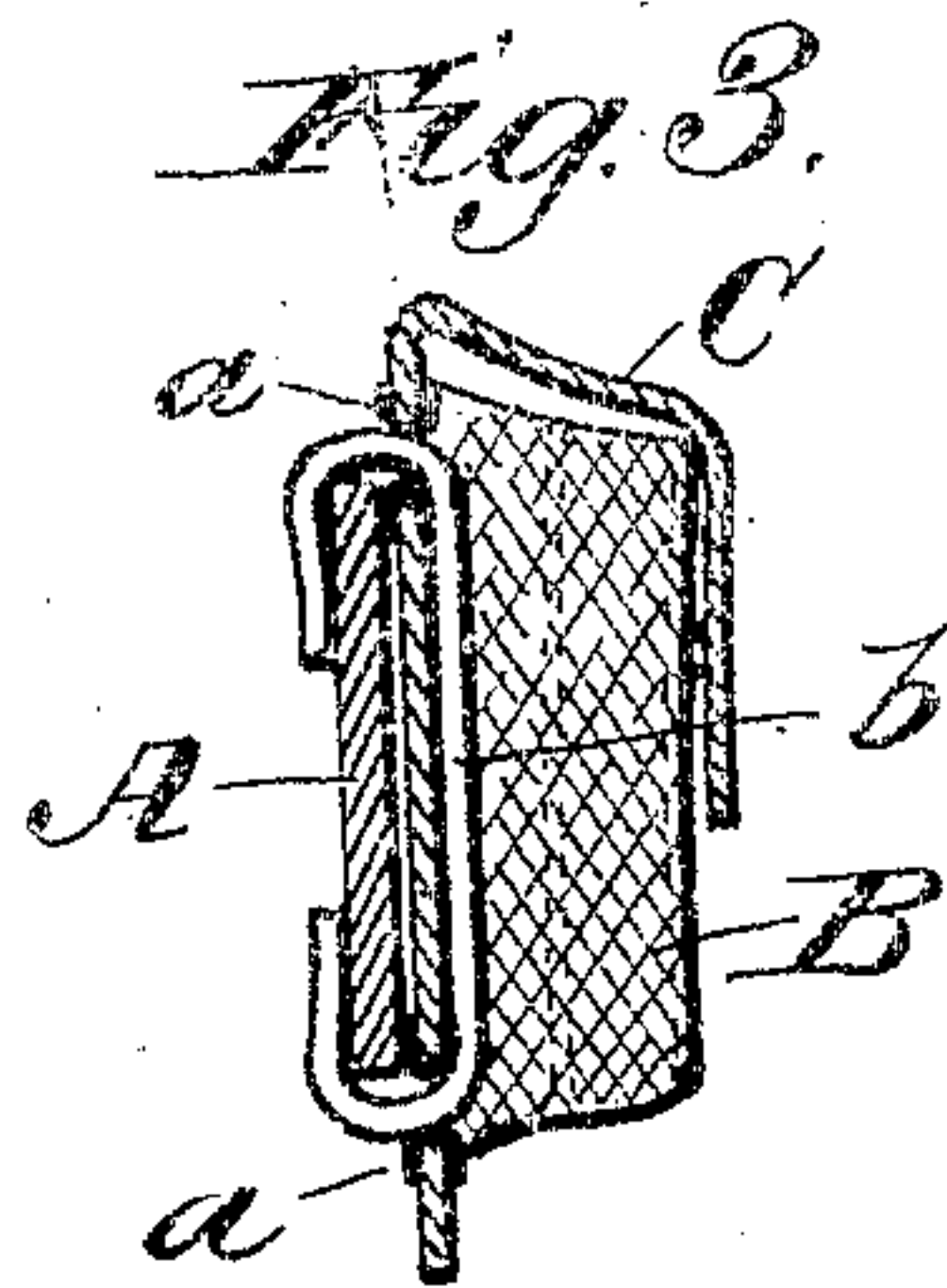
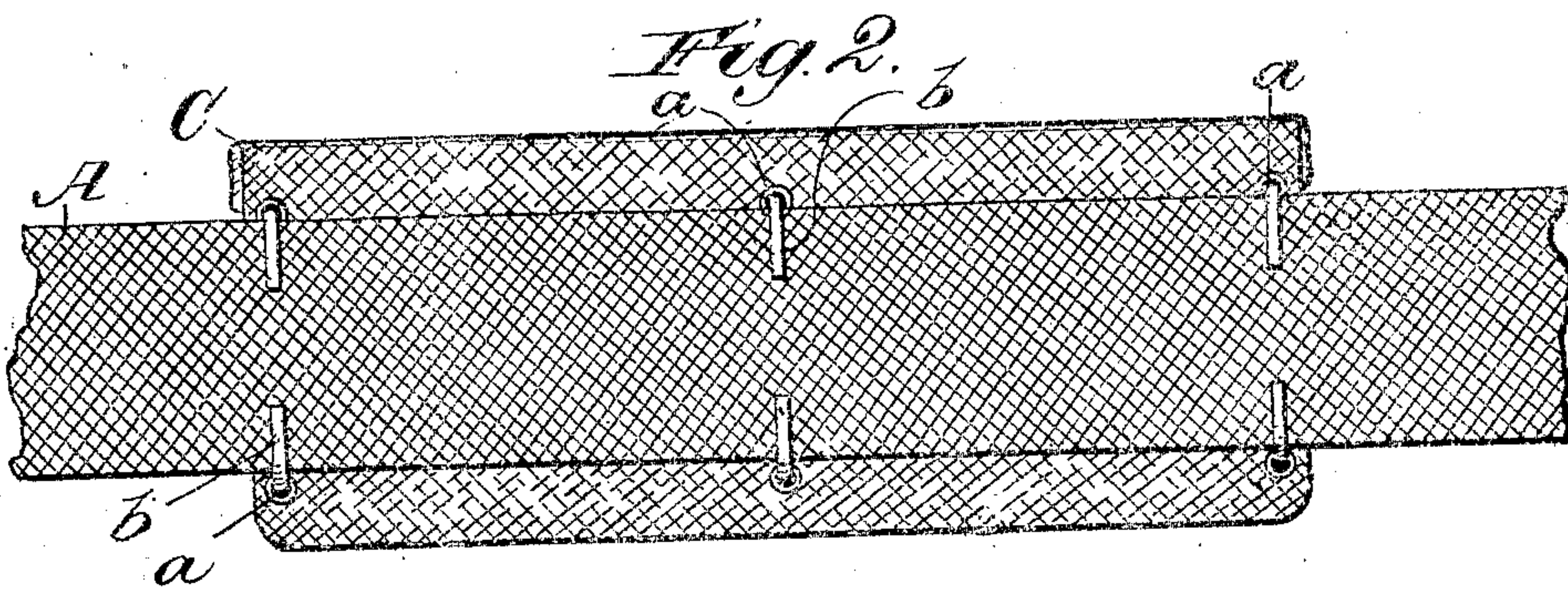
