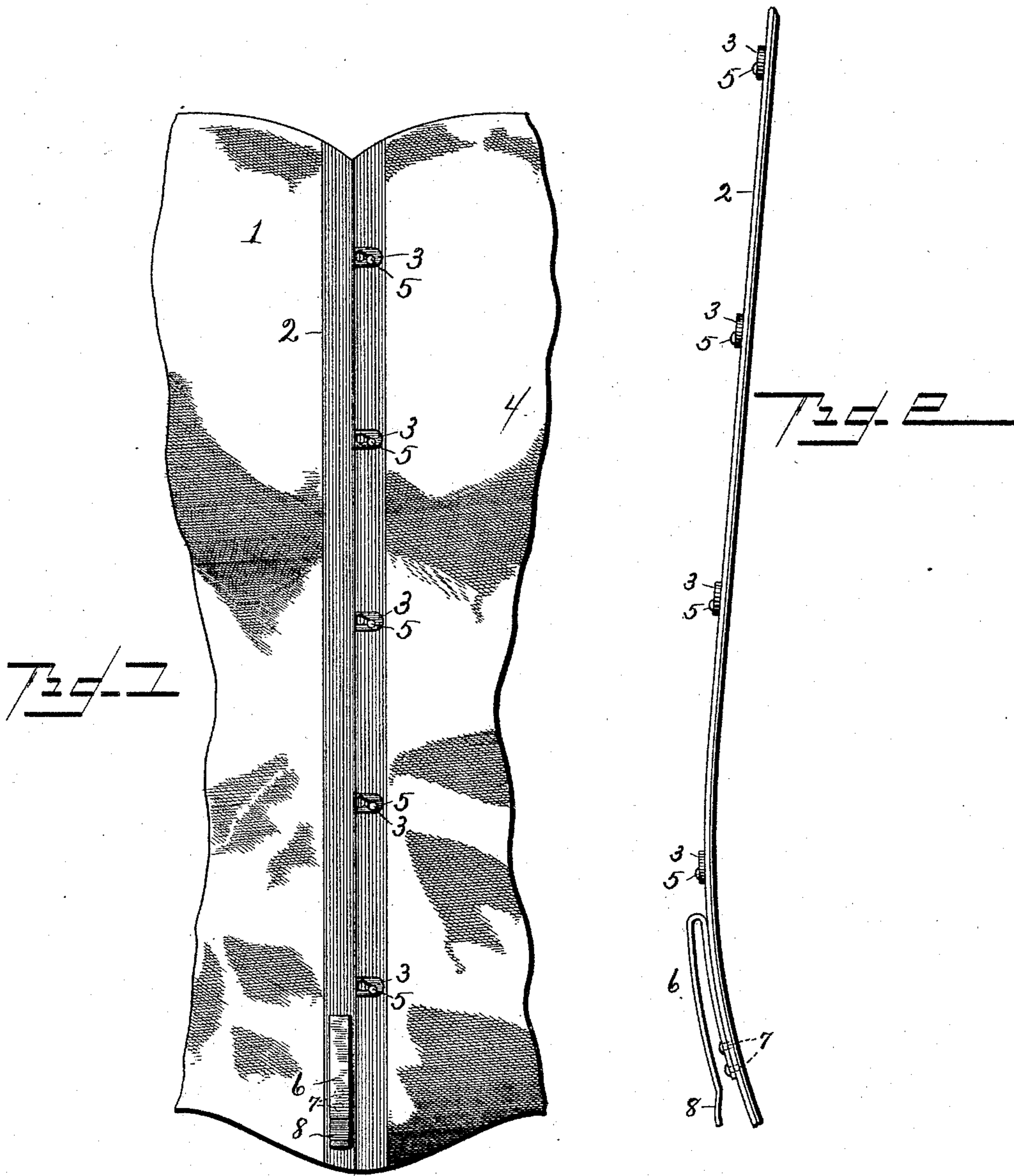


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FLORENCE LOUISA SUCKLEY, of Hotchkissville, county of Litchfield, and State of Connecticut, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Busk-Steels, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

The object of my invention is to produce an improved busk steel adapted to prevent the rising of garments about the waist of the wearer, and to cause them at all times to keep a perfectly smooth and even appearance.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a front elevation of a section of the front part of a garment, showing my invention applied; and Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the front steels incased with my invention applied.

Referring to the figures on the drawings, 1 indicates one side of the front part of a garment, provided with a steel 2, and hooks or loops 3. 4 indicates the other side of the garment, and 5 the hooked stud. These parts may be of any usual and ordinary construction. 6 indicates a metallic hook firmly secured, as by rivets 7, to the lower extremity

of the steel 2. The hook should preferably be made deep and of flat metal, so as to lie close to the body of the wearer. It should open downwardly, and is provided with a flared end 8 the flare of which is adjacent to the extremity of the steel and in an opposite direction to the curvature thereof for facilitating its adjustment in practice.

The garments to be used with it may be of the ordinary kind, and the bands may be inserted under the hook, or they may be provided with special pockets or tapes if preferred.

What I claim is—

A busk steel provided with a downwardly opening hook at its extremity, said hook having a flared end adjacent to said extremity, and said flare being in an opposite direction to the curvature of the steel, substantially as specified.

In testimony of all which I have hereunto subscribed my name.

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