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Fig. 1,

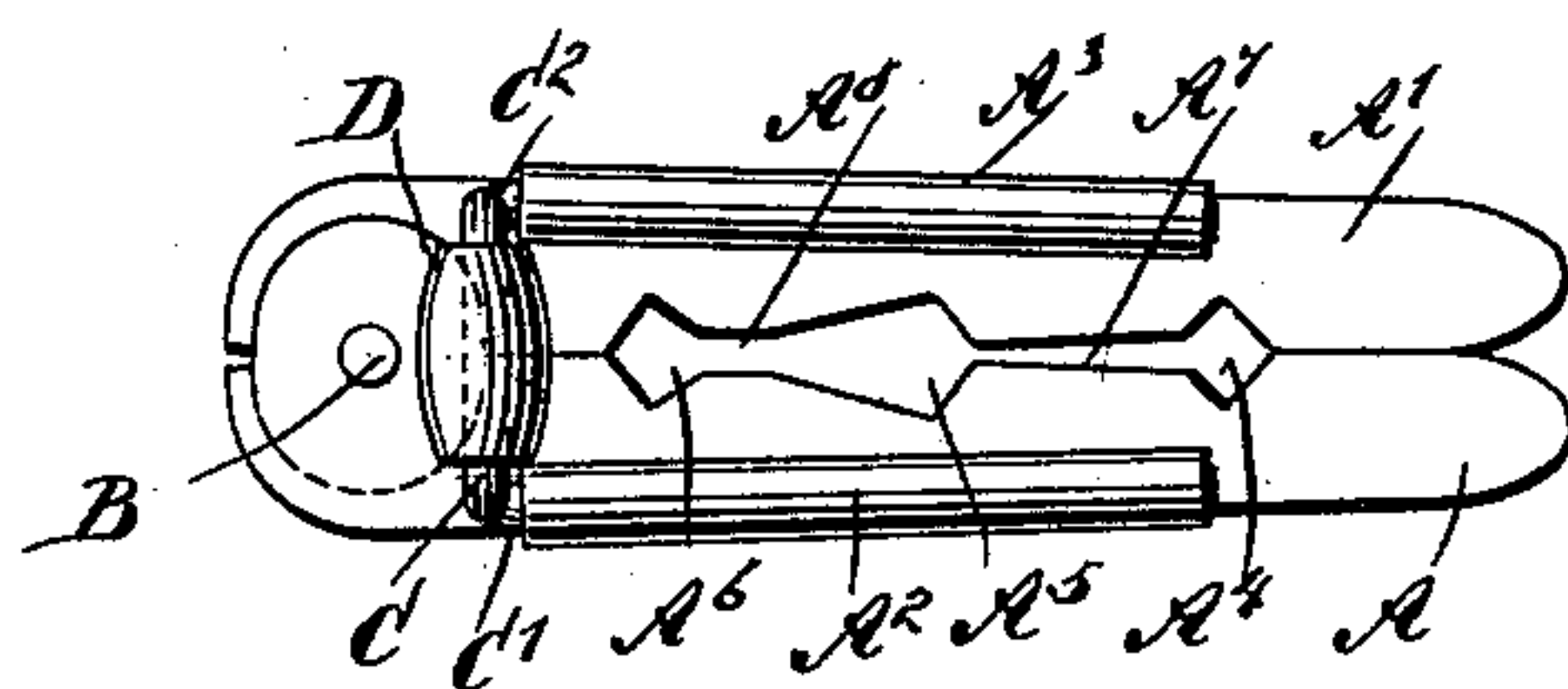


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