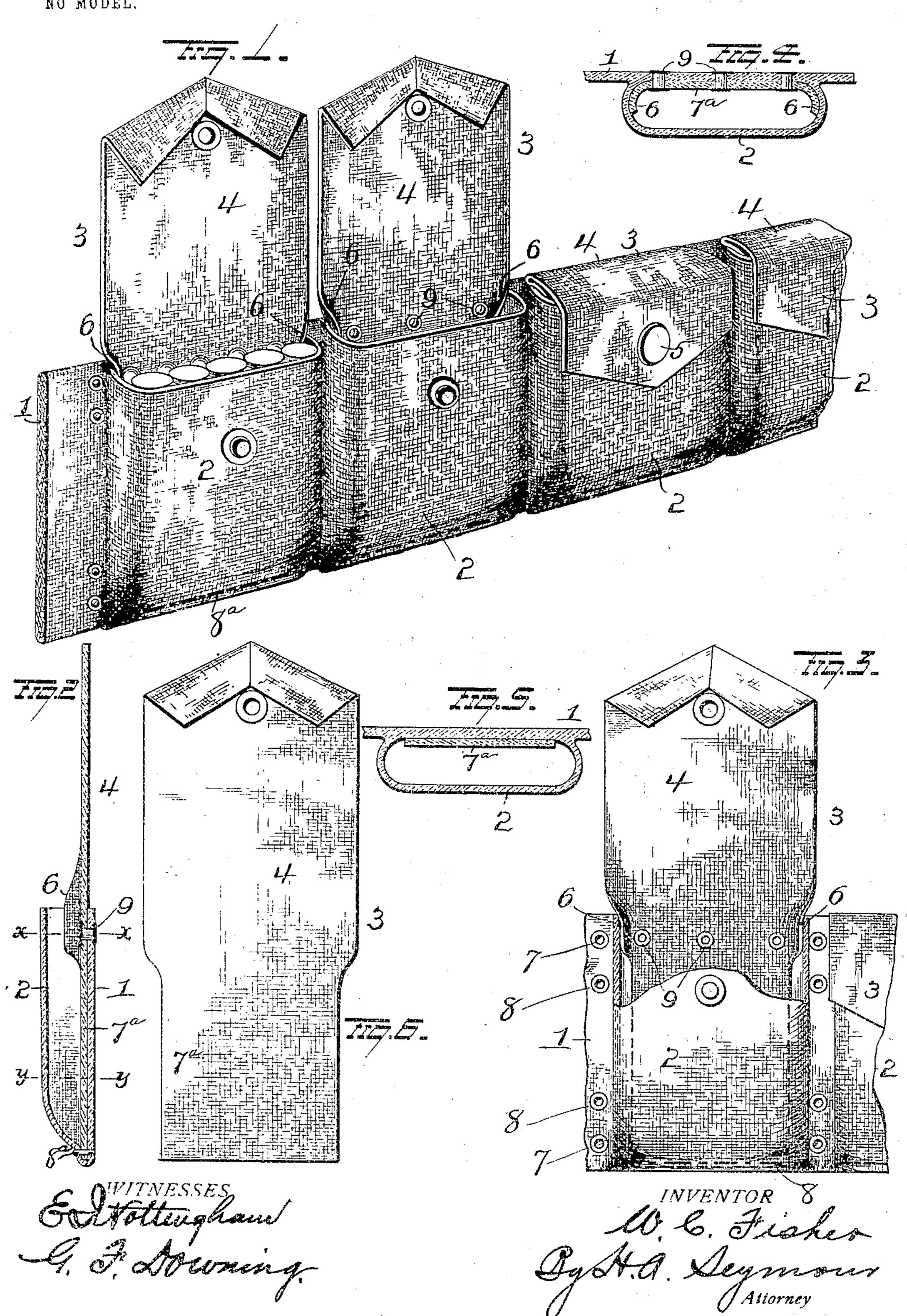
W. C. FISHER. CARTRIDGE BELT. APPLICATION FILED APR. 9, 1904.

NO MODEL.



