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Fig. 1.

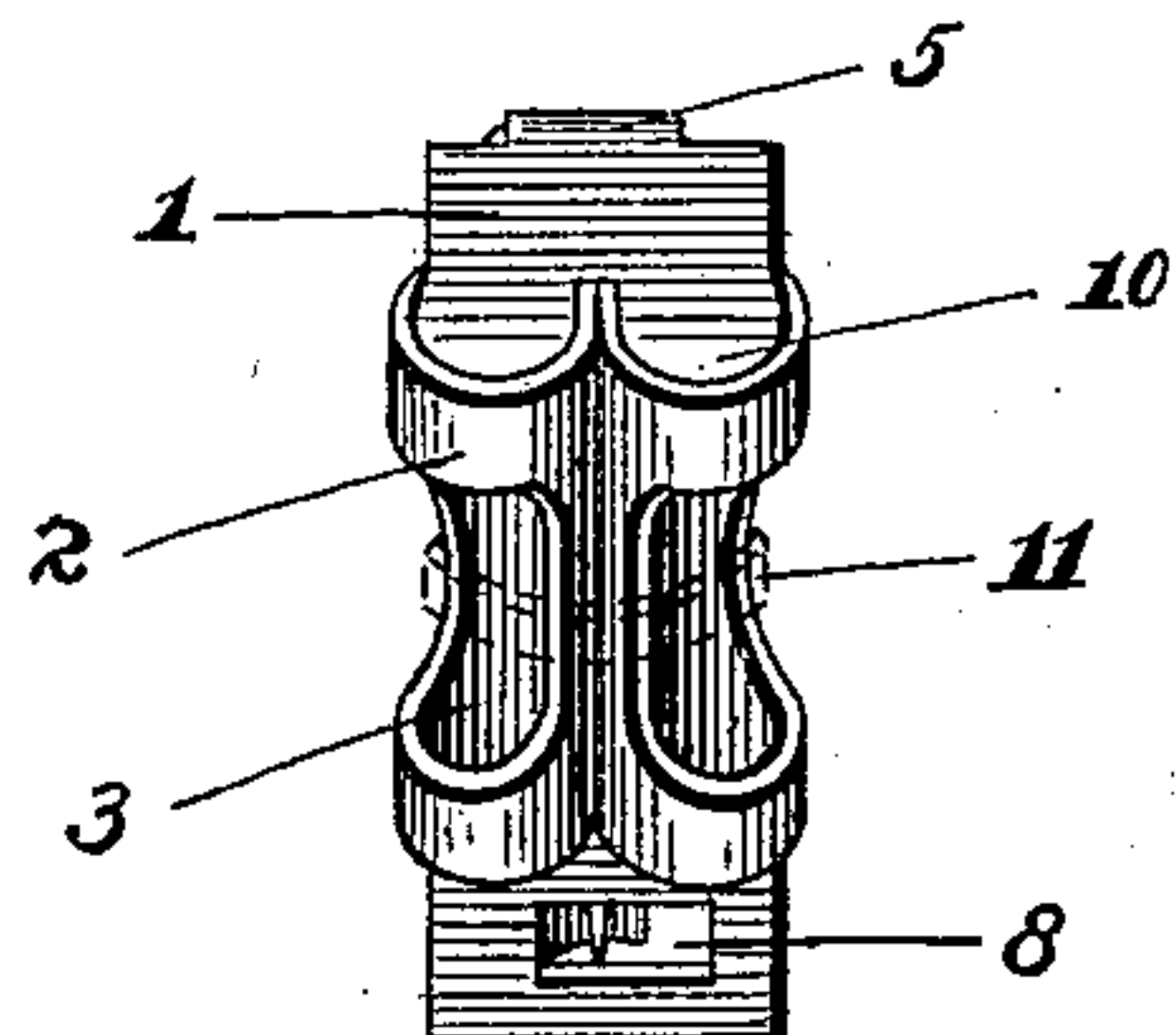


Fig. 2.

