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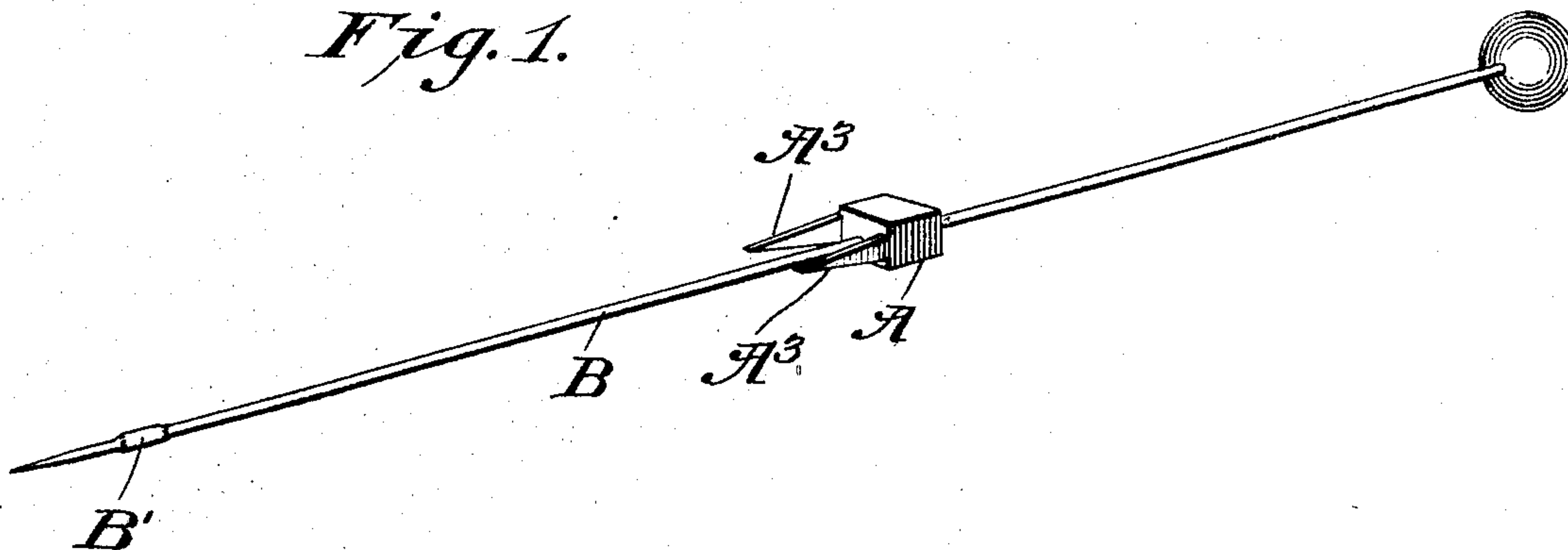
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