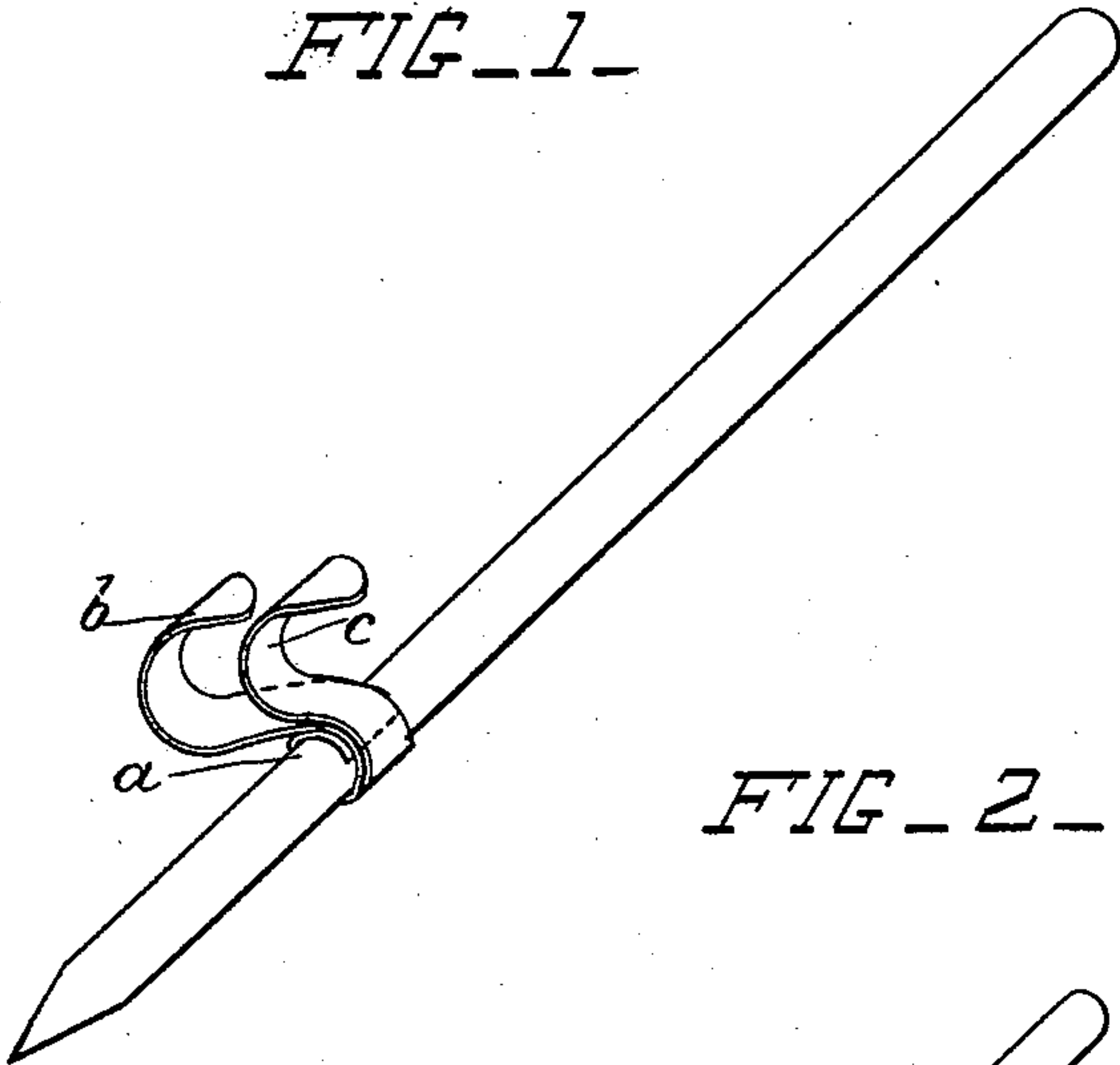
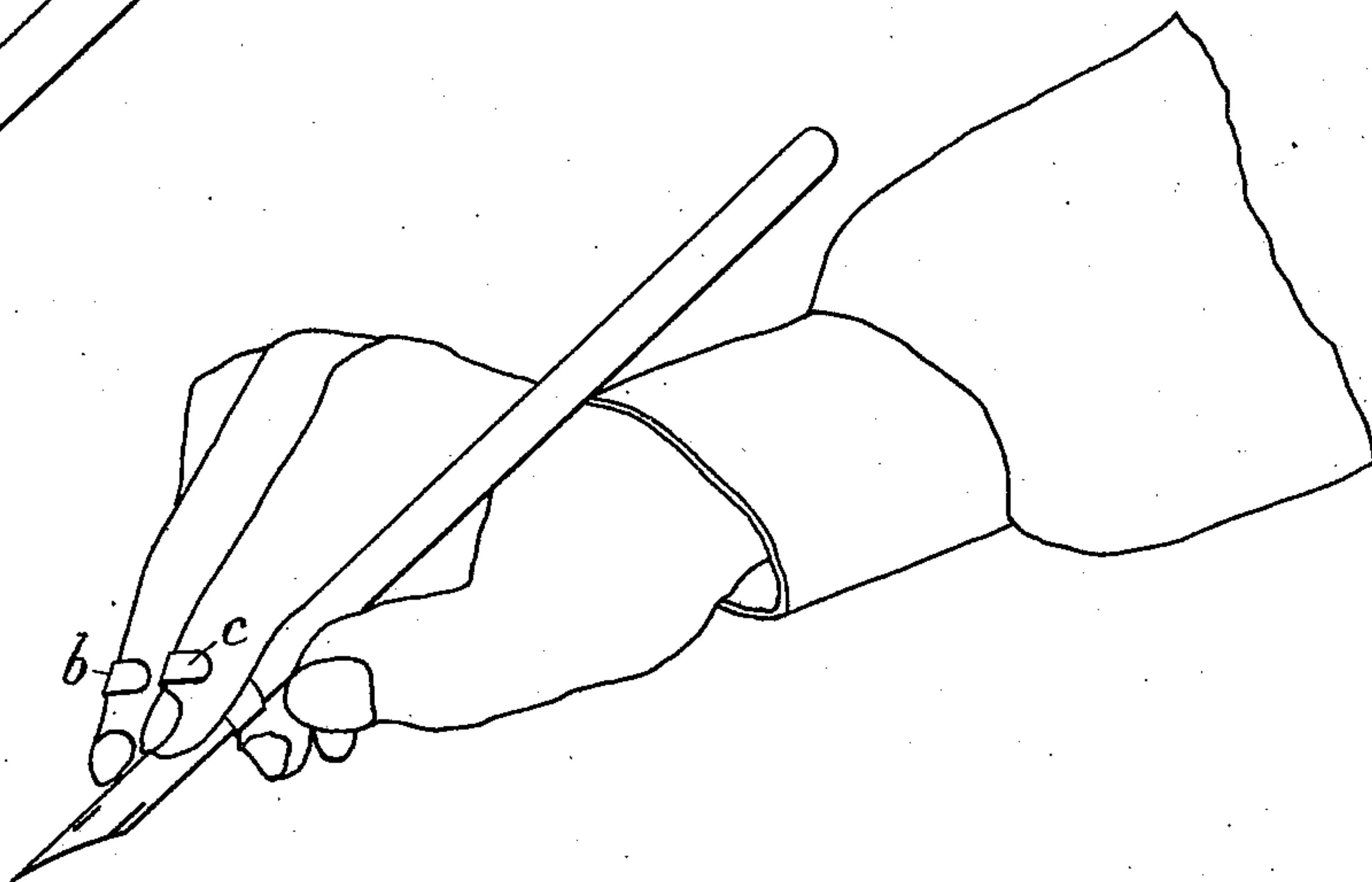


