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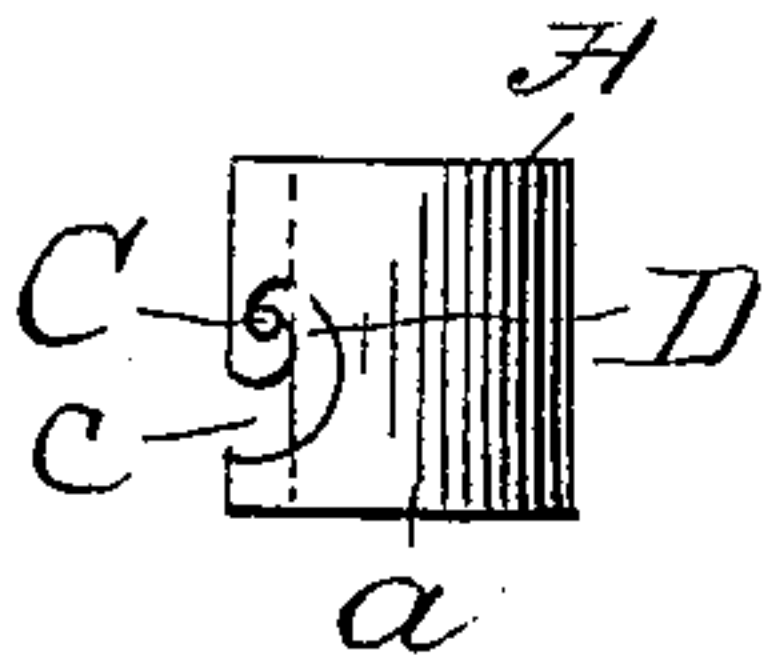


Fig. 1.

