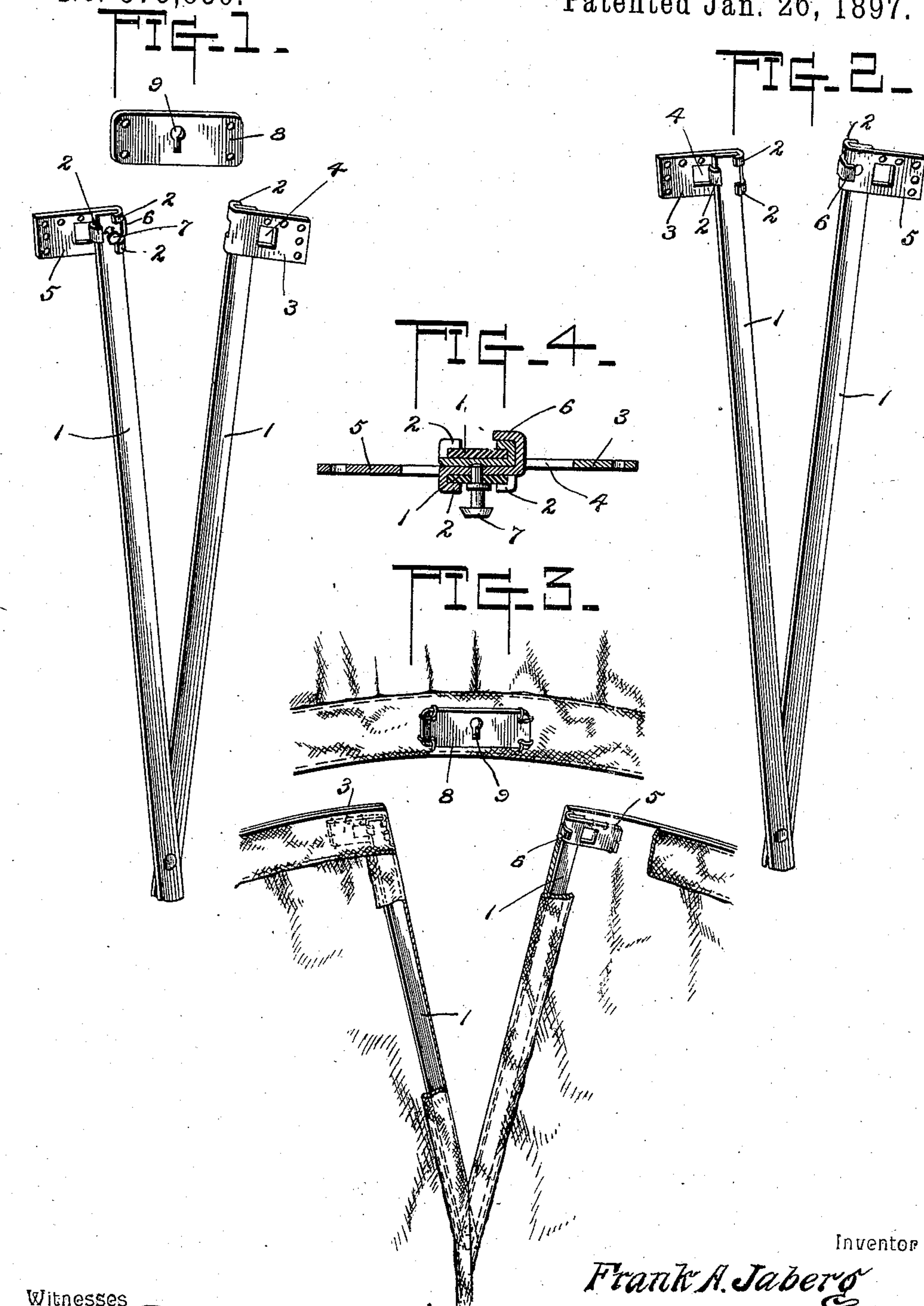


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PLACKET-FASTENER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANK A. JABERG, a citizen of the United States, residing at New Philadelphia, in the county of Tuscarawas and State of Ohio, have invented a new and useful Placket-Fastener, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to placket-fasteners; and the object in view is to provide a simple, cheap, and efficient device of this character which will not only keep the placket of a lady's skirt closed, but which will also serve to keep the band of the waist down over the band of the skirt and prevent said bands from separating.

To this end the invention consists in an improved device for the purpose stated embodying certain novel features and details of construction and arrangement of parts, as hereinafter fully described, illustrated in the drawings, and incorporated in the claim hereto appended.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the placket-fastener, showing also the plate for securing the waistband detached. Fig. 2 is a similar view of the placket-fastener, looking from the opposite side. Fig. 3 shows portions of the skirt and waist with the improved fasteners applied thereto. Fig. 4 is an enlarged detail section showing the manner in which the end plates of the stays interlock.

Similar numerals of reference designate corresponding parts in the several figures of the drawings.

The placket-fastener contemplated in this invention comprises, essentially, a pair of stays 1 of suitable length and pivotally connected together at one end, the same being the lower end when the device is applied to a skirt. These stays may be formed from metal, hard rubber, whalebone, or any other suitable material, they being preferably elastic or flexible, so as to conform themselves to the shape of the skirt. These stays are enclosed in hems in the skirt at the edges thereof contiguous to the placket and are preferably secured by stitching. Each of said stays is provided at its upper or free end with a plate which is stitched to the inside of the

band at the upper edge of the skirt, such plate being perforated to receive the stitches which secure it in place. Each of said plates is secured to the free end of its respective stay by means of a series of lips 2, which are formed integrally with their respective plate and bent forward or backward, as the case may be, upon opposite sides of the stay, so as to embrace the side edges thereof and clamp the plate firmly to the stay. One of the plates (indicated at 3) is provided with an approximately central and rectangular opening 4, while the other plate 5 is provided at its inner end, or that end which is secured to the stay, with an integrally-formed hook 6, projecting forwardly from its front face, which when the plates are brought together is adapted to enter the opening 4 and interlock in the manner shown in Fig. 4, in which position the stays 1 act to hold the placket closed. Projecting rearwardly from the plate 5 is a headed stud 7, the shank of which passes through the upper end of the stay to which said plate is attached and also through said plate 5, to which it is rigidly secured.

8 designates a plate of metal or other suitable material which is secured to the inside of the band of the waist. This plate is provided about centrally with a keyhole-slot 9, the upper end of which is sufficiently large to pass over the head of the stud 7, the lower portion of the slot being of sufficient width only to embrace the shank of the stud, so that when the stud is in the narrow portion of the slot the plate 8 cannot become disengaged therefrom. By grasping the waistband and pulling the same downward the plate 8 may, however, be disengaged from the stud, thus releasing the waistband from the skirtband, after which the interlocking plates 3 and 5 may be unhooked for permitting the placket to be opened.

The device above described is very simple in construction, cheap in manufacture, and will be found reliable and convenient in operation.

It will be understood that the several parts of the device are susceptible of changes in the form, proportion, and minor details of construction, which may accordingly be re-

sorted to without departing from the spirit or sacrificing any of the advantages of this invention.

Having thus described the invention, what
5 is claimed as new is—

A placket-fastener comprising two stiffeners pivoted together at one of their ends, and provided at their opposite ends with fastening-plates secured thereto by integral lips on
o said plates, one of said plates having an aperture and the other a hook for engagement

therewith, a stud projecting from the face of one of the stiffeners, and a slotted plate adapted to be attached to the waist for engagement with said stud, substantially as described. 15

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereto affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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