

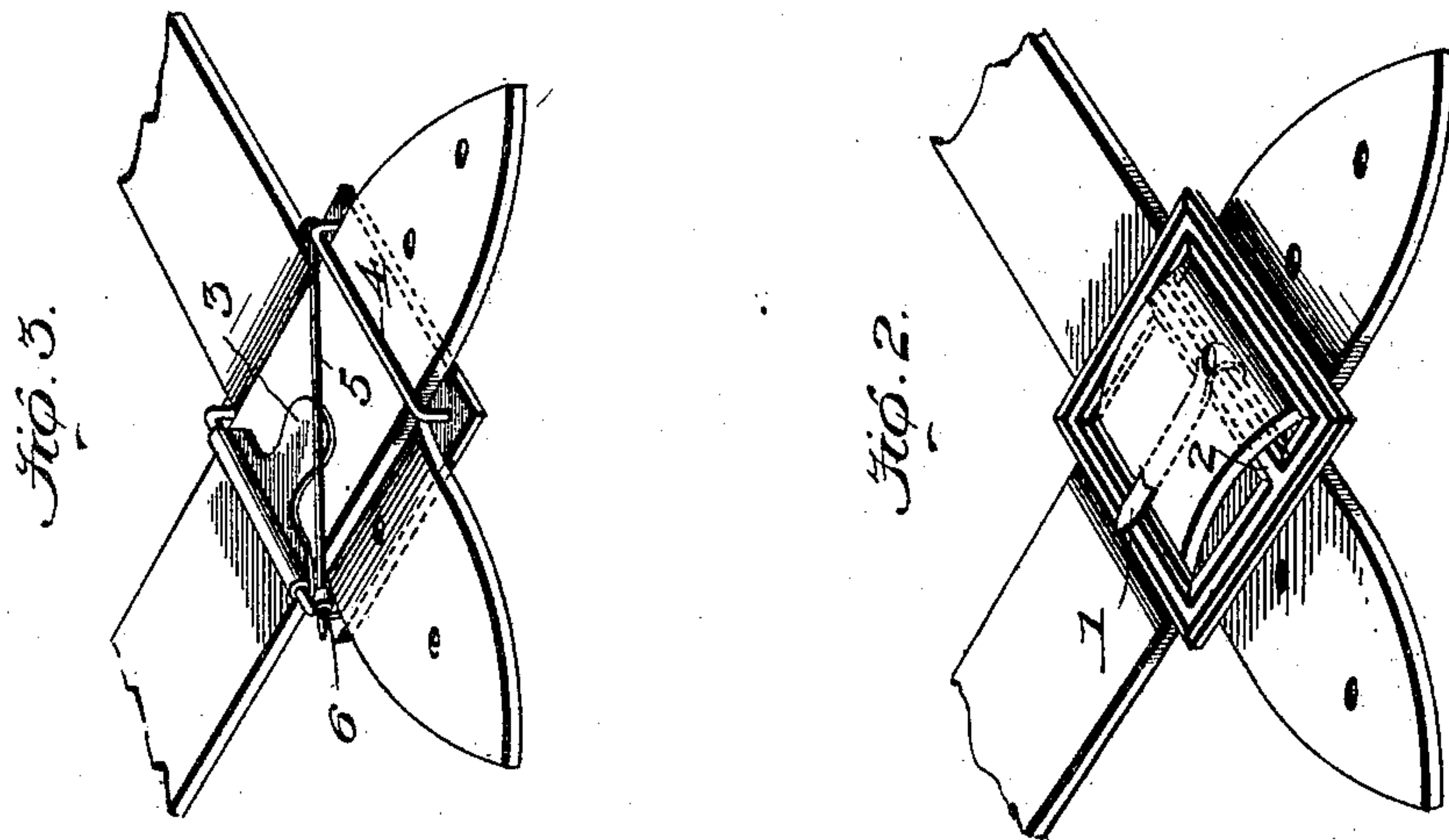
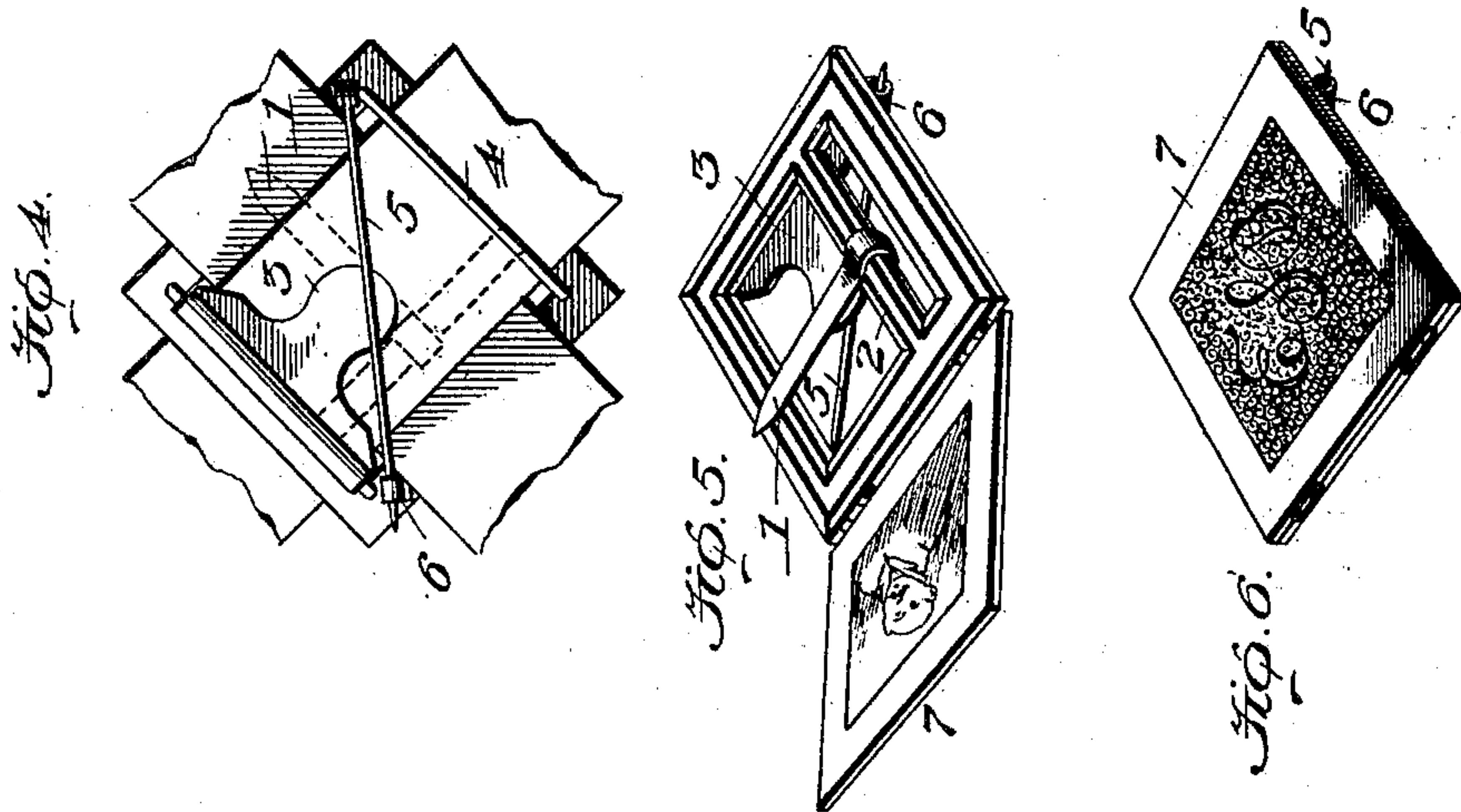
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DIP-WAIST-BELT BUCKLE.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ER R. LOWRY, a citizen of the United States, residing at New York city, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Dip-Waist-Belt Buckles, of which the following is a specification.

