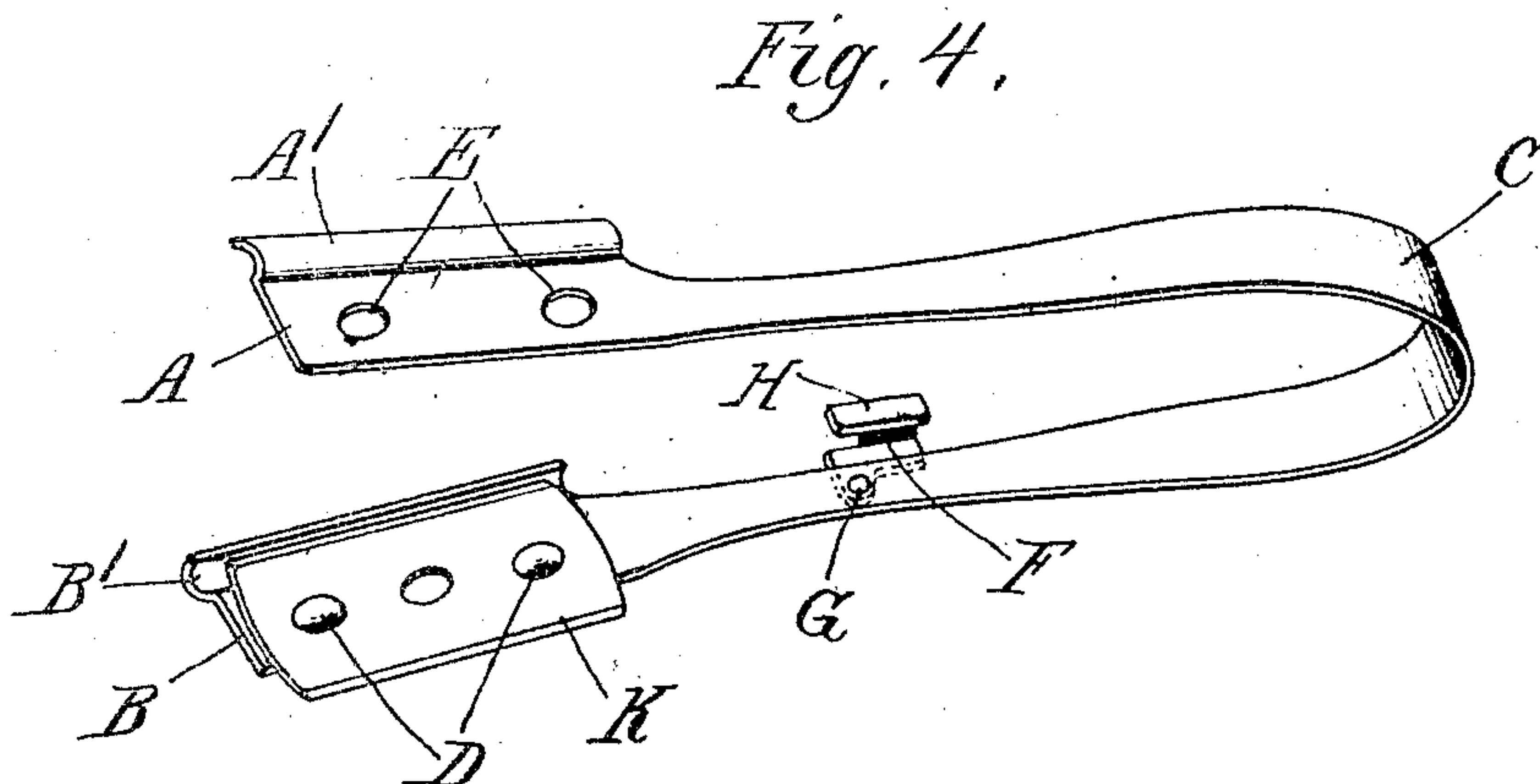
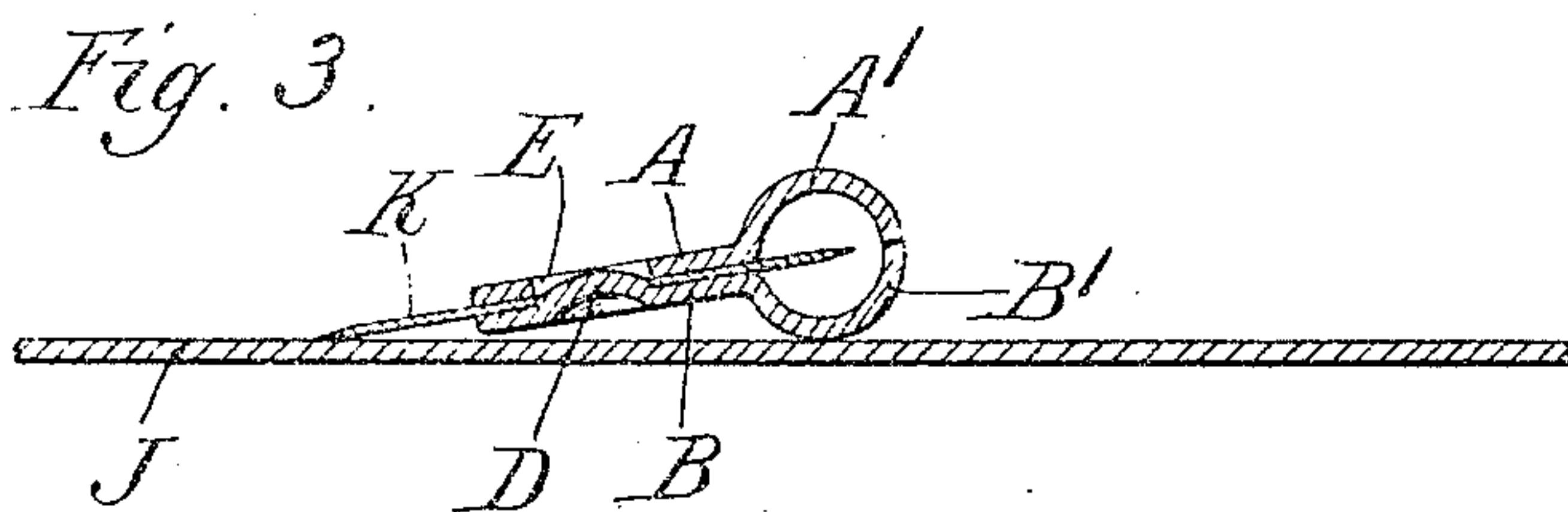