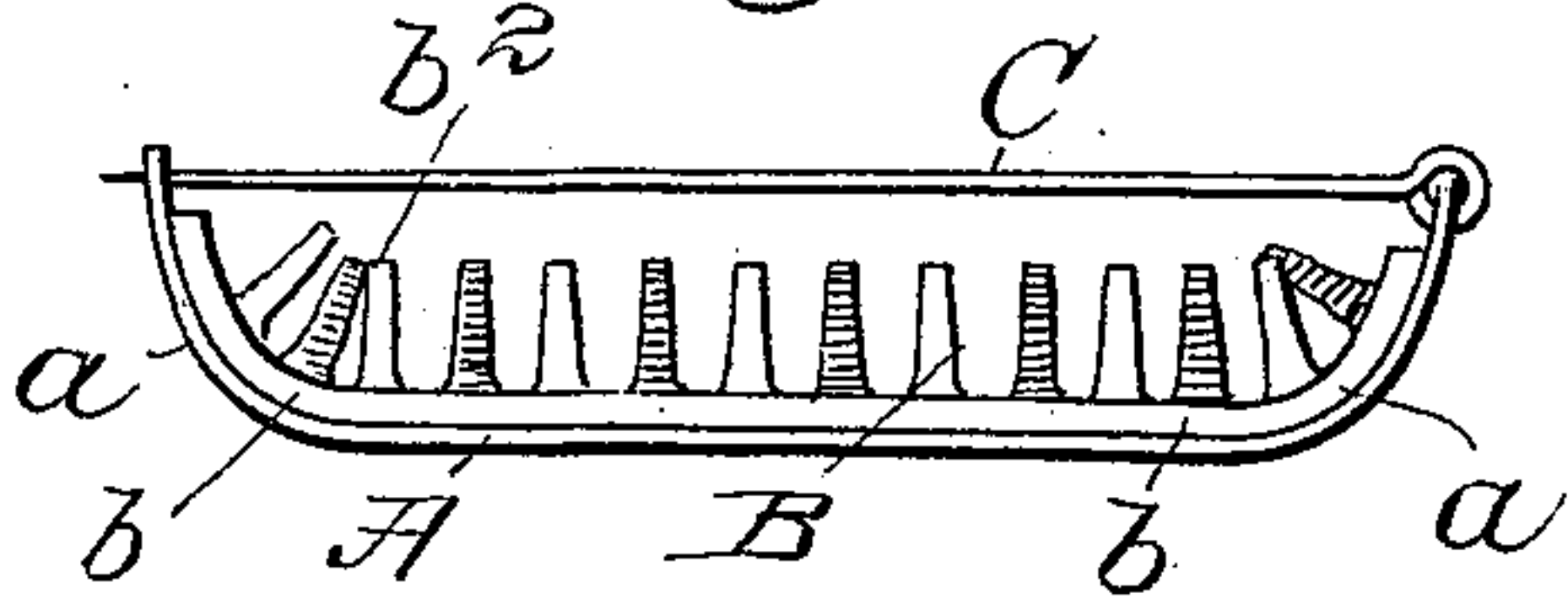


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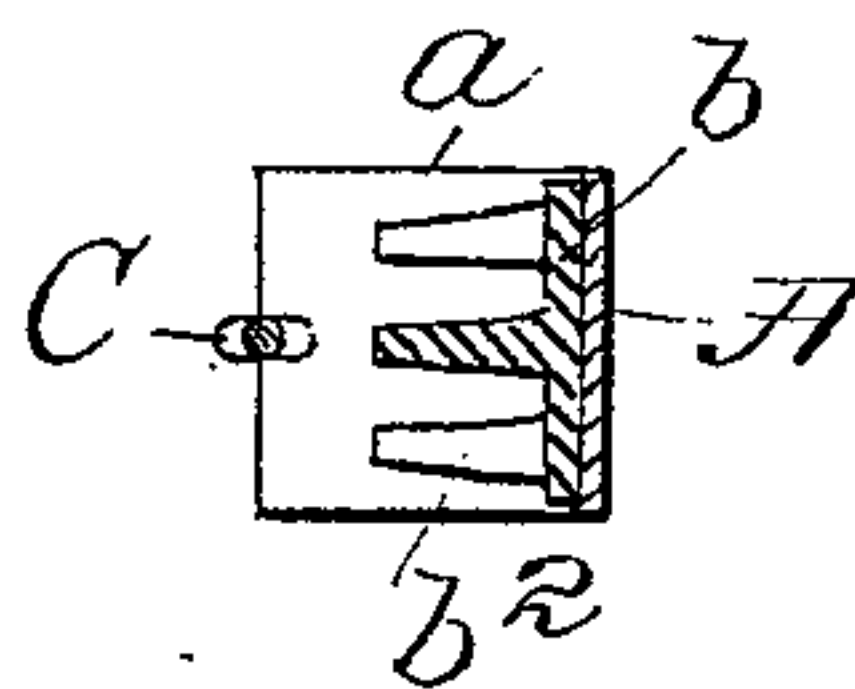


