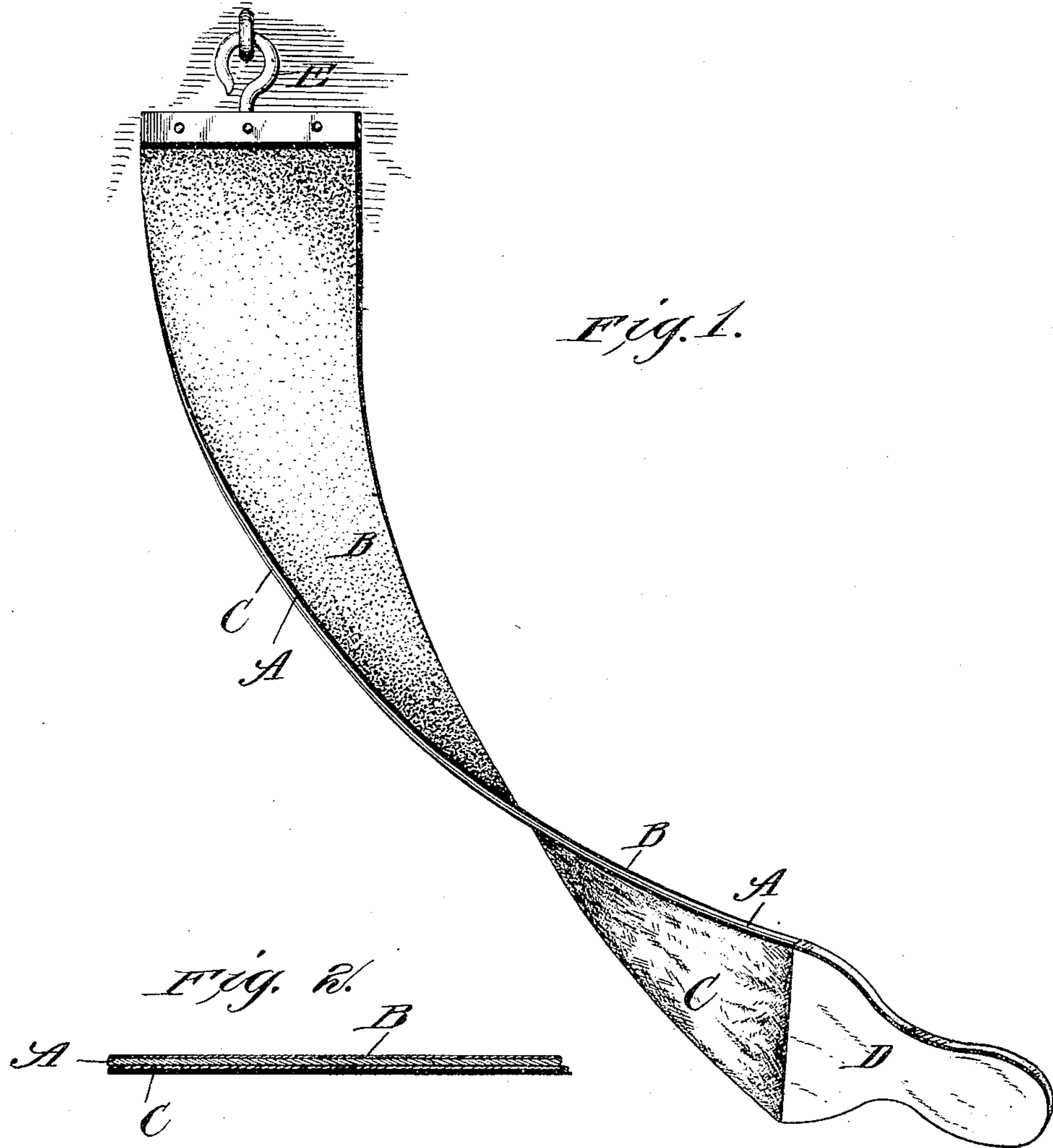


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ERNST F. ZARBOCK, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Centralia, in the county of Marion and State of Illinois, have made certain new and useful Improvements in Razor-Strops, of which the following is a specification.

My invention is an improvement in razor-strops, having for an object to provide a simple construction by which the razor may be readily sharpened and brought to the desired edge for shaving; and the invention consists in certain novel constructions and combinations of parts, as will be hereinafter described and claimed.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a razor-strop embodying my invention; and Fig. 2 is a sectional view thereof, somewhat enlarged in order to illustrate the different layers of the strop.

By my invention I provide a flexible-metal razor-strop which may be employed to put the edge on the razor and will require but a moment's time in order to secure such edge. As shown and preferred, the strop comprises a body A, which may be of any suitable textile fabric or other material, and is supplied on one side with a metal layer B of aluminium and on the other side with a finishing layer C, preferably of silk. In preparing the metallic surface the body A is coated with any suitable solution containing powdered aluminium or by rubbing the metal in a finely-powdered state on the surface of the body A, or it may be otherwise applied to or incorporated with the body A in manufacturing the strop, the purpose being to provide a flexible body having an aluminium surface or layer.

In practice I preferably use loose-woven linen to form the body A and apply to it a coating of rubber-cement. The aluminium is then applied in a powdered state by sifting or sprinkling it upon the rubber coat and

pressing it into the same. After this the metal surface is coated with banana-oil. By another method I first make a viscid mixture of powdered aluminium and banana-oil and then apply it to the fabric A.

The finishing side, consisting of a silk strip C, may be secured to the body A by any suitable paste or cement. The strop may be supplied, if desired, with a handle D at one end and a hook E or other suitable fixture at its other end, by which the strop may be suspended.

I thus provide a flexible razor-strop having on one side an aluminium surface, which will quickly bring a razor or other cutting-blade to a sharp edge, and on the other side a finishing-surface, which will remove the wire-edge produced by the metal side.

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

1. The razor-strop herein described, consisting of a flexible body, a metallic layer on one side thereof and a finishing layer of silk on the opposite side of said body, substantially as described.

2. The razor-strop herein described comprising a flexible body, a layer of aluminium on one side thereof and a finishing layer of silk on the other side of said body, substantially as described.

3. The razor-strop having finely-divided metallic aluminium incorporated in its surface, substantially as described.

4. A razor-strop comprising a soft non-metallic portion, the surface of which is covered with finely-divided aluminium mixed with an appropriate viscid substance, substantially as described.

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