

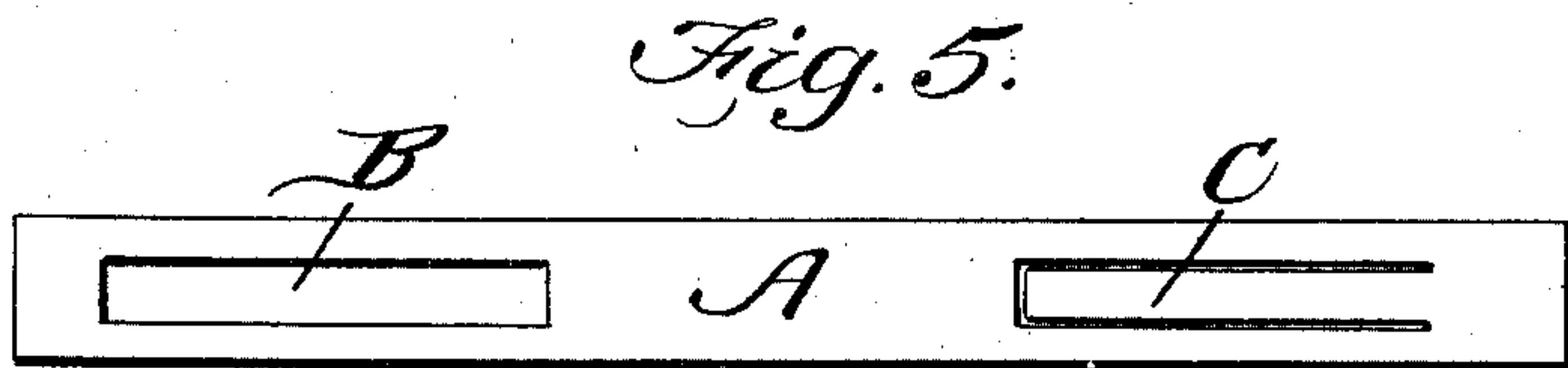
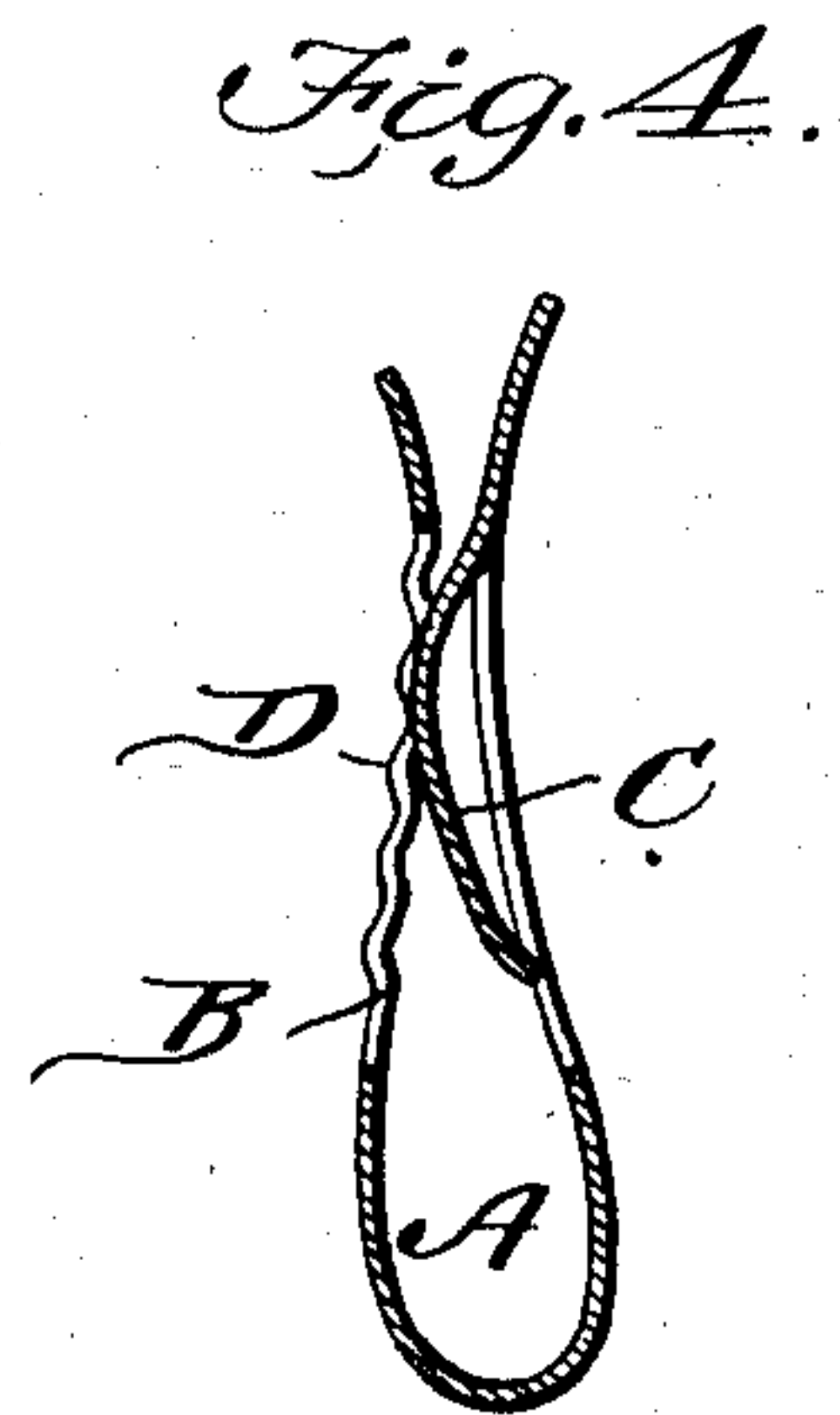
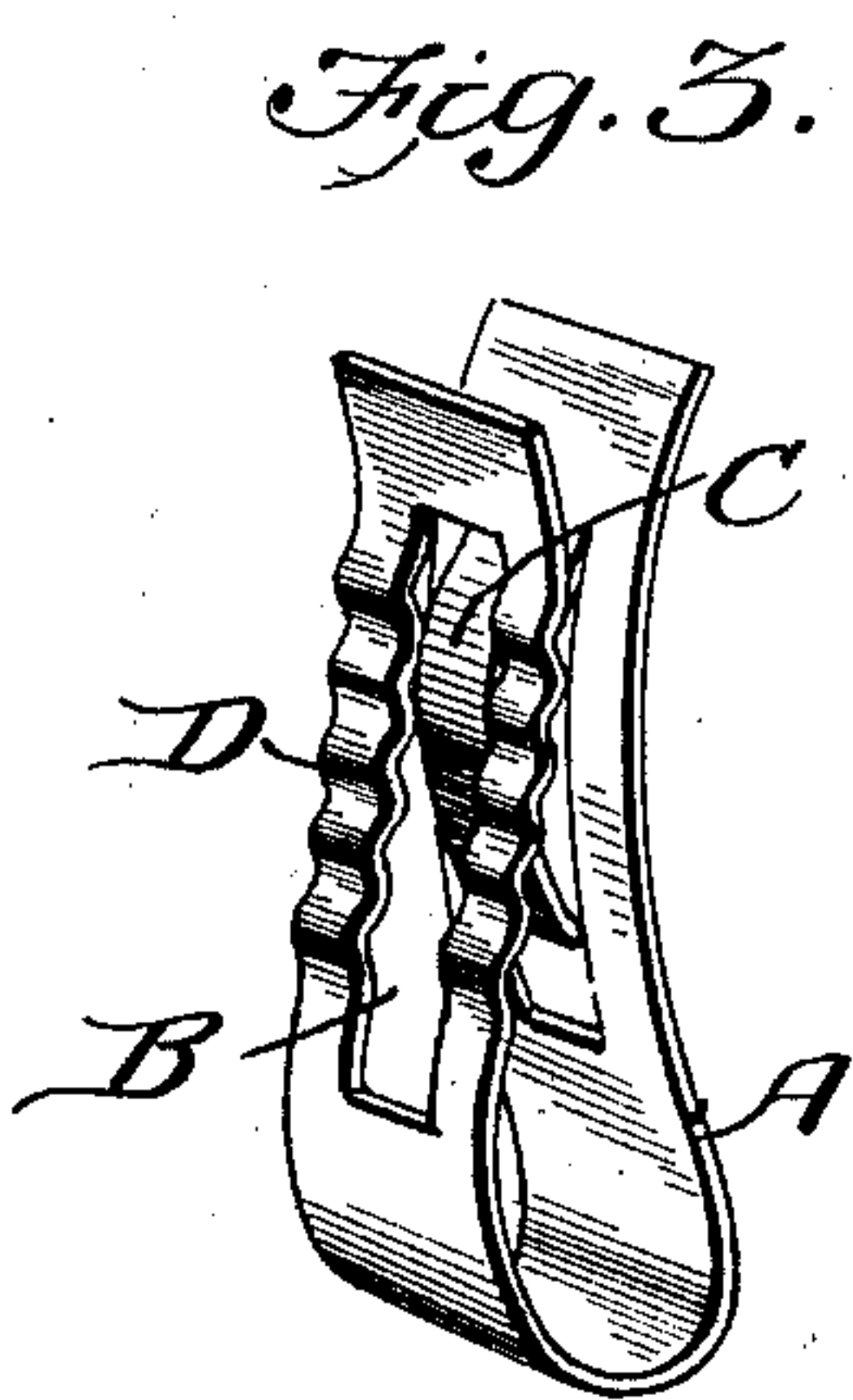
