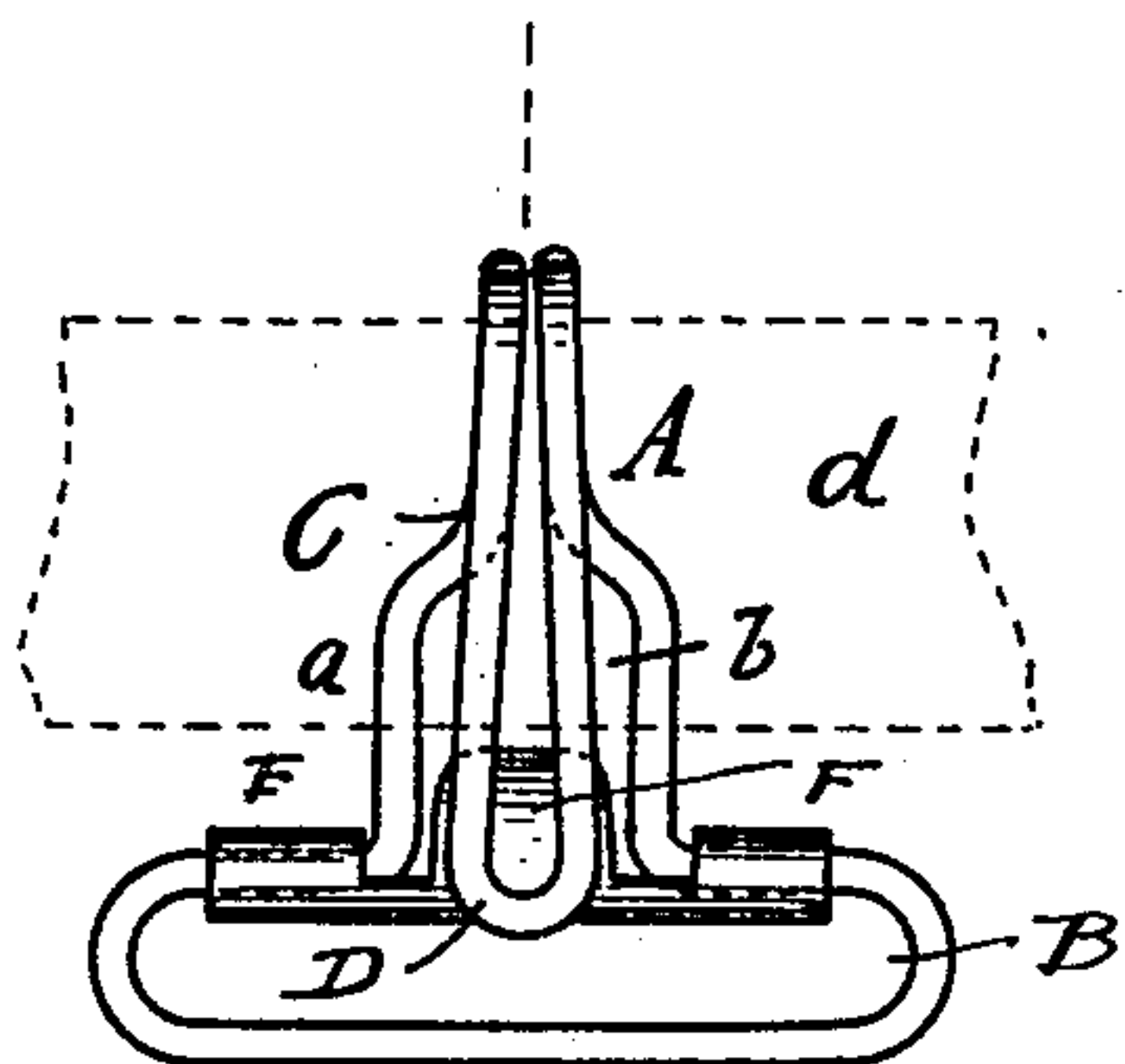


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