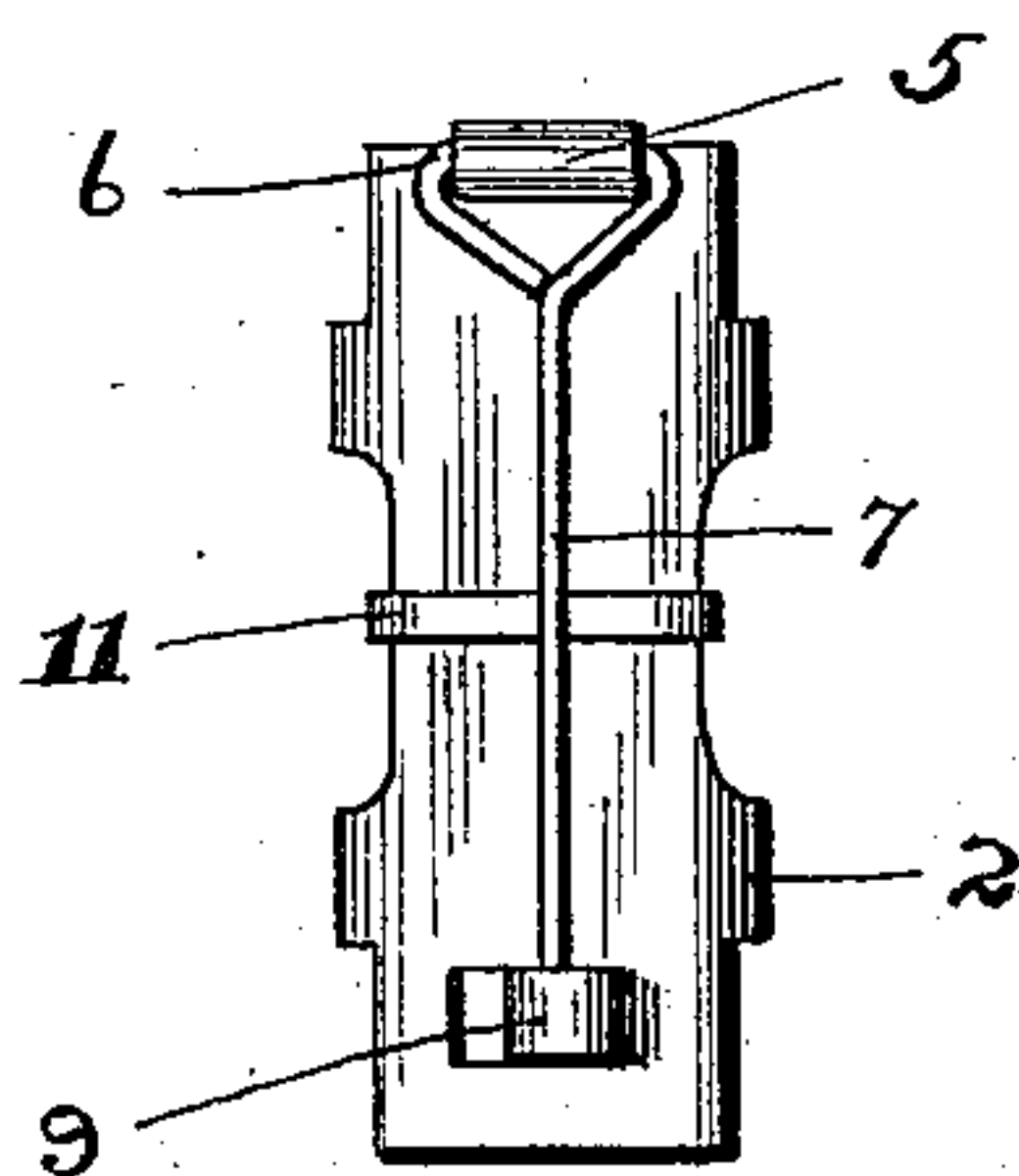


Fig. 3.

