

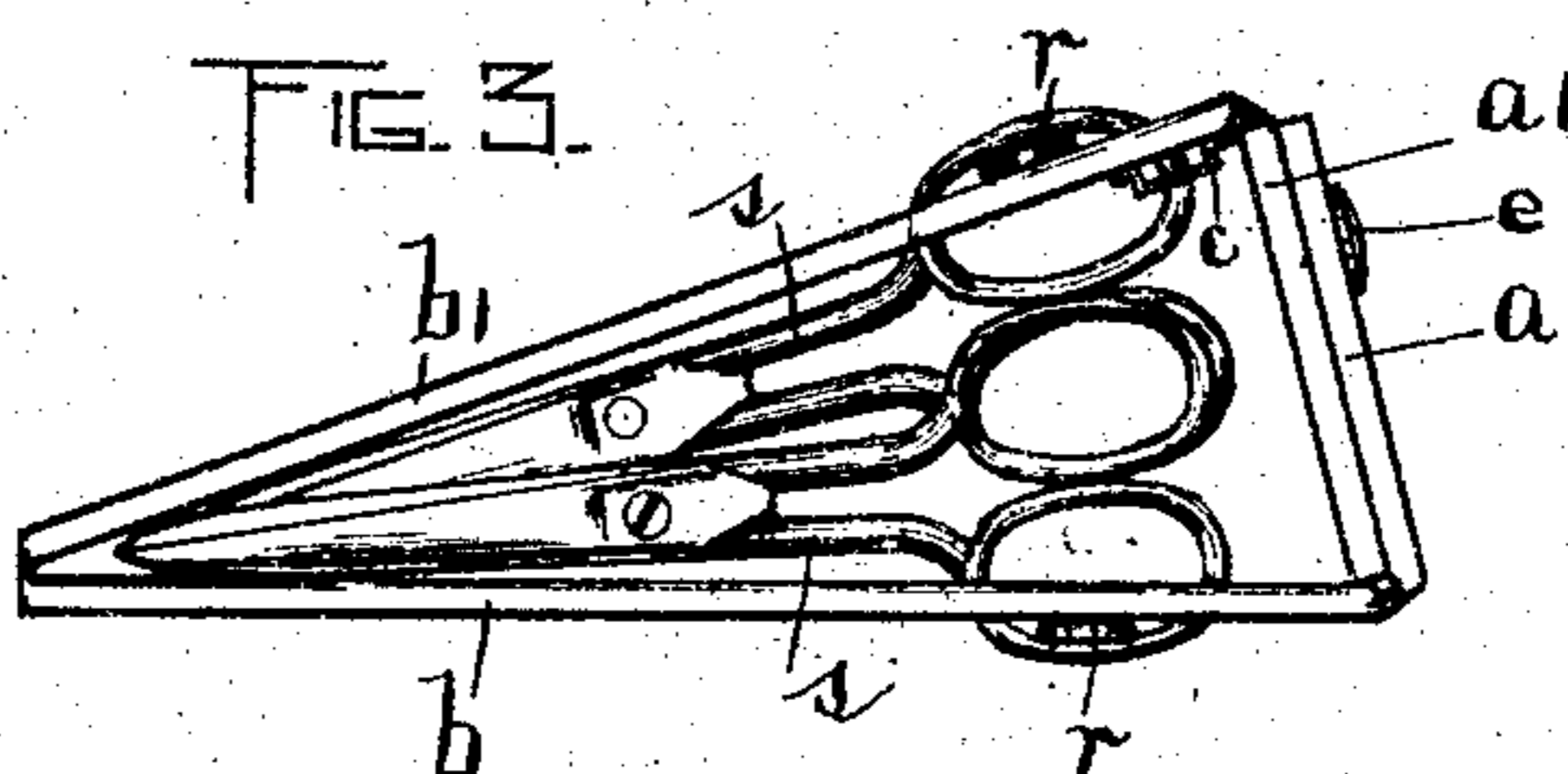
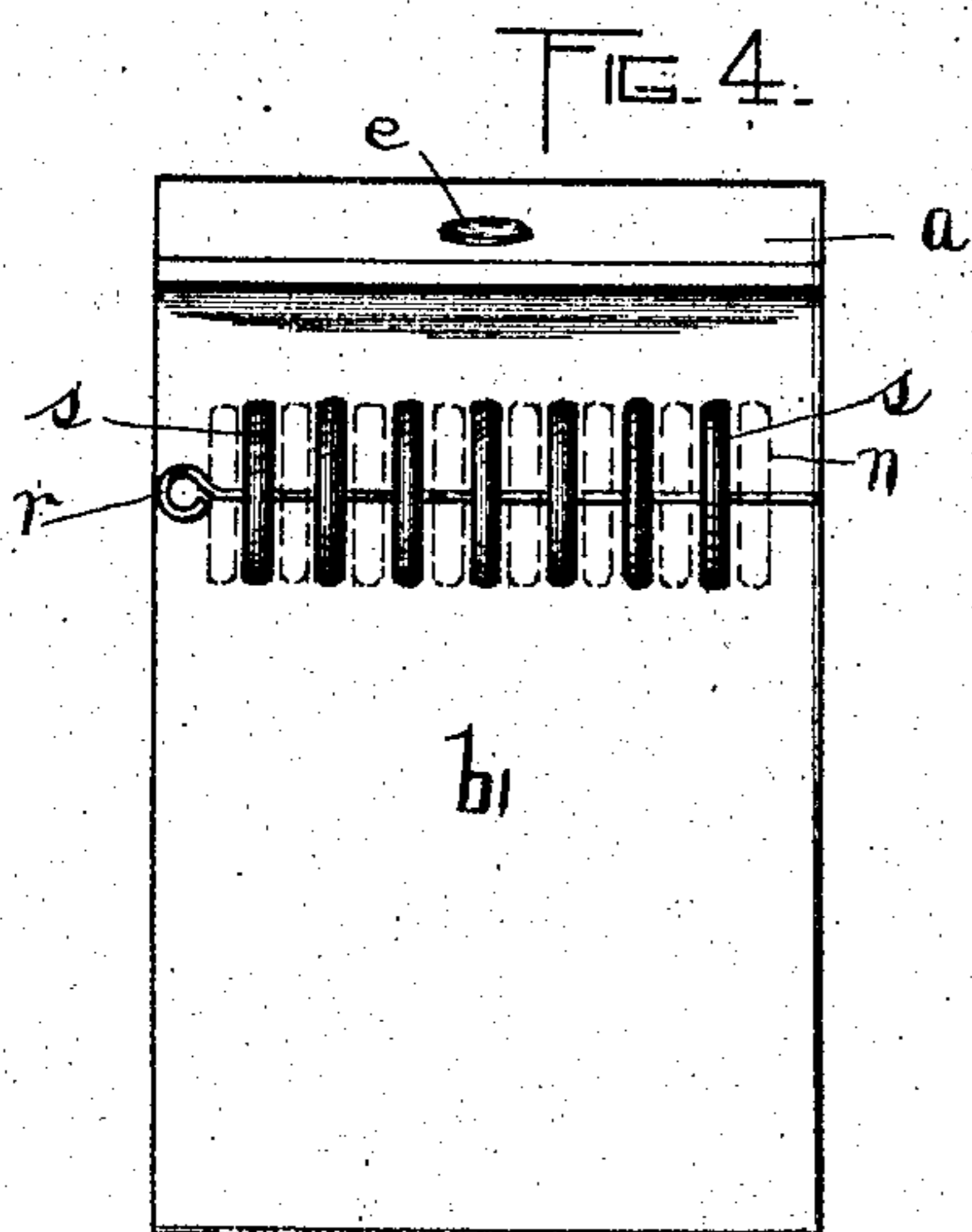
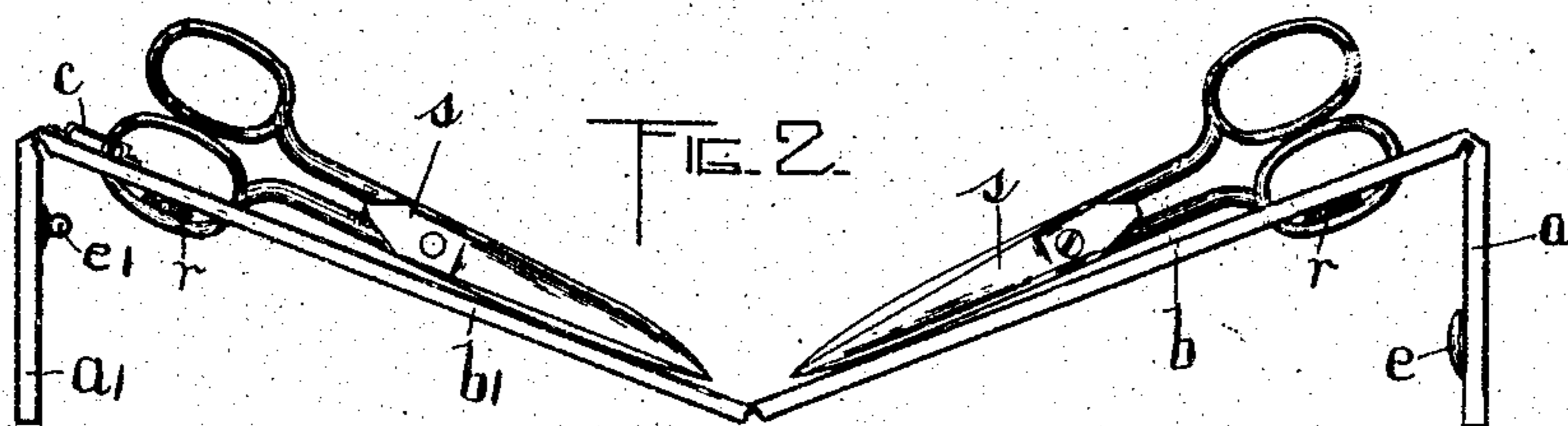
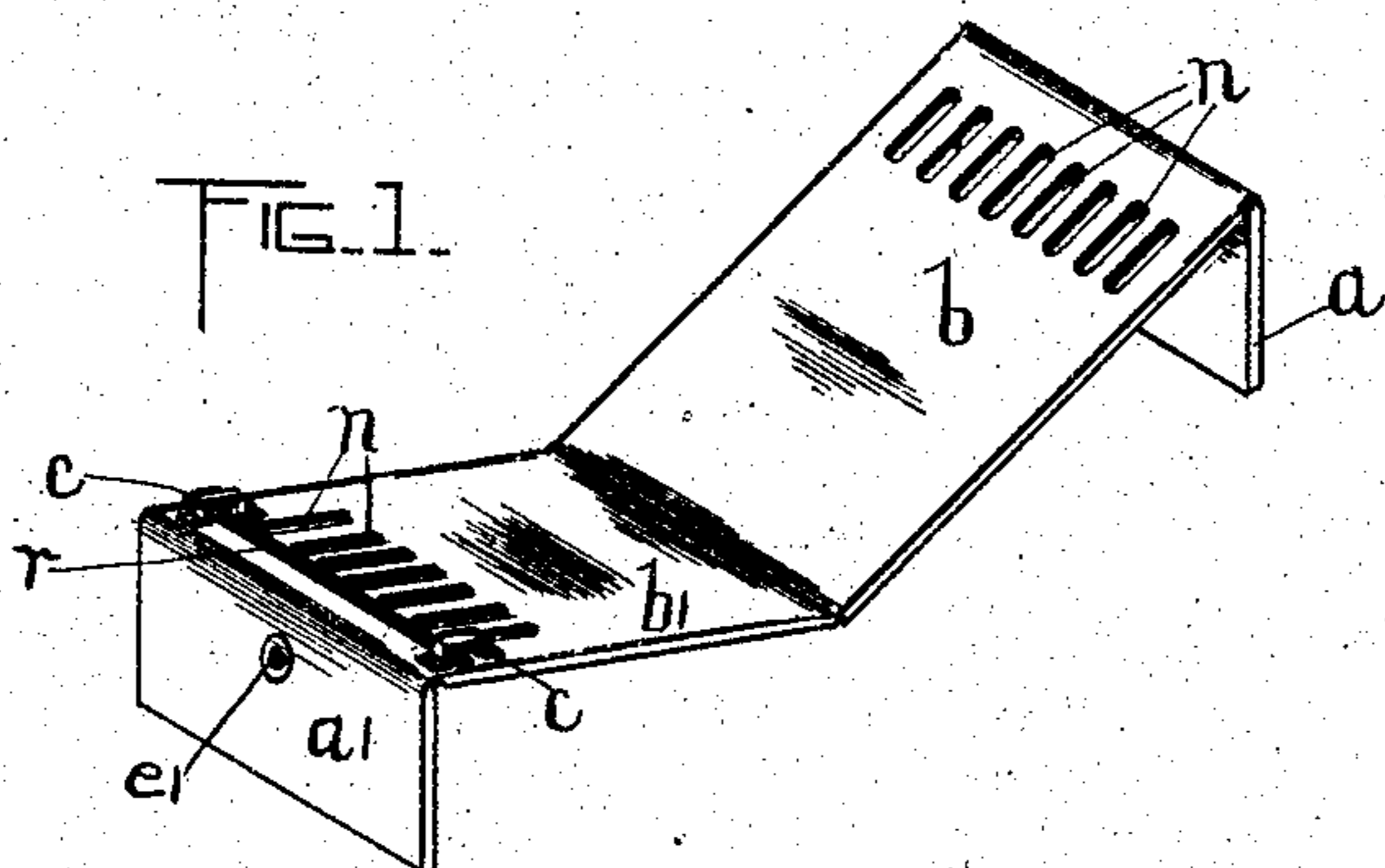
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TOOL-HOLDER AND CASE FOR SCISSORS, SHEARS, PLIERS, OR OTHER LIKE ARTICLES.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, FANNIE GUTMANN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Rochester, in the county of Monroe and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Tool-Holder and Case for Scissors, Shears, Pliers, or other Like Articles, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a holder for that class of tools having finger-rings or handles of a loop or ring like construction, such as scissors, shears, pliers, &c.