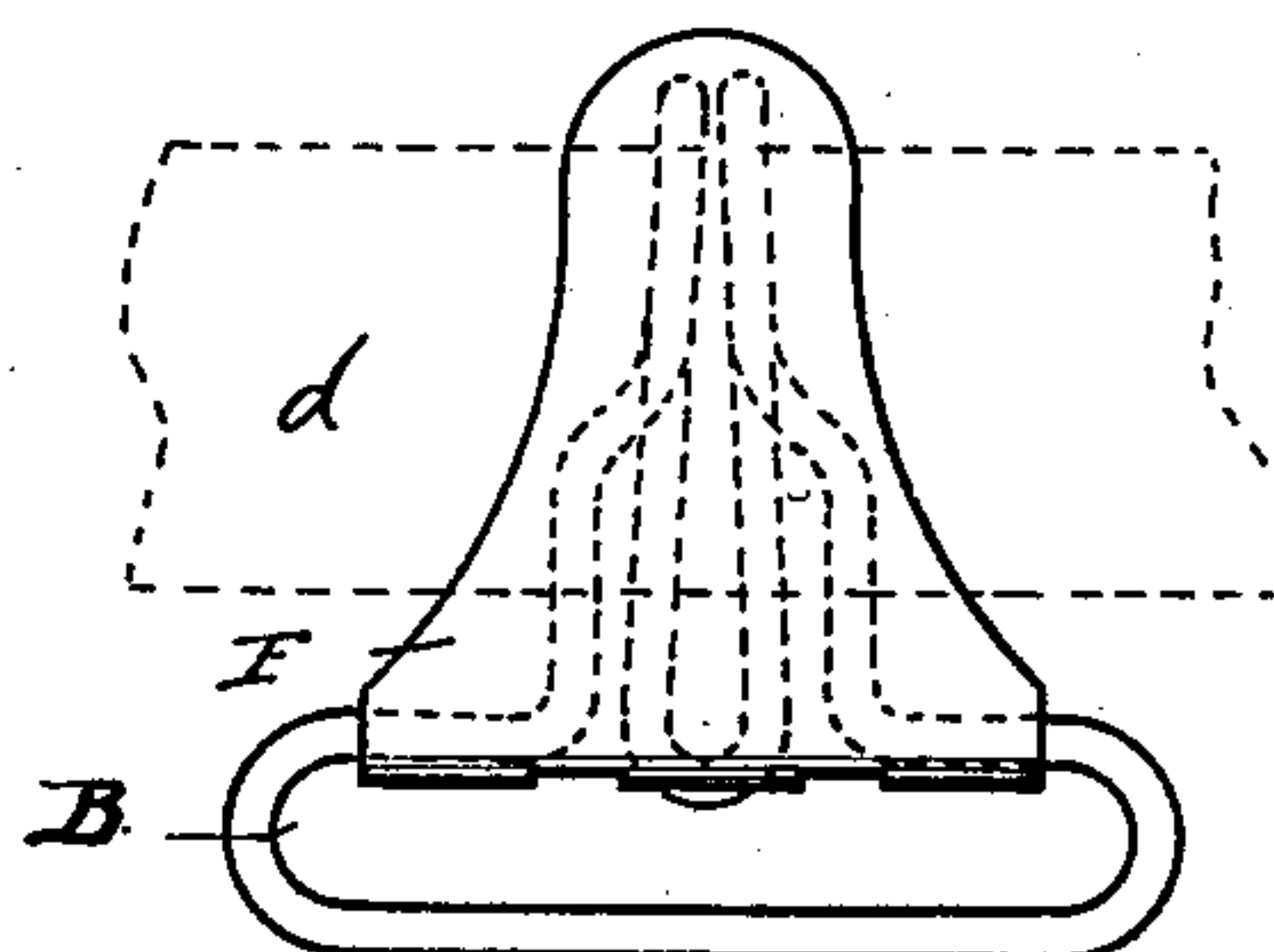
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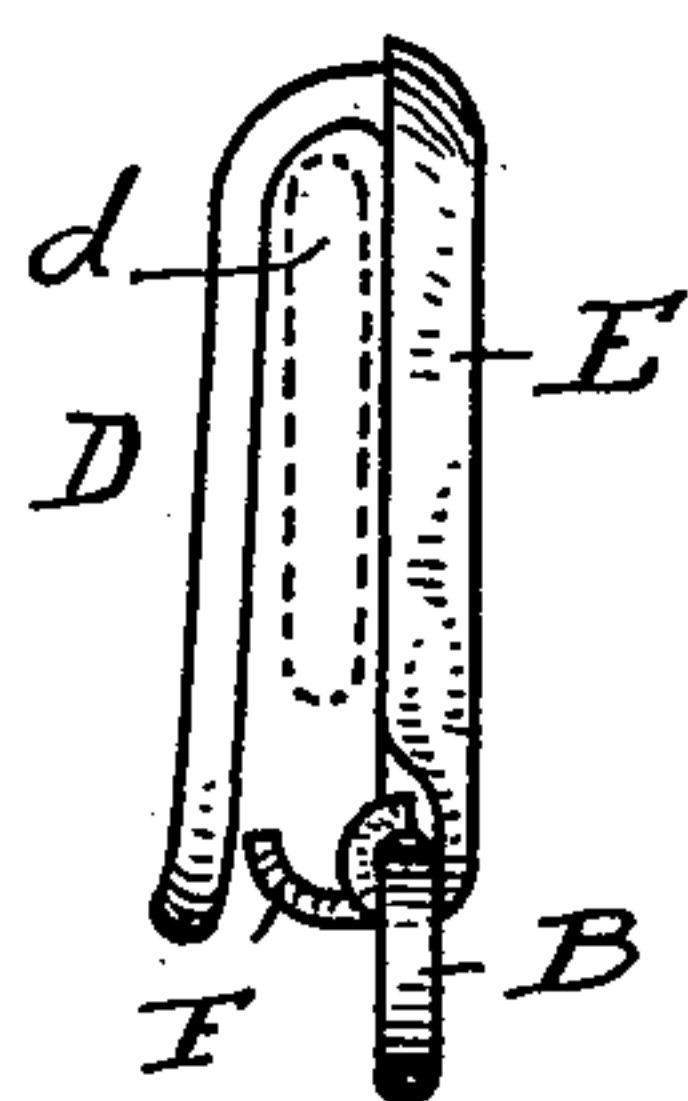
