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Fig. 1.

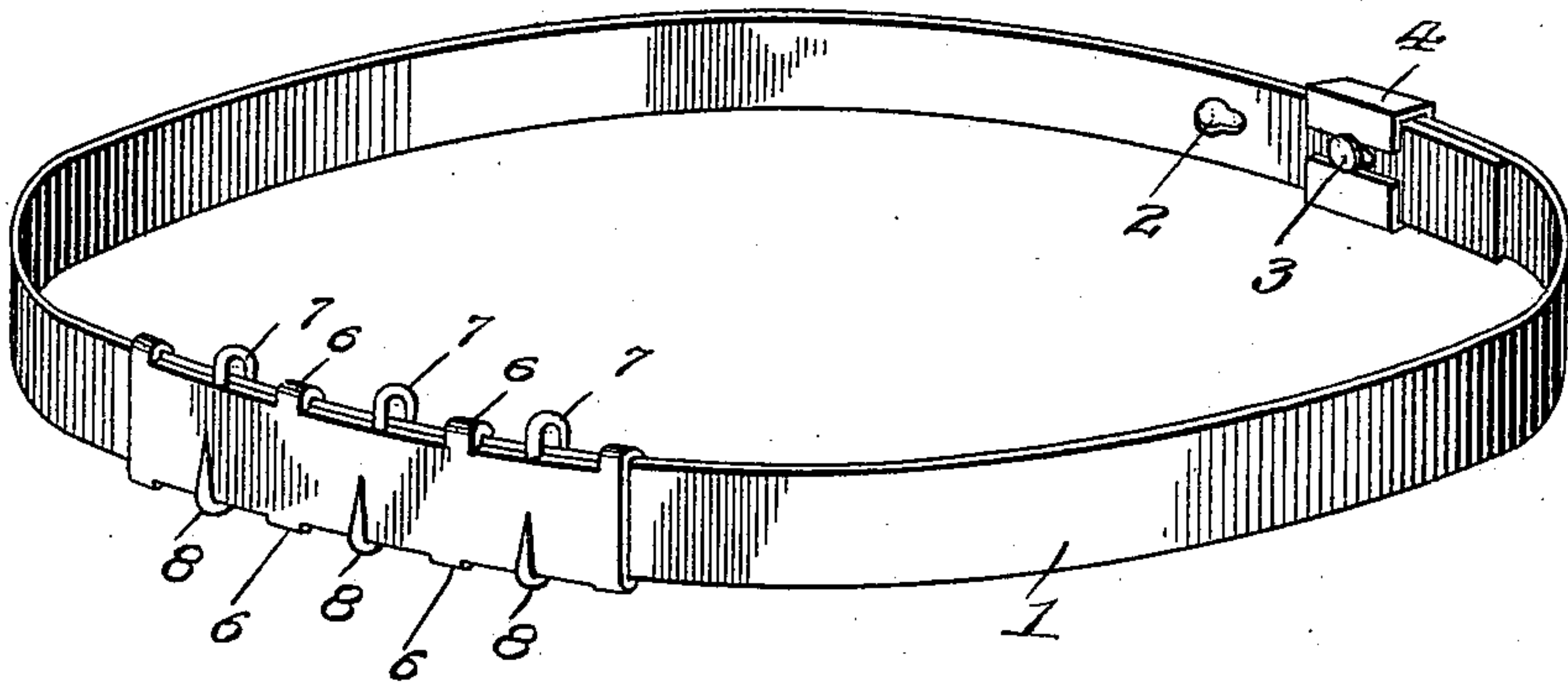


Fig. 2.