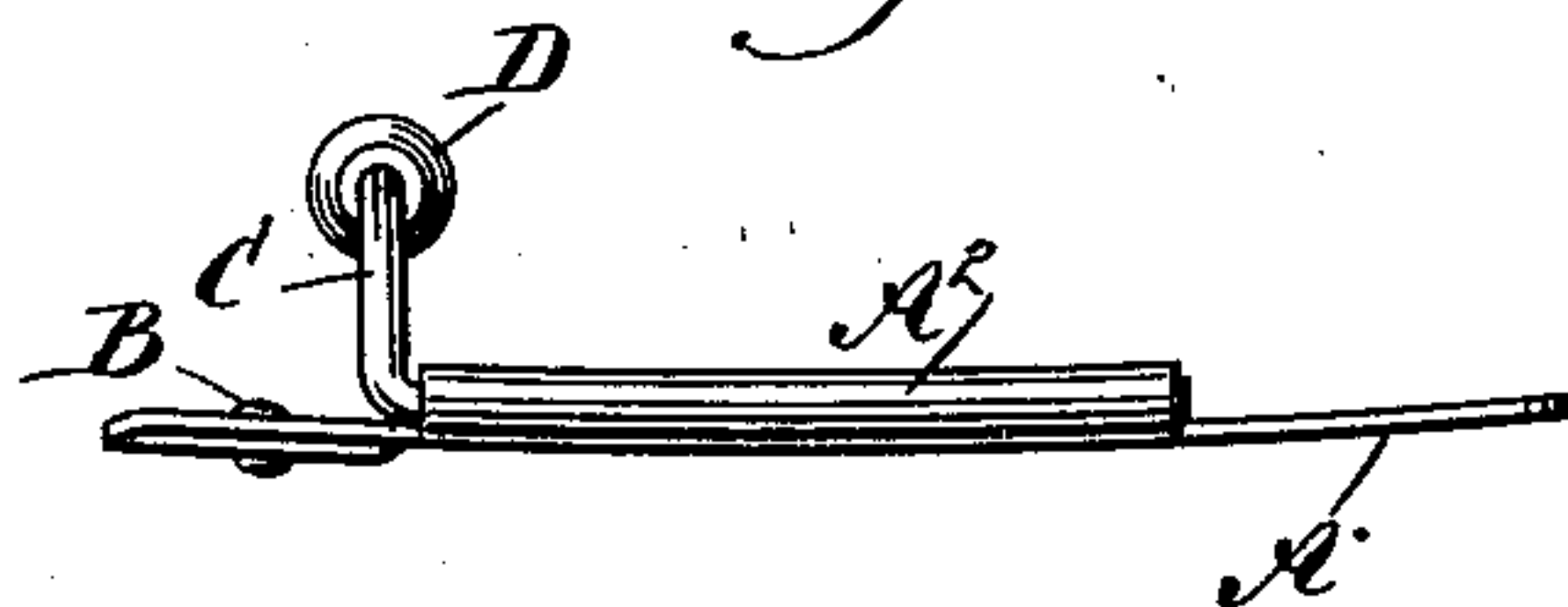


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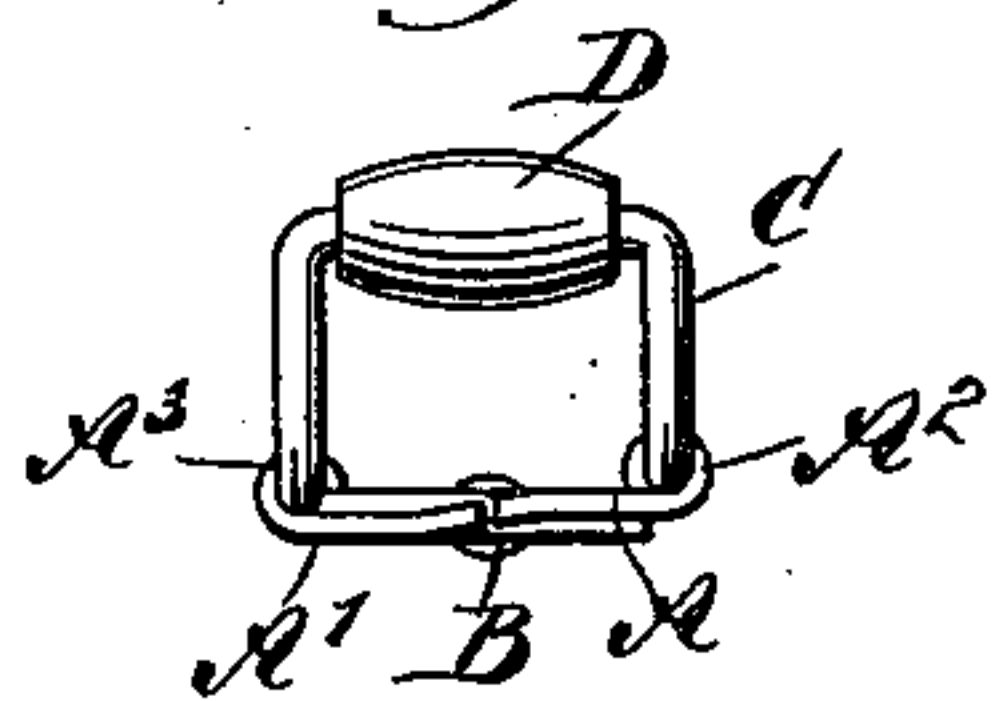