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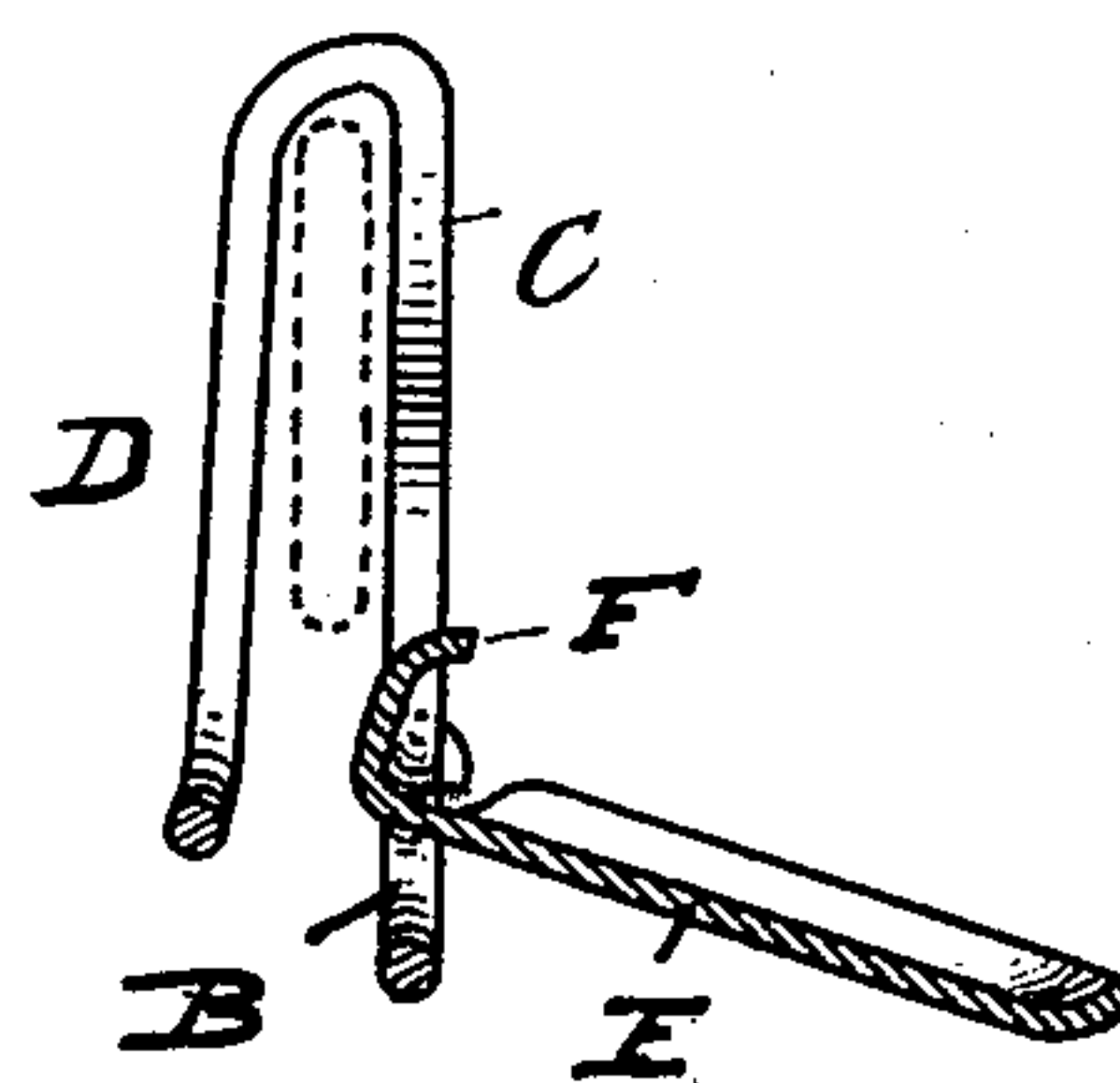
*Fig: 1*



