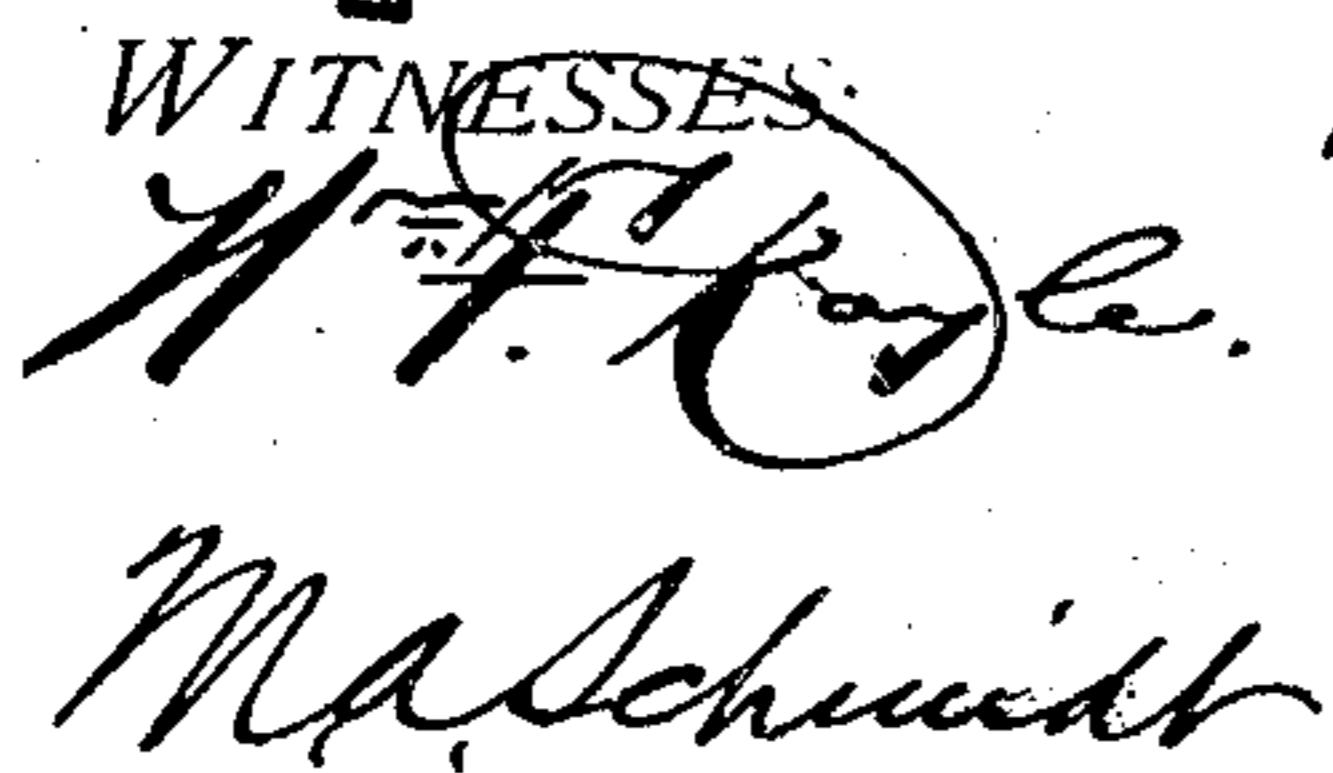
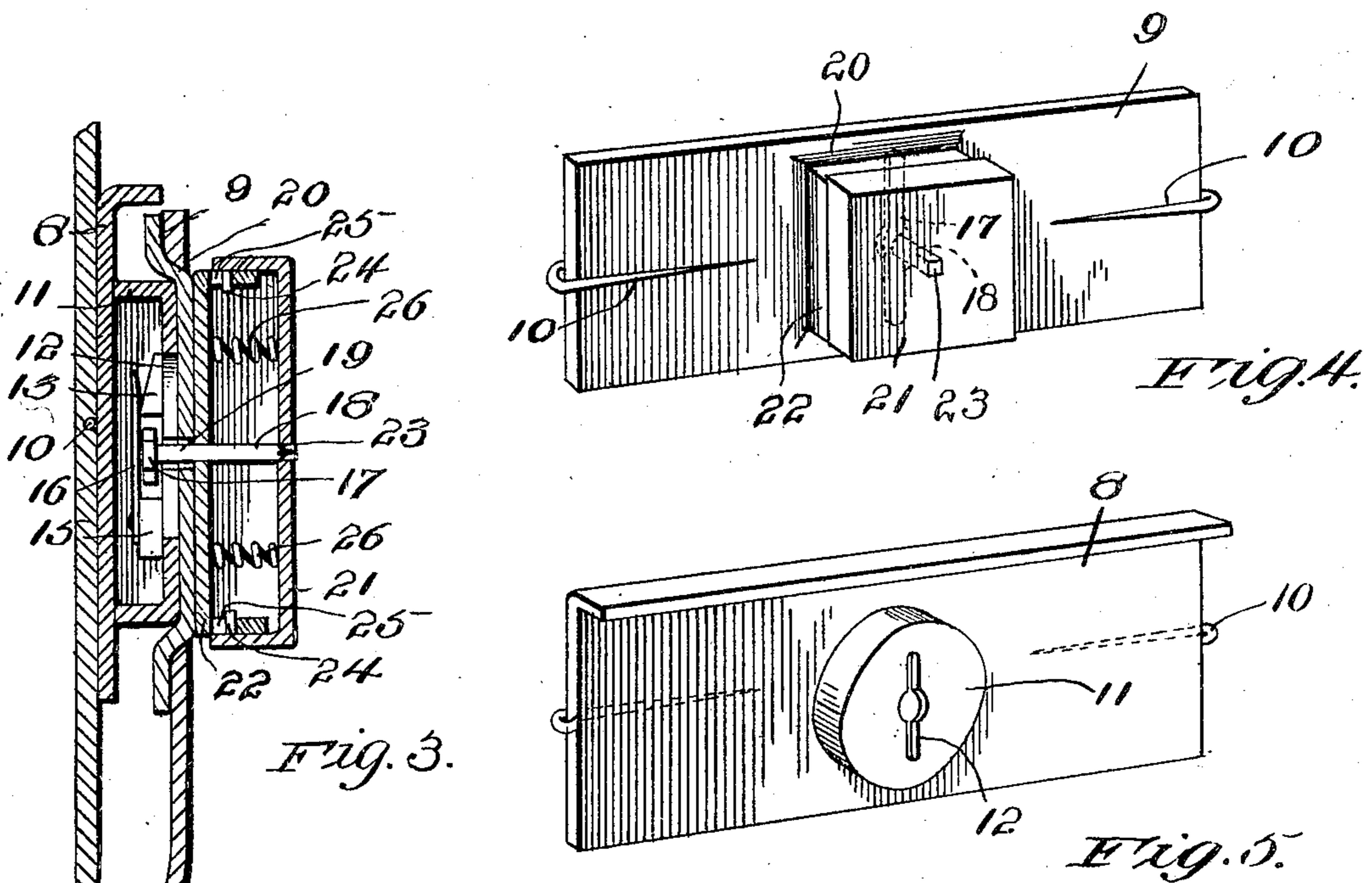
