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## FIRE ARM HOLDER.

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*Fig. 1.*

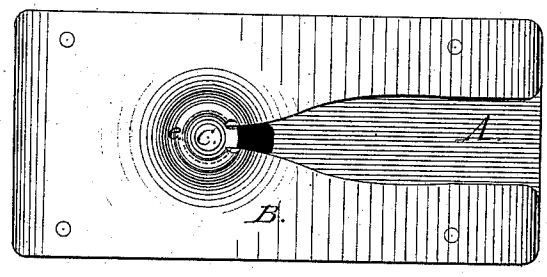
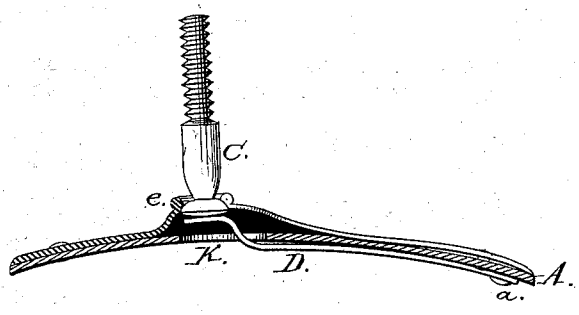



*Fig. 2.*




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## FIRE-ARM HOLDER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOSEPH C. PETMECKY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Austin, in the county of Travis and State of Texas, has invented certain new and useful Improvements in Fire-Arm Holders; 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 which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters or figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

My invention is an improvement in that class of pistol-holders which may be fastened around the waist of a person, and which holds the fire-arm by a screw secured firmly to the same.

It consists of a plate of malleable iron or other suitable metal, curved to conform to the waist of a person, having secured to it on the inside a spring adapted to push outward from the waist toward an auxiliary slotted countersunk plate, serving to hold the head of the screw attached to the fire-arm, all of which will be fully set forth hereinafter.

In my drawings, Figure 1 is a front elevation of the holder. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal section of the same.

Similar reference letters indicate like parts in all of the figures.

Referring to the drawings, A is the main plate, provided with an opening, K, about the shape of an ordinary key-hole, adapted to receive the end of a spring which projects through it.

B is a thin plate, secured to plate A by rivets, provided with a slot which is circular at a point near the center and widens out toward the forward end of said main plate. The metal of this second plate is turned out from the convex surface of the main plate sufficiently to receive the head of a screw, C, secured to a fire-arm.

D is the spring, attached by a rivet, *a*, to the main plate A, which rests close to the inner side of the same, and is bent out so as to turn into the opening K, and is again bent to form a seat for the head of the screw C. A collar, *e*, is formed at the head of the long slot in the auxiliary plate B to form a rounded bearing to the neck of the screw when the latter is in place in the holder. The screw C is provided with a head that is slightly rounded on its top and spherical in form on its under side, and when in place in its seat on the spring D it is clamped to position between said spring and that portion of the auxiliary plate surrounded by the collar *e* by the elastic force of said spring. The screw C is brought to place in the holder by being slid from the wide portion of the slot in the plate B back against the flat end of the spring D, which latter yields to the wedging force of the screw-head and allows said head to find its place under the said collar *e*.

The fire-arm is withdrawn from the holder by an inward pressure, which relieves the head of the screw and allows it to be readily drawn from its hold.

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

1. In a fire-arm holder, the plate A, in combination with the auxiliary slotted plate B and spring D, as and for the purpose specified.

2. The combination, with the plates A B and spring D, of the screw C, as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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