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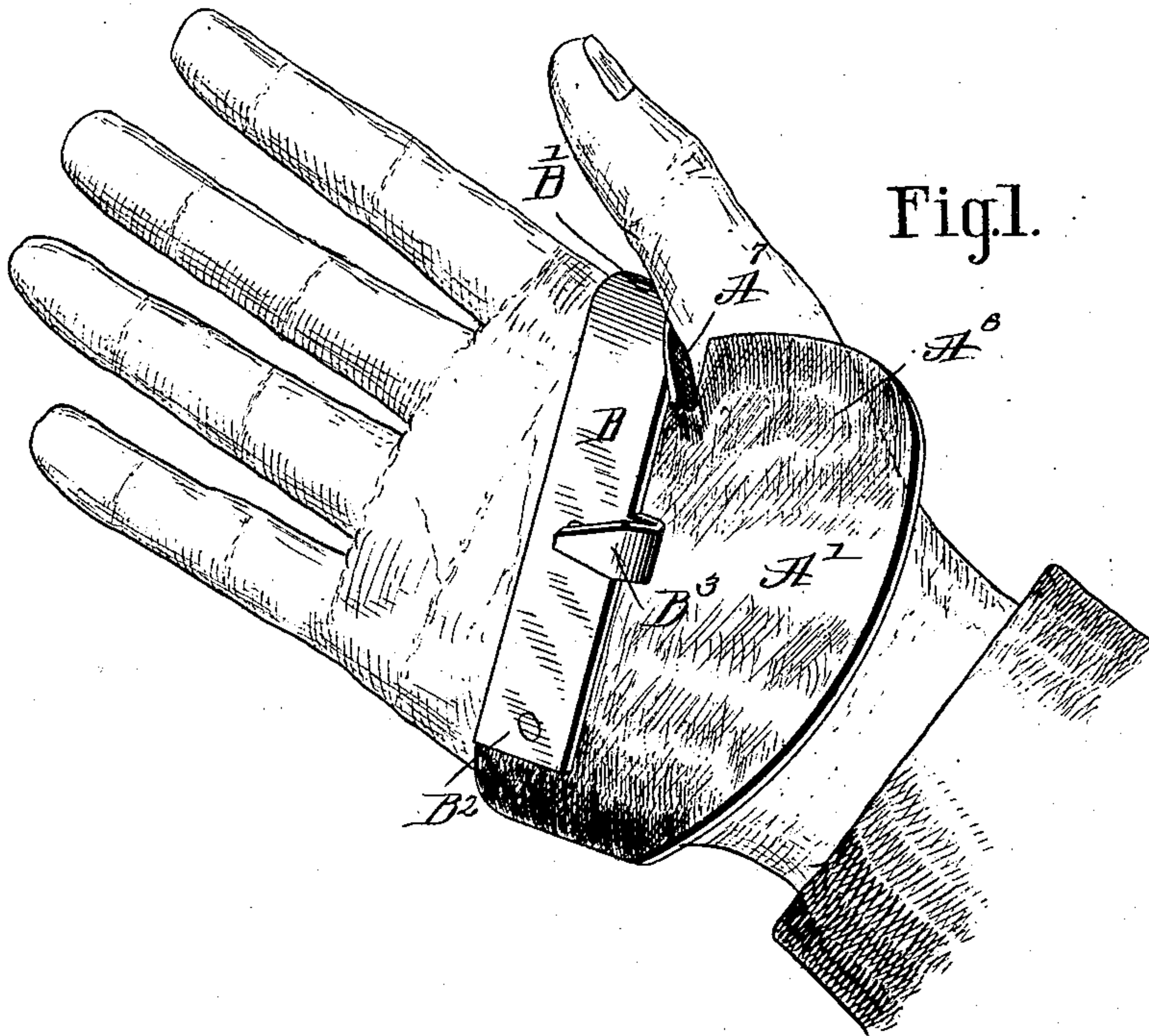


Fig. 1.

