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Fig. 1.

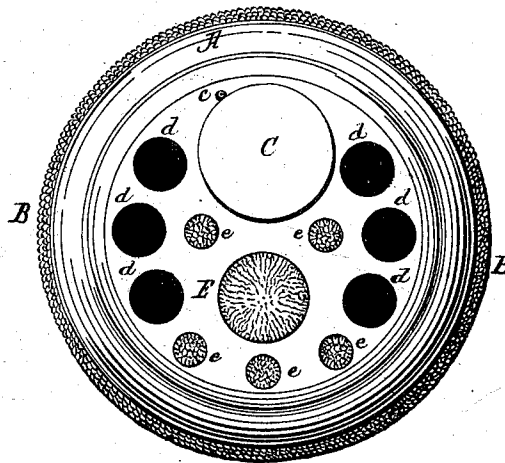
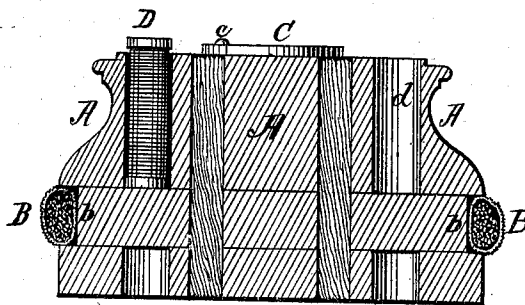


Fig. 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN BOBBIN-HOLDERS FOR SEWING-MACHINES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, WILLIAM F. BARNES, JOHN BARNES, and PETER MESICK, of Rockford, in the county of Winnebago, in the State of Illinois, have invented a Bobbin-Holder for Sewing-Machines, of which the following is a specification:

The object of this invention is to produce a simple device that is useful in holding the bobbins or spools that contain the different kinds of thread used by a sewing-machine, and keep the same convenient for use when not on the machine; and coupled with the holder, and in the same device, are collected and arranged in proper position for use other convenient contrivances necessary for use about a sewing-machine; and it consists in the construction of the device, as will more fully hereinafter be described.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a top or plan view of the holder, and Fig. 2 is an upright section of same.

A represents the body of the holder in any form that fancy may dictate, and contain the arrangement of the parts. B is a band-cushion surrounding the body A, and firmly fitted into a groove, *b*, in the body, and is used for sticking pins or other points therein. C is a slab of emery or other sharp and fine grit, for sharpening needles or pins used about or by the machine; is inserted in the top of the bobbin-holder A. *c* is a pin, set at sufficient distance from emery slab or stone C to pass needles between pin and stone, and, by leverage, straighten them. *d d d d d* are receptacles, of suitable shape and depth, to receive the bobbins D that have the thread wound around them to be used on the machine. E is an emery cushion, secured in the body of the holder A, and is used for polishing needles and keeping them smooth. *e e e* are cushions for pins or sewing-machine needles, made by inserting worsted or other soft material into holes in the body A until the holes are filled to their capacity, and then trimmed off to just above the surface or top of the holder.

This convenient device saves much time to persons using sewing-machines, as all the requisites, such as needles, pins, and thread, are kept together where they will be ready at hand whenever wanted by the operator, and can be placed at any convenient place about or upon the machine.

Having thus described our invention, what we claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. The portable bobbin-holder A for sewing-machines, consisting of the body, formed substantially as described, and provided with holes *d*, arranged as shown, as and for the purposes set forth.

2. The combination of the bobbin-holder A, constructed as described, with the needle-cushion *e*, substantially as specified.

3. The combination of the bobbin-holder A with the pin-cushion B, substantially as described.

4. The combination of the bobbin-holder A with the emery cushion E, substantially as described.

5. The combination of the bobbin-holder A with the emery slab or needle-grinder C, substantially as described.

6. The combination of the bobbin-holder A with the emery slab C and pin or stud *c*, substantially as described.

7. The combination of a bobbin-holder, needle-cushion, needle-grinder, and pin-cushion, and pin or stud *c*, in a single device, substantially as and for the purpose described.

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