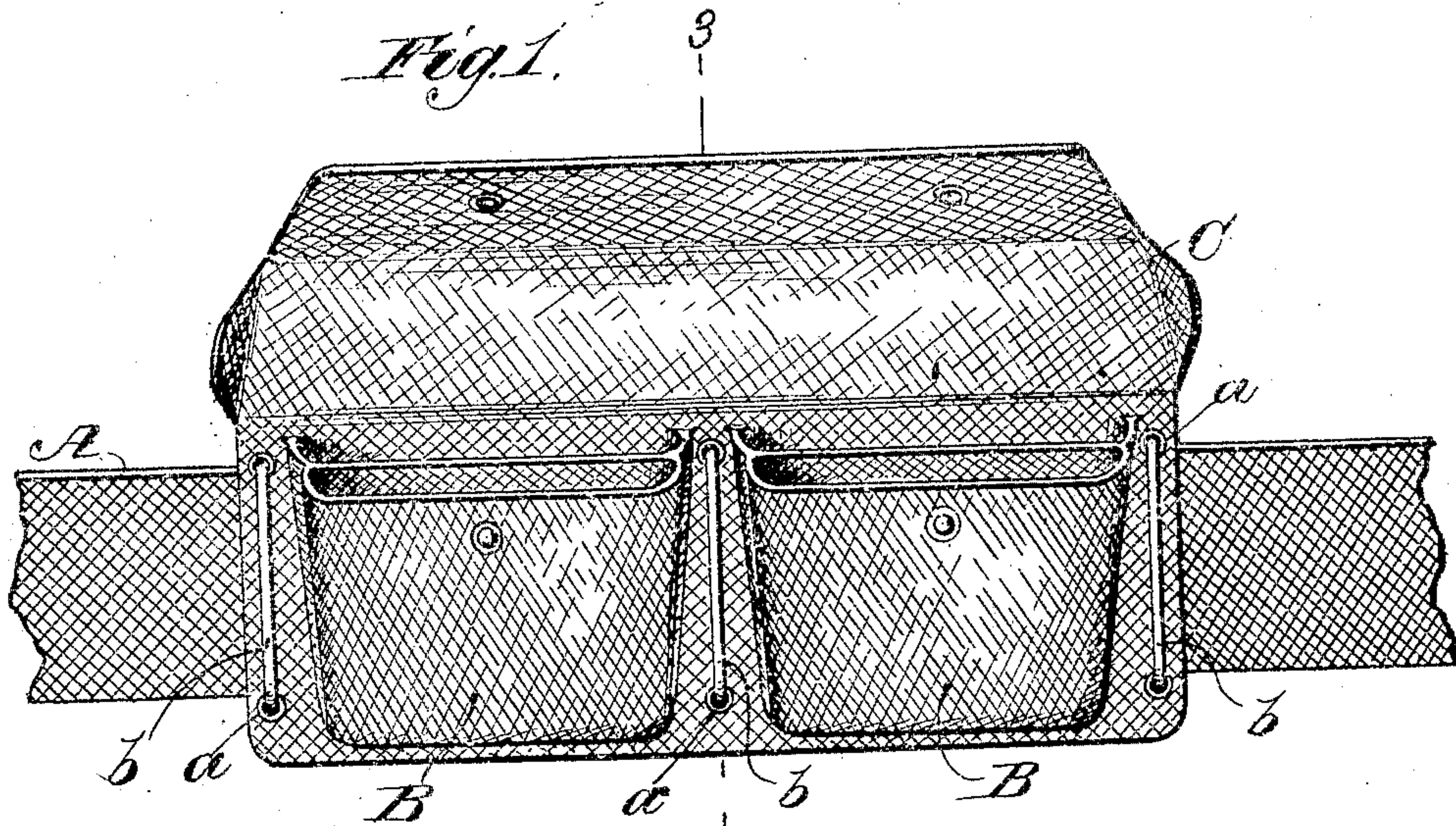