United States Patent Office.

WILLIAM C. FISHER, OF MIDDLETOWN, CONNECTICUT, ASSIGNOR TO THE RUSSELL MANUFACTURING COMPANY, OF MIDDLETOWN, CONNECTICUT.

CARTRIDGE-BELT.

SPECIFICATION forming part of Letters Patent No. 764,803, dated July 12, 1904.

Application filed April 9, 1904. Serial No. 202,397. (No model.)

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM C. FISHER, of Middletown, in the county of Middlesex and State of Connecticut, have invented certain 1 new and useful Improvements in Cartridge-Belts; and I 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 10 the same.

My invention relates to an improvement in cartridge-belts, and more particularly to the covering for the pockets thereof, the object of the invention being to provide a simple and efficient cover which will not interfere in any manner when raised with removal of cartridges from the pockets, which shall be so constructed and connected with the belt as to present a smooth unobstructed surface at the back of the pocket, which will closely hug the tops of the cartridges at the ends of the pockets and prevent movement of said cartridges within the pocket, and which will be securely held against the back of the pocket throughout the full depth of the latter.

With these objects 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 perspective view of a portion of a cartridge-belt embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a transverse sectional view with the cover raised.

35 Fig. 3 is a face view, partly broken away and the pocket-cover raised. Fig. 4 is a transverse sectional view on the line x x of Fig. 2. Fig. 5 is a transverse sectional view on the line y y of Fig. 2. Fig. 6 is a face view of the cover 3.

1 represents the body of the belt and consists of a multiple-woven fabric having integral woven thereon stitched at the bottom, forming pockets 2. Each pocket is provided with a cover 3, also of woven fabric. The upper portion 4 of the cover is made somewhat wider than the width of the pocket, so that when said cover is folded over the top of the

pocket and secured to the front thereof by a suitable fastener 5 said cover will project 5° slightly over the ends of the pocket and protect the end cartridges, preventing the latter also from possible escape. The wide portion 4 of the cover is also made to project slightly. into the pocket to lie parallel with the ends 55 thereof, as shown at 6, so as to hug the end cartridges, holding them snugly within the pocket and preventing any rattling or other movement of said cartridges. The lower narrow portion 7^a of the cover constitutes a re- 60 inforcement for the back of the pocket and extends to the bottom thereof, where it is securely fastened by the stitching 8°, said stitching serving also to secure the bottom of the pocket to the belt. The cover is also secured 65 to the belt by eyelets 9 or other suitable fastening devices at points near the top of the pocket and near the lower end of the wide portion of the cover.

By constructing the cover and attaching it 70 to the pocket, as above described, the cartridges will not only be fully protected, but they will be held snugly in place, superfluous stock and undue crowding of the cartridges are avoided, the back of the pocket will be re-75 inforced with a fixed portion of the cover, obstructive seams heretofore encountered with the attachment of the cover to the inside of the pocket will be avoided, and the lower narrow portion of the cover being firmly secured at the bottom of the pocket it cannot become displaced and interfere with the ready withdrawal of cartridges from or their insertion into the pocket.

The belt may be provided with eyelets 7 for 85 the accommodation of suspending devices and eyelets 8 for the reception of fastening means.

My improvements are simple in construction, cheap and easy to manufacture, and effective and convenient in use:

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

1. The combination with a cartridge-belt having a pocket thereon, of a cover for the 95 pocket having an upper portion wider than

the width of the pocket, and having a lower portion secured within the bottom of the pocket, and means for securing said cover to the belt near the top of the pocket.

5 2. The combination with a cartridge-belt having a pocket thereon, of a cover for the pocket, said cover having an upper portion wider than the width of the pocket and a narrower lower portion lying against the inner back face of the pocket and secured at its lower end at the bottom of the pocket, said wide portion of the cover extending into the

upper portion of the pocket parallel with the ends thereof, and means for securing the cover to the back of the pocket near the top of the 15 latter.

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

WILLIAM C. FISHER.

Witnesses:

R. S. FERGUSON,
A. W. BRIGHT.