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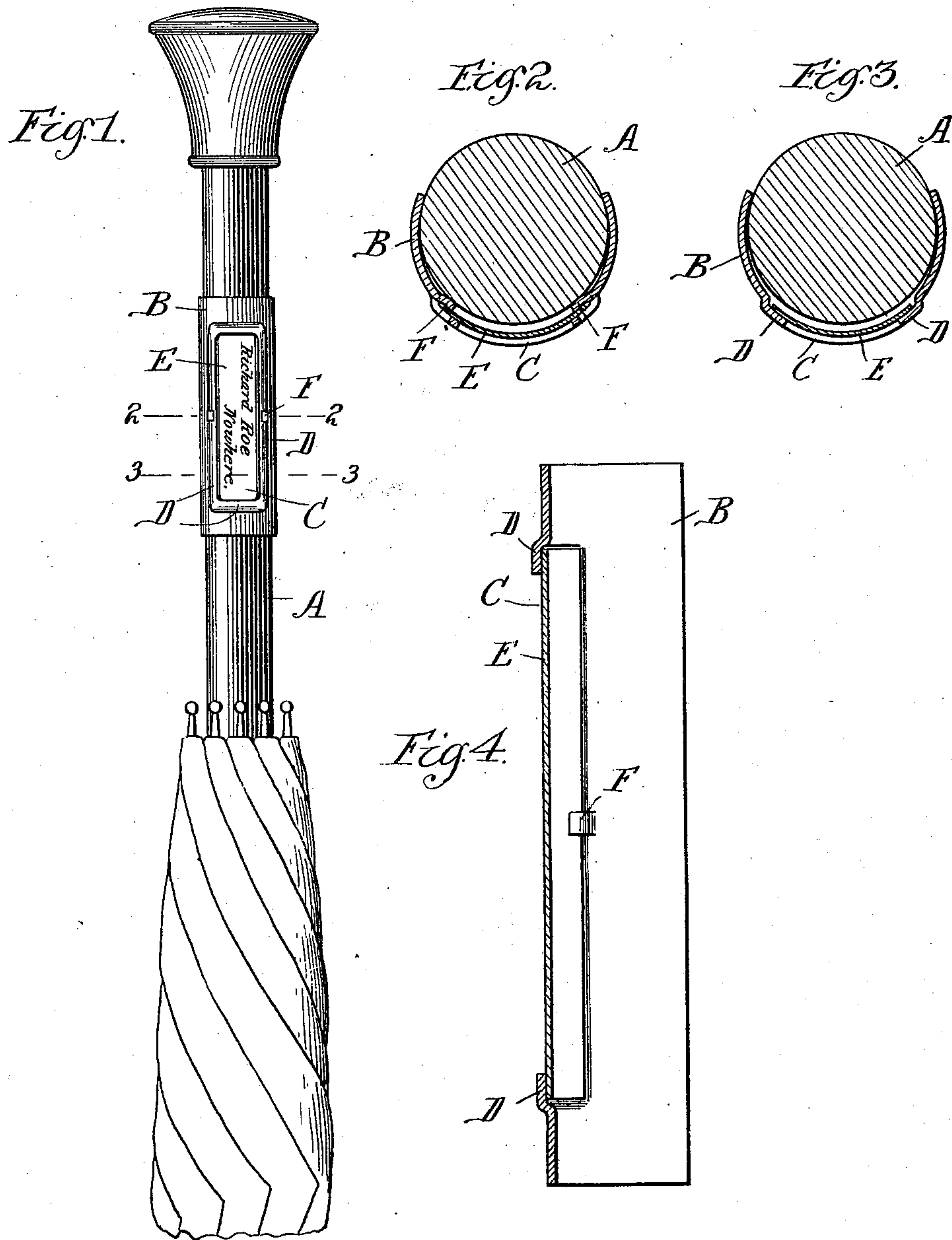
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## INSCRIPTION-HOLDER FOR UMBRELLAS, &c.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, GEORGE R. BOONE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Decatur, in the county of Macon and State of Illinois, have invented a new and useful Inscription-Holder for Umbrellas, Sticks, and the Like, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to inscription-holders for umbrellas, sticks, and the like.