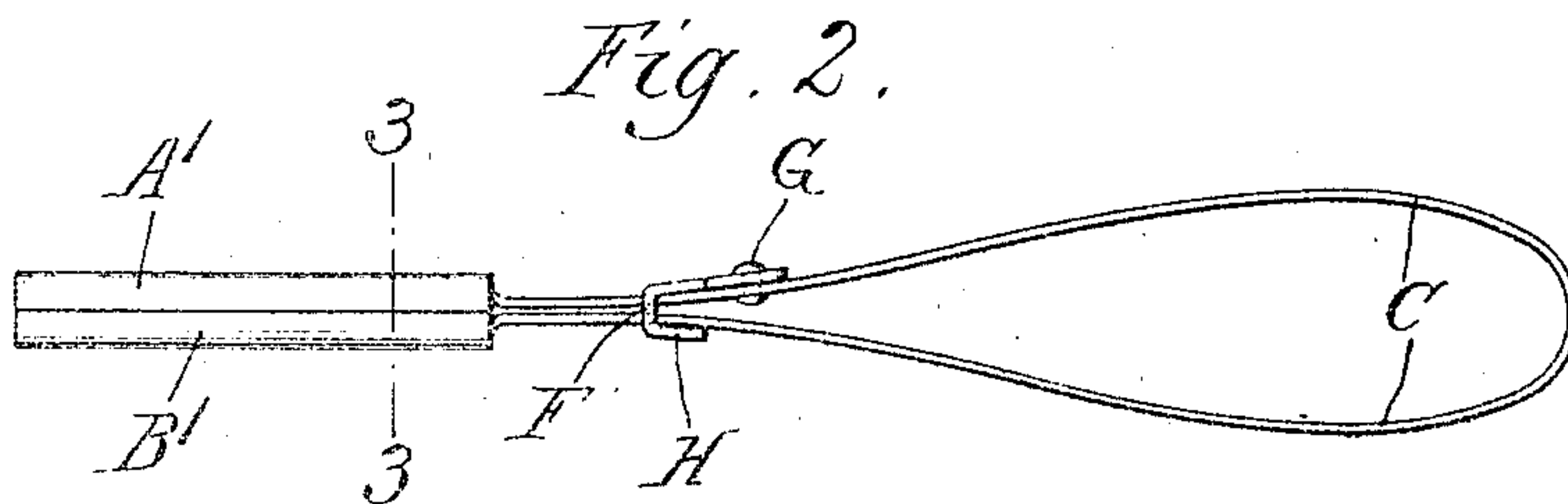
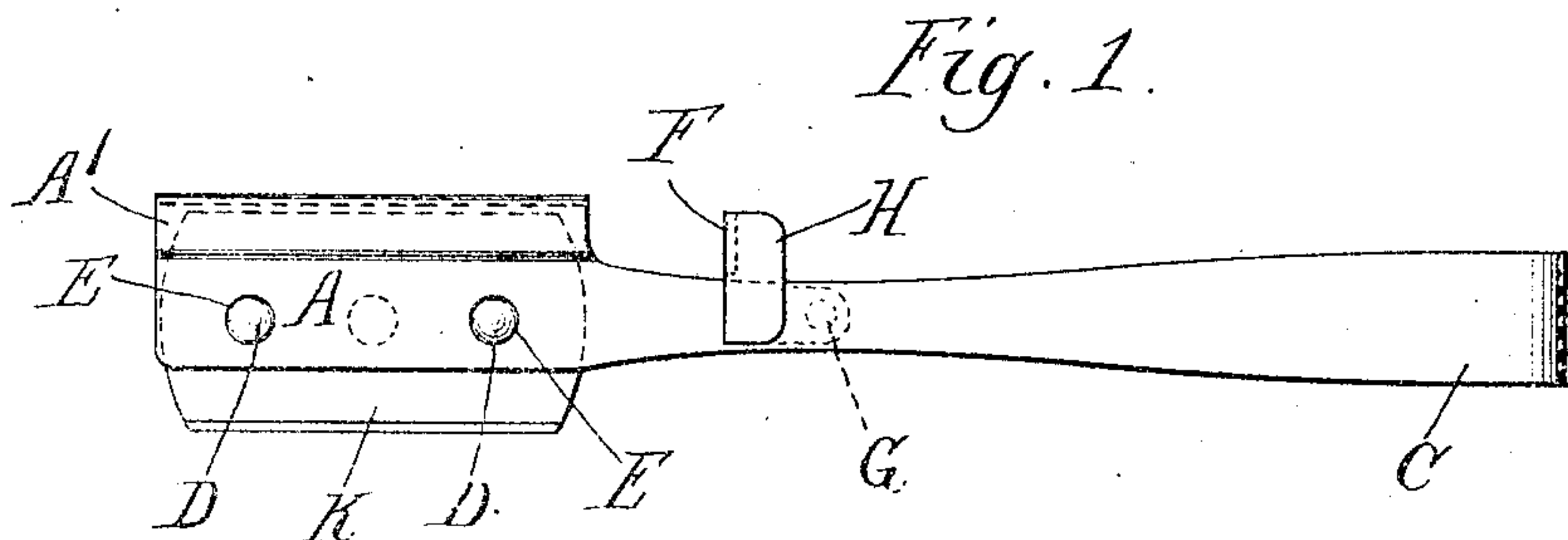


