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FIG. 1.

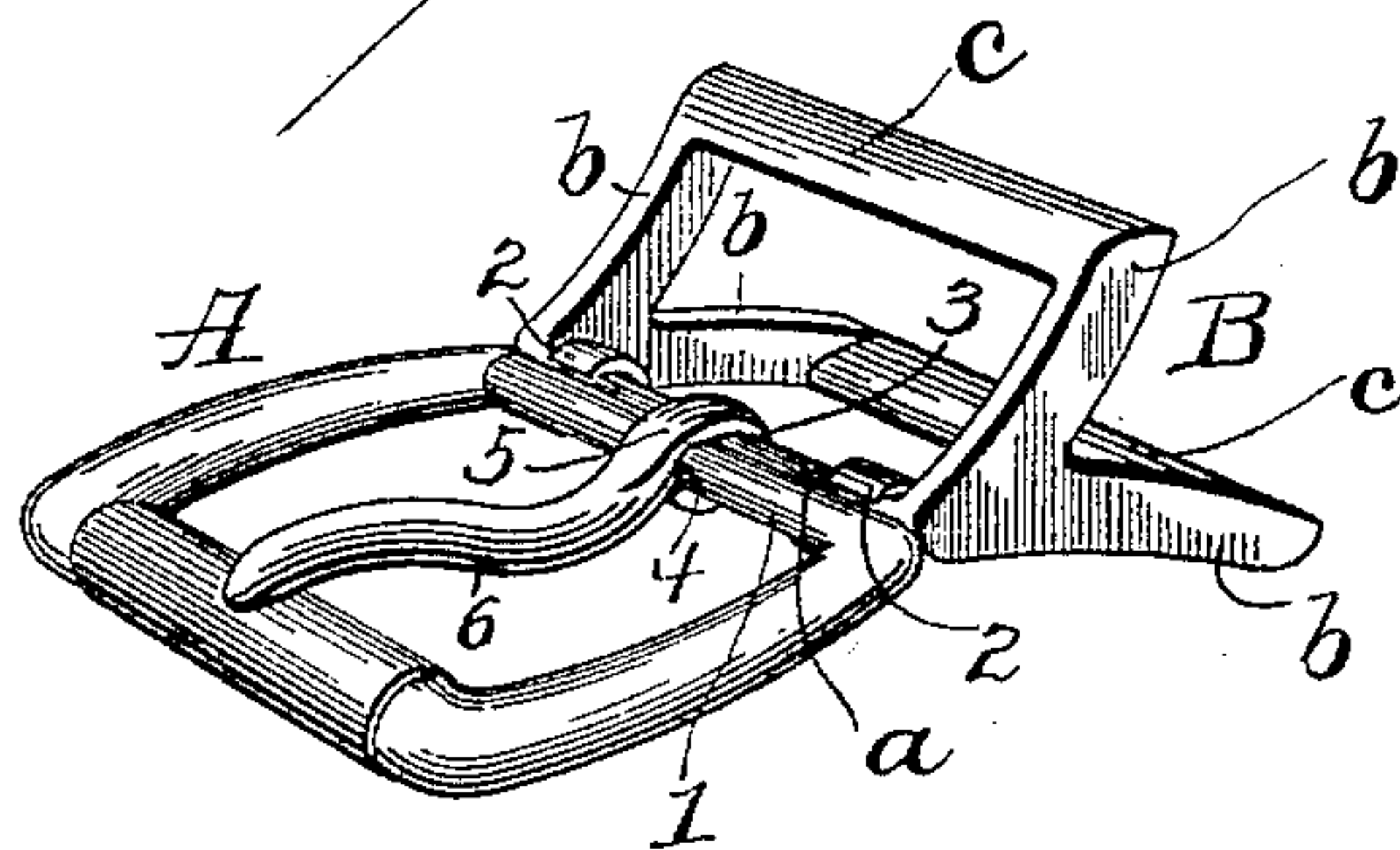


FIG. 2.