My invention consists in a combined case and holder for tools of the class just described and provides a ready receptacle for retaining such tools so arranged that they may be readily inspected and any missing ones readily detected, and it also provides a means for exhibition of such tools, as on cards in show-cases, &c., and at the same time when my tool-holder is folded up it constitutes a convenient case for retaining such tools in a shape well adapted to transportation whether by shipment or for exhibition, as by commercial travelers.

My invention consists, preferably, in two hinged portions having slots therein for the insertion of the handles of the tools and with such slots in one section alternating with those in the other, so as to hold the tools in one section in positions alternating with those in the other section. At the free ends of these hinged or flexibly-connected sections I also provide two overlapping end or cover sections, also flexibly connected to the first and main sections and constituting also when the device is opened out a means for holding the main body portions of my holder in such a position as to exhibit the tools to the best advantage and hold the main slotted portions of the holder up and away from the table, counter, or other support therefor, so as to permit of the ready insertion of the tools with their looped or ring-like handles within the slots provided therefor in such body-sections. For retaining the tools in their respective slots I make use of retaining-wires, preferably one for each section and arranged on the under side of the main body-pieces and to pass through the loops or ring-like formation on the handles in such a way as to securely hold them in their re-

spective slots against removal. When the tools are thus held in the body-pieces by these retaining-rods, the body-pieces may be folded up together and the upper or cover sections locked together, so as to constitute a case for the tools, inclosing them on three sides.