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, FRANK C. GORHAM, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Razor-Blade Holders, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to a holder for wafer razor blades and has for its object to provide certain new and useful improvements hereinafter more fully set forth.

It is illustrated in the accompanying drawings, wherein—

Figure 1 is a plan view of the holder containing a blade in position for stropping; Fig. 2, a back elevation of the same; Fig. 3, a cross section on line 3-3 of Fig. 2; Fig. 4, shows the device unclamped, the ends separated with the blade in position to be clamped.

Like parts are indicated by the same letters in all the figures.

A is one clamping end, and B the other clamping end formed upon and preferably integral with the handle C. The whole preferably constitutes a single strip of spring metal. On the end B are struck up the projections D and in the end A are formed the opposed openings E. These together constitute the securing devices. Each of these ends is preferably bent along one edge to form semi-cylindrical portions A<sup>1</sup>, B<sup>1</sup> respectively. They together form a guard chamber for the edge of the blade not being subject to the stropping process.

At some point on the handle is mounted any kind of catch to hold the two clamping ends together. I have shown one as consisting of the loop F mounted so as to swing on the pivot G and presenting, when in position to hold the clamping ends together, a thumb part as indicated at H, Fig. 1. The dimensions of the guard chamber are such as to bring the edge of the blade in proper relation to the strop, as indicated in Fig. 3, where the strop is indicated by the letter J.

K is the blade which commonly has perforations in position to receive the lugs or struck

up parts on the clamping end. The catch is positioned so as to make the pressure between the clamping ends as nearly as possible uniform along the length of the blade clamped so as to hold it securely.

It will be understood that my drawing is to be taken as diagrammatic.

I do not wish to be limited to the exact details shown and described for obvious modifications could be used without departing from the spirit of my invention.

The use and operation of my invention are sufficiently clear from what has already been said. The holder is open as indicated in Fig. 4, whereupon the blade is laid upon the lower clamping end, its holes receiving the lugs, and one of its edges lying within the semi-cylindrical part A<sup>1</sup> and the other projecting beyond the edge of such clamping end. By pressing upon the handle the other clamping end will be brought down upon the first and the lugs which pass through the holes in the blade will slightly enter the holes in the clamping ends B. The catch is now turned on its pivot to hold the two clamping ends in this position and also to present to the thumb a bearing as indicated in Fig. 1. The blade is now in position to be stropped in the manner suggested in Fig. 3.

I claim:

As a new article of manufacture, a razor blade holder comprising an elastic handle of flat spring metal, its two portions bent and separated from each other to form a handle proper, its ends terminating in blade holding clamping sections which tend to separate under the action of the elastic handle and which are provided with blade holding devices and shaped so as to form a guard chamber for one of the edges of the razor, and a movable catch to hold the two parts of the handle together when the blade is in position to be clamped.

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