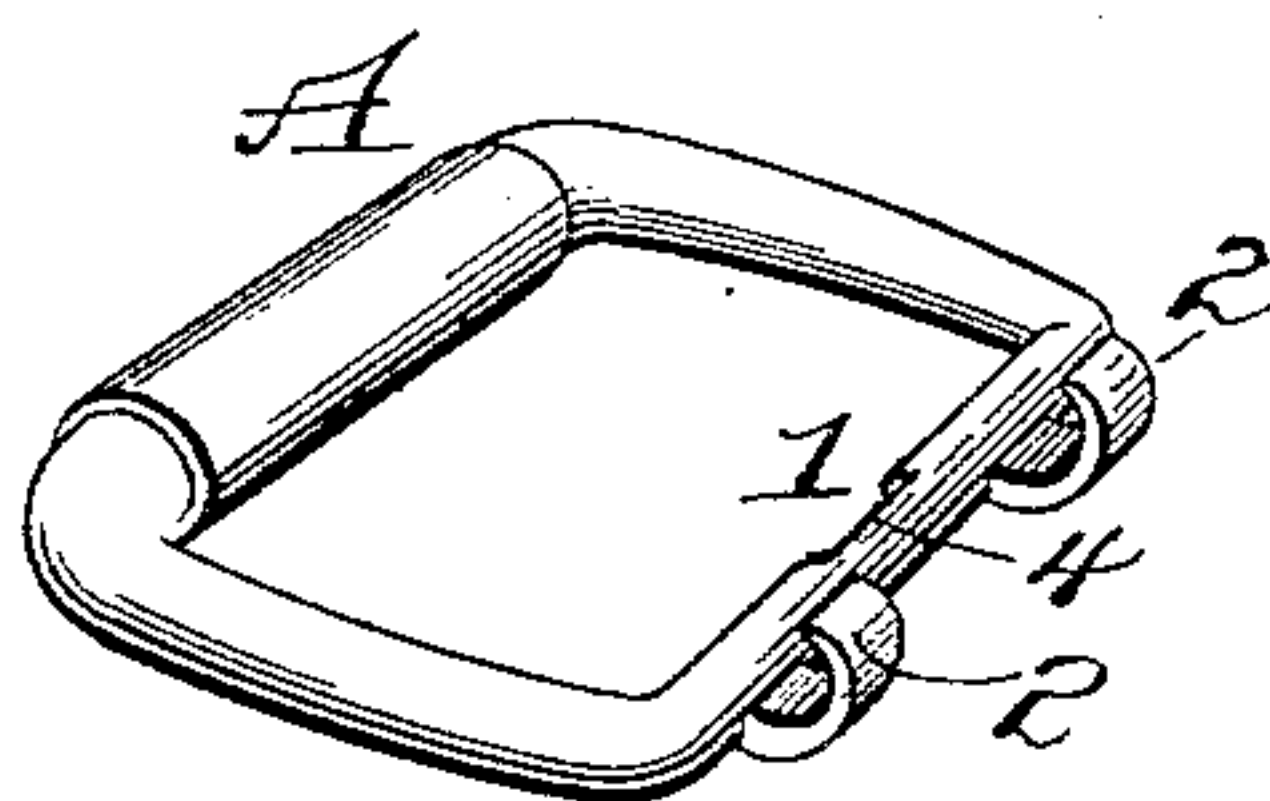
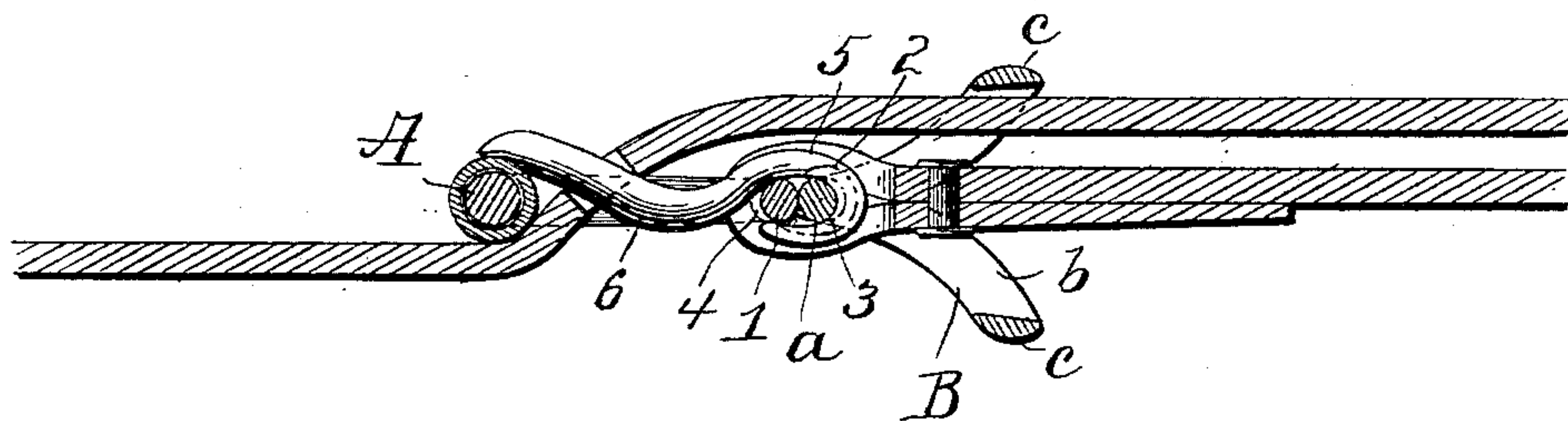