The accompanying drawings, illustrating a tool-holder in accordance with my invention especially adapted to holding scissors or shears, are as follows:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my tool holder or case opened out. Fig. 2 is a side view of my tool-holder opened out, with one pair of scissors or shears seen in position in each of the two main sections thereof. Fig. 3 is an edge or end view of my holder with several pairs of scissors or shears therein and folded up ready for transportation or carrying. Fig. 4 is a side view of the case when folded up and shows the handles of the scissors or shears projecting through the slots therein and held in place by the retaining-rod, dotted lines indicating the location of the slots in the rear side.

Like parts are referred to by similar letters of reference throughout the drawings.

Referring to the drawings, that embodiment of my tool holder or case shown therein consists, essentially, in two side pieces *b* and *b'*, flexibly connected together, as shown, and flexibly connected to the outer ends of these side pieces *b* and *b'* are seen the end or cover flaps, respectively, *a* and *a'*. The parts *a* and *a'* are secured in their closed position by the usual button-clasp mechanism, comprising the parts *e* and *e'*, as indicated. The side pieces *b* and *b'* at their outer edges, or rather their edges connected to the cover-flaps *a* and *a'*, respectively, are slotted, as shown at *n*, to receive the handles of the tools or scissors *s* to be held; the slots in the part *b* alternating in position with those in the part *b'*. These slots *n* are, as indicated, of such a size that the loop or ring like handles of the scissors *s* will project therethrough far enough to permit of the insertion through such loops or rings of the retaining-rods *r* on the outer or under sides of the side pieces *b* and *b'*. The parts are so proportioned that these rods *r* are somewhat forcibly sprung in, just enough so to retain them in

place, locking the scissors or shears *s* in the positions shown in the drawings. When the rods *r* are removed, they may be retained with the case by inserting them under the clips therefor, *c*. The outer or cover plates *a* and *a'* serve, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2, when the holder is opened out to elevate the outer ends of the side pieces *b* and *b'*, and thus afford a display-card for the goods.

A tool-holder constructed in accordance with my invention answers admirably for retaining the tools in place, and when a large number of tools of such a character are distributed among pupils and then gathered up again and stored the absence of any one of such tools is readily detected without any counting.

When the tool-holder is closed, as seen in Figs. 3 and 4, the tools *s* are securely locked therein, and on account of the relative positions of the slots *n* in the members *b* and *b'* the tools *s* in one member, *b*, alternate in positions with the tools in the other member, *b'*. The button-clasp mechanism *e* and *e'* serves to securely lock the end flaps *a* and *a'* together, and thereby secure the entire holder in its folded-up position, as seen in Figs. 3 and 4.

I desire to call attention to the fact that each of the pieces *b* and *b'* constitute cover-flaps for the tools held by and contained in the other whether such part be slotted to receive tools in conjunction with the other or not.

What I claim is—

1. In a tool-holder, two flexibly-connected members each having slots therein for receiving the loop-like handles of the tools to be held and a fastening device for such tools comprising a rod for engaging the handles of the tools on the back sides of such slotted members.

2. In a tool-holder, two flexibly-connected members each having slots therein for receiving the loop-like handles of the tools to be held, a fastening device for such tools comprising a rod for engaging the handles of the tools on the back sides of such slotted members and flexibly connected to the outer end of one of such slotted members an end flap arranged to support the outer end of such slotted member in a raised position when the holder is opened out.

3. In a tool-holder, two flexibly-connected members each having slots therein for receiving the loop-like handles of the tools to be held and a fastening device for such tools comprising a rod engaging the handles of the tools on the back sides of such slotted members and flexibly connected to the outer ends of such slotted members end flaps arranged to support the outer ends of such slotted members in a raised position when the holder is opened out and means for securing such end flaps together when such slotted members have been folded up.

