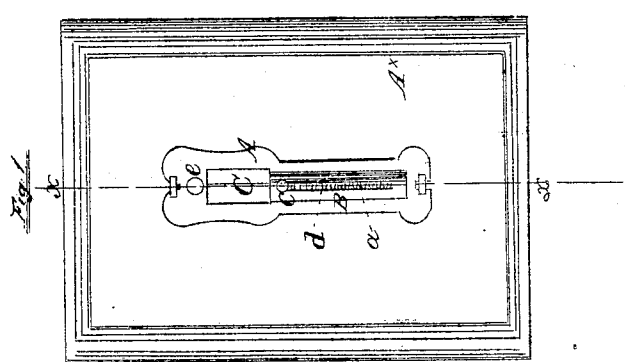
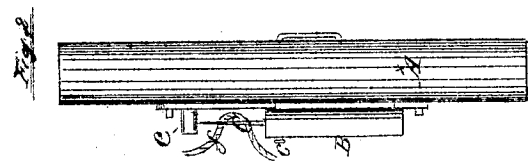
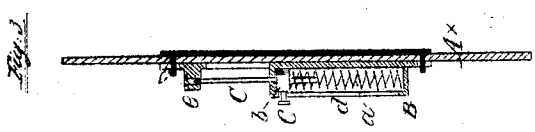


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IMPROVEMENT IN SAFETY ATTACHMENTS FOR POCKET-BOOKS.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that I, SIMON B. PARKER, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and improved Safety Attachment for Pocket-Books; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a side view of a pocket-book with my improvement applied to it.

Figure 2, an edge view of the same.

Figure 3, a section of the same taken in the line *x x*, fig. 1.

Similar letters of reference indicate like parts.

This invention relates to a new and simple attachment for pocket-books, whereby the same cannot be illegitimately abstracted from the pocket.

A represents a metal plate which is firmly riveted or otherwise secured to one side of the pocket-book A*, said plate having a tube, B, permanently attached, in which a spiral spring, *a*, is fitted. C is a needle or sharp-pointed rod, one end of which is fitted in a sliding head, *b*, in the tube B, said head *b* having a pin, *c*, projecting from it through a slot, *d*, made in the tube B and extending nearly its whole length. From the plate A, a short bar or rod, *e*, projects, in which there is a hole to receive the point of the needle or rod C, the bar *e* being at one end of the plate A, and the spring *a* having a tendency to keep the point of the needle C in the hole of the bar *e*, as will be clearly understood by referring to fig. 3. In placing the pocket-book in the pocket the needle or rod C is made to pass through a fold, *f*, of the pants or coat, as shown in fig. 2, and it will be seen that the pocket-book cannot be abstracted without drawing back the needle C, and that cannot be done without doubling or folding the hand, which would be sure to lead to detection. Pocket-books are illegitimately abstracted from the pocket by simply inserting the fingers in a straightened form and grasping the pocket-book between them. The doubling of the fingers or hand would not answer at all, and it will be seen that a person cannot draw back the needle C without doubling the fingers or hand.

This simple device, then, will effectually prevent pockets from being "picked" of pocket-books. A lady may also secure her porte-monnaie in the bosom of her dress or in her pocket without the least danger of losing it. This safety attachment, while it effectually prevents the pocket-book from being illegitimately abstracted from the pocket, admits of the former being readily released by the owner when he desires to withdraw it from his pocket, and also admits of the pocket-book being readily secured in the pocket.

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

A safety attachment for pocket-books, composed of a sliding needle C, arranged and applied substantially in the manner as herein shown and described.

The above specification of my invention signed by me this 26th day of September, 1866.

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