

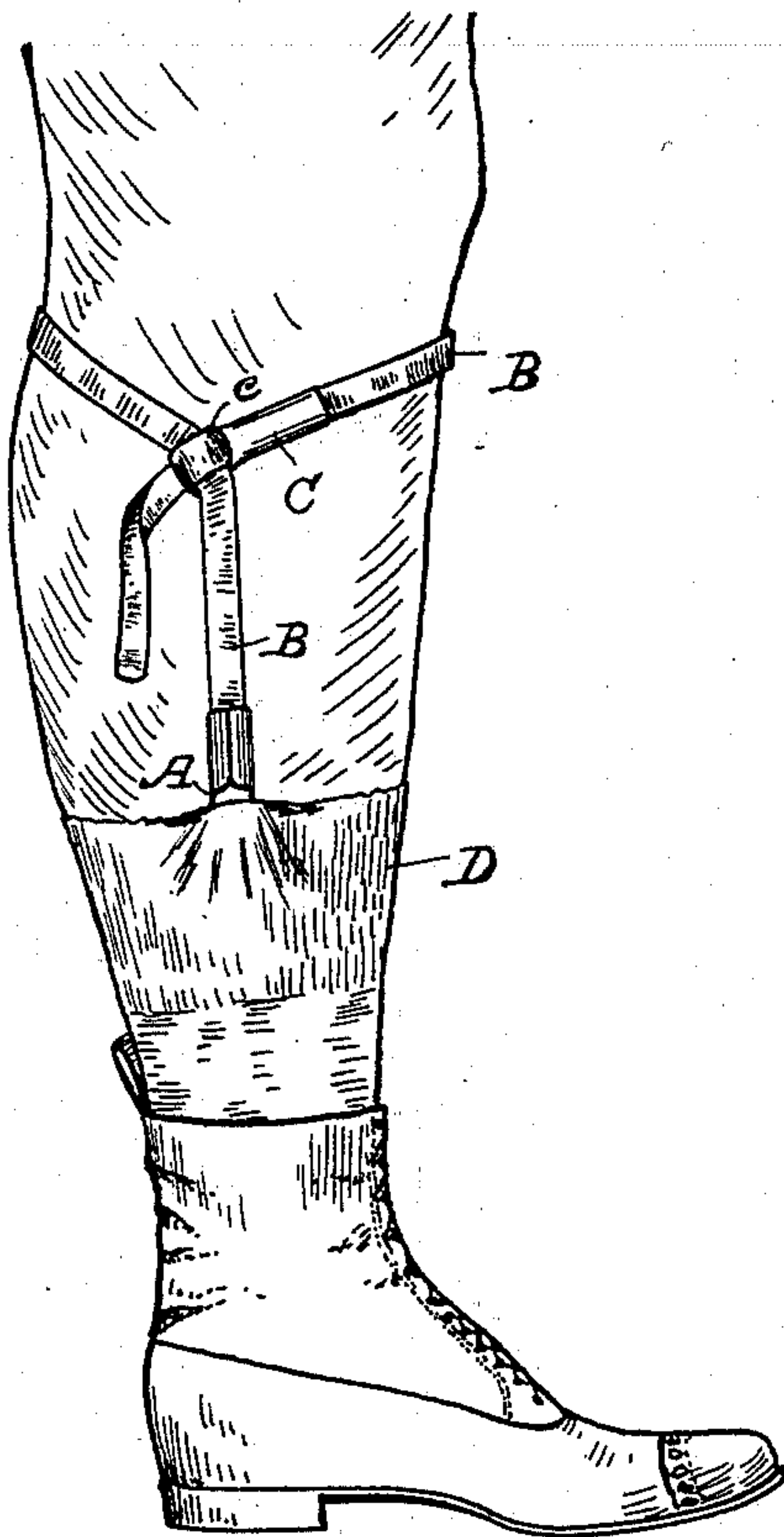
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