FIG. 2.



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ARCHIBALD DOUGLAS JOLLY, a subject of the Queen of Great Britain and Ireland, residing at Shanklin Villa, Richmond Park Road, Kingston, in the county of Surrey, in England, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Devices for Holding and Guiding the Fingers in Writing; 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 improvement consists in a device attached to the pen, which partly encircles the two first fingers of the hand and is intended for the purpose of giving the writer a firmer hold of the penholder and lessening the fatigue to the fingers.

It consists, as will be seen from the annexed drawings, of a double spring encircling the holder, the widened portion of the spring on top being for the purpose of encircling the fingers.

Figure 1 illustrates the application of my device to a pencil. Fig. 2 illustrates the hand with the fingers in position, encircled by the device, ready for writing. The central por-

tion *a* of the spring is doubled and curved to fit the pencil. One end *b* is bent around to fit the second finger. The other end *c* is bent twice, the first bend being adapted to encircle the pencil and the doubled portion *a* and the second bend being adapted to fit the first finger.

The application of this device adds firmness and ease to the writing, and is more particularly adapted for the guiding of the pen or pencil by those learning to write—such as children—or for others through infirmities of age or otherwise requiring such assistance to be given in writing.

What I claim is—

A pencil-guide consisting of a flat strip of metal bent double in the center and having one end curved twice to encircle the pencil and to fit the first finger and having its other end curved to fit the second finger, substantially as set forth.

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

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