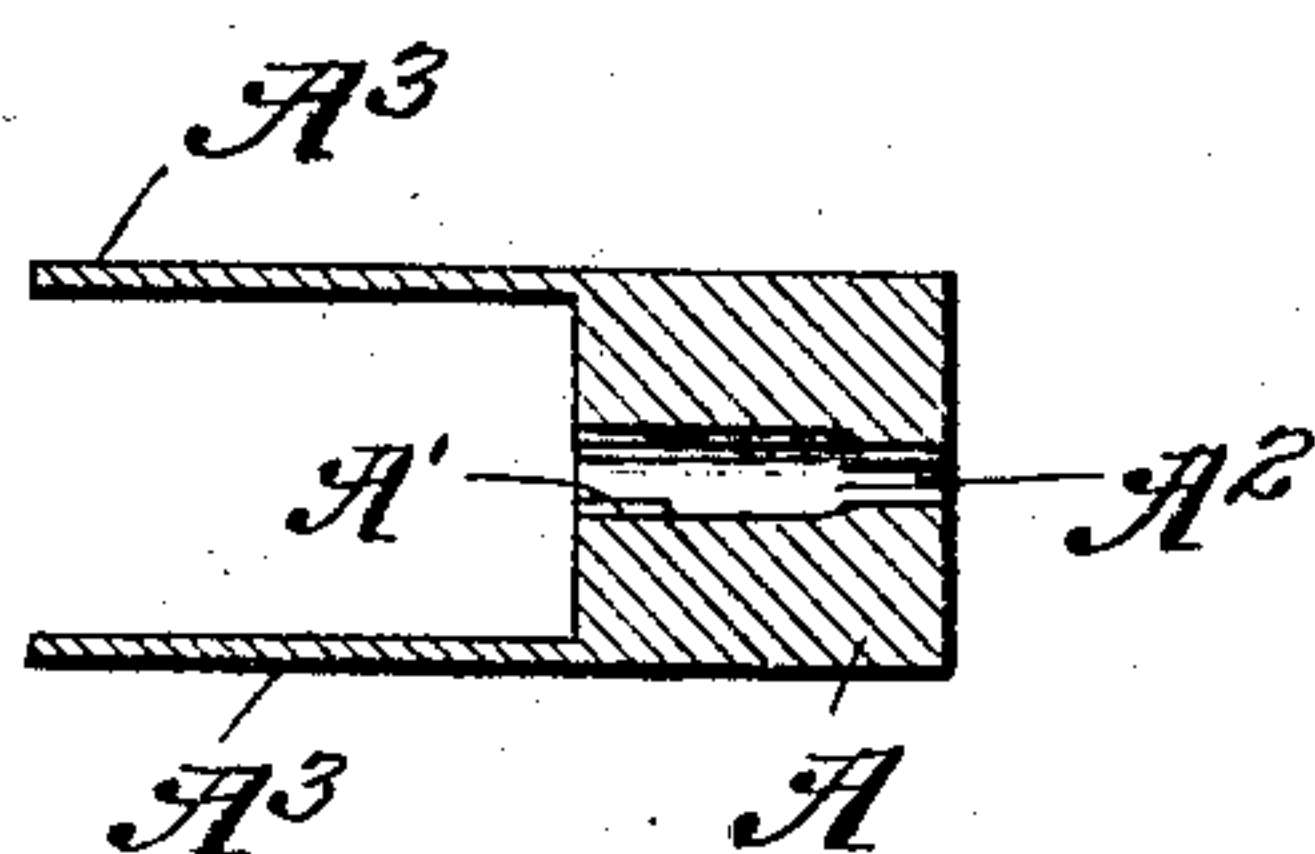
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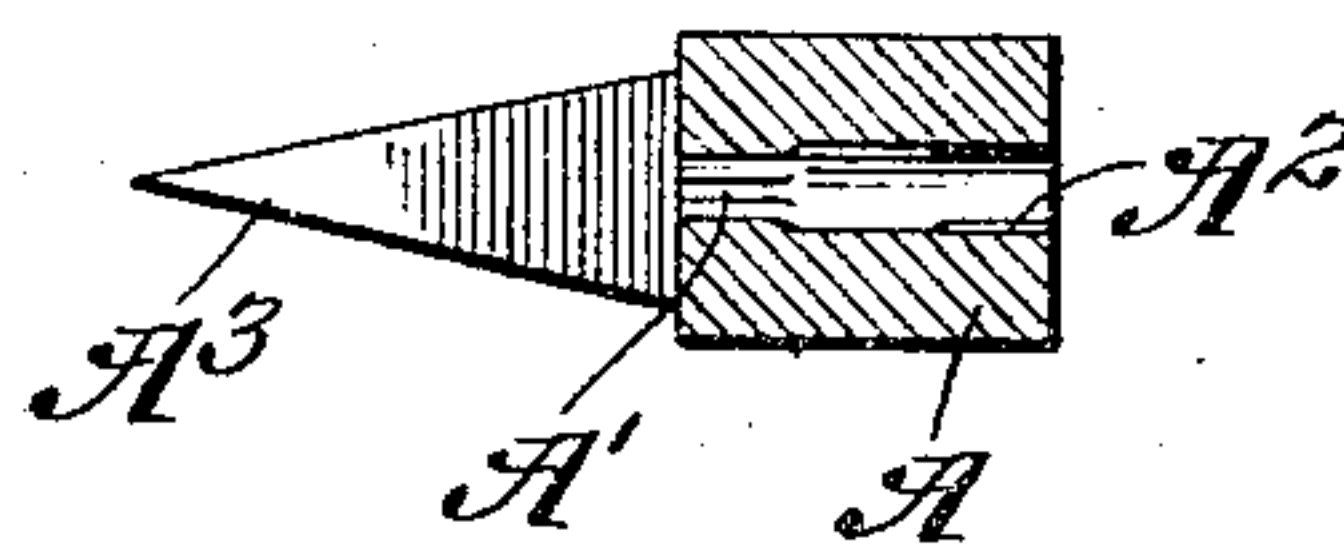
*Fig. 1.*