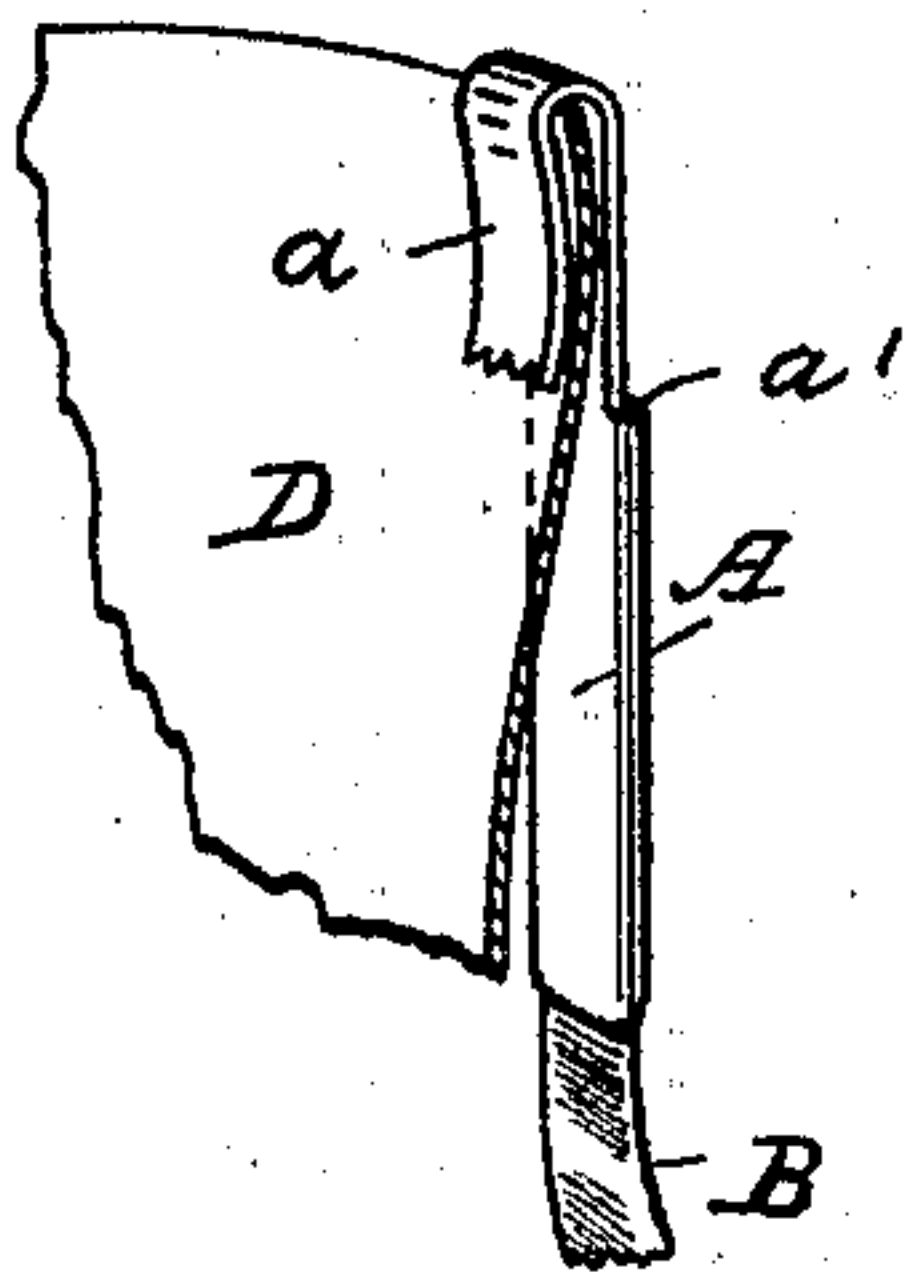
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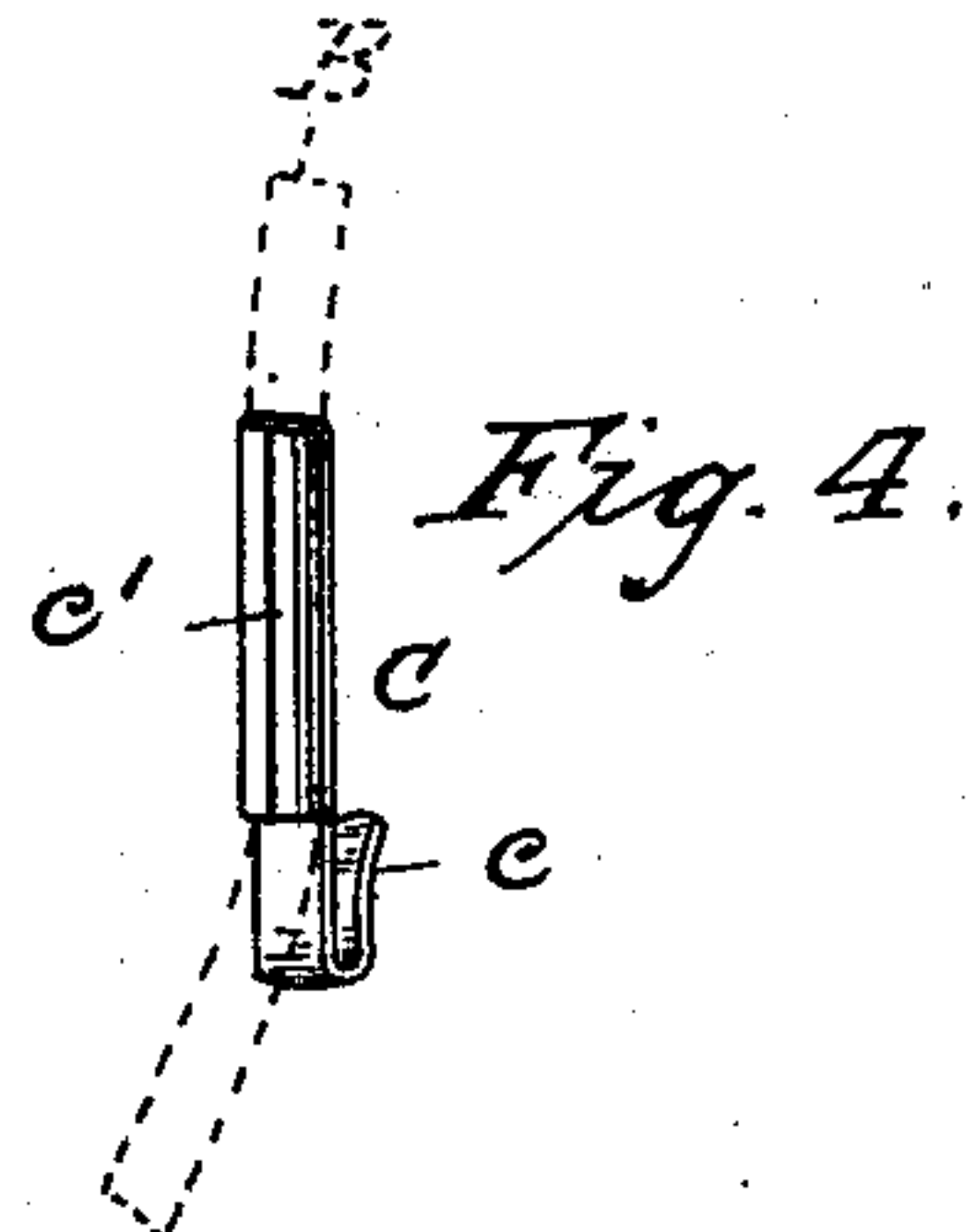