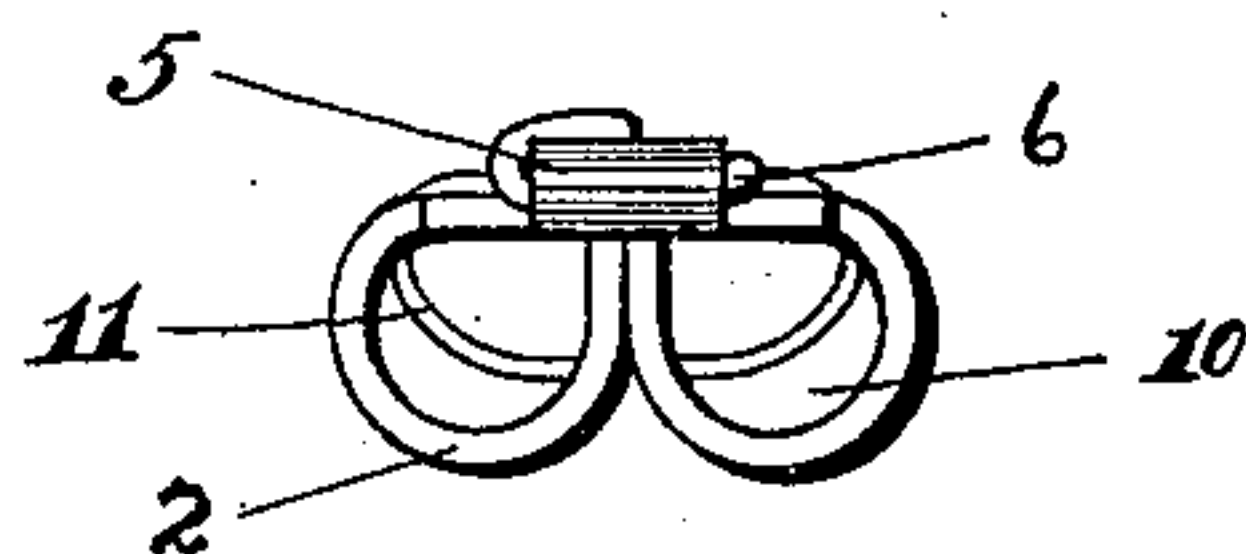
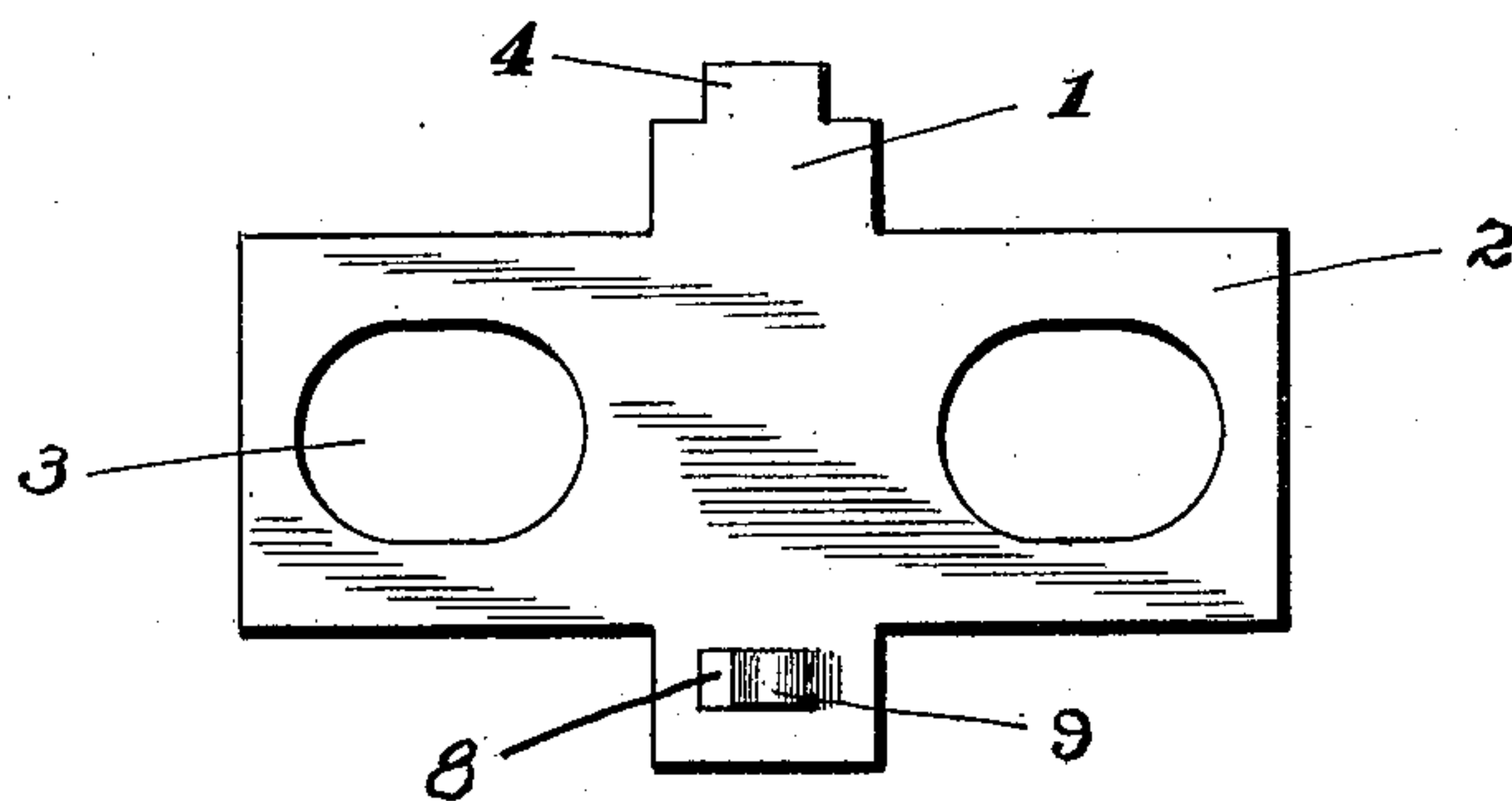


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WASHINGTON E. E. SMITH, a citizen of the United States, residing at Liberty, in the county of Sullivan and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Pencil-Holders; 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 to holders for supporting pens, pencils, and the like upon the clothing.