My improvement resides in a buckle having a construction whereby it is adapted to be secured to the belt in a way to fasten the waist and skirt of the wearer together to form a dip-waist belt and to hold the buckle in symmetrical relation to the crossed dipping ends of the belt, and in the claims I will point out the improvement by which the buckle is caused to secure the belt with its ends in crossed dipping form, as illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 shows the belt as it is buckled and worn with its crossed ends in dipping form. Fig. 2 is an enlarged front view of the buckle as it is secured to crossed dipping ends of the belt. Fig. 3 is an inner side view of the same. Fig. 4 shows the inner side of the buckle and the crossed relation of the belt ends to the pin. Fig. 5 shows the buckle with a hinged cover to protect the hands and wearing-apparel from being injured or catching on the tongue. Fig. 6 shows the buckle with its covering-plate closed.

The buckle-frame may be of any desired form and has the usual tongue 1, hinged to a loop on a cross-bar 2, by which one end of the belt is secured to the frame. At the inner side of the frame a clasp is hinged parallel with the tongue, so that its clamping end 3 will stand at right angles with the tongue for binding the other end of the belt to the frame, so that the two ends of the belt do not cross each other from the opposite side of the buckle-frame, as usual, but cross each other at right angles, so that both ends of the belt stand down from different sides of the frame when the latter is fastened to the waist of the wearer, and it is this relative arrangement of the clasp and tongue that gives the advantage of using the belt in dip form with a fastening-buckle. A loop 4 at the side of the frame opposite the clasp serves to keep the clasped end of the strap in symmetrical re-

lation to the frame. A pin 5, hinged to the frame, is fastened thereto by a hook 6 and serves to fasten the waist and the skirt of the wearer together and to the buckle-frame. It is important to note that the fastened pin stands across the crossed ends of the belt, as in Figs. 3 and 4, so as to hold the buckle in symmetrical relation to the dipping crossed ends of the belt. This gives the belt its attractive curved dipping form around the waist of the wearer, with the ends of the belt spreading below the buckle, while the fastening-pin stands horizontal at the waist.

To prevent injury to the hands and the catching of the apparel on the point of the tongue and to cover the buckle, a cover 7 may be hinged to the frame and when closed forms an ornament on the fastened ends of the belt, as in Figs. 5 and 6. The ornamentation of the cover may be on both sides.

It is the relation of the tongue, the clasp, and pin to the frame that allows the belt to be fastened with both ends curving down at each side of the wearer and terminating in crossed dipping ends on the under side of the buckle and gives a comfortable fit on the wearer.

As the belt is not permanently fastened to the buckle, any kind of belt may be used with it, and this is a desirable advantage.

I claim—

1. As a new article of manufacture a buckle-frame having a tongue on one side and a clasp and a pin on the opposite side disposed in relation to each other whereby a belt is fastened around the waist of the wearer with its ends in crossed dipping form.

2. A dip-waist-belt buckle having its frame provided with a tongue on one side, a clasp hinged on the other so as to stand at right angles to the tongue, and a pin hinged on the same side so as to obliquely cross the tongue and the pin whereby the ends of the belt are fastened in crossed dipping form and secured to the wearer with the pin standing horizontally across the crossed ends of the belt.

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

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