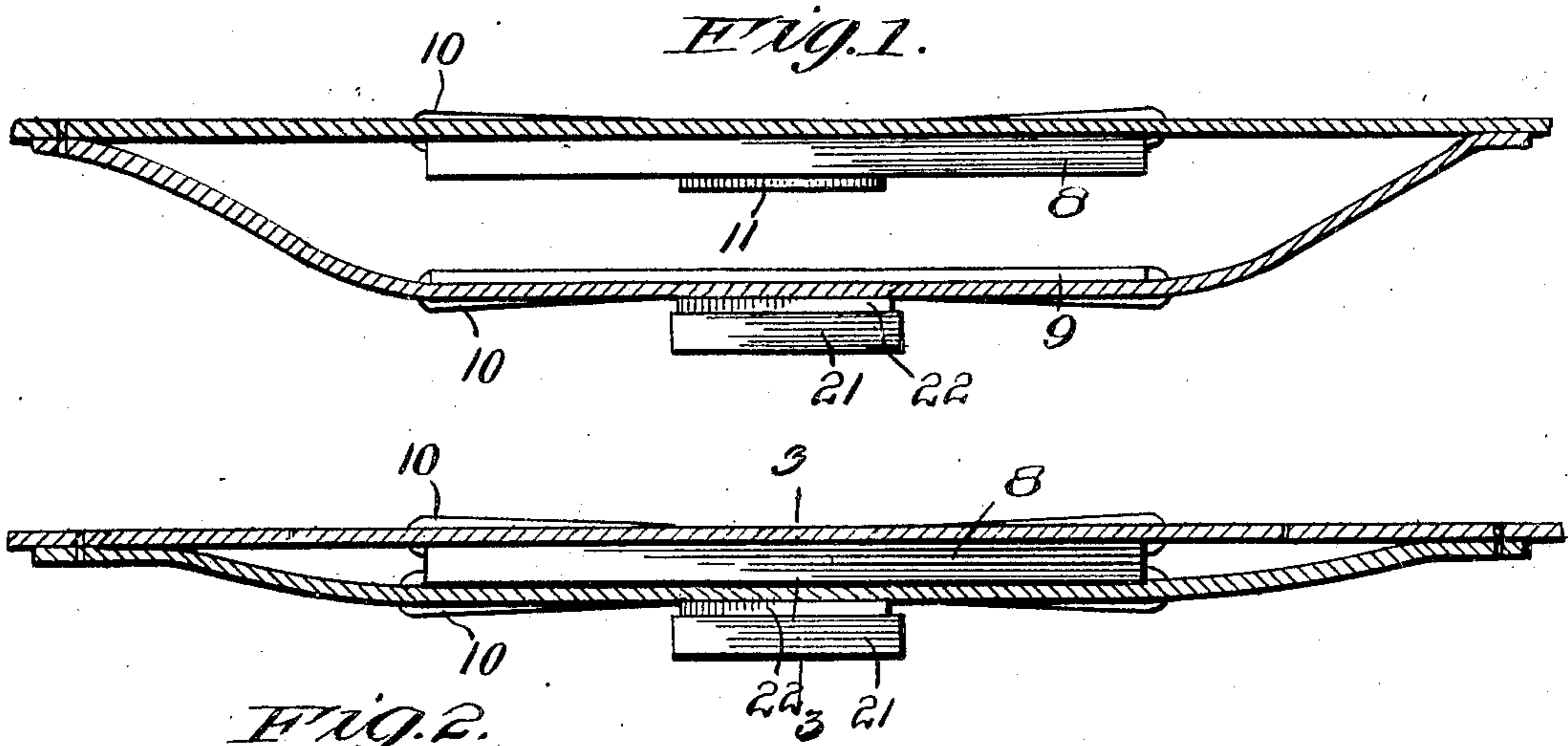


