

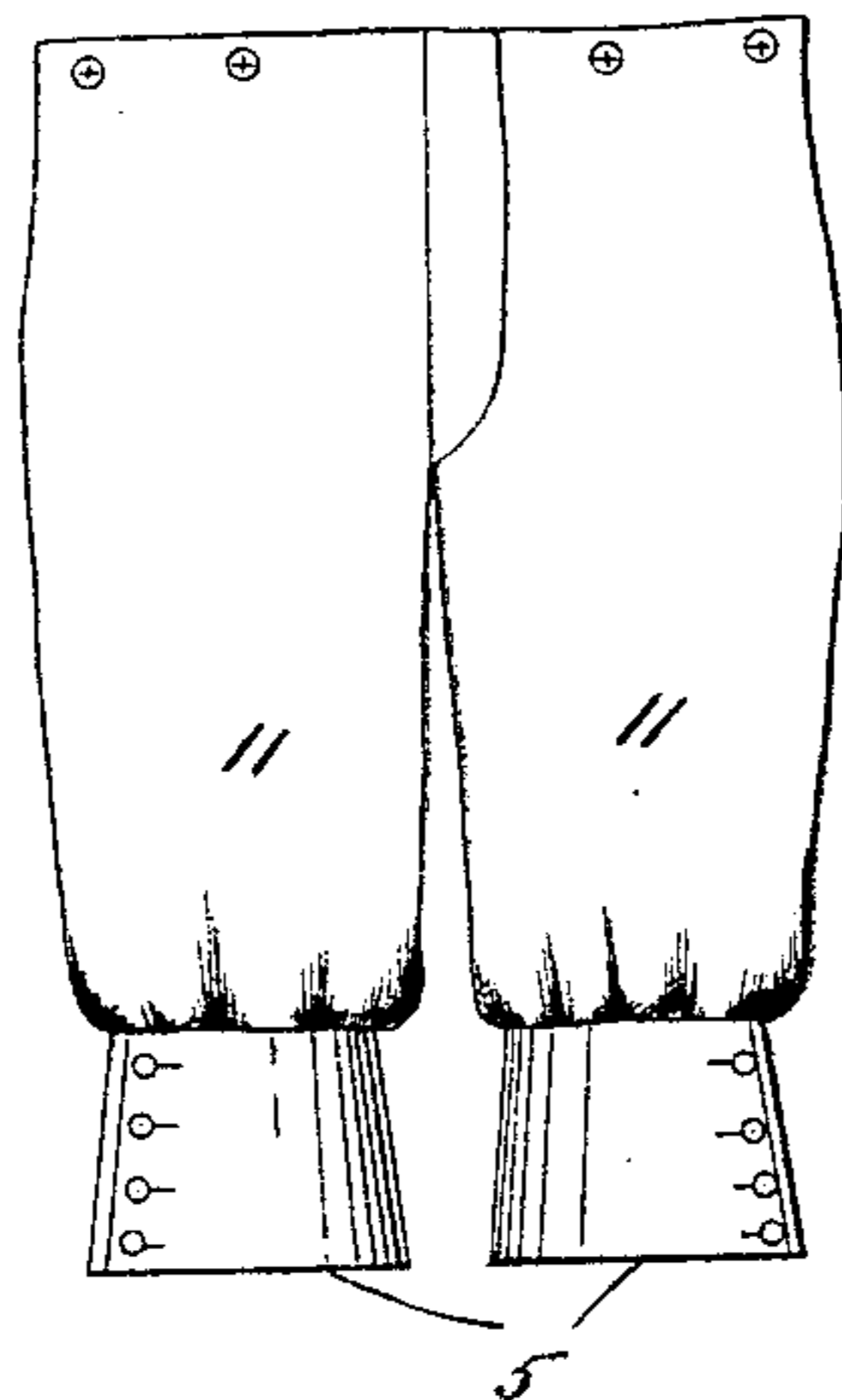
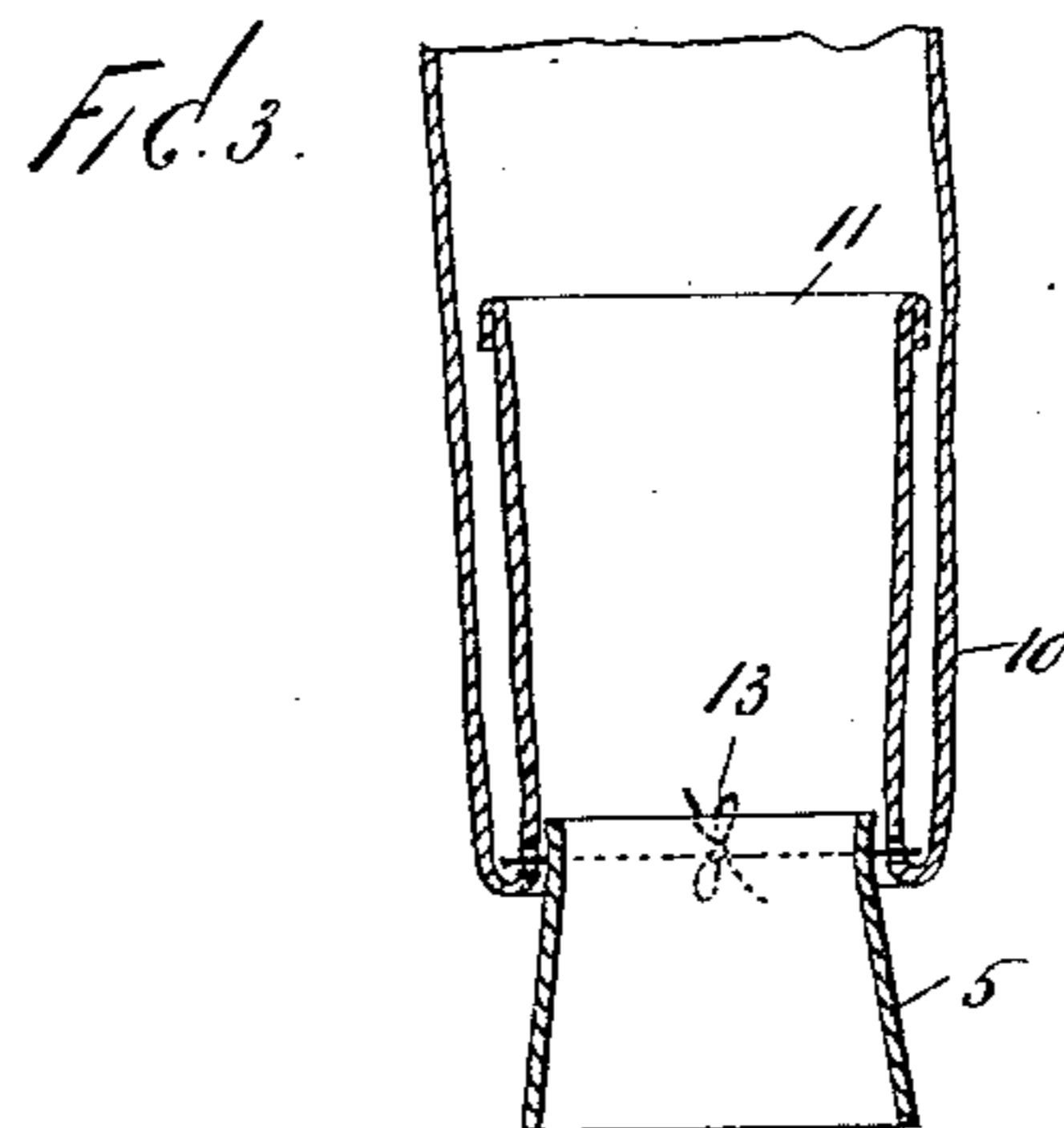
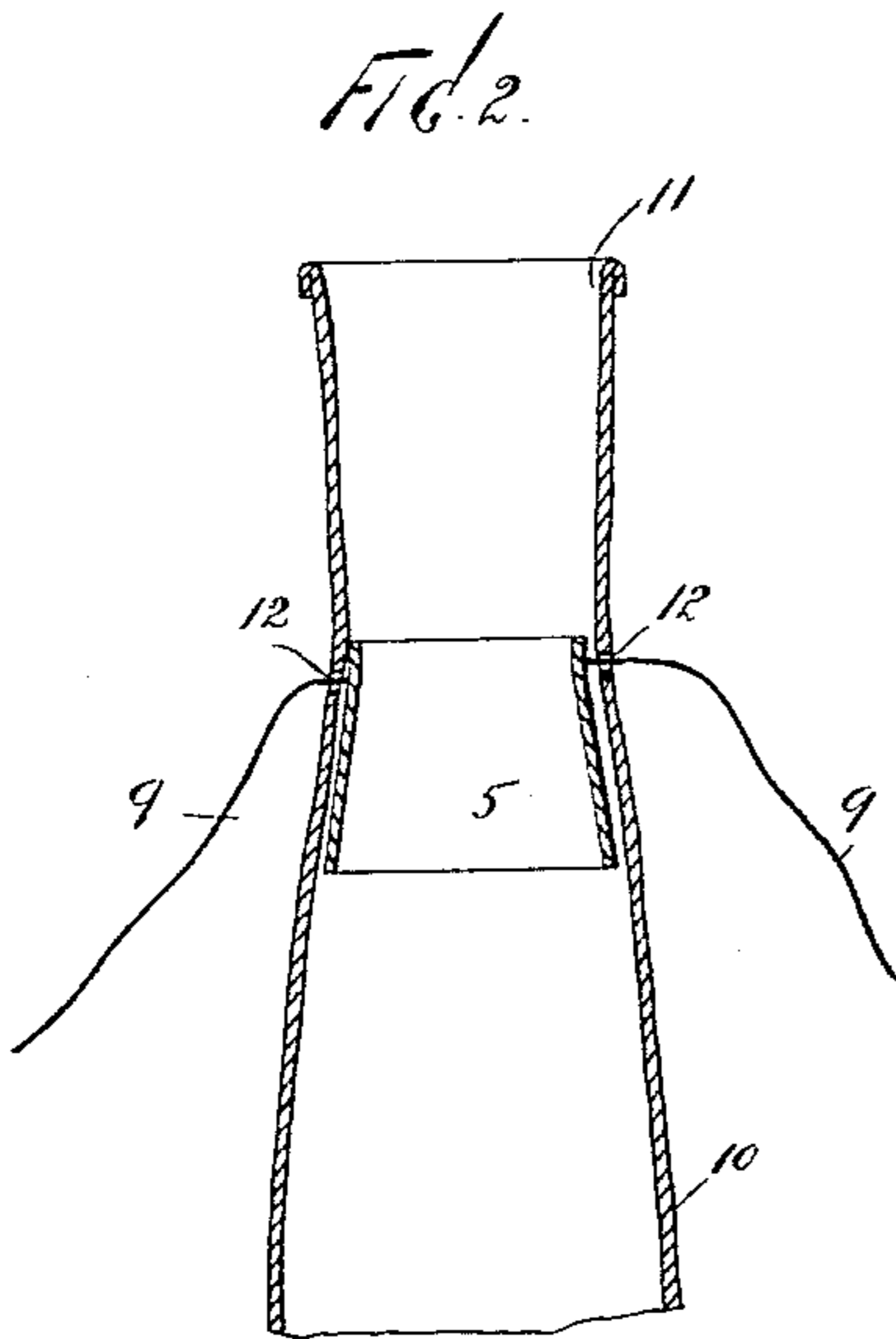
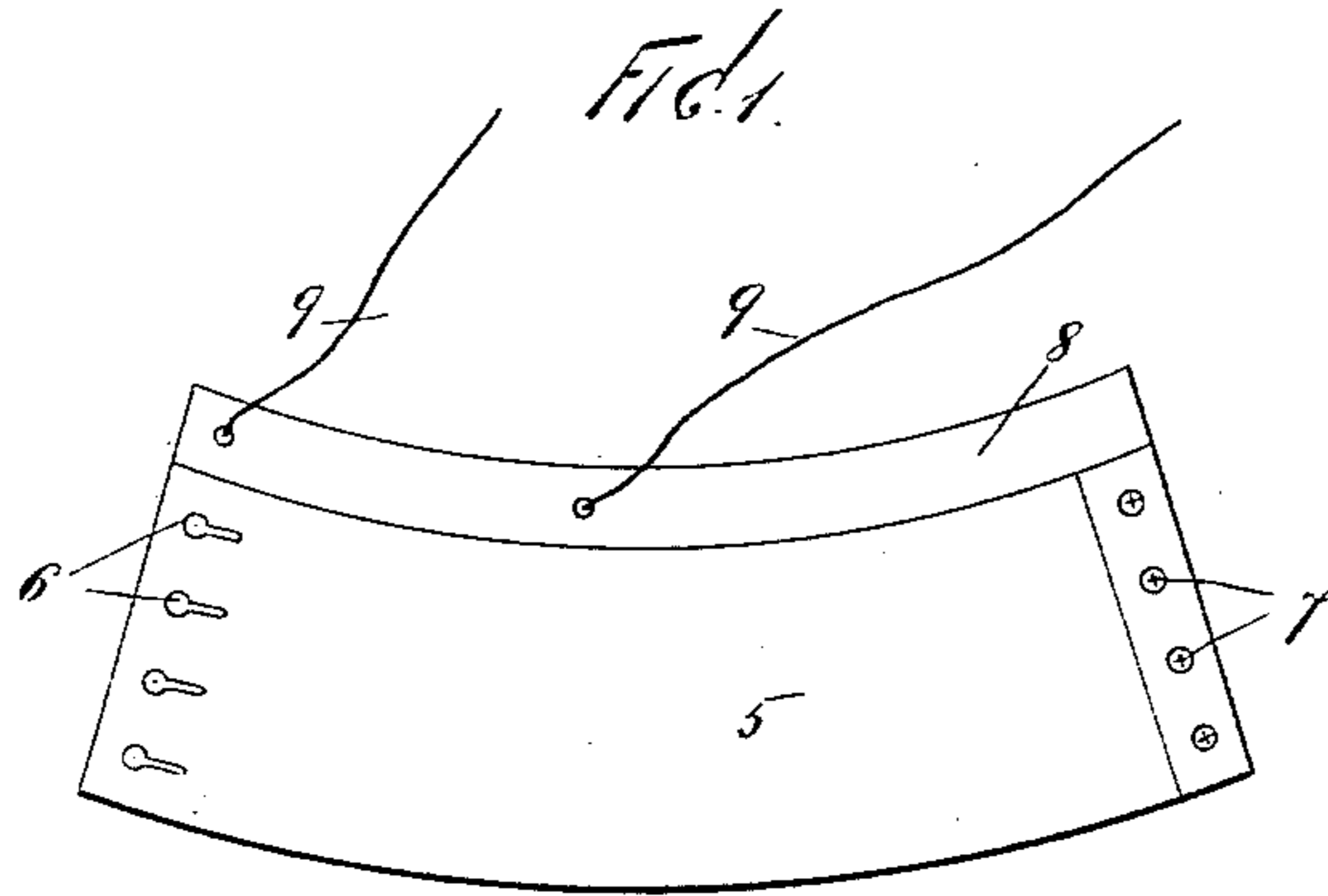
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FREDERICK A. TAWA, a subject of the King of Greece, residing at New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Knickerbocker Trousers, of which the following is a full and complete specification, such as will enable those skilled in the art to which it ap-
10 pertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to knickerbocker trousers; and the object thereof is to provide means whereby an ordinary pair of trousers may be converted into knickerbockers when-
15 ever desired, a further object being to provide a band or legging which is adapted to closely fit the leg below the knee and improved means for connecting the same with the legs of an ordinary pair of trousers, where-
20 by the latter are converted into knickerbocker trousers.

