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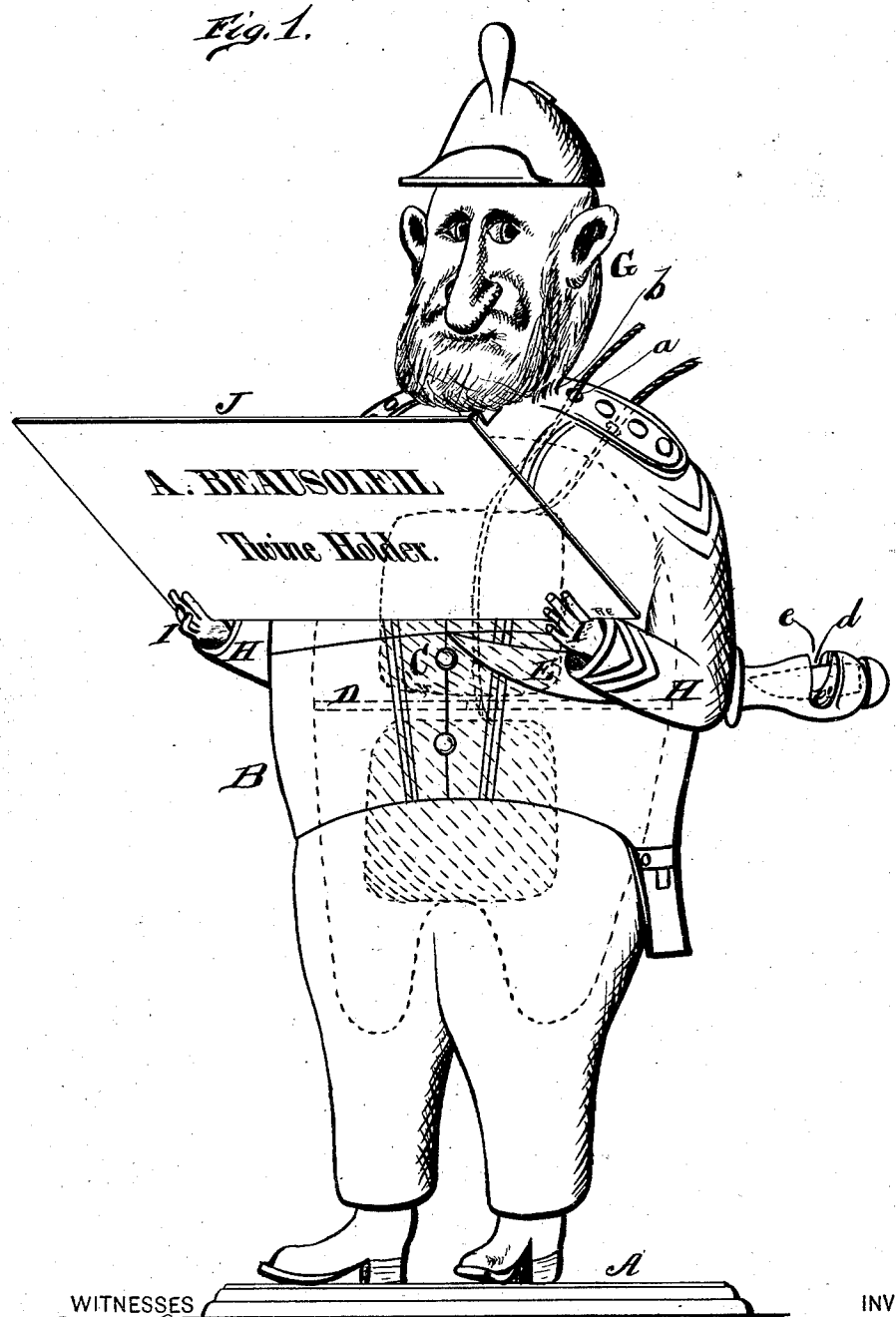


