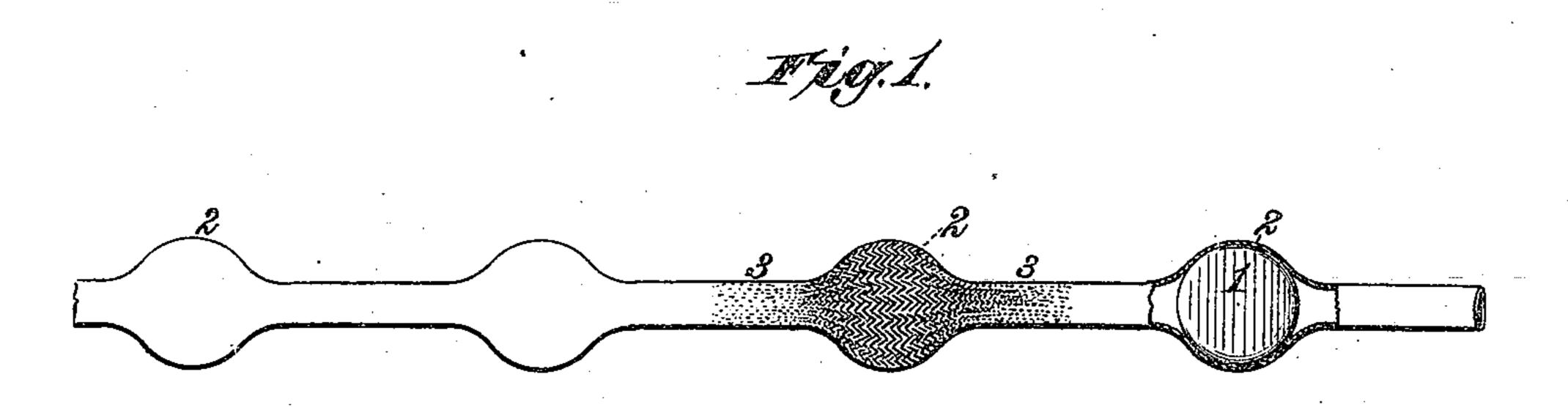
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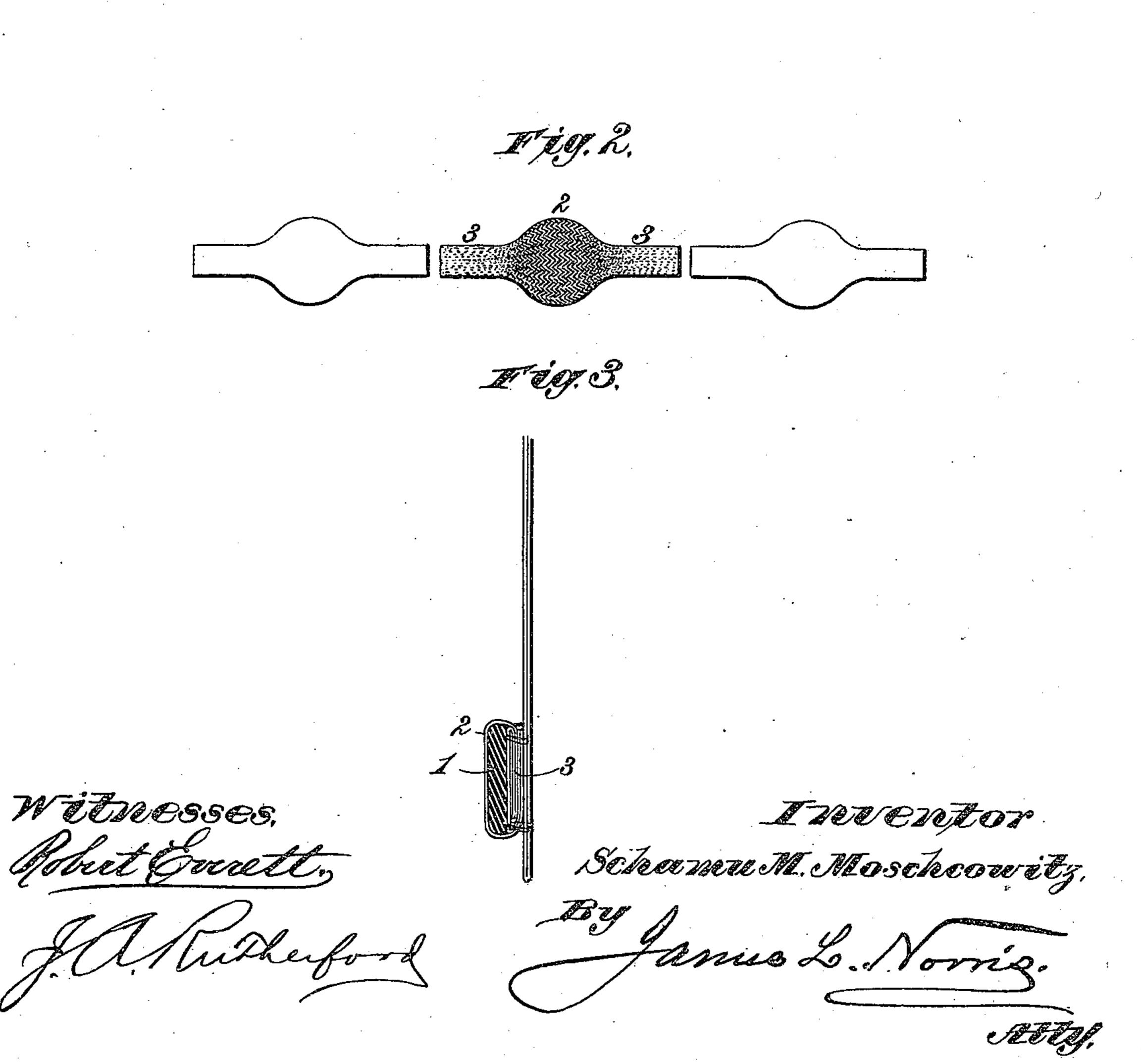
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DRESS-WEIGHT.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Schamu M. Moschcowitz, a citizen of the United States, residing at New York, in the county of New York and 5 State of New York, have invented new and useful Improvements in Dress-Weights, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to those devices commonly used by dress makers and manufacto turers of wearing-apparel for the purpose of weighting the points or similar parts of garments for women's use, to prevent the same turning upward and fluttering from the dress

