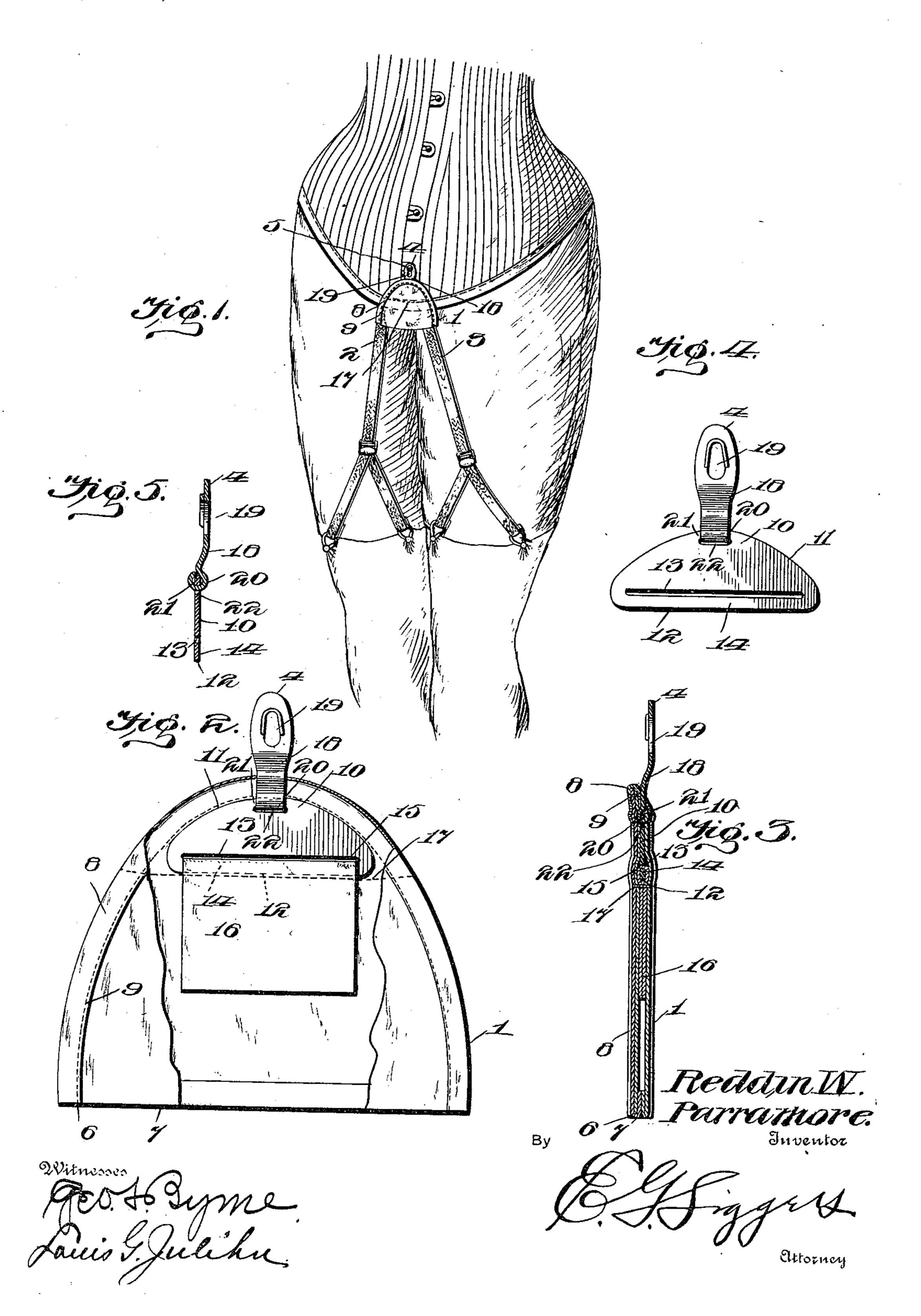
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To all whom it may concern:

Beit known that I, REDDIN W. PARRAMORE, a citizen of the United States, residing at New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Hose-Supporter, of which the following is a specification.

