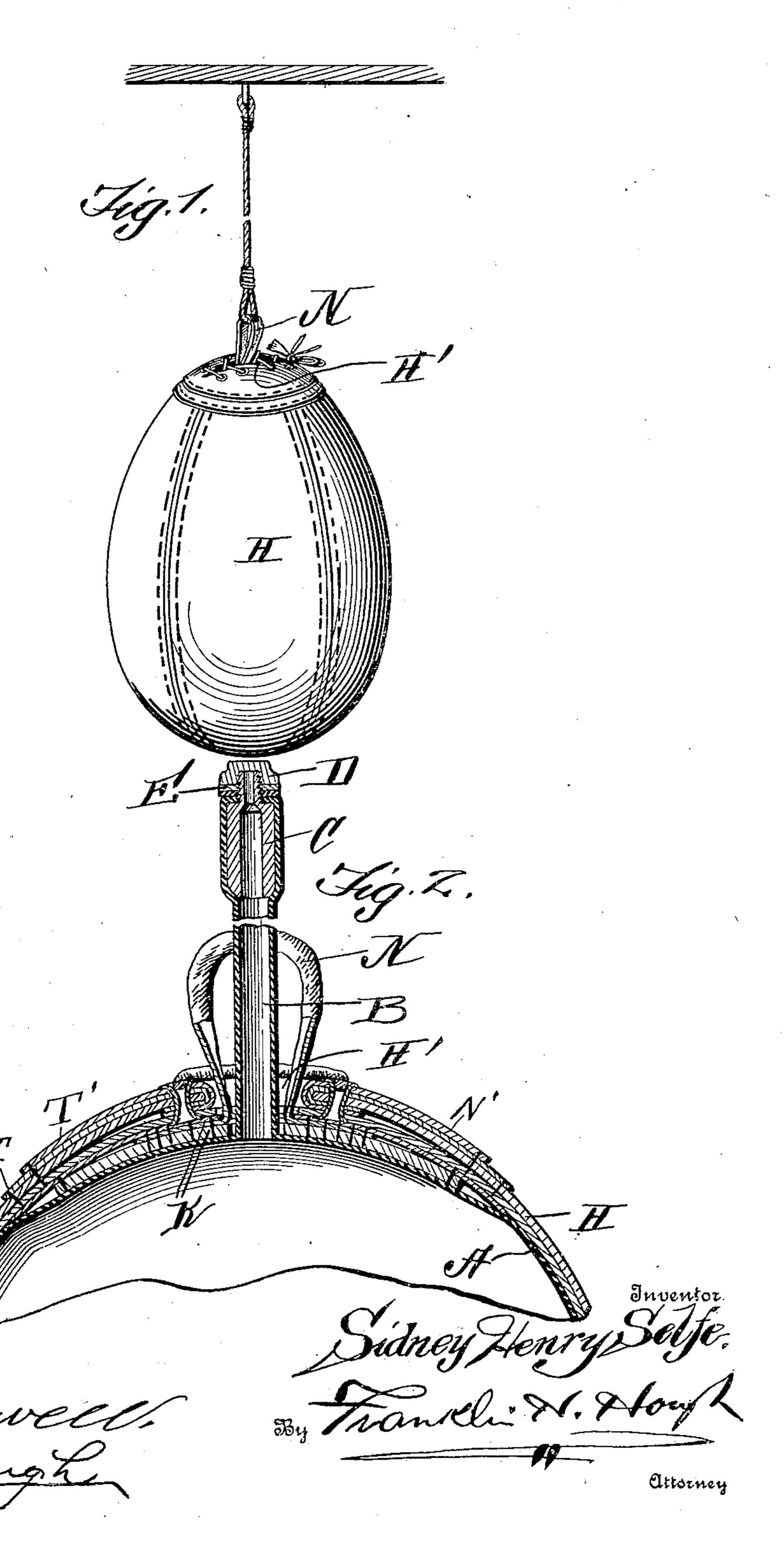
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Sidney H. Selfe, a citizen of the United States, residing at Corona, in the county of Queens and State of 5 New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Punching-Bags; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to 10 which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates to new and useful improvements in punching bags and comprises various details of construction and combinations and arrangements of parts which will be hereinafter fully described and 20 then specifically defined in the appended

claim.

I illustrate my invention in the accom-

panying drawings, in which:—

25 of a punching bag, parts being shown in section. Fig. 2 is a sectional view through the tube to which a threaded cap is applied.

Reference now being had to the details of the drawings by letter, A designates a flexi-30 ble bag to be inflated and which may be of any suitable material and provided with a tube B leading therefrom whereby the bag may be inflated or deflated. Said tube has a plug fitted therein and one end of said plug 35 has a threaded portion for the reception of the threaded cap D. A washer E is fitted about said threaded part of the plug and is adapted to hold the end of the tube against the shoulder of said plug so that when the 40 cap is screwed tightly against the washer, the latter will bind frictionally and hold the end of the tube and form an air-tight joint. Said bag has an outer casing preferably of leather and designated by letter H and has an opening H', the edges of which may be drawn together by lacing, as shown or by any other suitable means. Mounted within said casing is a protecting shield, designated by letter K, and through which the tube B 50 passes. A loop, designated by letter N, has its ends fastened to said shield and a covering N' is fitted over the ends of said loop and is secured to said shield, an opening in said

covering being provided through which said tube and loop pass.

Stitched or otherwise fastened to the outer surface of the casing are the pads T and T', each of which is provided with an elongated slit in registration with the slit formed in the casing and which has lacing to draw the mar- 60 ginal edges together. In order to protect the outer surface of the bag, a suitable lining H<sup>2</sup> to said casing is provided.

When the parts are assembled in the manner shown and described, it will be noted 65 that the inflating tube passing through said loop will be protected from being constricted when the marginal edges of the slits are drawn together by the lacing, said edges being prevented from coming in contact 70 with the tube by the edges of the loop, as will be readily understood.

From the foregoing it is noted that by the provision of a bag made as shown and described, a simple and efficient apparatus is 75 afforded whereby the parts are securely pro-Figure 1 is a perspective view of a portion | tected, and when it is desired to replace or remove the pad, it may be readily done by simply unlacing the slitted portion of the outer casing allowing the part to be removed. 80

What I claim to be new is:—

In combination with an inflating bag having a filling tube, a lined casing for said bag, a shield having an aperture through which said tube extends, a loop fastened at its ends 85 to the outer face of said shield, said tube extending between the ends of said loop, a covering fastened to the ends of the loop and to said shield and having an opening for the reception of said loop, super-imposed pads 90 fastened to said casing, the latter and said pads having registering slits, eyelets formed adjacent to the marginal edges of the slits in the outermost of said pads, and a lacing threaded through said eyelets and adapted 95 to draw the meeting edges of the slits against the edges of said loop which protects and prevents the edges of the slits in said outermost pad from being drawn by the lacing against the tube, as shown and described.

In testimony whereof I hereunto affix my signature in the presence of two witnesses. SIDNEY HENRY SELFE.

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