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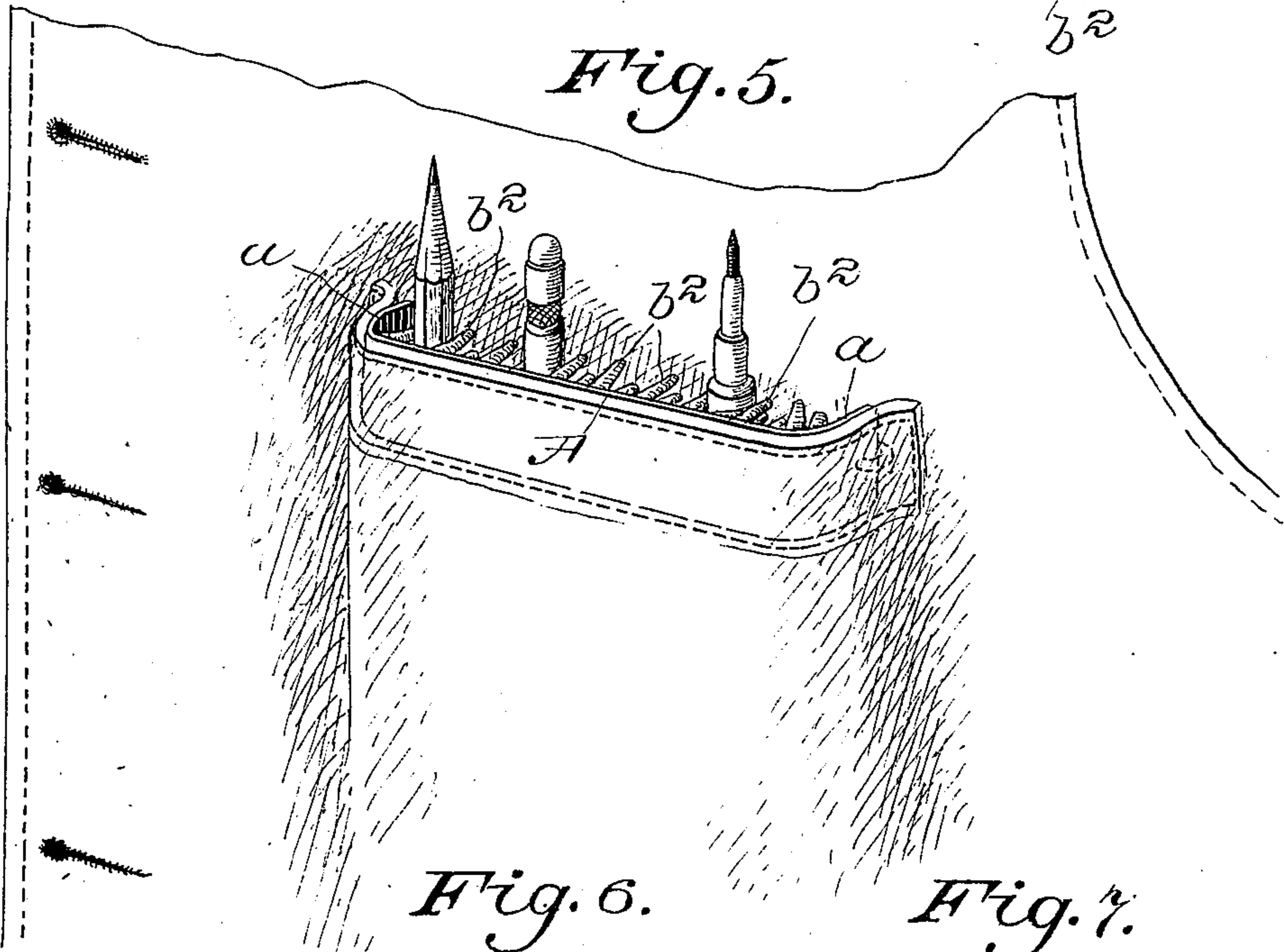
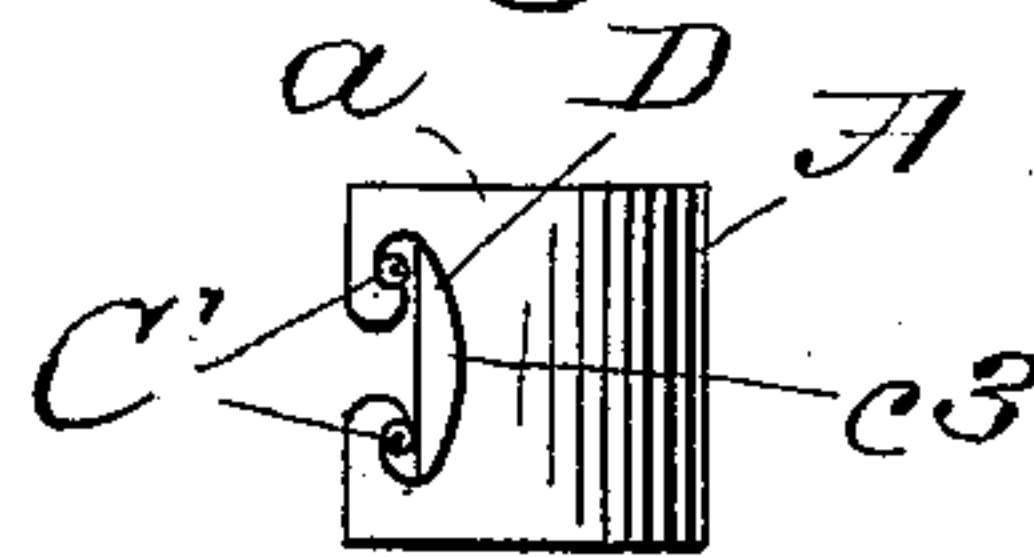