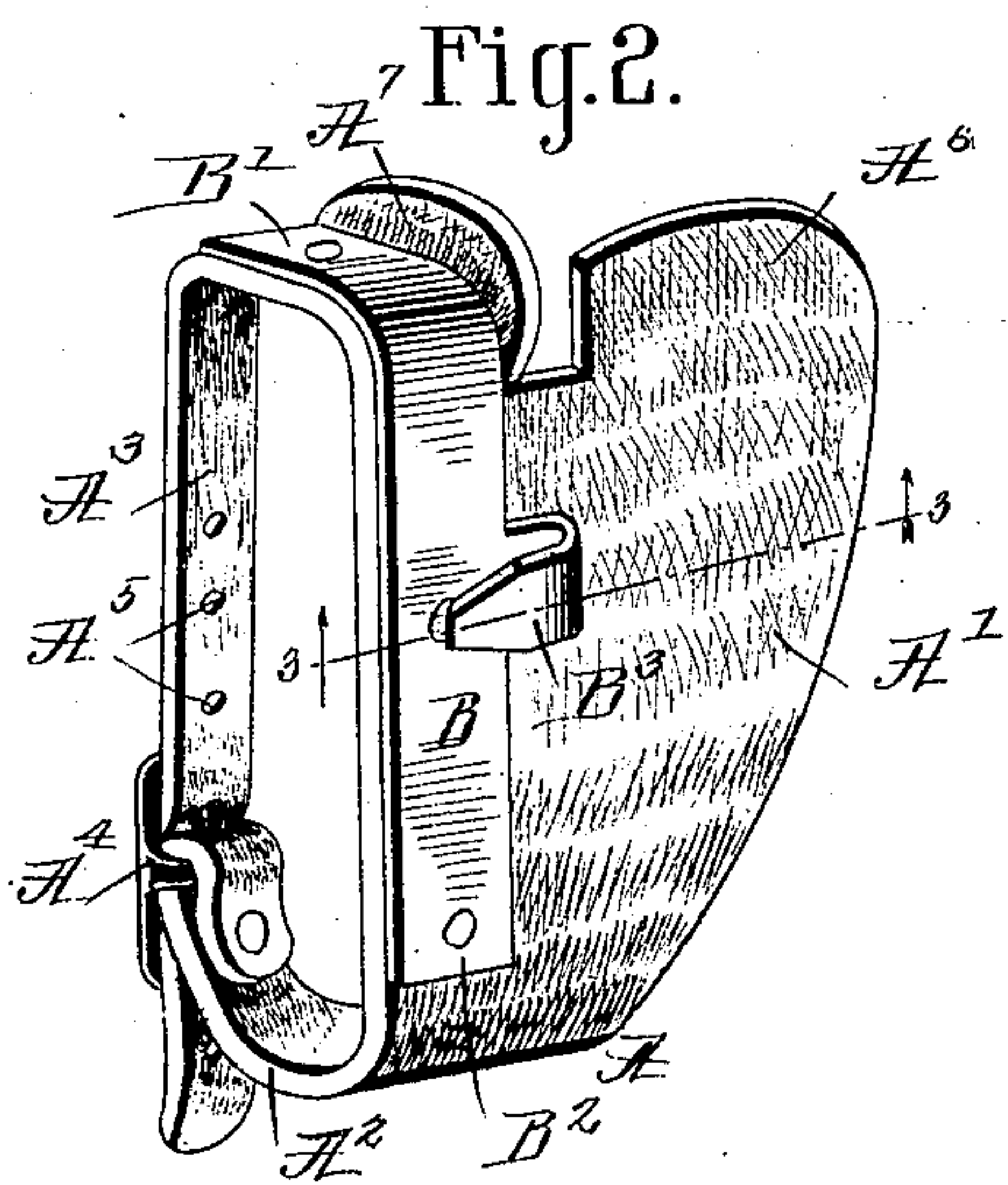
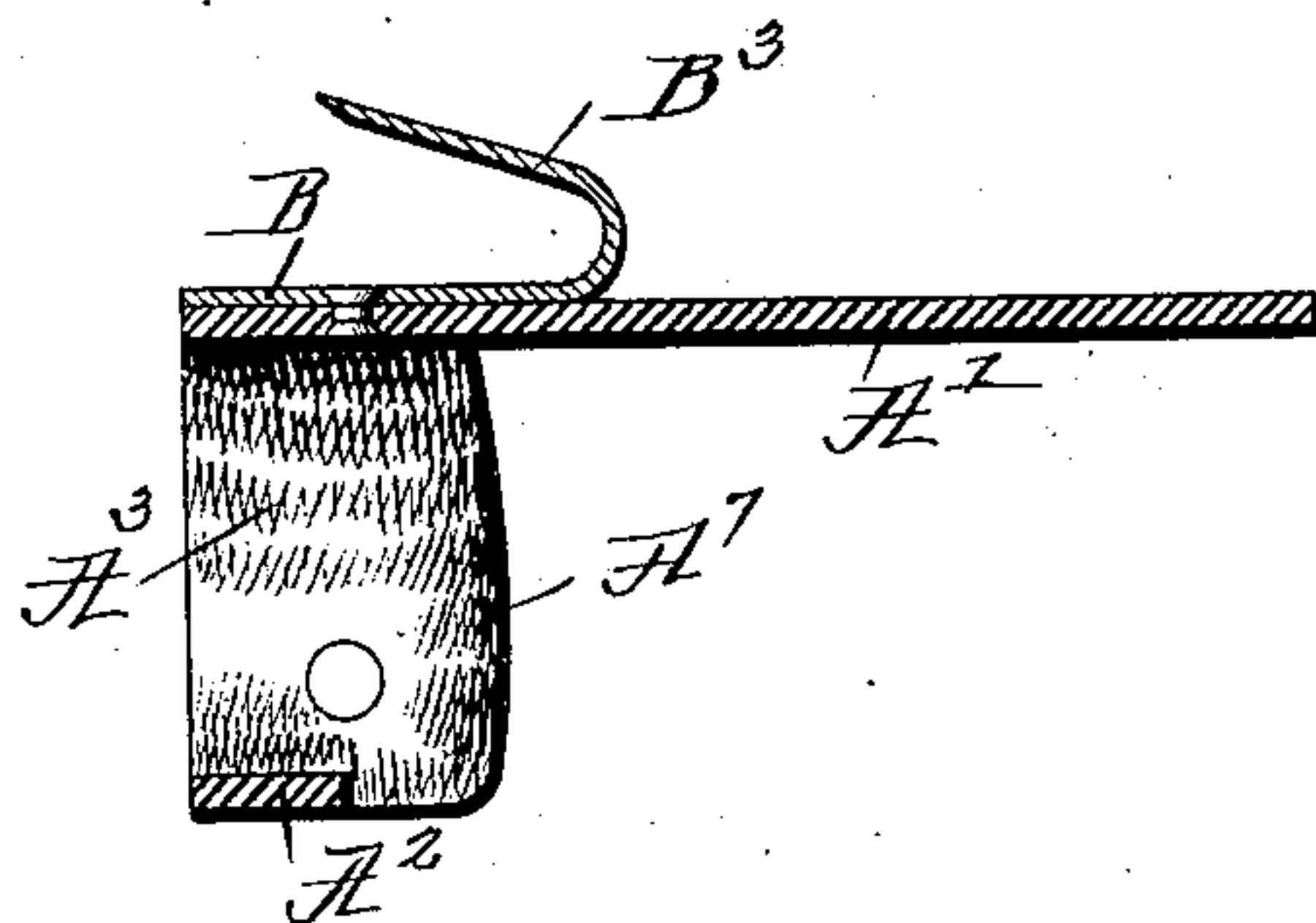