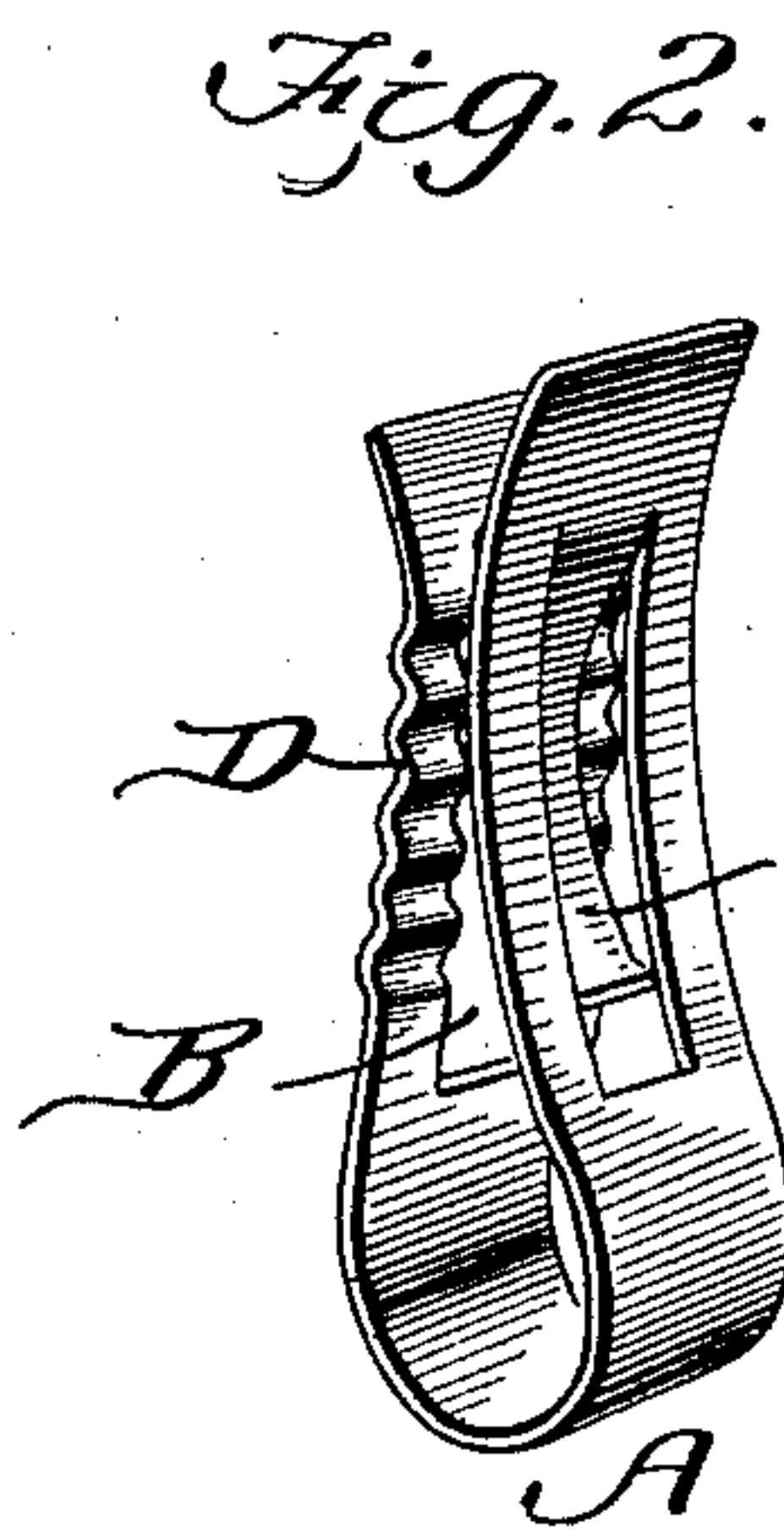
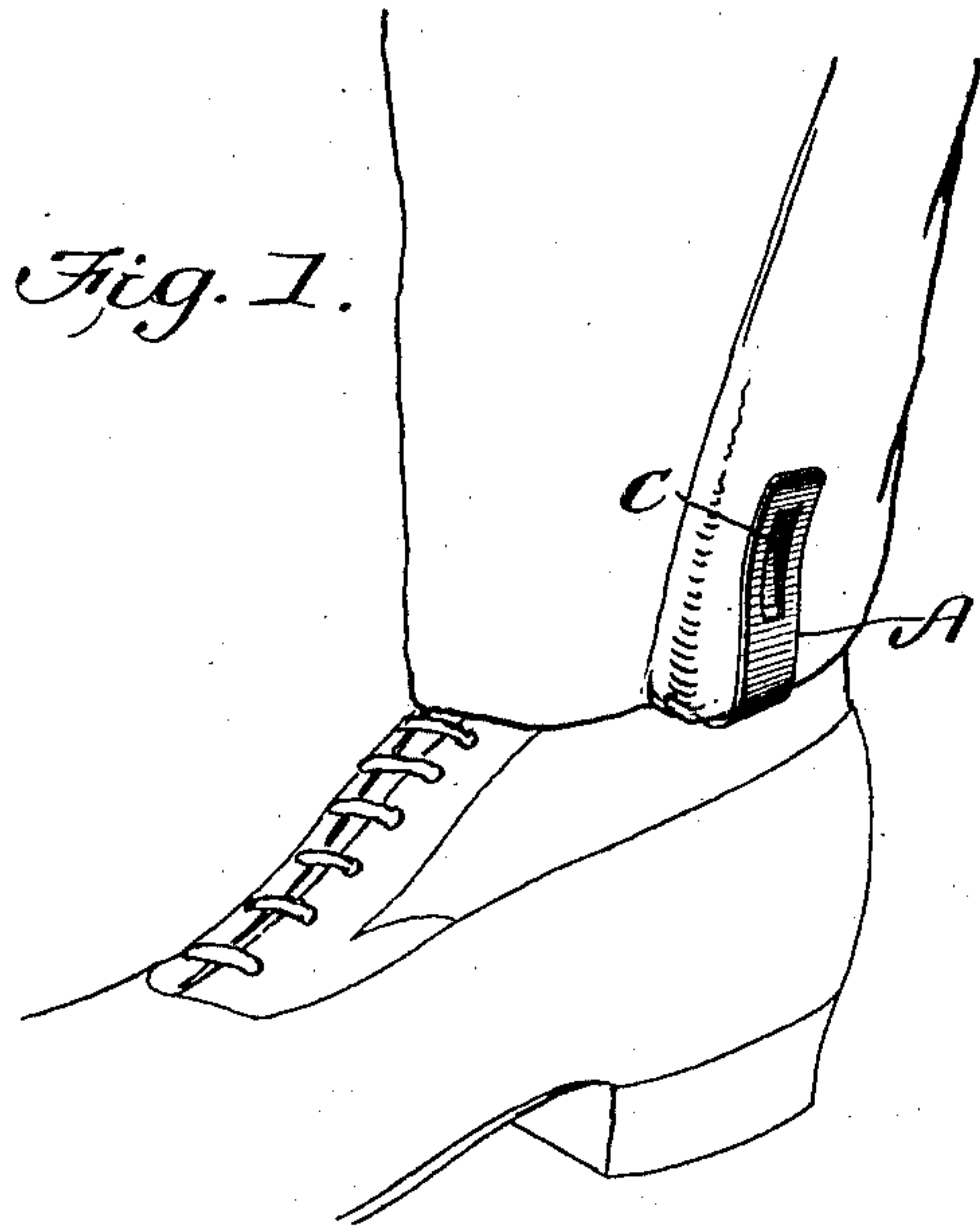
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GARMENT-CLASP.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EMANUEL H. GYSLING, a citizen of the United States, residing at West Hoboken, in the county of Hudson and State of New Jersey, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Garment-Clasps, of which the following is a specification.