FIG. 3.

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BUCKLE AND LOOP.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, WILLIAM PETER GELABERT and THOMAS G. NELSON, residents of Sweet Springs, in the county of Saline and State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Billet-Loops; and we 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.

Our invention relates to an improvement in billet-loops, and more particularly to an improvement upon that for which Letters Patent were granted to us on the 7th day of June, 1892, and designated by No. 476,673, the object of the invention being to provide simple and efficient means whereby to connect a twin loop to a buckle.

With this object in view the invention consists in certain novel features of construction and combinations and arrangements of parts, as hereinafter set forth, and pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a view illustrating our invention. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal sectional view. Fig. 3 is a detail view of the buckle A.

A represents a buckle, and B our twin loop, the latter comprising a cross-bar *a*, two convergent curved arms *b b* at each end, and cross-bars *c c*, connecting the free ends of the arms at one side with those at the other. The cross-bar 1 of the buckle is provided in proximity to its ends with lugs or hooks 2 2, adapted to loosely engage the cross-bar *a* of the twin loop and thus permanently unite said buckle and twin loop. The cross-bar *a* of the twin loop and the cross-bar 1 of the buckle are recessed centrally, as at 3 and 4, respectively, and at these points the loop 5 of the tongue 6 of the buckle embraces said cross-bars 1 and *a*, thus further assisting in uniting the buckle and twin loop. The recessed portions of the cross-bars *a* and 1 serve to prevent lateral movement of the tongue 6, but do not mate-

rially interfere with the free pivotal movement of said tongue.

Our improvements are simple in construction and effectual in all respects in the performance of their functions.

Slight changes might be made in the details of construction of our invention without departing from the spirit thereof or limiting its scope. For instance, the lugs or hooks 2 may be made on the cross-bar of the twin hooks instead of the cross-bar of the buckle, and hence we do not wish to limit ourselves to the precise details herein set forth.

Having fully described our invention, what we claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. The combination with a buckle-frame and a twin loop, each having a cross-bar and said cross-bars disposed side by side, of a buckle-tongue embracing said cross-bars of the buckle-frame and twin loop and pivotally connecting them together, substantially as set forth.

2. The combination with a buckle-frame and a twin loop, each having a cross-bar provided centrally with a recess, said cross-bars disposed side by side, of a buckle-tongue loosely embracing said cross-bars in the recesses therein, substantially as set forth.

3. The combination with a buckle-frame and a twin loop, each having a cross-bar and said cross-bars disposed side by side, of a buckle-tongue having a loop loosely embracing said cross-bars centrally between their ends and lugs projecting from one cross-bar and embracing the other at the ends thereof, substantially as set forth.

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

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