

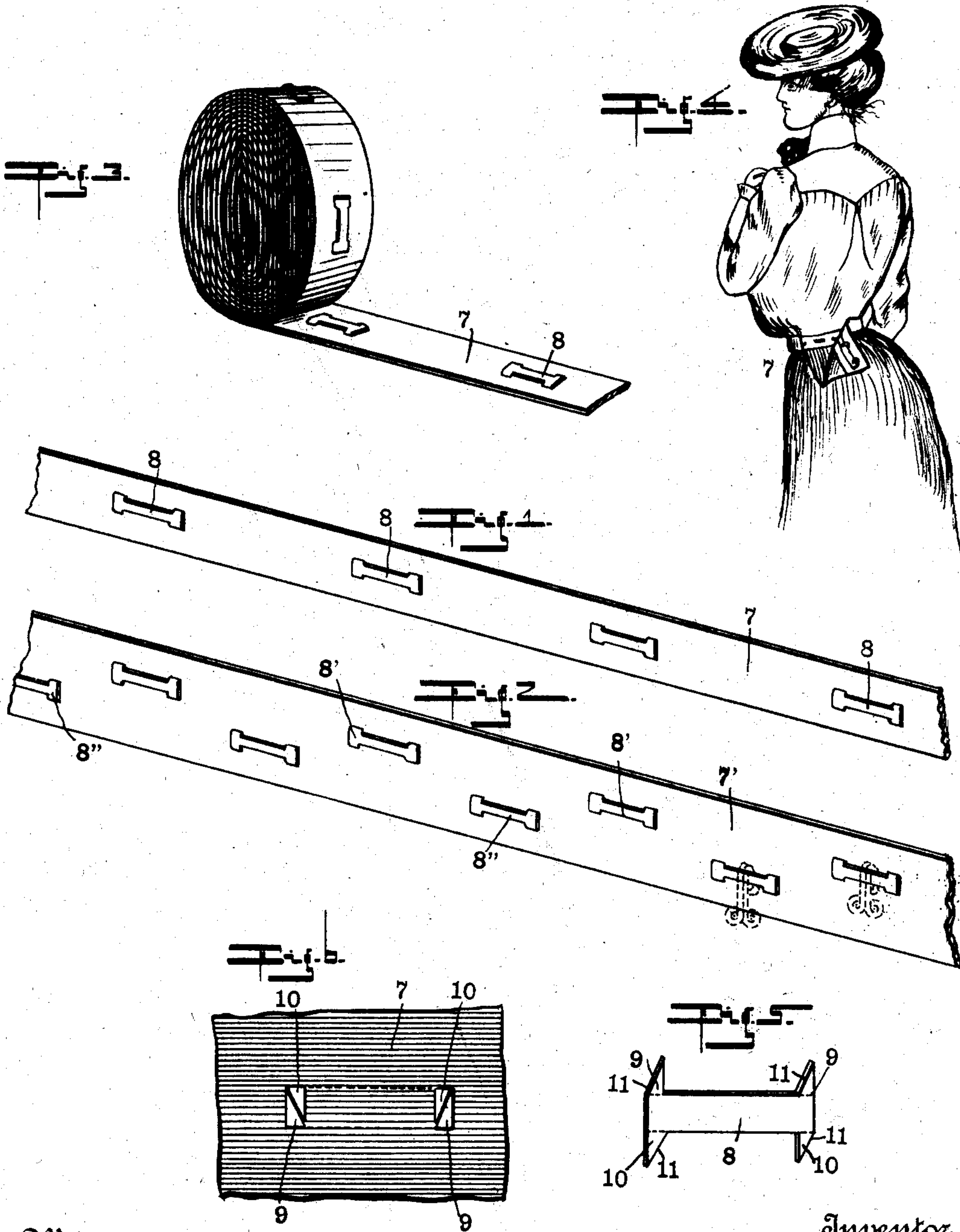
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CELIA A. SPURGIN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Des Moines, in the county of Polk and State of Iowa, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Garment-Supporting Webbing, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to an improved webbing or belting, sections of which may be used in connecting upper and nether garments.