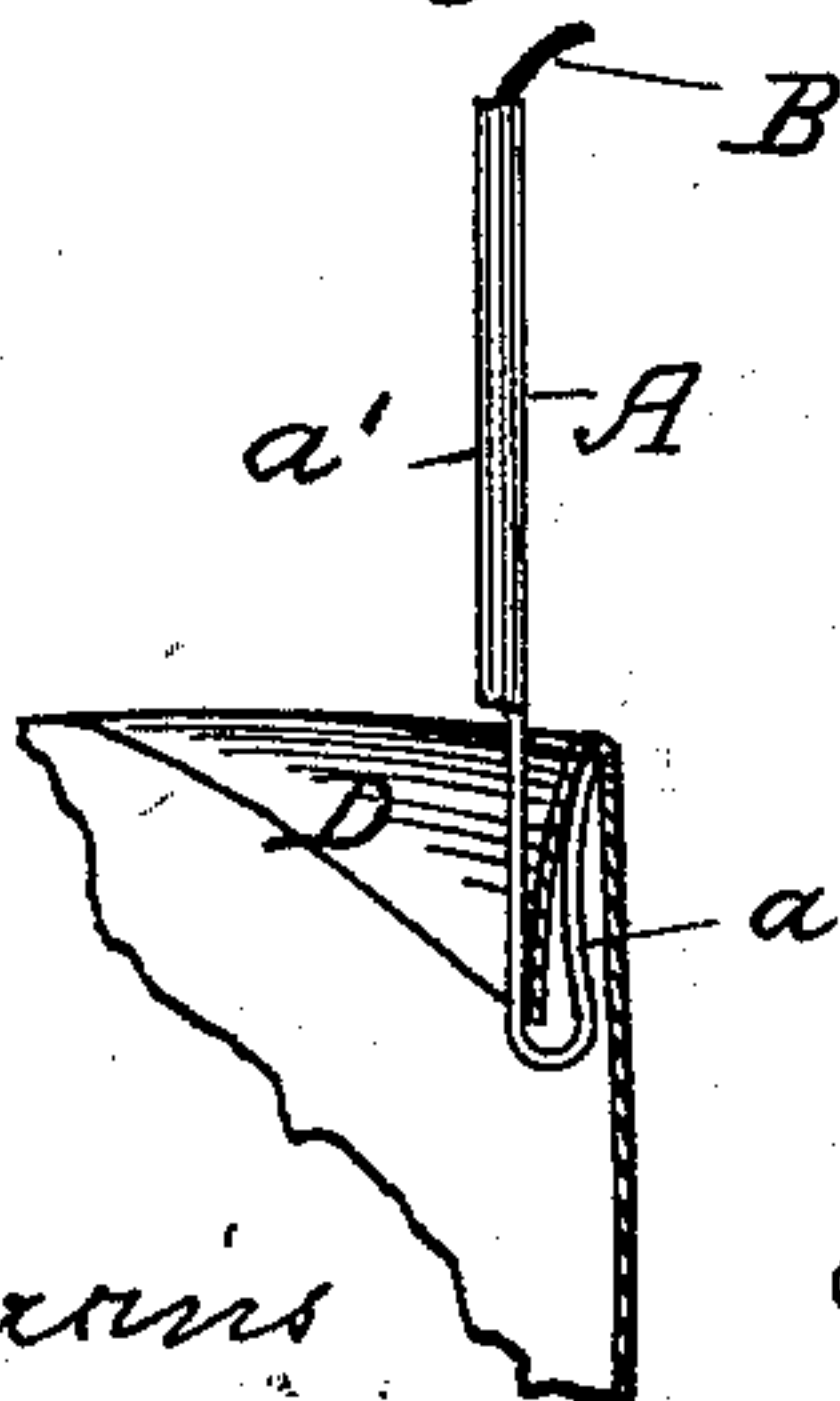
*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 3.*