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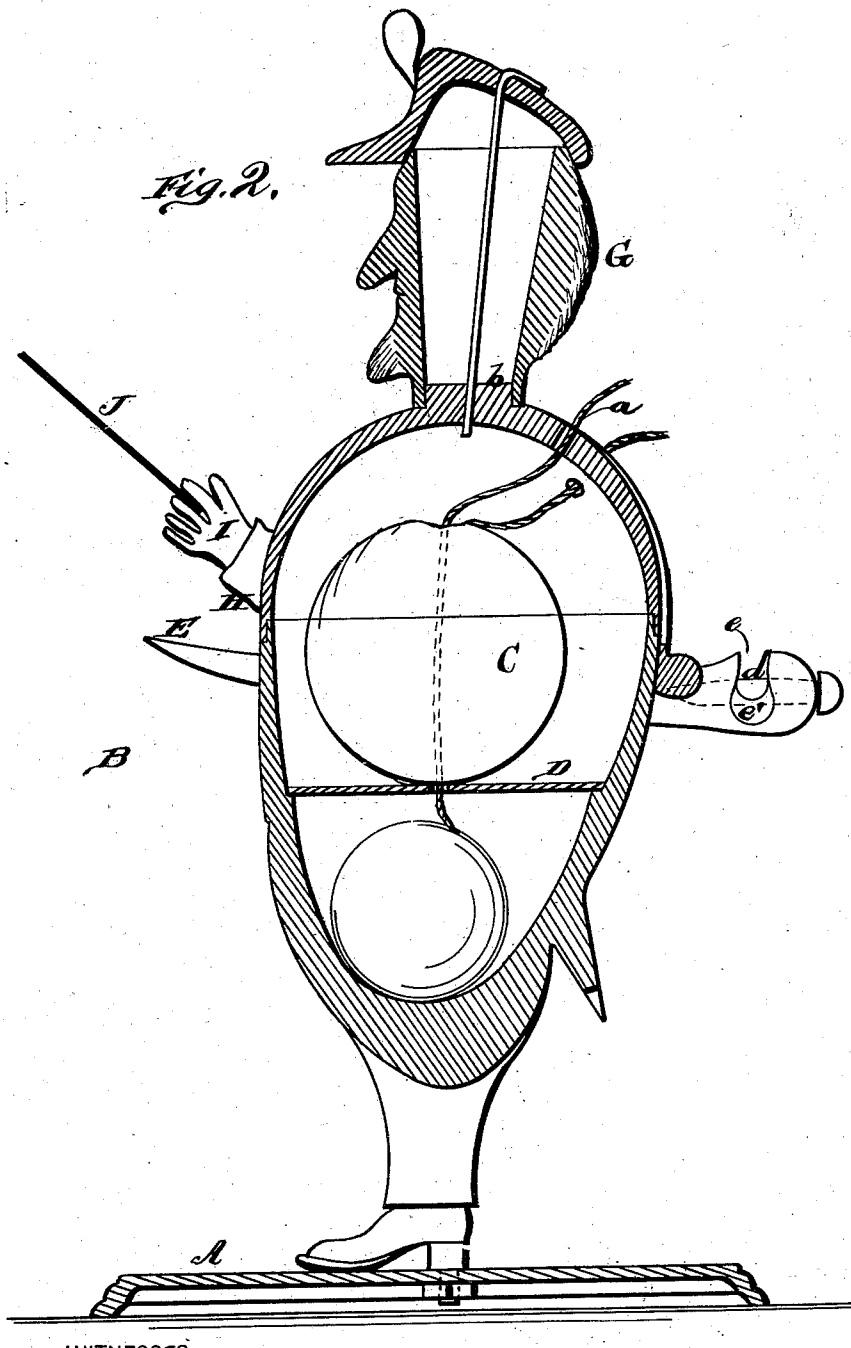


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## IMPROVEMENT IN TWINE-HOLDERS.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. **191,914**, dated June 12, 1877; application filed April 28, 1877.

*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ALFRED BEAUSOLEIL, of Alpena, in the county of Alpena and State of Michigan, have invented a new and valuable Improvement in Twine-Holders; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the construction and operation of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawings, making a part of this specification, and to the letters and figures of reference marked thereon.

Figure 1 of the drawings is a representation of a plan view of my twine-holder, and Fig. 2 is a central vertical sectional view of my twine-holder.

The nature of my invention consists in the construction and arrangement of a twine-holder, as will be hereinafter more fully set forth.

The annexed drawing, to which reference is made, fully illustrates my invention.

A represents a platform, of any suitable dimensions, upon which is secured a figure, B, of a man. The body of this figure is hollow to contain the ball of twine C, the end of the twine passing out through an aperture, *a*, in the body B, at the back, near the top.

Two balls of twine, of different kind, may be placed within the body B by providing said body with an interior horizontal partition, D, and placing one ball above and one below the same. The twine from the lower ball will then pass through a central hole in said partition, and then through the hole *a*. The twine from the top ball passes out through another hole in the top of the body, as shown.

The head G of the figure is screwed on the neck *b*, and may be made hollow to contain still another ball of twine, cord, or tape, &c.

The figure may be represented as dressed in any desired costume; but I prefer to make it in military dress, with a sword, E, held in horizontal or nearly horizontal position under the right arm. The handle of the sword E is slotted longitudinally, and has a knife-blade, *d*, inserted in it, and across the top of said handle is formed a slat, *e*, with groove *e'* on each side, so that the twine, &c., can be brought down on the edge of the blade *d*, and thus be cut off. This device also answers for a pencil-sharpener.

H H are the arms of the figure, shown as bent, with the hands I I in an elevated position, forming a rack for holding a card, J, for advertising purposes.

This twine-holder, with its attachments, may be made of any material suitable for the purpose, and of any size desired.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. The body B of the figure, adapted to receive one or more balls of twine, and provided with a diaphragm, D, a twine-cutter, and a card-rack, substantially as described, and for the purpose set forth.

2. The twine-holder, having the body B, arms H H, and sword E, slotted as described, and provided with the removable blade *d*, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

3. As an article of manufacture, the within-described twine-holder, consisting of the platform A, body B, head C, arms H H with hands I I, and sword E with blade *d*, all constructed substantially as and for the purposes described.

In testimony that I claim the above I have hereunto subscribed my name in the presence of two witnesses.

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