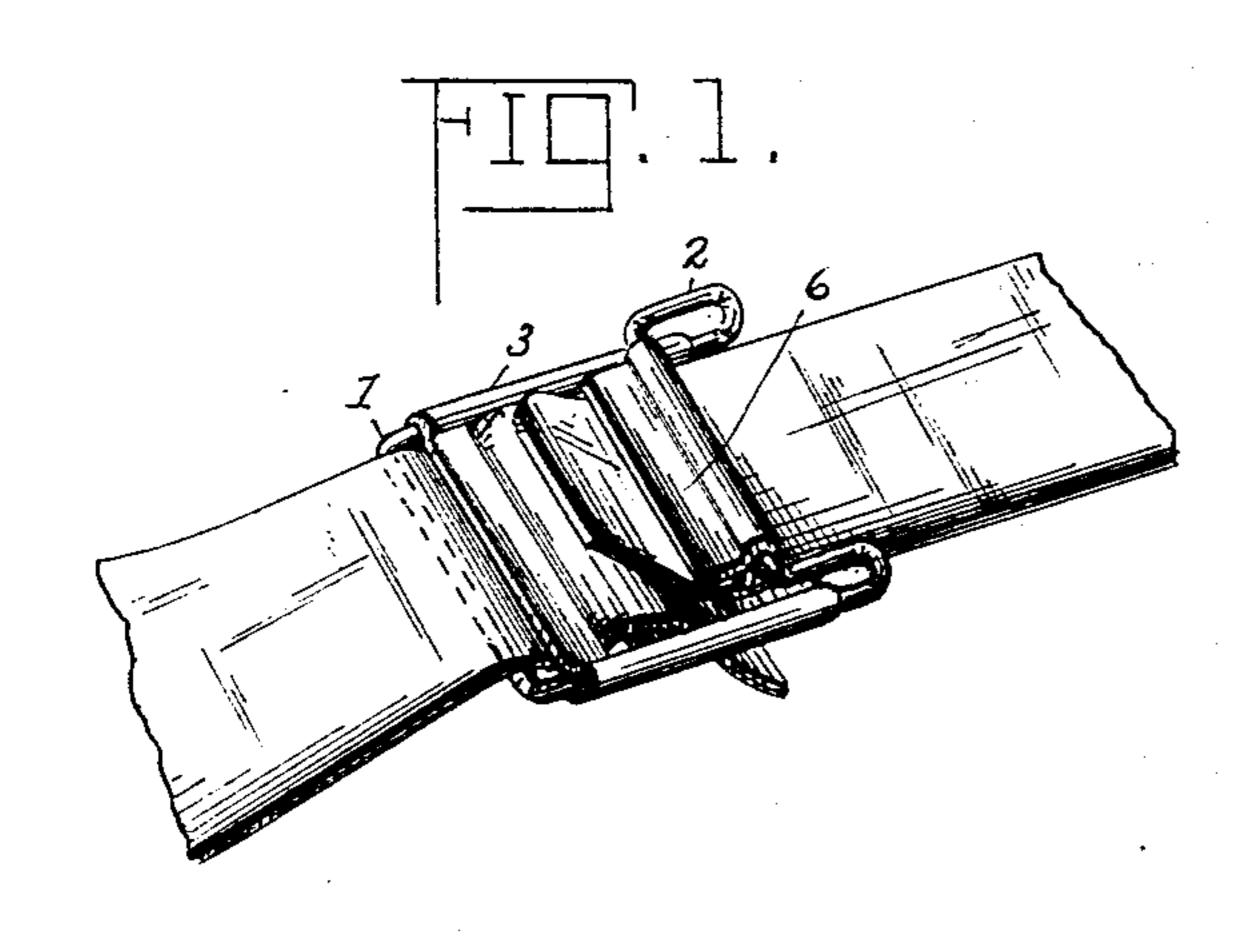
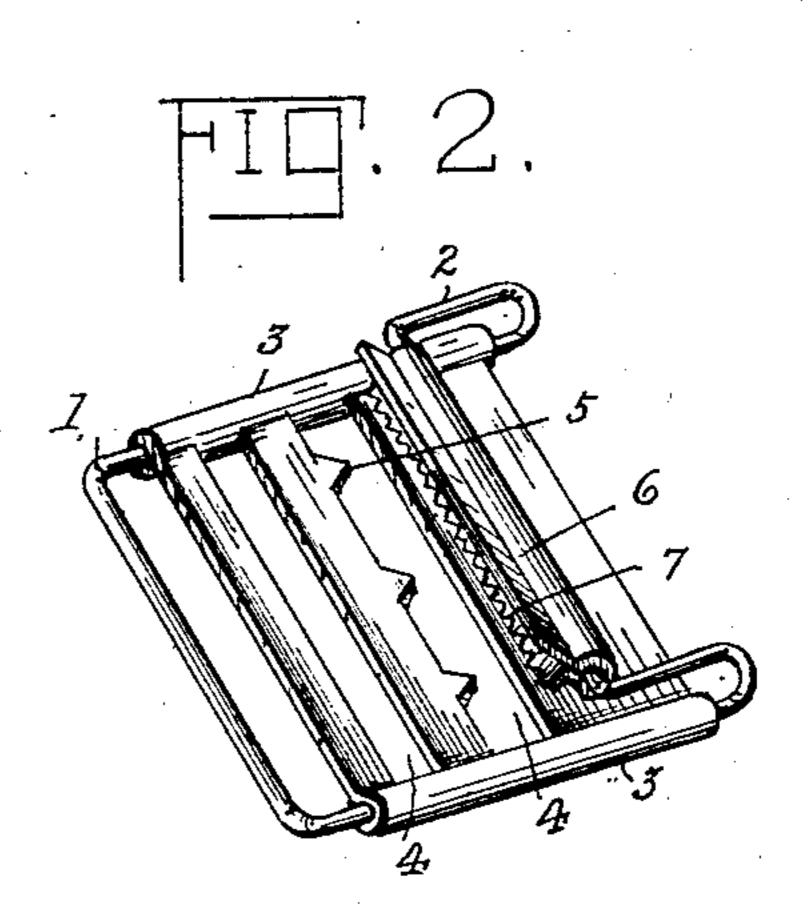
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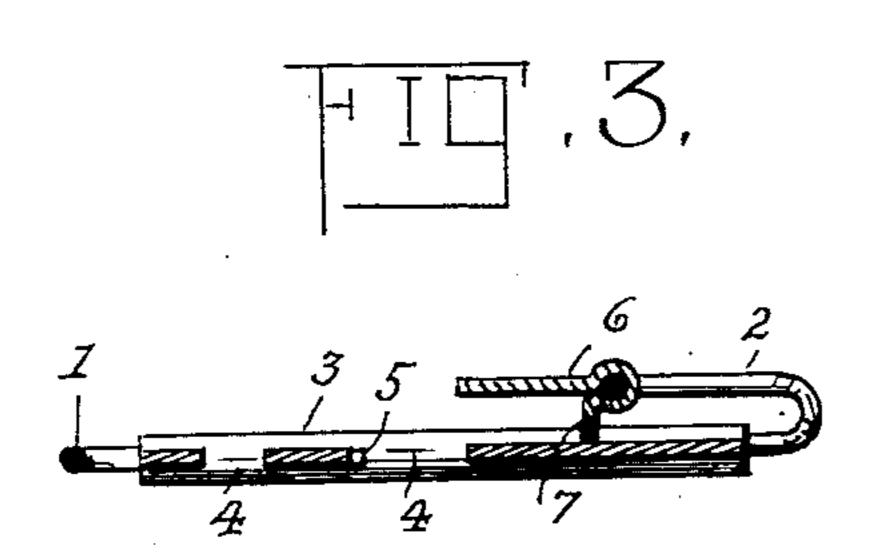
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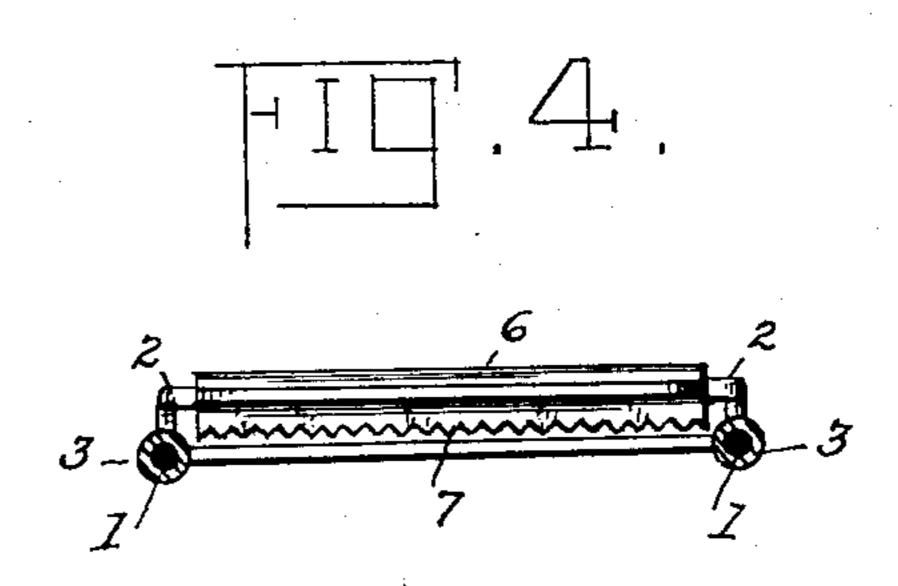
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE E. DAVIS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Mahaffey, in the county of Clearfield and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Buckles; and Idohereby 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.