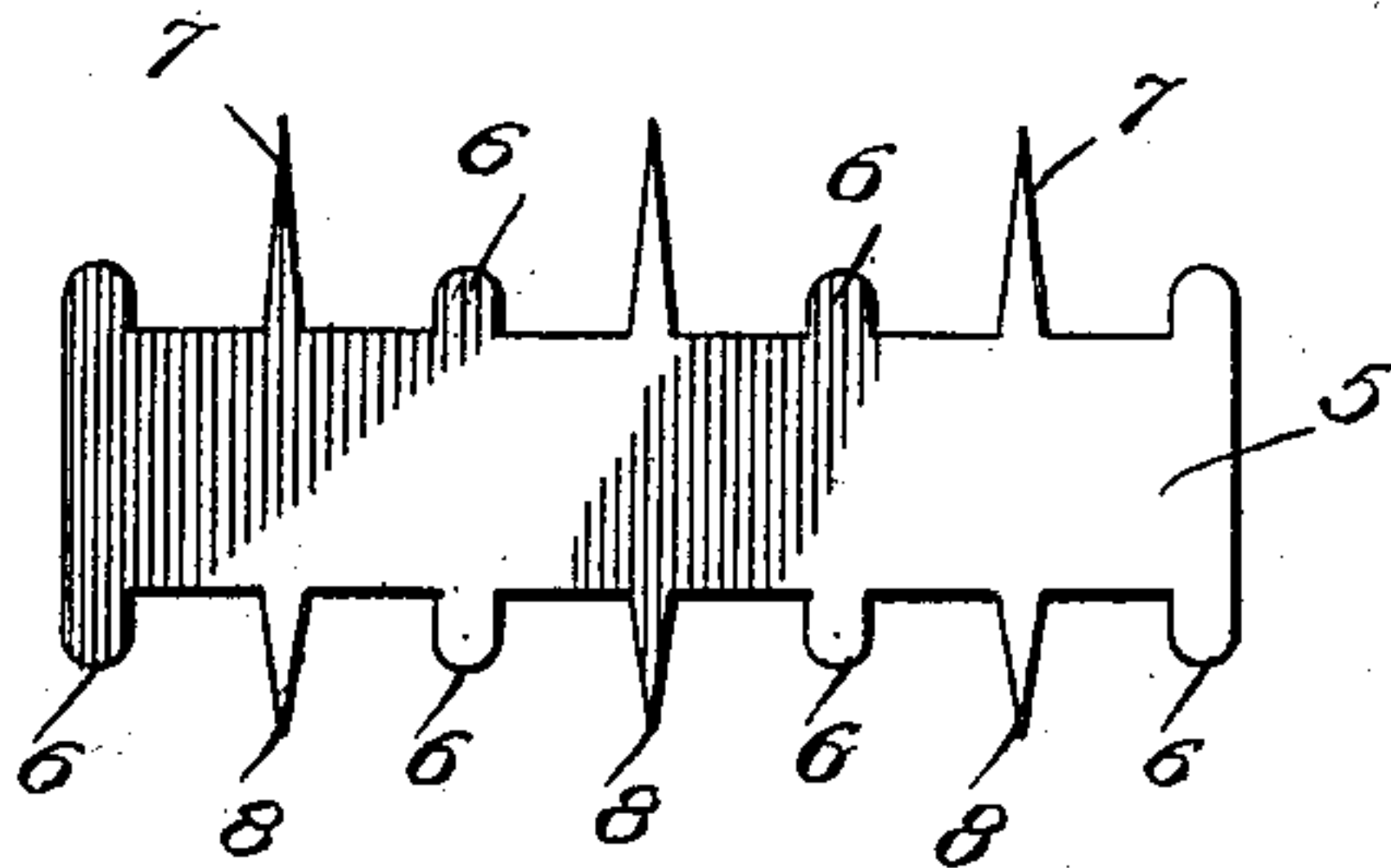
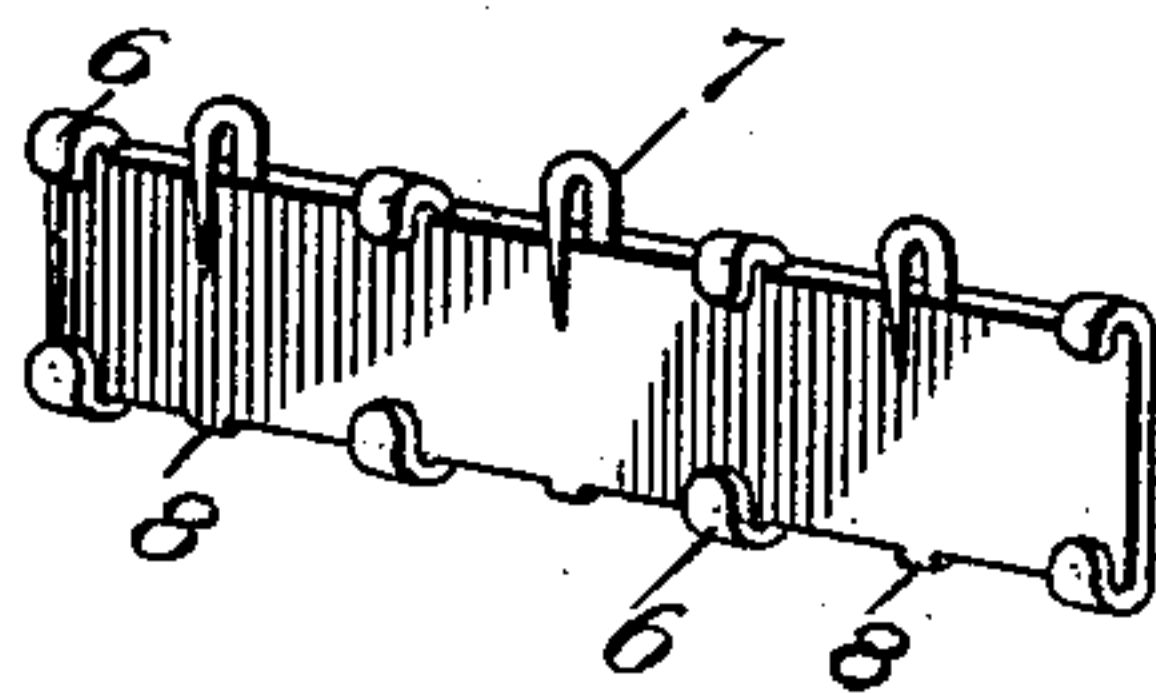


