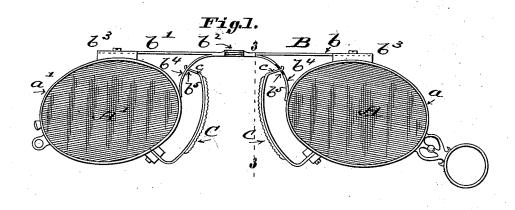
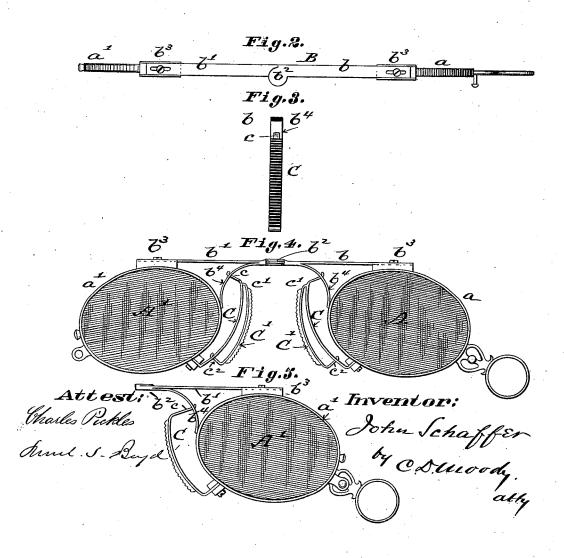
J. SCHAFFER. EYEGLASSES.

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EYEGLASSES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN SCHAFFER, of St. Louis, Missouri, have made a new and useful Improvement in Eyeglasses, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the annexed drawings, making part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of the improved glasses opened; Fig. 2, a top view; Fig. 3, a section taken on the line 33 of Fig. 1; Fig. 4, a side elevation, showing an additional feature of the improvement; and Fig. 5, a side elevation of the glasses folded.

The same letters denote the same parts.

The present invention is an improvement in

folding eyeglasses.

A A' represent the glasses proper, which, with the bows a a', are of the usual description. They are united by a rigid bar, B—that is, the bar is in two parts, b b', hinged together at b² to enable the glasses to be folded, as in Fig. 5; but it is not intended that the bar shall yield like a spring when the glasses are in use, but remain straight, as shown in Figs. 1, 4.

The arms b b' are united to the bows at b³, and also by means of the braces b⁴ b⁴.

The glasses are held upon the nose by means

of the springs C C, which are attached at their lower ends to the bows $a\,a'$, the upper ends of the springs being free, working toward and 30 from the bows, and being conveniently guided and held transversely in place by allowing the ends $c\,e$ to work through openings $b^5\,b^5$ in the braces $b^4\,b^4$. I do not wish, however, in fixing the glasses to the nose to be confined to any 35 special form of spring. The style shown in Figs. 1, 3, 5 is the most desirable; but, if desired, the duplex form shown in Fig. 4 may be used, in which case the part C' is fastened at its end c' to the part C, and its other end, c^2 , is 40 left free and to work through an opening in the part C.

I claim-

1. The combination of the glasses A A', the folding rigid bar B, the braces b^4 b^4 , and the 45 spring C C, having the parts C' C', substantially as described.

2. The combination of the glasses A A', the folding rigid bar B, the braces b^4 b^4 , and the springs C C, substantially as described.

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