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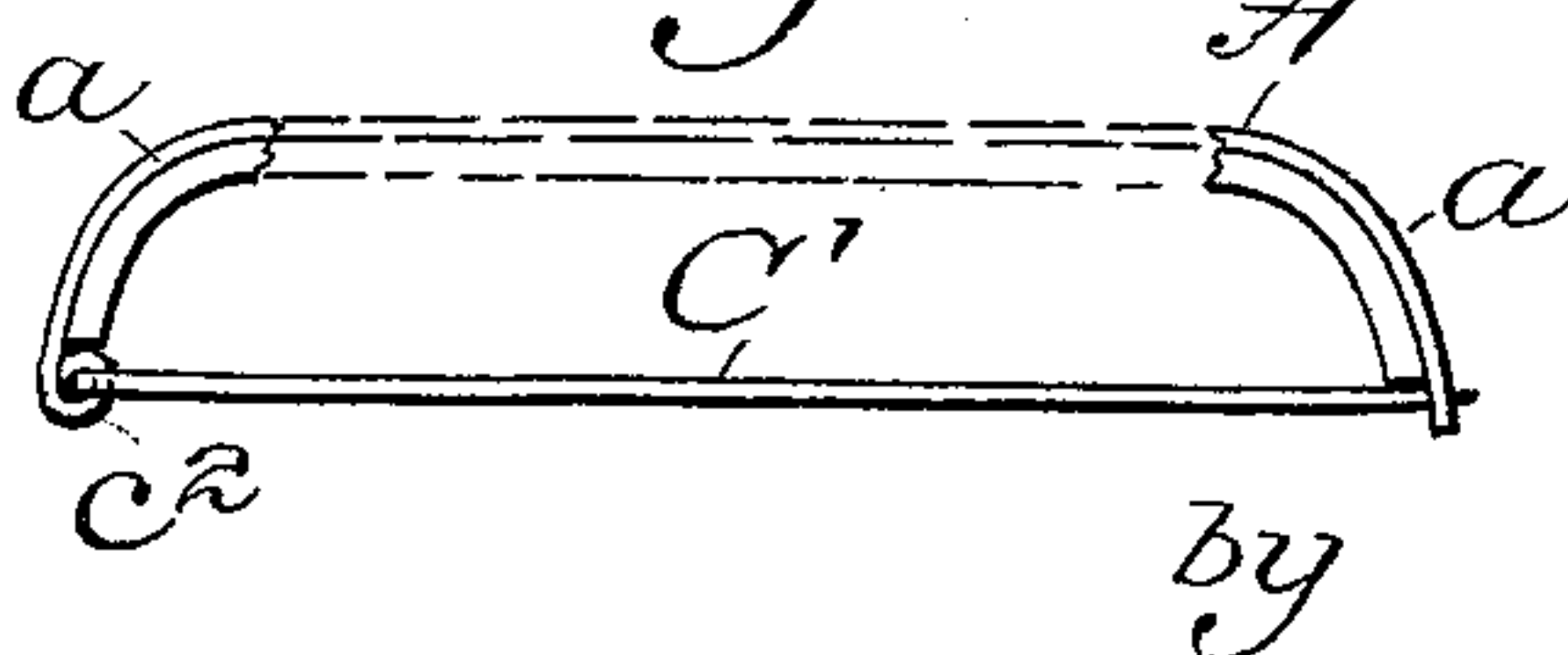


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SAFETY-POCKET.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWARD H. BURGER, of Duluth, in the county of St. Louis and State of Minnesota, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Safety-Pockets, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to pocket-guards, and more particularly to certain improvements upon a device of this class for which a patent was granted to me under date of April 27, 1897, and is numbered 581,655.

The novelty of my invention lies in the fastenings by which the guard may be detachably secured in position without injury to the material of the garment, as will be hereinafter more fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a plan view of one embodiment of the invention. Fig. 2 is an end elevation thereof. Fig. 3 is a front view of the same. Fig. 4 is a sectional view, and Fig. 5 is a view in perspective, showing the device applied. Fig. 6 is a rear view of a modified form. Fig. 7 is an end view thereof; and Fig. 8 is a plan view, the central portion being omitted.

A represents a plate having curved or bent-up ends *a*, the plate being of suitable length and shape to fit snugly within the mouth of a pocket, as indicated in Fig. 5, or it may be suitably ornamented for exterior wear.

B represents a holder, preferably composed of soft rubber, in the form of a band *b*, lying within and fixed to the curved plate above referred to and provided with a series of flexible teeth, corrugations, or other projections *b*², adapted to serve separately or coöperate with the rear wall of the pocket in retaining pencils or similar articles.

C represents the fastening for the guard, which consists of a pin pivoted or otherwise suitably held in one end of the plate and adapted to detachably engage a notch *c* in the opposite extremity thereof.

C' represents a modification of the fastening just described, which comprises a double or U-shaped pin pivoted by having the end of the plate bent around the same, as at *c*², the free ends of the wire forming the pins being engaged by an undercut notch *c*³ in the opposite end of the plate.

Accidental disengagement of the free end of the pin or pins may be rendered impossible by extending the band of the holder to partially cover the notch, as shown at D. When thus arranged, the rubber will yield as the pin is entered and, owing to the natural resilience, will retain the pin therein under constant pressure.

The present form of device is not necessarily confined to the single use of a pocket-guard, it being readily attachable to any portion of the garment, as will be obvious.

It will be understood that I do not wish to restrict myself to the exact forms described and illustrated, as various changes may be made without departing from the spirit of my invention.

What I claim as new is—

A pocket-guard, comprising a plate having oppositely-curved ends, one of which is provided with an approximately C-shaped notch, a resilient studded lining for the plate extended to partially include the notched portion thereof and an attaching-pin adapted to engage the notch and be yieldingly confined therein by the overlapping portion of said lining, as specified.

In witness whereof I affix my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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