The invention is fully disclosed in the following specification, of which the accompanying drawings form a part, in which the separate parts of my improvement are designated
25 by the same numerals of reference in each of the views, and in which—

Figure 1 is a plan view of the band or legging which I employ; Fig. 2, a longitudinal section of one leg of a pair of trousers and of the band or legging and showing the method of connecting the same; Fig. 3, a similar view showing one step in the process of connecting the band or legging with the leg of the
35 trousers, and Fig. 4 a front view of the trousers with the band or legging connected therewith.

In Fig. 1 of the drawings I have shown at 5 the band or legging which I employ, and
40 said band or legging is wider at the bottom than at the top and is provided at one end with buttonholes 6 and at the opposite end with corresponding buttons 7, and the upper edge thereof is provided with a strip 8. The
45 upper and lower edges of the band or legging 5 are also circular in form, and when the ends thereof are folded together and connected the said band or legging assumes the form shown in Figs. 2, 3, and 4, the bottom thereof
50 being slightly larger than the top. The top strip 8 of the band or legging 5 is also pro-

vided at one end and at or adjacent to the middle thereof with a cord or tape 9, and the operation of connecting the band or legging 5 with the trousers is substantially as follows: 55 One of the trouser-legs is shown at 10 in Figs. 2 and 3 and the open end thereof at 11. The band or legging is first slipped onto the leg up to or just below the knee, and the trousers are then turned wrong side out and the legs 60 thereof are pulled on over the feet and over the band or legging until the lower ends of the legs reach slightly above the knee. The legs of the trousers are also provided at a predetermined distance from the lower end thereof 65 with small perforations or openings 12, and the cords or tapes 9 are passed through these perforations or openings, as shown in Fig. 2, and said cords or tapes are then wrapped tightly around the legs of the trousers and 70 tied at one side, as indicated at 13 in Fig. 3. The waistband of the trousers is then grasped in the hands and the trousers pulled onto the person and buttoned at the waist in the usual manner, and in this operation the 75 trousers are turned right side out, and the appearance thereof is shown in Fig. 4, and the open ends 11 of the legs project upwardly therein above the knee and above the band or legging 5, and the object of making the 80 lower ends of the bands or leggings 5 slightly larger than the upper ends is to cause said bands or leggings to conform to the shape of the leg just below the knee and to closely fit the same. 85

My improved band or legging is simple in construction, and the perforations or openings 12 in the leg of the trousers are so made as to be almost concealed when the bands or leggings are not employed, and by means of 90 this construction an ordinary pair of trousers may be converted into knickerbockers whenever desired.

Having fully described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters 95 Patent—

A pair of trousers, the legs of which are provided in the opposite sides just below the knee with perforations or openings and bands or leggings provided at the upper edge and at 100 one corner thereof with a cord or tape and centrally of said upper edge with another

cord or tape, said cords or tapes being adapted
to be passed through said perforations or
openings, said bands or leggings being pro-
vided at the ends with fastening devices and
5 being larger at the bottom than at the top,
substantially as shown and described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as

my invention I have signed my name, in pres-
ence of the subscribing witnesses, this 21st
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