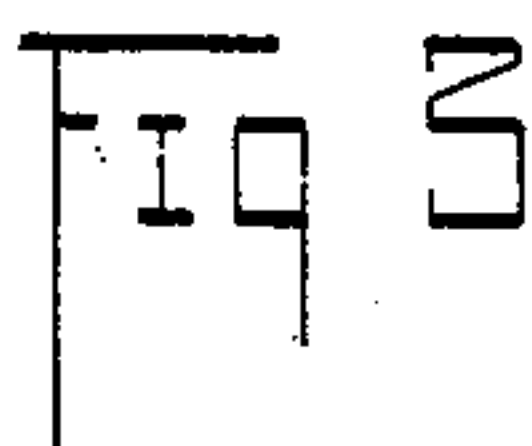
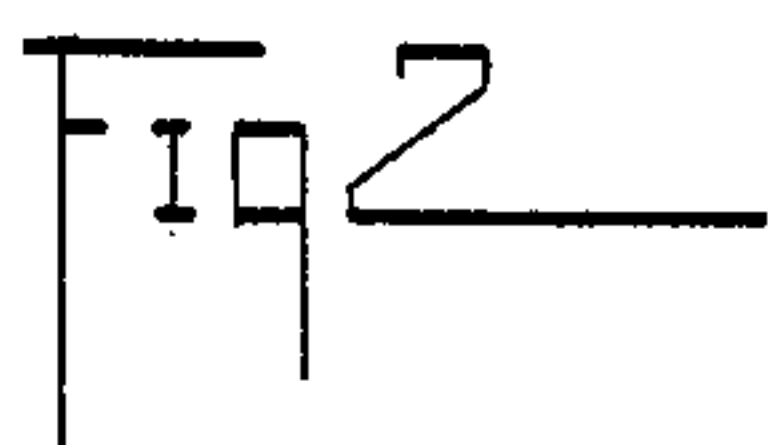
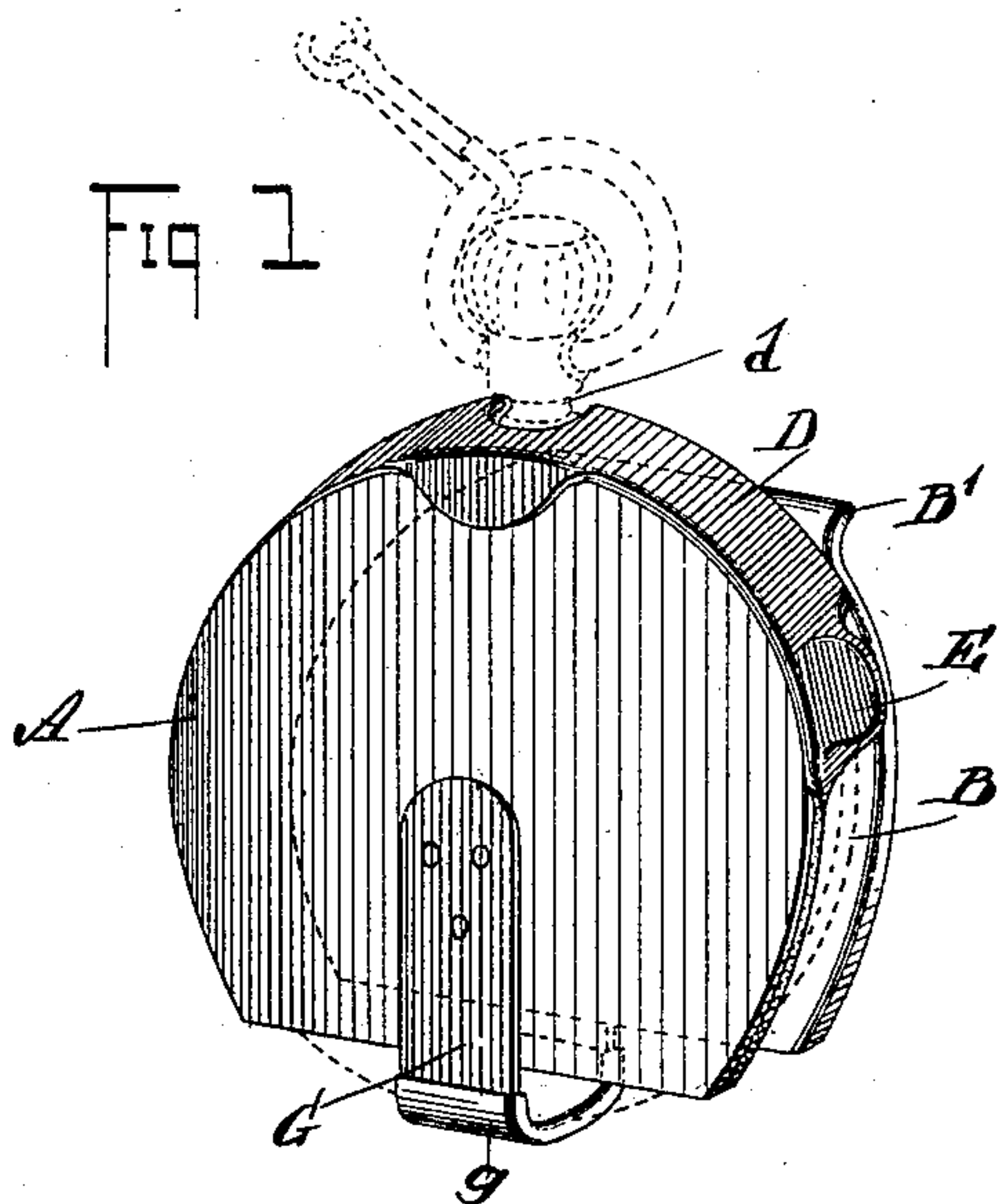


