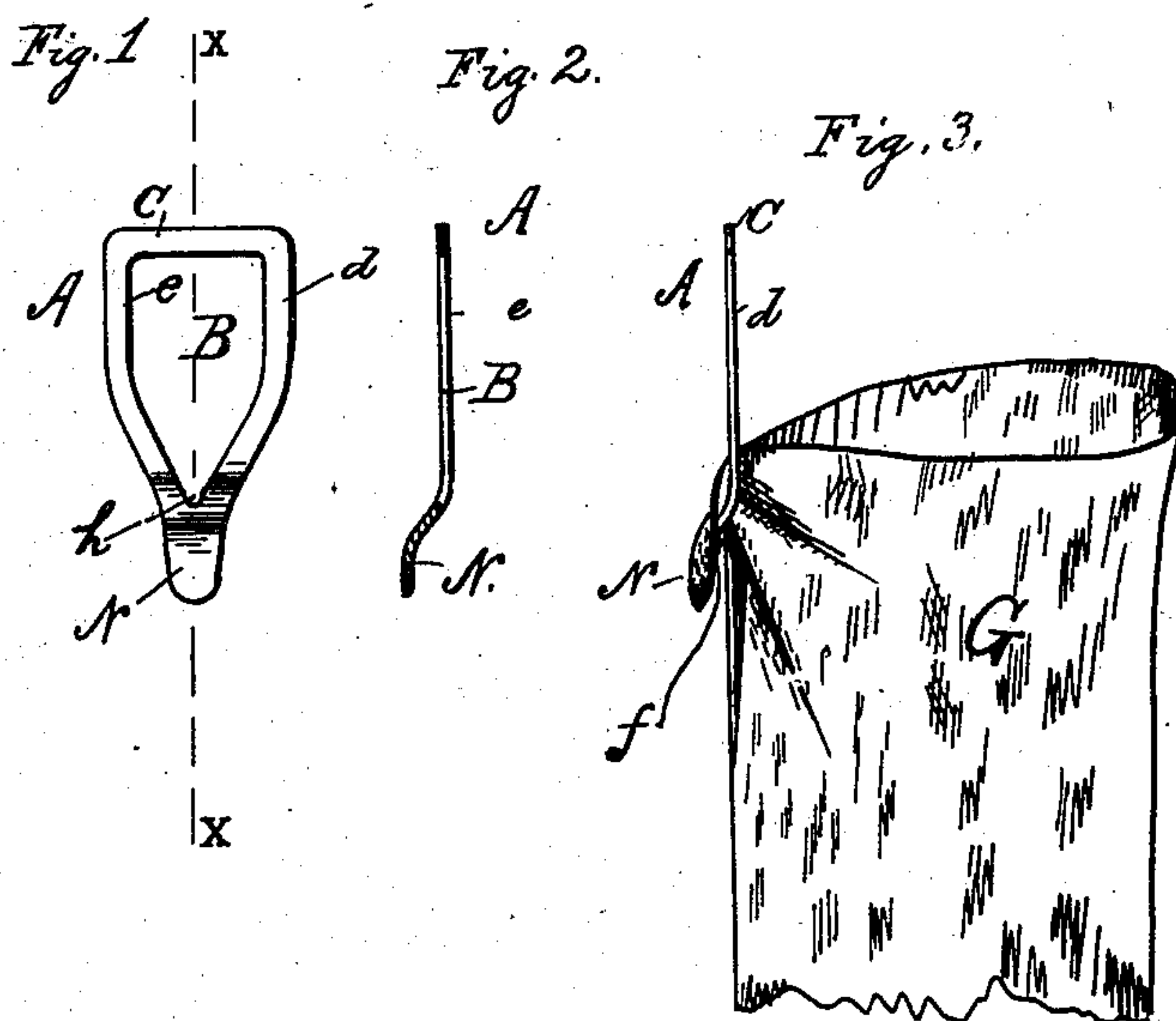


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, THOMAS WHITE, a subject of the Dominion of Canada, residing at Cleveland, in the county of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, have invented a new and useful Garment-Supporter, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in garment-supporters in which the cloth of the garment is passed through a large central opening of the supporter, and then held to it by being drawn down and hooked or caught under a protruding oblong nose, which, as a whole, holds it very securely.

Figure 1 is a front elevation of the supporter. Fig. 2 is a section on the line *xx*, Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a side view with a stocking or garment shown held in and by the supporter.

The supporter is made of thin metal or of wire, in the shape shown in Fig. 1, with an opening, B, formed by sides *d* and *e*, connecting the oblong nose N with the loop or other end C, which is intended to be secured to an elastic or non-elastic web.

In Figs. 2 and 3 it will be seen that the nose N has a double curve causing it to bend outwardly.

In Fig. 3 the edge of the garment is shown

passing through the opening B and drawn down under the nose at *f*. It is not necessary that the edge of the garment should be used, because any part pushed through the opening by a finger can also be secured under the nose N. This is claimed to be the new and most important feature of this invention—that is, the cloth secured by being hooked under a nose of the same metal piece through which the cloth is first passed. It is necessary that there should be some little distance between the extremity *h* of the opening and the end of the nose N. Hence, it is called oblong. That it is simplicity itself must be evident on inspection, being but a band of metal with one central opening.

I claim—

A metallic garment-supporter, made of any suitable shape, having the opening B and the projecting or depending nose N, bent or curved outwardly, as shown and described, to securely and firmly hold the garment after a small portion of it has been drawn up through the opening and looped over the nose.

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