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POCKET-BOOK FASTENER.

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Fig. 2.

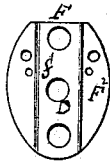
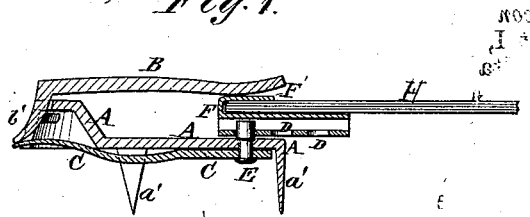


Fig. 1.



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## IMPROVEMENT IN POCKET-BOOK FASTENERS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that DANIEL M. READ, of New York city and State, have invented an Improvement in Adjustable Fasteners for Pocket-Books, of which the following is a specification:

The present invention is an improvement upon that for which I have received Letters Patent No. 174,739; and relates chiefly to the construction of the flap-plate or that portion of the fastening attached to the strap or band encircling the pocket-book.

In accompanying drawing, forming part of this specification, Figure 1 is a sectional elevation of the complete fastening, and Fig. 2 a plan view of the under side of the flap-plate.

A represents the base-plate, provided with points *a*, B *b'* the hinged cap-plate, and C the spring acting upon the latter, the construction and arrangement of these parts being substantially the same as shown and described in my aforesaid patent. The oblong flap-plate F is composed of a flat sheet-metal top plate and a channeled bottom plate. The top plate is provided with an end extension, F', which is bent back over the end of the flap or strap

H of the pocket-book, to cover, protect, and confine said end, and the bottom plate has a lengthwise depression or channel forming a corresponding raised portion, in which are formed three holes, D, to receive the pin E fixed in the base-plate A. The said pin thus projects through the bottom plate into the channel formed therein, and may be adjusted from one hole to another, according to the required length of the fastening flap or band H, or the degree to which the pocket-book may be distended.

I claim—

As the improvement hereinbefore described, the combination, with the flap or strap of the pocket-book and the base-plate A, having the fixed pin E, of the flap-plate F, having a top portion, with an end extension; F', covering and protecting the end of said strap, and a bottom plate having a lengthwise depressed portion perforated at D, as shown and described.

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