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, WILLIAM WESLEY GIBSON, of the United States Army, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of St. Petersburg, in the Empire of Russia, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Cartridge-Belts, of which the following is a specification.

The cartridge-belt in which my improvement is embodied is one in which the belt proper is combined with woven-fabric pockets detachably connected to the belt, being thus held to the belt by clip-like fasteners, which pass through eyelet-holes in the body fabric of the pockets and are provided with inner hook ends adapted to catch over the edge of the belt. It is this feature which characterizes my invention.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a front view of a portion of a belt embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a view of the same looking at the inner face of the belt proper. Fig. 3 is a section on line 3 3, Fig. 1.

A is the belt proper or support for the cartridge-pockets. It may be made of any suitable material, preferably woven fabric.

The pockets, which may be single or in groups, are lettered B. In the present instance they are in groups of two and are woven in one with a body fabric and with a cover C. They may be of any suitable dimensions, adapted to contain either loose cartridges or cartridges in clips, and may in the latter event be provided with partitions to separate the clips of cartridges from one another. I have illustrated but one group of pockets, the group being of considerably greater width than the belt to which it is applied. It will be understood, however, that as many groups may be applied to and associated with the belt as desired.

In each group of pockets there are eyelets *a* in pairs in the body fabric at the opposite ends and also in the interval between the two pockets. Through these eyelets pass the clip-fasteners *b*, provided with inner opposed hook ends which catch over the opposite edges of the belt proper, A, and hold the group of pockets firmly thereon, while at the same time permitting the two to be readily detached and separated from one another whenever desired. Each clip consists of a piece of stout wire of suitable length having its opposite ends bent toward one another, as clearly indicated in Fig. 3. These clips not only detachably and adjustably connect the belt and pockets, but they serve as stiffeners or a stiffening-frame to uphold in proper position the pouch or group of pockets and to prevent the same from sagging under the weight of the cartridges.

What I claim herein as new and of my own invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A cartridge-belt comprising a belt proper, woven-fabric cartridge-pockets and clip-fasteners *b* which pass from the front through eyelets in the body fabric of the pockets and are provided with inner opposed hook ends which catch over the opposite edges of the belt proper, substantially as and for the purposes hereinbefore set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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