Considerable difficulty is experienced by ladies in keeping the skirt from sagging and drawing away from the belt-line and the waist from pulling up from under the belt, and the point of departure from the belt-line varies in different figures. There are skirt-supporting devices which are intended to be attached to the waist; but such attachments, so far as I know, consist of rigid pieces of metal of considerable extent, which are temporarily inserted in pockets provided in a suitable length of material secured to the waist. Such a construction is objectionable, because in laundering the metallic pieces must be removed, as otherwise they would injure the rollers of the wringers and would be apt to be so twisted or bent as to tear the goods. It is also common to attach to the waist and skirt separate hooks and eyes; but such an arrangement is objectionable both because of the great bother of attachment and also because the parts when so arranged are unhandy of operation.

The object of my present invention, therefore, is to produce as an article of manufacture a webbing of indefinite length, which shall be provided at successive points with a hook-receiving strip of a form to coöperate with any of the commercial forms of hooks and attached to the webbing in such manner that continued wear will not cause the same to pull from the webbing, the webbing being of such character that it may be bought in any desired lengths by the consumer and attached by stitching along its upper edge to the waist at or about the belt-line, being applied entirely around the waist or at such points along the belt-line as may be required by the peculiarities of figure of the wearer.

The accompanying drawings illustrate my invention.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a short section of one form of my webbing, metallic

hook-receiving strips being arranged in a single series on the webbing. Fig. 2 is a similar view of a modified form provided with two series of alternately-arranged strips. Fig. 3 illustrates a roll of the webbing shown in Fig. 1. Fig. 4 illustrates the manner of final use of my device. Fig. 5 is a perspective view of a preferred form of metallic hook-receiving strip. Fig. 6 is a plan showing the manner of attachment to the webbing.

In the drawings, 7 indicates a strip of flexible webbing, to which I secure at successive points a plurality of hook-receiving strips 8, each of said strips being preferably secured at its ends to the webbing in such manner that the webbing between the ends is left free, so that the point of a hook may be inserted between the webbing and strip, as shown in dotted lines in Fig. 2. Any suitable means may be used to attach the strips 8 to the webbing. In Fig. 5 I show the strip 8 provided with a pair of integral fingers 9 and 10 at each end. Each finger may be folded upon the dotted lines shown in Fig. 5, passed through the webbing, and then clenched upon the opposite side of the webbing. As shown, these fingers are so disposed as to pierce the webbing longitudinally, and thus I avoid weakening the structure of the webbing as far as possible. In order that this form of fastening may not be clumsy, fingers 9 and 10 are made triangular in shape, each finger being formed with alternately-arranged inclined sides 11, so that when the fingers are passed through the webbing and doubled back upon the strip 8 the two fingers will lie in the same plane with their points overlapping, as shown in Fig. 6. An indefinite length of webbing thus formed is rolled in bundles like that shown in Fig. 3 and sold to merchants, who in turn sell the webbing to the consumer in such lengths as the consumer may desire.

In Fig. 2 I have shown a modified form in which a webbing 7' is provided with two series of strips 8' and 8'', the strips of the two series being alternately arranged longitudinally of the webbing. In this form a sufficient length of webbing would be attached to the waist by stitching along the upper edge, the hooks of the underskirt engaging the lower series of strips, while hooks of the outer

skirt would engage the upper series, as indicated in dotted lines in Fig. 2.

I claim as my invention—

1. As an article of manufacture, a webbing, 5 a hook-receiving metallic strip 8, and two pairs of fingers 9 and 10 integral with the strip and having oppositely-inclined sides, which fingers are passed through the webbing and overlap in the same plane upon the opposite side of the webbing with their inclined 10 sides abutting.

2. As an article of manufacture, a webbing, a hook-receiving metallic strip 8, and two 15 pairs of triangular fingers 9 and 10 formed integral with the strip, which fingers are passed through the webbing in a manner to perforate the same longitudinally and overlap in the same plane upon the opposite side of the webbing.

3. As an article of manufacture, a webbing 20 of indefinite length having permanently secured thereto at equal distance apart throughout its length a series of hook-receiving strips which are straight in the direction of length 25 of the webbing, each of said strips being secured to the webbing by two pairs of fingers located, respectively, at opposite ends of the strip, which fingers are passed through the webbing in a manner to perforate the same 30 longitudinally, and clenched upon the opposite side thereof.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal, at Crowley, Louisiana, this 1st day of February, A. D. 1902.

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