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Fig. 1.

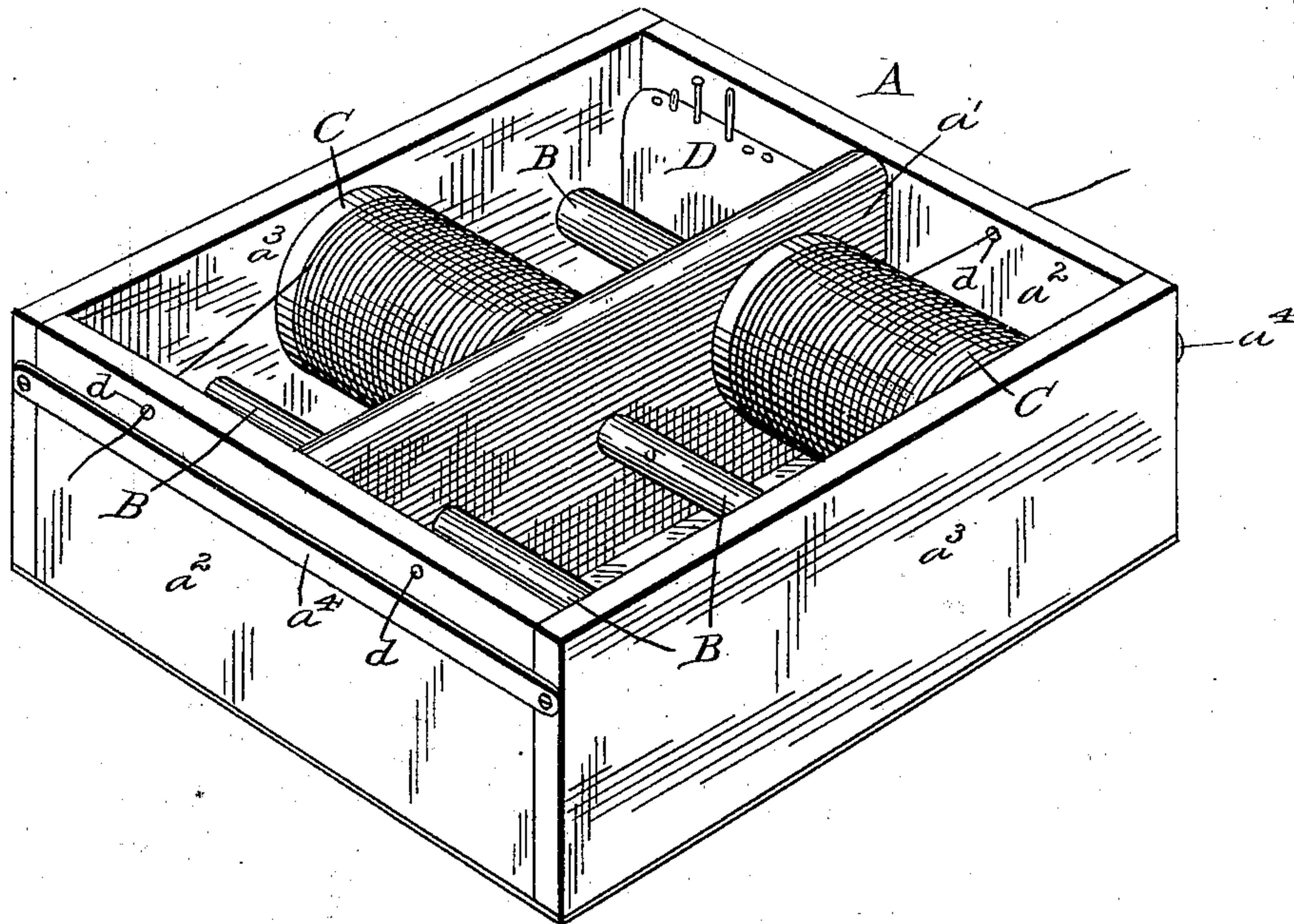
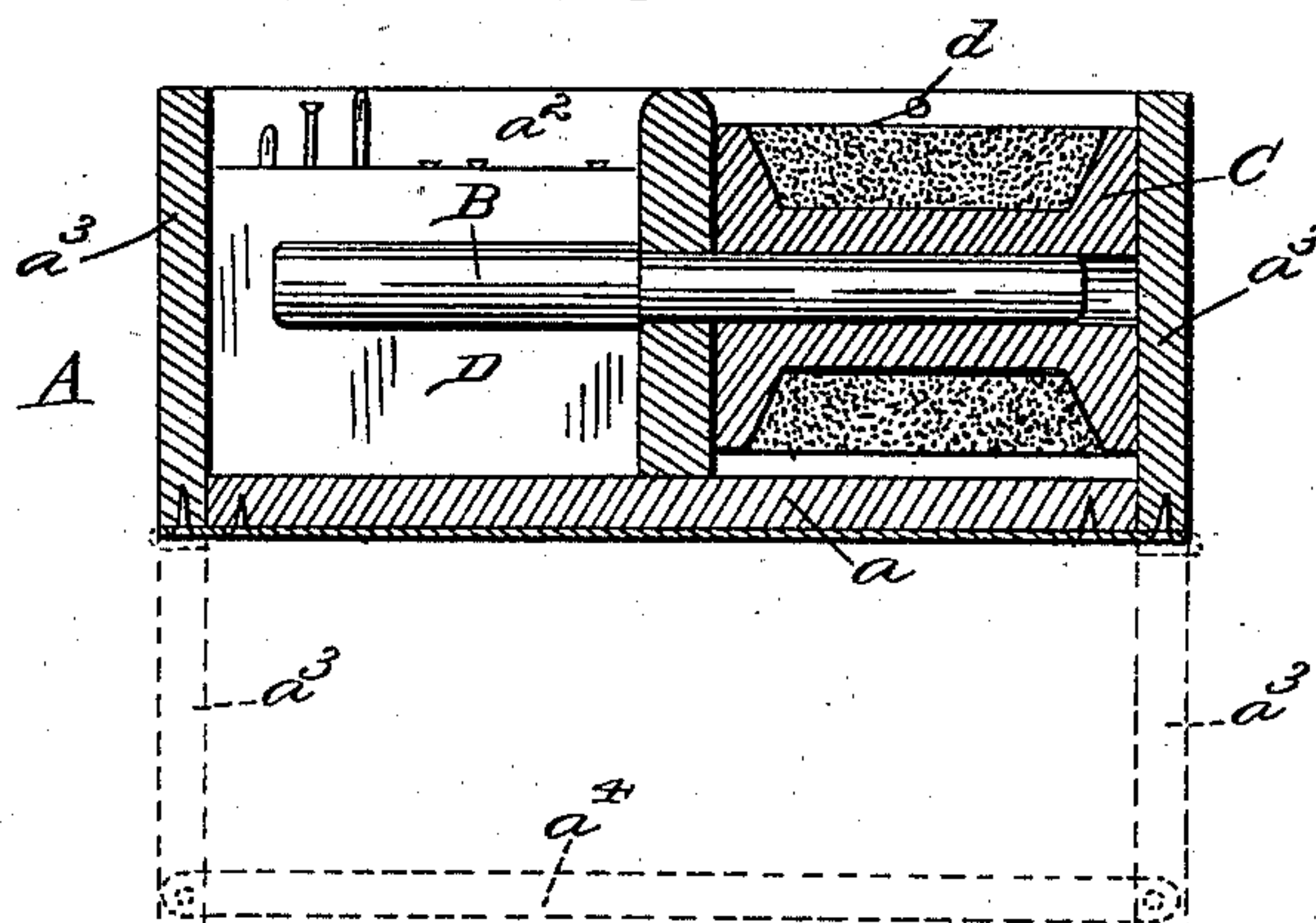