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HERMANN EINEHR, a subject of the Czar of Russia, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented new and useful Improvements in Protectors for Garment-Pockets, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to a protector for garment-pockets, and has for its object to provide a simple and efficient device for locking or keeping the pocket in a closed position to prevent loss of money, valuables, &c., therefrom by theft or otherwise.

To this end the invention consists in certain novel features of construction hereinafter described and claimed, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a plan view showing the position of the parts when the pocket is open. Fig. 2 is a plan view showing the pocket closed and locked. Fig. 3 is a sectional view on the line 3 3 of Fig. 2. Fig. 4 is a perspective view of one of the locking members detached. Fig. 5 is a similar view of the other locking member. Fig. 6 is a detail in perspective.

The invention consists in two plates 8 and 9, respectively, which are fastened opposite each other on the inside of the pocket at the mouth thereof, as clearly shown in Figs. 1 and 2. These plates are provided with a locking device, to be described, and which is operated at the wearer's will. Pins 10 or other suitable means are secured to the plates, whereby they are fastened to the pocket.

A casing 11 is secured to the face of the plate 8, and the end wall of said casing is provided with an elongated slot 12. Inside of the casing are blocks 13, which are on diametrically opposite sides of the slot and are formed integral with or secured to the end wall. The blocks are beveled, as at 14, for a purpose to be described. Opposite the blocks 13 are blocks 15, to which flat springs 16 are fastened, which extend over the blocks 13.

At 17 is indicated a latch which is rotatably mounted in the plate 9, being provided with a stem 18, extending loosely through said plate, as at 19. The latch is suitably shaped to enable its being extended into the casing 11 through the slot 12. The plate 9 is formed with a depression or recess 20, which the latch occupies when the pocket is

unlocked. The stem 18 also extends through a casing, which is in two parts 21 and 22, respectively. The outer end of the stem is squared, as at 23, and is secured in the part 21. The parts 21 and 22 are loose on the back of the plate 9 and telescope, as shown, the former being provided with pins 24, which work in slots 25, made in the latter, whereby the movement of said parts is limited. Coiled springs 26 between the parts normally hold the part 21 extended, in which position the latch 17 is retracted and lies in the recess 20. This is the position of the parts when the pocket is unlocked.

To lock the pocket, the part 21 is rotated until the latch registers with the slot 12, and said part 21 is then pressed inwardly sufficiently for the latch to enter the casing through the slot. The part 21 is then given a quarter-turn, which causes the latch to ride up the beveled portions 14 of the blocks 13 and drop over the ends thereof under the springs 16 and between said blocks and the blocks 15. The casing 11 and the parts therein are thus made to serve as a keeper for the latch, and the pocket will be securely locked. The part 22 turns with the part 21 when the latter is rotated.

To unlock the pocket, the part 21 is pressed inwardly sufficiently for the latch to lift up the springs 16 and clear the blocks 13. It is then given a quarter-turn to bring the latch in alinement with the slot 12. The latch will then be withdrawn from the casing 11 by the springs 26 pushing the part 21 outwardly.

The plate 9 will be secured to the outer piece of the pocket, and an opening is made therein through which the parts 21 and 22 extend to the outside.

Having thus described my invention, what is claimed as new, and desired to be secured by Letters Patent, is—

1. A pocket-protector comprising oppositely-disposed plates secured on the inside of the pocket, a rotatable and sliding latch carried by one of the plates and normally held retracted, means for operating the latch, and a keeper on the other plate.

2. A pocket-protector comprising oppositely-disposed plates secured on the inside of the pocket, a rotatable and sliding latch and means for operating the same carried by one

of the plates, and a keeper on the other plate,
said keeper comprising a casing having an
opening for the latch, blocks in the casing on
diametrically opposite sides of the opening,
5 and springs extending over the ends of the
blocks to retain the latch.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name

to this specification in the presence of two sub-
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