4. In a tool-holder, two flexibly-connected members each having slots therein for receiving the loop-like handles of the tools to be held

and a fastening device for such tools comprising a rod engaging the handles of the tools on the back sides of such slotted members, the slots in one of such members alternating with those in the other.

5. In a tool-holder, two flexibly-connected members each having slots therein for receiving the loop-like handles of the tools to be held, a fastening device for such tools comprising a rod for engaging the handles of the tools on the back sides of such slotted members and flexibly connected to the outer end of one of such slotted members an end flap arranged to support the outer end of one of such slotted members in a raised position when the holder is opened out, the slots in one of such members alternating with those in the other.

6. In a tool-holder, two flexibly-connected members each having slots therein for receiving the loop-like handles of the tools to be held, a fastening device for such tools comprising a rod engaging the handles of the tools on the back sides of such slotted members and flexibly connected to the outer ends of such slotted members end flaps arranged to support the outer ends of such slotted members in a raised position when the holder is opened out and means for securing such end flaps together when such slotted members have been folded up, the slots in one of such members alternating with those in the other.

7. In a tool-holder, two flexibly-connected members one of them having slots therein for receiving the loop-like handles of the tools to be held and a fastening device for such tools comprising a rod for engaging the handles of the tools on the back sides of such slotted member, the other member constituting a cover for the holder.

8. In a tool-holder, two flexibly-connected members one of them having slots therein for receiving the loop-like handles of the tools to be held, a fastening device for such tools comprising a rod for engaging the handles of the tools on the back side of such slotted member and flexibly connected to the outer end of such slotted member an end flap arranged to support the outer end of such slotted member in a raised position when the holder is opened out.

9. In a tool-holder, two flexibly-connected members one of them having slots therein for receiving the loop-like handles of the tools to be held and a fastening device for such tools comprising a rod engaging the handles of the tools on the back side of such slotted member and flexibly connected to the outer end of such slotted member an end flap arranged to support the outer end of such slotted member in a raised position when the holder is opened out and means for securing such end flap in position holding such members together when folded up.

10. In a tool-holder, two flexibly-connected members one of them having slots therein for receiving the loop-like handles of the tools to

be held the other member constituting a cover for the holder.

11. In a tool-holder, two flexibly-connected members one of them having slots therein for receiving the loop-like handles of the tools to be held and flexibly connected to the outer end of such slotted member an end flap arranged to support the outer end of such slotted member in a raised position when the holder is opened out.

12. In a tool-holder, two flexibly-connected members one of them having slots therein for receiving the loop-like handles of the tools to be held and flexibly connected to the outer end of such members end flaps arranged to support the outer ends of such members in a raised position when the holder is opened out and means for securing such end flaps in position holding such members together when folded up.

13. In a tool-holder, two flexibly-connected members one of them having slots therein for receiving the loop-like handles of the tools to be held and flexibly connected to the outer end of one of such members an end flap arranged to support the outer end of such member in a raised position when the holder is opened out.

14. In a tool-holder, two flexibly-connected members one of them having slots therein for receiving the loop-like handles of the tools to

be held, means for holding such tools in such slots.

15. In a tool-holder, two flexibly-connected members one of them having slots therein for receiving the loop-like handles of the tools to be held, means for holding such tools in such slots and means for holding such members in their folded-up position. 35

16. In a tool-holder, two flexibly-connected members one of them having slots therein for receiving the loop-like handles of the tools to be held, means for holding such tools in such slots and flexibly connected to the outer end of such slotted member an end flap arranged to support the outer end of such slotted member in a raised position when the holder is opened out. 40 45

17. In a tool-holder, two flexibly-connected members one of them having slots therein for receiving the loop-like handles of the tools to be held, means for holding such tools in such slots and flexibly connected to the outer end of such slotted member an end flap arranged to support the outer end of such slotted member in a raised position when the holder is opened out and means for holding such members in their folded-up position. 50 55

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