My present invention relates to improvements in stocking-supporters of that class which are provided with a single hanger having means of attachment to the lower end of the corset; and one object of the invention is to produce a novel form of hanger throughout a large portion of which the counter strains produced by its suspending device and by the hose-supporters will be equally distributed to prevent the distortion of the hanger and to render it more durable and secure.

Considered in a somewhat more specific aspect, the object of the invention is to reinforce the hanger-casing in a manner to prevent the hanger-plate from wearing therethrough and by means of a reinforcement which will not only protect the casing, but which will, in addition to this function, serve as a supplemental retainer for the hanger-plate to form an extended bearing-surface at the inner edge of the plate, serving to relieve the upper edge thereof of a considerable portion of the strain to which it has heretofore been subjected.

A further object of the invention is to provide a novel construction of hanger-plate which will preclude the possibility of accidental breaking of the eyelet, which sometimes results from the bending of the hanger-piece in the act of attaching it to or detaching it from a corset.

To the accomplishment of these objects the invention consists in the construction and arrangement of parts to be described and illustrated, and finally defined in the appended claims.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a general view serving to illustrate the application of my invention. Fig. 2 is a detail view of the hanger detached with a portion of one side of the casing removed. Fig. 3 is a central longitudinal section through the hanger, and Fig. 4 is a detail view of the hanger-plate. Fig. 5 is a detail sectional view of the plate and its suspending device.

Referring to the reference-numerals designating like and structural features in each of the views, 1 indicates the hanger of my garment-supporter, sustaining the upper ends of a pair of hose-supporting devices 2 and 3 and having a sustaining device 4, engaging a stud 5, forming a part of a clasp of an ordinary corset, to which the hanger is in this manner 60 attached for the purpose of effecting a common support for the stockings.

Thus far the construction of my device is substantially that illustrated and described in Letters Patent of the United States num-65 bered 629,391, issued to me July 25, 1899; but, as has been premised, my present invention relates more particularly to the hanger 1 and to the improved method of attachment of the hanger plate and casing, which constitute ele-70 ments of the hanger.

The body or casing 6 of the hanger consists of two layers of fabric having curved or convex upper edges of somewhat more than semicircular extent and coincident straight or 75 otherwise-shaped bottom edges 7, the contour of which is not essential. The convex or curved edges of the fabric are united in superimposed relation by a binding 8, stitched upon the hanger by a line of stitches or seam 80 9, piercing the opposite edges of the binding and passing through the layers of fabric. Within the casing or hanger-body, at the upper end thereof, is confined a hanger-plate 10, having its upper edge 11 conforming sub- 85 stantially to the curvature of the contiguous edge of the hanger-body and having a continuous bearing throughout its length with the connected edges of the fabric layer, or, more properly speaking, against the line of stitch- 9° ing 9. The lower transverse edge 12 of the plate 10 is straight, and immediately above this edge the plate is provided with an elongated slot 13, extending nearly the entire width of the plate. The adjacent parallel 95 edges of the slot 13 and plate 10 define an intermediate bearing-bar 14, engaging an elongated plate-retaining loop 15, located within the body or casing 1 and securely fastened to the opposed faces thereof. The loop 15 is de- 100 fined by the folded edge of a reinforcing-piece 16, passed through the slot 13 and doubled upon itself, as illustrated in Figs. 2 and 3 of the drawings, for the purpose of reinforcing

the fabric layers to resist the wrinkling and distortion thereof and to prevent the lower edge of the plate 10 from working through the casing.