The object of the present invention is to provide a simple article adapted equally for the use of men and women, the same being adapted to be applied to the clothing at any desired point and to securely hold one or more pencils, pens, or similar articles and to enable the same to be readily removed for use whenever desired.

The invention consists in an improved holding device embodying certain novel features and details of construction, as hereinafter fully described, illustrated in the drawings, and pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the improved holding device. Fig. 2 is a rear elevation of the same. Fig. 3 is a top plan view thereof. Fig. 4 is a plan view of the blank from which the holder is formed.

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

The improved holding device contemplated in this invention is formed in one piece from a single blank of metal or other suitable material.

The device comprises a main body portion 1, of substantially rectangular shape, from the longitudinal or side edges of which project twin lateral flaps 2, the same being substantially rectangular in shape and provided with openings 3, which serve to lighten the article and also to form apertures into which one or more strands of a resilient nature may pass, as hereinafter described. Projecting from one end of the body portion 1 is a tab 4, which is rolled back upon the rear side of the body portion 1 to form a bearing sleeve or eye

5, in which is inserted the journal portion 6 of a safety-pin 7. The opposite end of the body portion 1 is provided with a U-shaped incision 8, and the metal included by said incision is bent back and rolled to form a guard 9 for the point of the pin, the holder being attached to the clothing at any desired point by passing the pin through the fabric and afterward tucking the point of the pin in the guard 9.

The lateral flaps 3 are rolled around in circular form upon the front side of the body portion 1, thus forming receptacles 10 sufficiently large to receive a pencil or pen or similar article. Around the holder thus formed is passed a resilient or elastic band 11, of rubber or other suitable material, and on account of the depressions formed by the openings 3 the said band will lie partially within the plane of the receptacle for the pencils, pens, &c., so that as said pencils or pens are inserted through the receptacles the said band will frictionally engage therewith and sustain the same in place, preventing accidental displacement thereof. At the same time the said pencils or pens may be easily removed either upward or downward, as desired.

It is preferred to construct the holder of thin metal of a springy nature, so that the receptacles will have a certain degree of elasticity for frictionally engaging a pen or pencil irrespective of the band 11.

The holder above described is extremely simple in construction, cheap in manufacture, and will be found of great convenience and utility.

One of the lateral flaps 3 is preferably made somewhat larger or longer than the flap on the opposite side of the body portion, and the holder is provided with a correspondingly longer aperture, so that the resilient band will enter farther into the receptacle formed by said enlarged flap, thereby enabling the same to hold a small pencil or either a large or a small pencil.

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

1. The herein-described holding device for pens, pencils, &c., comprising an approximately cylindrical receptacle having an opening in one side, attaching means, and an elas-

tic band passing transversely around and lying partially within the side opening in said receptacle, substantially as and for the purpose described.

5 2. In a holding device of the class described, the main body portion having attaching means connected thereto, and provided with lateral flaps which are rolled upon one side to form receptacles for pencils, &c., the said
10 receptacles being provided with openings, and a resilient band extending around the holder and lying partially within said receptacles, substantially as described.

15 3. A pencil-holding device, comprising a body portion, oppositely-projecting flaps having central openings and rolled upon one side of the holder to form receptacles, a tab at one end of the body portion folded back to form
20 a bearing-eye, a pin having its journal portion mounted in said eye, and a guard for the point of the pin formed by incising the body of the holder and deflecting the metal included by the incision, said holder being

adapted to receive a resilient band around it, the arrangement being such that said band 25 will lie partially within the receptacles for the pencil, &c., substantially as described.

4. The pencil-holder described consisting of the body portion of sheet metal and provided with means for attachment to the cloth- 30 ing, the edges of said body portion having integral flaps which are looped inwardly toward the body and toward each other forming two receptacles nearly cylindrical in form in front of said body and side by side, said 35 receptacles having front openings and a retaining-piece extending across the openings, substantially as and for the purpose stated.

In testimony whereof I have signed this specification in the presence of two subscrib- 40 ing witnesses.

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