in an unsightly manner.

Heretofore and prior to my invention manufacturers have employed for this purpose leaden weights having a hole in the center, through which a thread was drawn to secure the weight in the point. It being found that 20 naked lead weights of this description discolored and stained the fabric, another method was adopted, consisting in covering the weight with cloth and sticthing it on the point, like a button. This, however, involves a great deal 25 of trouble and loss of time, as the entire labor of covering and attaching must be done by hand.

It is the purpose of my invention to avoid the objections to the mode of procedure stated 30 above, which have rendered the use of covered

weights substantially impracticable.

To this end my invention consists in the novel features of construction and combination of parts hereinafter fully set forth, and defi-35 nitely pointed out in the claim annexed to this specification.

Referring to the drawings forming part of this specification, Figure 1 is a view illustrating my improved method of covering the 40 weights. Fig. 2 is a view showing the manner of separating the weights from the continuous strand by which they are covered. Fig. 3 is a central vertical section taken through one of said weights with its covering, showing the 45 manner of attaching the same to the dress.

In the said drawings the reference-numeral

1 denotes a lead weight of suitable size and shape, which may, by my invention, be cast solid, or without the central opening usually required. These weights are covered by a 50 woven fabric, which may be applied by suitable mechanism, of a kind similar to that employed in covering buttons. Any number of such weights are covered in this manner, the weaving being continued between the same, 55 as shown, to form a strand, 2, within which the weights lie at suitable and regular intervals, the space between being such that when the strand is divided between the weights there will be formed upon each side of the lat- 60 ter an end or tag, 3, as shown in Fig. 2. In applying the weights to a garment these ends 3 are bent over upon the under surface of the weight, one overlapping the other, and the weight is then sewed on, like a button.

By my invention the weights may be woven into a strand of any length, and sold in the form of a continuous strand to the consumers.

The covering being woven over the weights, those portions of the strand intermediate 70 thereof are of diminished breadth, as shown in Fig. 1, whereby each weight is securely held in place.

I am aware that a weighting device for garments consisting of flat metallic disks ar- 75 ranged edge to edge in a flexible tube, thereby forming a pliable belt, is not new, and I make no broad claim thereto; but

What I claim is—

The combination, with a lead weight for 80 dress-makers' use, of a textile covering applied thereto, having ends or tags which project in opposite directions and are adapted to be folded under said weight when attached, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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