*Fig: 2*



*Fig: 3*



*Fig: 4*

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## SUSPENSION-CLASP.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, MAX RUBIN, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of New York, borough of Manhattan, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Suspension-Clasps, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to provide a new and improved suspension-clasp which is simple in construction, strong and durable, can be easily opened and closed, holds securely, and which serves for suspending or hanging an article.

In the accompanying drawings, in which like letters of reference indicate like parts in all the views, Figure 1 is a rear view of my improved suspension-clasp opened. Fig. 2 is a front view closed. Fig. 3 is an edge view closed. Fig. 4 is a vertical sectional view open.

The suspension-clasp is constructed with a wire frame A, having an elongated eye B or like part, by means of which the clasp can be attached to any suitable article or through which a piece of elastic or other band can be passed. From the top member of the eye B the two-shanked arm C extends upward, the upper end of which is bent over to form a hook D, by means of which the frame can be hung. The two shanks *a* are spread or separated at the lower end of the arm C, as at *b*. A plate E is hinged to the top member of the eye B in such a manner that it can be swung toward and from that side of the arm C opposite the one on which the hook D is formed. This plate gradually increases in width from its upper toward its lower end, so as to cover, when raised, the arm C. On the lower hinged edge of the plate E an inwardly-projecting curved hook-prong F is formed, which is located between the shanks *a* and is substantially at right angles to the plate E.

When the suspension-clasp is open—that is, when the plate E is swung down, as shown in Fig. 4—the hook-prong F on the plate E extends upward between the shanks *a*, leaving the hook D entirely open, so as to permit passing it downward over the article from which the suspension-clasp is to be suspend-

ed—for example, a metal or other band or strip, as indicated by dotted lines at *d* in the drawings.

When the plate E is swung up and into the position shown in Fig. 3, the hook-prong F extends across the bottom opening of the hook D and closes the same and extends under the said article loosely, so said article is not clamped, and the suspension device when closed can be moved freely to and fro on said article in the direction of the length of the article. As it extends below the bottom edge of the strip *d* or other article, it prevents removal of the suspension-clasp from said article.

When it is desired to remove the suspension-clasp, it is only necessary to swing the plate E down and away from the arm C, so as to permit moving the suspension device upward.

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

1. In a suspension-clasp, the combination of an elongated eye B, a two-shanked arm C extending upward from the same and having its upper end bent over to form a hook D, the plate E hinged to the top member of the elongated eye B to swing toward and from that side of the arm C opposite the one on which the hook D is formed and a prong on the hinged end of the hinged plate E, substantially as herein shown and described.

2. In a suspension-clasp the combination with a frame having a two-shank arm, the free end of which is bent over to form a hook, the shanks of said arm being spread at their lower part, of a plate hinged on said frame at the lower end of said arm and having on its hinged edge a prong between the bent shanks of the arm and substantially at right angles to said plate, substantially as herein shown and described.

Signed at New York city, in the county of New York and State of New York, this 3d day of May, A. D. 1901.

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