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Fig. 1.

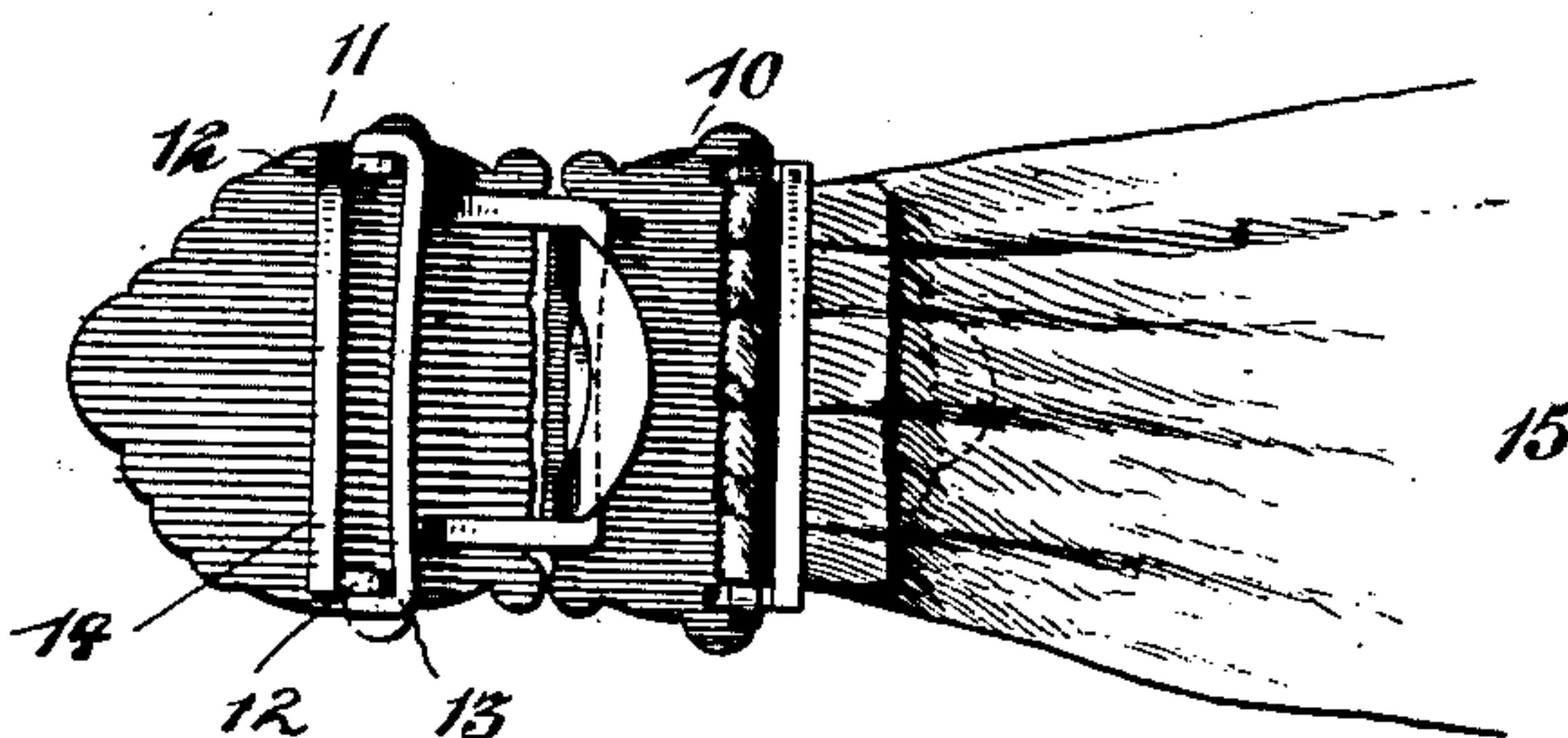
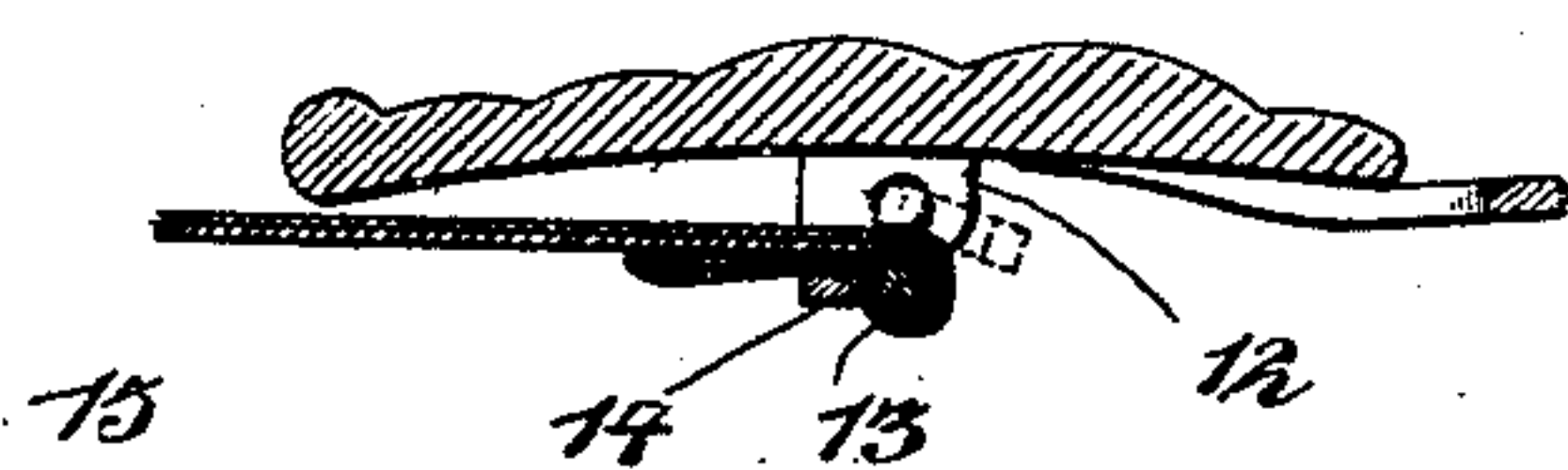