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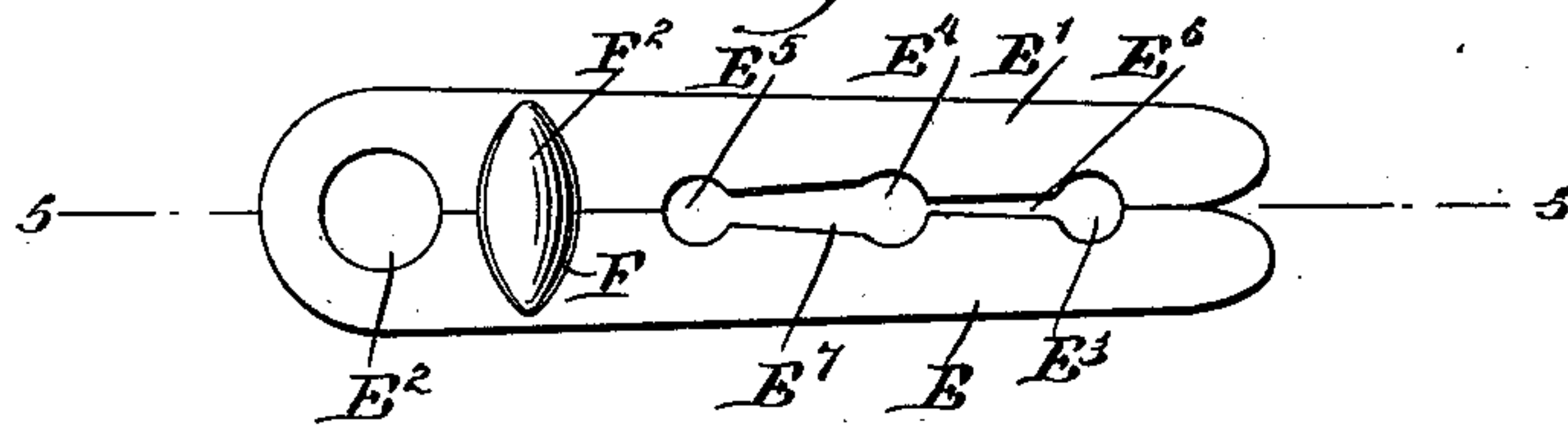
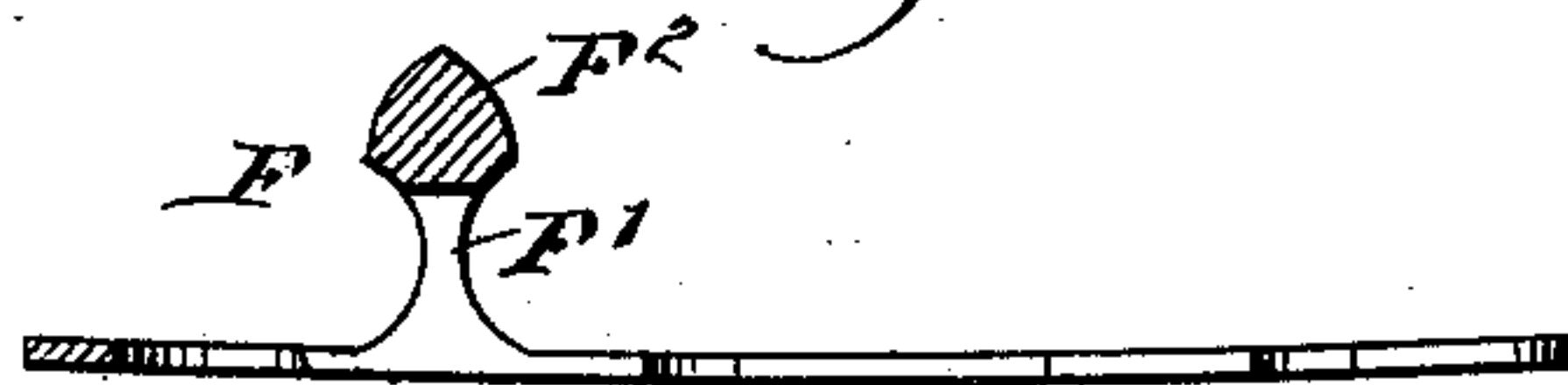


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES V. RICHARDS, of Skowhegan, in the county of Somerset and State of Maine, have invented a new and Improved Cuff-Holder, of which the following is a specification.