This invention is a spring-clasp particularly adapted for use as a trousers-fastener for securing the overlapped portion of the trousers while bicycle-riding.

The invention is also capable of other purposes and may be employed in position anywhere it is desired to bind two or more thicknesses of cloth or fabric together.

The object of the invention is to provide an exceedingly cheap and simple construction of clasp and one which will be thoroughly efficient in its operation.

With these objects in view the invention consists in the novel features of construction hereinafter fully described, and pointed out in the claims.

In the drawings forming part of this specification, Figure 1 is a perspective view showing the practical application of my invention. Fig. 2 is a detail perspective view of the clasp as viewed from one side. Fig. 3 is a similar view taken from the opposite side. Fig. 4 is a central sectional view of the clasp. Fig. 5 is a plan view of the blank prior to being shaped into the clasp.

In constructing a clasp in accordance with my invention I employ a plate A of spring metal, said plate being essentially in the form of a rectangle, its length being considerably greater than its width, and adjacent to one end is produced a longitudinal slot B, and adjacent to the other end a longitudinally-arranged tongue C is punched from the body of the plate, the free end being arranged adjacent to the center of the plate. The slotted end of the plate is corrugated transversely, as shown at D, and the plate is then bent centrally upon itself in the form of a U, the ends of said plate being brought close together,

and the tongue C is curved inwardly and then outwardly, so as to have its bow portion normally extend into the slot B, as most clearly shown in Figs. 2, 3, and 4. In operation the bottom of the trousers is folded or lapped, as shown in Fig. 1, and the clasp brought into engagement with the said folded or lapped portion. The spring-tongue presses the cloth against the corrugated portion of the opposing member and also presses the cloth into the slot, thereby securely holding the said cloth against movement.

While I have shown my invention used as a trousers guard or clasp, it will of course be understood that it can be employed for other purposes.

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

1. A clasp of the kind described essentially U-shaped in form, one member being slotted longitudinally and the other member having a longitudinal integral tongue adapted to extend into the longitudinal slot of the opposing member, for the purpose specified.

2. A clasp of the kind described, essentially U-shaped in form, one member being slotted longitudinally, the opposing member having an integral longitudinal tongue, said tongue being bent in the form of a bow and extending substantially to the slotted portion of the opposing member, the said slotted member being corrugated transversely.

3. A clasp comprising a U-shaped piece of spring metal, one member of same being transversely corrugated and longitudinally slotted, and the other member having a tongue produced thereon, said tongue being bent inwardly, downwardly, and thence outwardly and adapted to force a portion of a garment into the slot of the corrugated member.

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