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHRIST CHRISTENSEN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Oakland, in the county of Alameda and State of California, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Spool and Thimble Holders; 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.

This invention is an improved appliance for holding sewing material, such as spool-cotton, silk, thimble, needle, and the like.

The object of the invention is to provide a cheap and simple contrivance of the class described, and one which can be attached to a sewing-machine, table, lapboard, or other object.

With this object in view my invention consists in the details of construction and combination of parts, all of which will be fully described, and pointed out in the claim.

In the drawings, forming a part of this specification, Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved device. Fig. 2 is a sectional view showing the sides folded down in dotted lines.

In carrying out my invention I employ a box-like structure A, having a bottom or base a , a central partition a' , ends a^2 , all of which are fixed, and hinged sides $a^3 a^3$, said sides being normally held closed by means of elastic straps or bands $a^4 a^4$, attached to the ends of said sides and to the end pieces of the box. The sides $a^3 a^3$ are so hinged to the bottom of the box that they may be turned down, as indicated in Fig. 2, so as to form a support for

the box and hold it elevated. A series of pins B B are secured upon opposite sides of the central partition and upon said pins are held the spools C C, said spools being prevented from becoming displaced by means of the hinged sides $a^3 a^3$. A needle-case D is also arranged in one corner of the box.

Now when it is desired to place a spool or thimble in the holder one side is turned down and the spool or thimble placed on the pin. The side is then allowed to spring back and the spool will be held in place.

When not in use, the holder can be turned face downward and protect the spool from dust and dirt. In one or both ends of the box may be provided holes d , through which the cotton may be passed, so that it may be more accessible to the user.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new is—

A spool and thimble holder comprising a box having a bottom, end pieces and a centrally-arranged partition secured to said end pieces and carrying spool-pins, side pieces hinged to said bottom and adapted to open outwardly and downwardly to form a support for said box, and an elastic strip connected to each of said side pieces and extending across one end of the box, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have signed this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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