Any suitable means for retaining the reinforcing-piece may be provided—as, for instance, metallic or other fasteners passed through the imposed layers of the casing 1 and the piece 16; but I prefer to employ for to this purpose a line of stitches or seam 17, extending entirely across the casing 1, immediately below the lower edge 12 of the plate 10, and serving as additional means for uniting the layers of the casing and for securing 15 the reinforcing-piece thereto. The suspending device 4, which I have described as being extended above the hanger, is preferably embodied in a tongue 18, extending from the center of the upper curved edge 11 of the 20 hanger-plate 10 and provided with an elongated slot 19, having its lower end slightly widened, as shown.

In order to provide for such flexibility of the hanger-plate as will prevent its breaking 25 when subjected to extraordinary rough usage, the tongue 18 is formed in a piece separate from the plate and has its lower end 20 looped or bent around a tongue-retaining bar 21, formed at the center of the upper edge of the 30 plate 10 by providing a short slot 22 in said plate. By this means a flexible connection between the tongue and the plate is effected for the purpose, as stated, of preventing the accidental breaking of the plate at the base 35 of the tongue and, further, to facilitate the attachment of said tongue to the clasp of the

corset. It will now appear that the hanger casing or body is given a double bearing upon the 40 hanger-plate, these bearings being defined by the extended upper edge of the plate in engagement with the curved edge of the casing and by the upper edge of the retaining-bar 14 engaging the loop 15 of the reinforcing-45 piece. The possibility of the hanger-plate being pulled through the united edges of the casing is thus prevented by the supplemental retention of said plate at a point below its upper edge, and the strain imposed upon the 50 casing by the retention of the suspending device upon the corset and by the downward pull exerted by the hose-supporters is distributed in such a manner as to prevent the distortion of the casing, additionally strength-55 ened by a doubled reinforcing-piece entirely inclosed therein. Obviously, however, many variations from the precise construction illustrated and described may be adopted without departing from the spirit of my inven-60 tion, and I therefore wish to be distinctly understood as reserving the right to effect such variations from the present preferred form of the invention as may be comprehended within the scope of the protection prayed.

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

1. A hanger for garment-supporters comprising a casing, a hanger-plate within the casing and having an upper edge bearing 70 against the edge of the casing to support the latter, a suspending device extended above the hanger-plate, and a supplemental retaining device extending approximately the entire width of the plate and having a continu- 75 ous engagement therewith throughout the length of its lower edge and also having a coincident engagement with the casing.

2. A hanger for stocking-supporters comprising a casing, a hanger-plate inclosed with-80 in the casing and having a suspending device extended above the casing from the upper edge of the hanger-plate, said plate being provided with an elongated slot, and an elongated retaining-loop secured to the casing and en- 85 gaging the slot in the hanger-plate.

3. A hanger for stocking-supporters comprising a casing having a curved upper edge, a hanger-plate within the casing and formed with a curved edge bearing against the curved 90 edge of the casing and provided with an elongated transverse slot, and a reinforcing-piece secured to the body of the casing and engaging the slot in the hanger-plate.

4. A hanger for garment-supporters com- 95 prising two layers of fabric having curved upper edges united by a seam, a hanger-plate within the casing and provided with a suspending device extending outside thereof, the upper edge of said plate conforming to 100 the edge of the hanger and engaging therewith, and said plate being provided with an elongated slot disposed transversely adjacent to the lower edge of the plate, a reinforcingpiece doubled upon itself within the casing 105 and having its folded edge engaging the slot in the plate, and a line of stitches extending transversely across the casing below the plate and serving to unite the layers of the casing and the layers of the reinforcing-piece.

5. A hanger for garment-supporters comprising a casing, a hanger-plate within the casing and provided with bearing-bars at its opposite edges, a reinforcing-piece engaging one of the bearing-bars and secured to the 115 casing, and a suspending device extended above the casing and connected to the other bearing-bar.

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6. A hanger for stocking-supporters comprising a casing having a curved upper edge, 120 a hanger-plate within the casing and provided with a suspending device flexibly connected at the upper edge of the plate and extending above the casing, and a supplemental retaining device connected to the lower edge of the 125 plate and to the casing below said plate.

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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