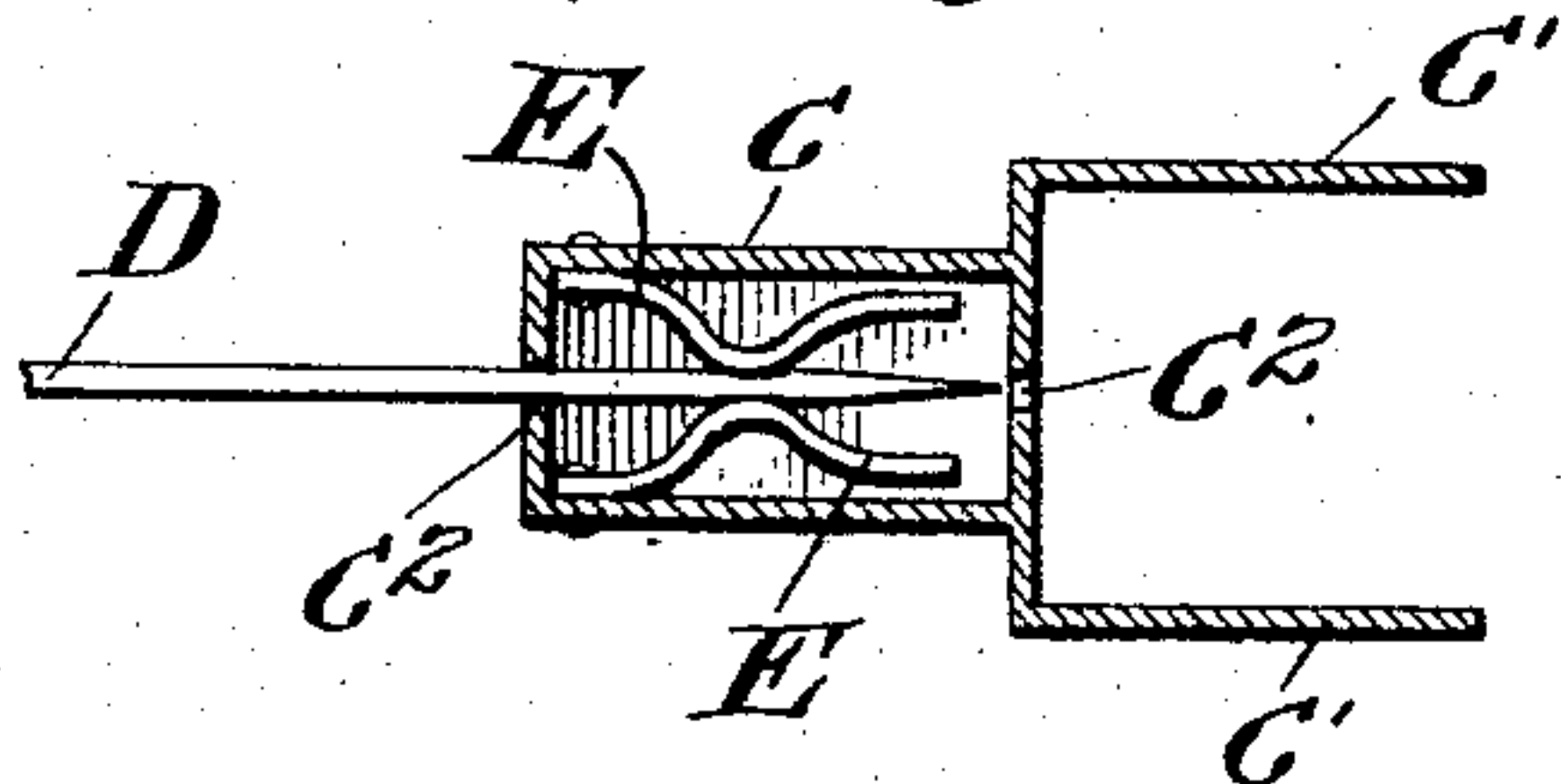
*Fig. 2.*



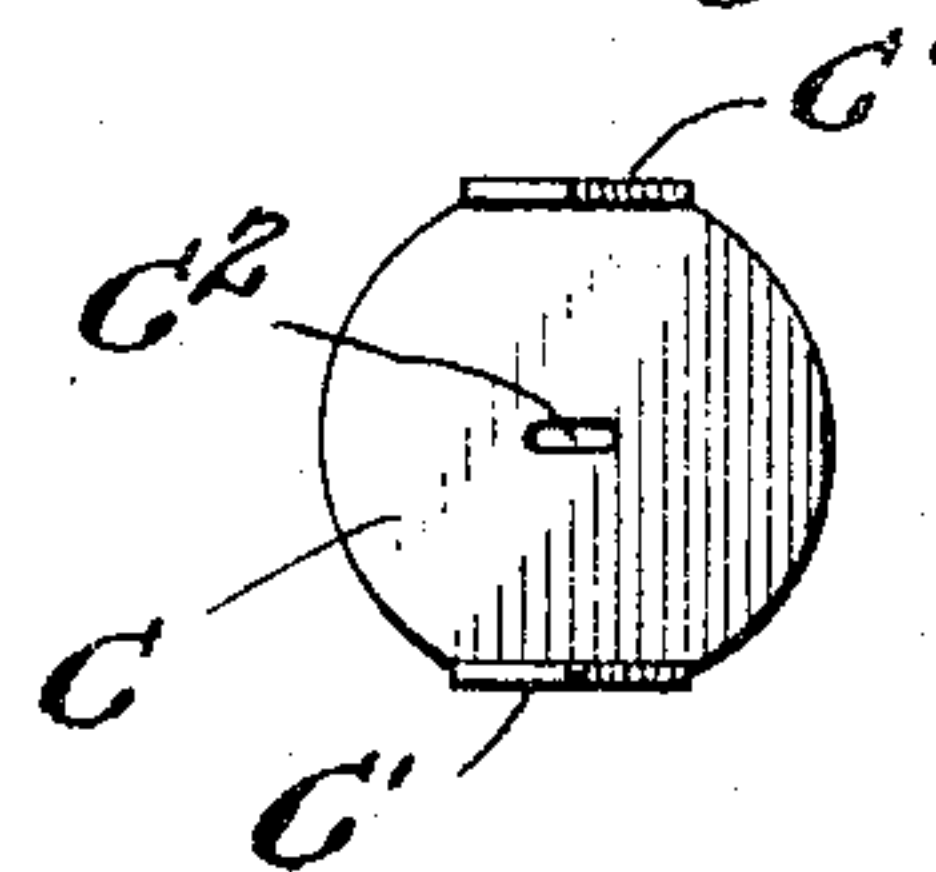
*Fig. 3.*



*Fig. 4.*



*Fig. 5.*



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## HAT-PIN.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOHN D. BANKS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hat-Pins, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to hat pins and more particularly to a device whereby the pin may be normally secured to the hat, but permitting the pin to be removed entirely from the hat when desired. The object being to so secure the pin that it will not be lost and yet to permit the pin to be removed when desired. These objects are obtained by the novel arrangement and construction of parts hereinafter fully described and shown in the accompanying drawings, in which:—

