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Needle Wrapper & Holder.
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Fig. 1.

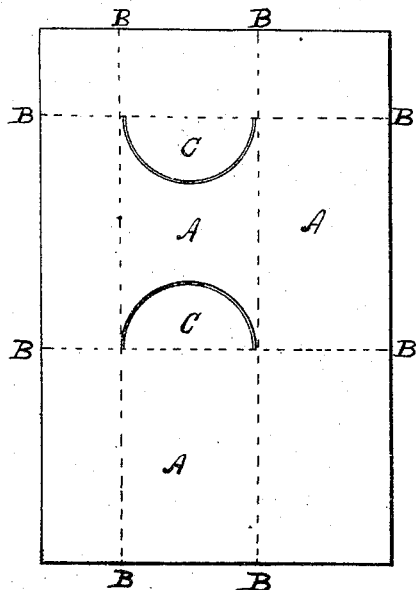


Fig. 2.

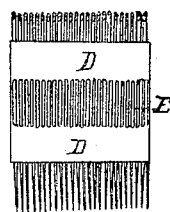


Fig. 3.

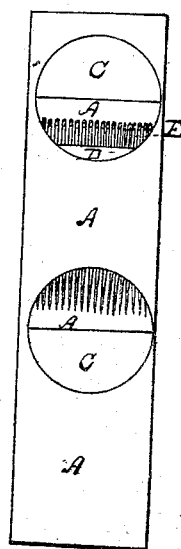
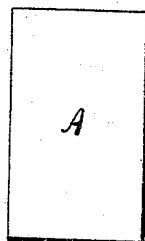


Fig. 4.



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IMPROVEMENT IN NEEDLE-WRAPPERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM BYFIELD, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Needle-Wrapper and Holder; and I hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making a part of this specification, and the letters of reference marked thereon, in which the same letter represents the same thing in each figure.

Figure 1 represents my improved wrapper open and ready to fold in the lines shown; Fig. 2, the holder with needle therein; Fig. 3, the wrapper opened at the ends, showing the heads and points of the needles; Fig. 4, the wrapper closed.

A is the wrapper; B B B, the lines of fold; C C, the flaps; D, the needle-holder; E, the needles.

The nature of my improvement consists in such a construction of the wrapper and manner of holding the needles that they may be examined at both eyes and points by the purchaser without touching them, and may be taken out one at a time without unfolding the wrapper or rendering the remaining needles insecure. This is secured by making the wrap-

per with a semicircular flap at each end, and by arranging the needles one by one in a holder distinct from the wrapper and to be folded therein.

The operation of this wrapper and holder needs no further explanation.

I am aware that needle-wrappers have been made with one flap at the eyes; but such do not admit of examination of the points without opening the wrapper, and if two flaps were used the needles would escape, as there is no holder in those wrappers.

A holder attached to the wrapper has been used; but my invention employs a detached holder with two flaps, although an attached holder might be used.

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

The combination of a wrapper having two flaps with a holder, substantially as described, so that the opening of two flaps will permit the points and eyes of the needles to be seen while they are held securely to be removed one at a time.

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