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## HOSE-SUPPORT.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ORIN BAGLEY, a citizen of the United States, residing at North Sutton, in the county of Merrimac and State of New Hampshire, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hose-Supports; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates more especially to hose-supports for men, the object being to simplify and cheapen their construction.

The invention consists of a single piece of tape provided with two metal clasps, each having a hook projecting therefrom, one of said clasps being firmly secured to one end of the tape and the other being adjustable thereon, as fully set forth in the following specification and claim and clearly illustrated in the drawings accompanying and forming a part of the same, of which—

Figure 1 shows the lower portion of a man's leg having a half-hose and shoe thereon, and my improved hose-support as when in use. Fig. 2 is an enlarged detail view showing a portion of the top of a half-hose with my improved hose attachment, which is represented as in the position assumed when applying it to a hose. Fig. 3 shows the same parts with the hose attachment turned upward, as in the position assumed when supporting a hose. Fig. 4 is an enlarged detail view of the metal hook, which is adjustably secured to the tape by which the improved support may be lengthened or shortened at the convenience of the wearer.

Similar letters of reference denote corresponding parts throughout the several views.

A is my improved hose attachment composed of sheet metal and cut in the proper form to provide the hook *a* at one end, while its sides are bent over, as at *a'*, so as to receive one end of a piece of tape B and be firmly clamped thereon.

The hook *a* may have its end serrated, if desired, as shown in Fig. 2, to insure a more firm hold upon a hose, but this has been found to be unnecessary in practice.

The tape B may or may not be formed of elastic, and it will be sufficiently long to extend upward above the calf, reaching around the leg and lapping a little beyond itself, as shown in Fig. 1.

The sliding or adjustable clasp C may be very similar in form to the clasp A, having at one end the hook *c*, and its sides bent over, as at *c'*, to receive the tape B. This bent portion *c'* is not clamped upon the tape as is that of the clasp A, but it is closed upon the tape sufficiently tight to prevent its slipping or moving thereon under any ordinary strain to which it would be subjected when in use, but not so tight as to prevent the wearer from adjusting it to any required position.

The hook *c* will be sufficiently open to allow the tape to be quite loose therein, while the hook *a* of the hose-clasp A will be compressed sufficiently to cause the hose to fit snugly therein, Figs. 2 and 3 of the drawings purposely showing the hook *a* more open than practice would warrant in order to clearly show the hose D therein.

By the foregoing it will be seen that my improved support is very simple in construction, and the following will show that its application is very simple.

The hook *a* is first hung upon the top of the hose, as in Fig. 2, and then raised or turned up, as in Fig. 3, and the tape B passed upward to a point above the calf, then around the leg, the tape B at the point where it turns to pass around the leg being then passed over the hook *c* of the sliding piece C.

If it should be found too tight or short, the clasp C may be slid along toward the free end of the tape, and if too loose the slide has simply to be moved in the opposite direction.

This device has the advantage of having but few parts and nothing to catch upon the pants of the wearer.

Having described my improvements, what I claim is—

In a device of the class described comprising a tape having a hook secured rigidly to one end thereof, and a second hook consisting of a sheet-metal blank having one end bent upon itself to form the hook proper, the body portion of said blank having wings bent to lie parallel with said body on the opposite side of the hook to form a tube, said tape being passed through the tube and adapted for adjustment therein.

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

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