Figure 1, is a perspective view of my improved hat pin. Fig. 2, is a longitudinal section through the holder. Fig. 3, is a longitudinal section through the holder taken at right angles to that of Fig. 2. Fig. 4, is a longitudinal section of a modified form, and, Fig. 5, is an end view of the same.

In the drawings A, indicates a holder comprising a casing provided with oppositely disposed slots A', A<sup>2</sup>, arranged at right angles to each other, through which a hat pin B, is adapted to pass, which is provided with a flattened portion B', whereby it will be prevented from being withdrawn from the holder, unless turned in a certain position, and in order to detach the pin, the flattened portion is turned until it registers with the slot A', and then drawn outwardly until the flattened portion reaches the central enlargement of the casing, it is then turned until the flattened portion registers with the slot A<sup>2</sup>, at the other side, and by drawing on the pin, it can be readily detached, the insertion of the pin being just the reverse.

The holder is provided with spurs A<sup>3</sup>, adapted to be forced through the hat, and bent back so as to securely fasten the same in position, and it will be seen that the hat pin can move freely through the holder between the flattened portion and the head, whereby it can be forced through the hair, so as to securely fasten the hat in position. The flattened portion is so formed that it will not catch in the hair or injure the hat in any manner when forced through the same.

In Figs. 4 and 5, I show a modified form of a holder, which comprises a casing C, pro-

vided with spurs C', for securing it to a hat. Slots C<sup>2</sup>, are formed in the ends of the casing, through which the pin D, is adapted to be forced, and it will be seen that the pin has to be turned so that the flattened portion will register with these slots, before it can pass through the same. Arranged within the casing C, are springs E, adapted to bear against the pin, these springs being so arranged that after the flattened portion of the pin has passed through the hat in either end, the springs will engage the flattened portion and securely hold it, and prevent it from being withdrawn. It is of course understood, that when it is desired to remove the pin altogether, it can be removed by drawing on it with sufficient force, which will force the springs apart and allow the flattened portion to pass between the same.

From the foregoing description it will be seen that I have provided a hat pin which is provided with very novel means for holding it to a hat, so as to prevent it from being lost.

While I have shown my device as applied to hold a hat pin, I do not wish to be limited thereto as the holder made as before described might be used for holding other kinds of pins, the construction preventing the removal of the pin from the holder.

I have shown the holder as provided with spurs whereby it may be attached to the exterior of a hat or other article of apparel, but I do not wish to be limited to such a spurred holder or to this location, as the holder might be otherwise attached to the article or located in another position and act as well to prevent the withdrawal of the pin.

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

1. The combination with a holder comprising a hollow casing having oppositely disposed slots arranged at an angle to each other, of a pin extending through said slots, said pin having a laterally extended portion thereon of greater width than the width of said slots.

2. The combination with a holder comprising a casing having oppositely disposed slots arranged at an angle to each other, of a pin extending through said slots, said pin being provided with a flattened portion whereby the pin can be detached only when turned to register with said slots.

3. The combination with a holder, comprising a casing adapted to be secured to a



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hat, said casing being provided with oppositely disposed slots arranged at right angles to each other, of a hat pin extending through said slots and provided with a flattened portion, whereby said hat pin can only be removed from said holder by turning the same, so as to cause the flattened portion to register with the slots.

10 4. The combination with a hat pin provided with a flattened portion wider than the remainder of said pin, of a holder comprising a casing provided with spurs for securing it

to a hat, the ends of said casing being provided with oppositely disposed slots arranged at right angles to each other, said slots being narrower than the width of the flattened portion of the pin. 15

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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