Fig. 2.



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BELT-BUCKLE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, PAUL L. V. THIERY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Newark, county of Essex, State of New Jersey, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Belt-Buckles, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to belt-buckles of the type in which the material of the belt is secured to the buckle without sewing or other means than that due to the friction or crimping action exerted by the fastening attachment of the buckle upon the material.

The object of my invention is to provide a fastening attachment for belt-buckles in which the material of the belt may be securely held and readily adjusted for different sizes of belts.

The accompanying drawings will serve to illustrate my invention, in which—

Figure 1 is a rear view of a buckle and the fastening attachment. Fig. 2 is an enlarged view showing in section the left-hand half of the buckle and fastening attachment shown in Fig. 1.

In the drawings, 10 and 11 represent the right and left hand halves of the buckle-plates. These plates may be given any required shape and merely serve, apart from their decorative use, to support the fastening attachments and connecting means. Projecting rearwardly from each buckle-plate are ears 12, in which are pivoted the bails 13. These bails are shown of portions of metal having a rectangular section. I prefer this

shape, as the sharp edges form an efficient securing means for the fabric passed under the bail, as will be described. Projecting upward from the ears 12 is a fixed bail 14 of similar section, the top of which occupies the same horizontal plane as the top of the pivoted bail 13, when the fabric is adjusted, as will be seen by reference to Fig. 2.

15 indicates the fabric forming the belt. To adjust this fabric, one end is carried under and over the pivoted bail 13 and under the fixed bail 14. If traction is made upon the fabric 15, the pivoted bail 13 is drawn toward the fixed bail 14, thereby crimping the material between the fixed and the pivoted bails.

Having thus described my invention, I claim—

In a belt-buckle, the combination with a body portion having backwardly-projecting ears thereon, and a rigid bail extending across from one ear to the other, of a bail pivoted to the ears and adapted to swing in the arc of a circle and when in the position for fastening, in a plane with the fixed bail, the fixed and pivoted bails and the article held therebetween extending approximately in alinement when the article held is under pulling strain or tension.

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

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