The object of the invention is to provide a new and improved cuff-holder which is simple and durable in construction, readily applied or detached, and arranged to securely hold the cuff in place on the wristband of the sleeve of a shirt or other garment.

The invention consists of novel features and parts and combinations of the same, as will be fully described hereinafter and pointed out in the claims.

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 figures.

Figure 1 is a plan view of the improvement. Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the same. Fig. 3 is an end elevation of the same. Fig. 4 is a plan view of a modified form of the improvement, and Fig. 5 is a sectional side elevation of the same on the line 5 5 of Fig. 4.

The improved cuff-holder illustrated in Figs. 1, 2, and 3 is provided with two flat arms A A', arranged one alongside the other and pivotally connected with each other at one end by a pivot B to permit the arms to swing apart for applying the device to the shank of a button carried on the wristband of the sleeve of a shirt or other garment.

On the outer sides of the arms A and A' are arranged longitudinally-extending tubes A² and A³, respectively engaged by the arms C' and C² of a transversely-extending U-shaped yoke C, carrying at its middle portion a roller D, forming with the said yoke a button adapted to pass through the buttonholes in the cuff for attaching the device to the cuff. The adjacent edges of the free ends of the arms A and A' are normally in contact with each other by the action of the spring-arms C' C² of the yoke C, the said spring-arms permitting the arms A and A' to swing outwardly a sufficient distance apart for the passage of the shank of the button on the shirt-sleeve into one of a series of recesses or notches A⁴ A⁵ A⁶ between the adjacent edges of the arms A and A', as is plainly shown in Fig. 1.

The recesses A⁴ A⁵ A⁶ are formed by cutting out corresponding portions in the adjacent sides of the arms A A', and the said recesses are connected with each other by longitudinally-extending slots A⁷ and A⁸, of which the latter are wider than the former, to permit a ready passage of the shank from one recess to the other to adjust the device correspondingly on the wristband of the shirt-sleeve, it being understood that when the button-shank is engaged with the outermost recess A⁴ then the button D extends a farther distance from the wristband than when the shank engages the following recess A⁵ or the next recess A⁶. The slots increase in width from the free ends of the arms A and A' toward the button D, so that the strain upon the spring-arms C' and C² is not more when pushing the cuff-holder astride of the wristband-button shank from the first notch to the second or from the second notch to the third than it is in pushing it into the first notch or recess. It is understood that after the shank has passed the adjacent edges of the arms A and A' and passes into the recess or notch A⁴ then the arms immediately close by the action of the spring-arms C' and C². The device is then firmly attached to the shank of the button on the wristband to hold the cuff in proper relation to the said band. As illustrated in Figs. 4 and 5, the device is made of a single piece of material—such as celluloid, spring metal, or the like—and is formed with arms E and E', connected with each other at one end, said end containing an aperture E², from which to the outer or free end of the device extends a slot separating the two arms. The recesses or notches E³ E⁴ E⁵ are connected with each other by slots E⁶ and E⁷, of which the latter are wider than the former, and both increasing in width, as shown, for the purpose as before described in reference to Fig. 1. The button F has its shank F' split longitudinally, the head F³, however, being solid and extending in a transverse direction relatively to the arms E E', so that the latter are free to swing apart for pushing the wristband-button shank between the arms into one of the series of recesses or notches E³, E⁴, or E⁵. When the shank engages one of the notches, then the arms immediately close by their own resiliency to se-

curely hold the device attached to the shank of the wristband-button.

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

5 1. A cuff-holder consisting of two flat arms connected with each other at one end so as to move toward and from each other at their free ends, the contiguous edges of the arms
10 being provided with notches communicating with each other by means of two slots, such slots gradually decreasing in width in the direction of the joined ends of the arms and the inner slot being wider than the outer slot.

2. A cuff-holder having two arms joined to each other at one end, so that the free portions of the arms may move toward and from each other, a longitudinally-extending tube carried by each arm, a U-shaped yoke, the arms of which are respectively held in the
15 tubes, and a roller carried by the middle portion of the yoke and held raised above the arms, the roller forming a button with the middle portion of the yoke.

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