Fig. 2.

Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SAMUEL H. MINNIS, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Carrollton, in the county of Carroll and State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Corn-Huskers, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to corn huskers of that class which are designed to be worn upon the hand during the operation of husking and has for its object to produce a device of the character described which shall be simple in construction, efficient in its operation and one which can be readily and quickly applied to the hand or removed from the same.

With these objects in view, my invention consists in certain novel features of construction, arrangement and combination of parts as will be hereinafter fully described and pointed out in the claims, reference being had to the accompanying drawings in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view showing my improvement as attached to the hand when in use. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the same, removed from the hand. Fig. 3 is a section taken on line 3—3 of Fig. 2.

Referring to the drawings, A indicates a flexible member composed of leather or other flexible material comprising a palm plate A' having the strap extensions A² A³ having the buckle A⁴ and the tongue holes A⁵ respectively for securing the implement to the hand. The palm plate extends upwardly and rearwardly and forms an apron for the palm of the hand, said plate having the side extension A⁶ which projects over the thumb. Where the thumb joins the hand, the plate has a cut out space and below this a lip A⁷ is formed and bent outwardly upon which the under side of the thumb will rest, the bending being limited by a metal bar B which is riveted to the palm plate and which metal bar has one end B' bent and riveted to the strap extension A³, the lip A⁷ resting against the edge of said bent portion B', the other end B² of the bar B is securely riveted to the palm plate, while at about the center of the metal bar at its rear or inner edge is located the husking hook B³ which extends rearwardly

and is then bent upwardly and forwardly above the plane of bar B, the front end of the hook being pointed.

In applying the implement to the hand of the operator the palm plate is laid across the palm of the hand with the bent end of the metal bar B between the forefinger and the thumb and the ends of the straps A² and A³ are connected at the back of the hand, the lip A⁷ lying beneath the thumb and the extension A⁶ projecting over the thumb and forming a protection therefor.

To operate the device take the ear of corn in the hand and grip same, the hook or spur B³ penetrating the husk; a motion out and forwardly and upwardly or downwardly as the case may be sheds husk from the ear.

From the above it will be seen that I produce a simple, cheap and efficient husking implement which can be readily and quickly attached to or detached from the hand, and one which is positive in its action and protects the upper part of the hand and thumb from the action of the corn-husk.

The hook or spur B³ may be made integral with the bar B, or it may be made separate and then attached to said bar.

I claim:

1. A device of the class described comprising a flexible member consisting of a hand plate and a side extension for covering the thumb, strap extensions for securing the device to the hand, a rigid bar attached to the hand plate and having a curved end extension secured to one of the strap extensions, the curved portion being below the side extension and adapted to form a rest for the thumb, and a husking hook or spur extending outwardly and upwardly from said rigid bar.

2. A device of the class described comprising a flexible member adapted to be attached to the hand, said member consisting of a hand plate having a side extension forming an apron for the upper portion of the thumb, a lip bent from said hand plate to form a rest for the lower face of the thumb, and a rigid husking bar secured to said hand plate, one end of said bar bent to extend beneath the

aforesaid lip of the hand plate, and a husking hook or spur projecting upwardly and outwardly from said rigid bar.

3. A device of the class described comprising
5 ing a flexible member consisting of a hand plate, and strap extensions for securing the device to the hand, a rigid bar attached to the hand plate and having a curved extension secured to the hand plate and adapted

to extend under the thumb, and a husking 10 hook or spur extending outwardly and upwardly from said rigid bar in a line coincident with the longitudinal axis of the hand of the wearer.

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