The object of the invention is to provide a simple and efficient inscription-holder which may be readily and easily applied to or detached from the handle of an umbrella or a walking-stick or the front fork of a bicycle or the like.

The invention consists substantially in the construction, combination, location, and relative arrangement, all as will be more fully hereinafter set forth, and shown in the accompanying drawings, and finally specifically pointed out in the appended claim.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a broken view of the handle of an umbrella with an inscription-holder embodying my invention applied thereto. Fig. 2 is a transverse section of the same through the holder on the line 2 2, Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a similar view on the line 3 3, Fig. 1. Fig. 4 is a longitudinal central section of the inscription-holder.

Reference-sign A designates the article to which the inscription-holder is to be applied. This may be the handle of an umbrella, as shown, or it may be a walking-stick, a whip-handle, a suitable part of a bicycle, or any other object to which it may be desired to apply an inscription-plate. B is the inscription-holder, and comprises a plate bent or stamped to cylindrical form and having one side thereof cut away, leaving slightly more than a half-cylinder. By making this plate of suitable spring material it will be readily seen that such holder may be snapped into place around or upon the article or handle to which it is to be applied, such holder encircling such handle a little more than half-way around. Thus it will be seen that the holder is detachably applied to the article or handle and may be removed therefrom readily and easily at any time desired and without any previous or special preparation of the han-

dle or article to receive it and without injury to or marring the surface thereof. The plate or holder B is provided with an opening there-through, as indicated at C, the edges of the body of the plate surrounding such opening being slightly depressed or offset from the interior of such plate, as indicated at D, to form a seat adapted to receive the inscription-plate E. This inscription-plate may be a thin engraved sheet or strip of metal, or it may be of any other suitable material—such as cardboard, paper, or the like—on which may be inscribed the name and address or any other desired inscription. I have found parchment-paper a suitable and excellent material for the purpose. The body of the fastener along the edge of the opening C is punched or deflected inwardly at suitable points, as indicated at F, to form retaining-lugs for holding the inscription-plate E in place in its seat in the holder.

From the foregoing description it will be seen that the inscription-plate, with the address, name, or the like suitably inscribed thereon, is first inserted or introduced to its seat in holder A, where it is held snugly by means of the retaining lugs or clips F and at a point slightly offset for the inner surface of the holder, as most clearly shown in Fig. 4. The holder is now ready to be applied to the handle or the like. This application may be readily and easily effected by simply snapping the holder onto the handle, the handle or the like being received therein through the cut-away side thereof, and since the holder extends somewhat over a semicircle it is securely held in place, though it may be readily and easily detached when desired.

Having now set forth the object and nature of my invention and an operative embodiment of the same, I desire it to be understood that I am aware that it is not new to apply an inscription-holder to umbrella-handles by introducing the inscription-plate in a cylindrical sleeve which is mounted upon and completely encircles the stick or handle, such construction being shown in Patent No. 436,799, September 23, 1890, to J. McLaughlin, and therefore I make no claim herein to such construction; but

What I do claim as new and useful and of

my own invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States, is—

An inscription-holder for umbrella-handles, sticks and the like, as an article of manufacture, comprising a segmental cylindrical sleeve of spring material, said segment in cross-section being somewhat greater than a semicircle, whereby it may be snapped on and off varying sizes of umbrella-handles, sticks or the like, by lateral movement with respect thereto, said segment provided with an opening through the wall thereof, the outer edge of said opening being offset, thereby forming

a seat to receive an inscription plate or card, and projecting lugs formed at the inner edge of said opening and operating to retain the inscription-plate in its seat, as and for the purpose set forth. 15

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand, this 21st day of June, 1897, in the presence of the subscribing witnesses. 20

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