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## WATCH-PROTECTOR.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, BENJAMIN GREENBERG, of Boston, in the county of Suffolk and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, have invented  
5 a new and Improved Watch-Protector, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to a device for holding watches and is adapted for insertion in a garment-pocket. Its object is to securely hold  
10 the watch in the pocket, so that it cannot be removed by a straight pull upon the watch or chain, but must be released by special action upon the holder.

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

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the device, 20 the position of the watch being shown by dotted lines. Fig. 2 is an edge view of the same; and Fig. 3 is a section taken through the device, showing it in position in the pocket of a garment.

25 The device comprises two plates A and B, which oppose each other at a slight distance apart, being connected by a spring G at their lower edges, the said spring tending to force the upper portions of the plates together. The  
30 plate A, which is the one outside when placed in the garment-pocket, has a flange D extending about the upper portion thereof and projecting inwardly, so as to cover the upper edge of the watch. This flange D is provided  
35 near its middle with a notch *d*, adapted to receive the stem of the watch. To this flange D, at a point removed somewhat from the notch *d* and near the side of the device, is attached a flange E, which projects parallel with  
40 the body of the plate and forms a thumb or finger hold by which the plates may be separated and the watch freed from the device.

The plate B at its upper edge is slightly flared, as shown at B', the upper edge being  
45 turned away from the plate A. This makes it more convenient to insert the watch in the device, the lower portion of the watch engaging the flaring portion B' and forcing the plate A away therefrom. The rear plate B is also  
50 provided with pins C, which before the de-

vice is applied project at right angles therefrom, as shown in Fig. 2. One or more of these pins may be used, as desired.

When the device is placed in a pocket, the pin C is forced through the lining and inner  
55 portion F of the garment and is then turned up, as shown in Fig. 3, thus firmly securing the device to the garment. The plates A and B are preferably provided with lining material *a* and *b*, so that the watch will not be  
60 scratched in being placed within and removed from the device. The spring G is also provided with lining material *g*, covering the bend thereof, against which the lower portion of the watch rests. 65

In using the device the watch, when inserted, engages the flaring portion B' and the rear edge of the flange D. As the watch is pushed down the plates separate until the watch has dropped below the flange D, when  
70 the two plates approach each other, the flange D passing over the upper edge of the watch. A straight pull upon the stem of the watch will pull against the flange D and will not free the watch. To free the watch, a thumb  
75 or finger must engage the flange E to push the plate A outward until the watch shall be free, when the watch may be drawn out of the device. The plates A and B may be made flat, as shown, or concave to fit the contour of the  
80 watch. The sides of the holder are preferably left open, so as to accommodate any hinges or other projections extending beyond the circular outline of the watch.

Having thus described my invention, I 85 claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

1. A safety-holder for watches, comprising two opposing plates adapted to embrace a watch between them, a spring connecting the  
90 bottom edges of the plates, one of said plates having a flange about its upper edge projecting over the edge of the watch and securing the same in place, said flange having a central notch accommodating the watch-stem, 95 the other plate having its upper edge slightly flaring outward or away from the first plate, and pins fixed to the other plate and adapted to engage a garment-pocket, substantially as described.



2. A safety-holder for watches, comprising two opposing plates adapted to receive a watch between them, and a spring connecting the bottom edges of the plates, one of said plates  
5 having a flange about its upper edge projecting over the edge of the watch, said flange having a notch accommodating the watch-stem, and having also at one side of the stem-

recess a flange extending outward and substantially parallel to the body of the plate, to substantially as described.

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