My invention relates to buckles, and has for its object to provide a simple and improved buckle attachable without sewing or

otherwise permanent securing.

My invention consists in certain novel features of construction hereinafter fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view showing my buckle applied. Fig. 2 is a perspective front view of the buckle. Fig. 3 is a longitudinal section therethrough, and Fig. 4 is a similar transverse section.

The frame 1 of my buckle is preferably made of wire and has a rebent portion 2. Mounted upon the main portion of the frame is a slide 3. This slide is preferably made of sheet metal and is provided with one or more slots 4, at least one of which has teeth 5.

30 Upon the rebent portion of the frame is mounted a clasp 6, provided with teeth 7.

When it is desired to secure my buckle to a strap or the like, the slide is pushed toward the clamp far enough to admit the strap best tween the wire frame and said slide. After placing the strap through the slots in the slide it is pulled in the opposite direction to the clamp. This will secure the strap by friction between the frame and the end of the slide and by catching on the pointed teeth, as shown. The operation of the clamp is well known. This buckle can be applied to any garment without stitching. It is intended more particularly for trousers and vests. The buckle has no points of projec-

tion upon which the clothing can catch or be worn, and it can be manufactured without expensive machinery and at a small cost. It is obvious that the rebent portion of the frame upon which the clasp is mounted can be 50 sprung apart to admit of a heavy or thick strip between the slide and the clasp, or closed so as to hold a thin strip between the slide and the clasp. It is also well adapted for stocking-supporters and the like. I thus 55 provide a simple, cheap, effective, and improved buckle.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new, and desired to be secured by Letters Patent, is—

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1. In a buckle, the combination with a frame having a rebent portion, of a slide mounted on said frame and adapted to hold a strap between itself and the end of the frame, and a clasp mounted on the rebent portion of 65 the frame.

2. In a buckle, the combination with a frame having a rebent portion, of a slide provided with slots extending across the frame, and a clasp held upon the rebent portion.

3. In a buckle, the combination with a frame having a rebent portion, of a slotted slide, teeth projecting within one of the slots, and a toothed clasp mounted upon the rebent portion of the frame.

4. In a buckle, the combination with a frame having a rebent portion, of a flat metal slide provided with a slot having a plurality of pointed teeth extending thereinto from the slide, and a sheet-metal clasp bent around 80 the rebent portion of the frame and provided with teeth upon the side thereof.

In testimony whereof I have signed this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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