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALMIRA A. MUDD, a citizen of the United States, residing at St. Louis, in the State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Garment-Supporters; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to garment-supporters; and its object is to provide simple, inexpensive, and effective means for supporting a skirt at the waist and at the same time holding down the waist.

The construction of the device will be fully described hereinafter in connection with the accompanying drawings, which form part of this specification, and its novel features will be defined in the appended claim.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a view in perspective of the device complete. Fig. 2 is a plan view of the blank from which the securing-plate is formed; and Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the plate ready for application to the belt, showing the inner side of the plate.

The reference-numeral 1 designates a belt preferably made of thin sheet metal and provided with any suitable means for securing its overlapped ends. I have shown openings 2 in one end of the belt to receive a headed pin 3, attached to the other end, in connection with a slide 4, as the securing means.

5 designates a thin imperforate plate of metal formed at its upper and lower edges with integral lugs 6, arranged in vertically-aligned pairs and adapted to be bent inward to embrace the edges of the belt. Between the lugs 6 the plate is formed with wedge-shaped prongs 7 and 8, which project, respectively, from the upper and lower edges of the plate. Said prongs are so constructed as to decrease in size as they extend outwardly from the plate and terminate in tapering pointed ends. The prongs on the upper edge

of the plate are made longer than those on the lower edge. The prongs are bent on opposite sides of the plate, midway the width of the same, to form hooks, the lower ones 8 of which are adapted to be connected to the waistband of a skirt. The upper hooks 7, owing to the length of the prongs, as above stated, are of a larger size than the lower ones and have their curved portions arranged to extend above the plate, which facilitates the hook to be more readily connected to the waistband of the body of a garment.

The device supports the skirt, avoiding all sagging thereof, and at the same time holds the waist down, thus combining in a single device which may be manufactured at small cost the functions of two independent articles.

I claim—

In a garment-supporter, the combination with a metallic belt, of an imperforate metallic plate having lugs on its upper and lower edges which are bent inwardly over the upper and lower edges of the belt, and wedge-shaped prongs formed on the upper and lower edges of the plate which decrease in size as they extend outwardly from the plate so as to terminate in tapering pointed ends, the prongs on the upper edge of the plate being made longer than those on the lower edge, and said prongs bent on opposite sides of the plate to points midway the width of the same to form hooks of different sizes, the curved bend of the upper larger hooks being arranged to extend above the upper edge portion of the plate whereby to more readily facilitate the connection of said larger hooks with the waistband of a body of a garment, substantially as specified.

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

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