

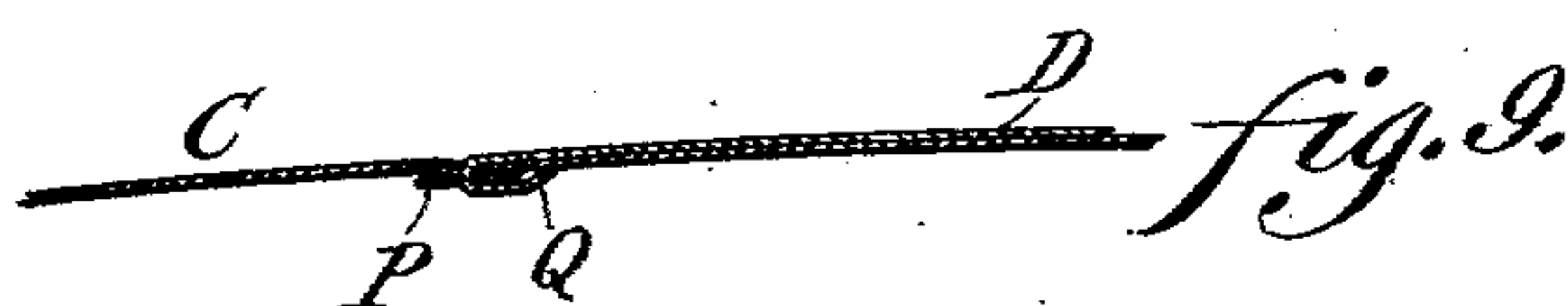
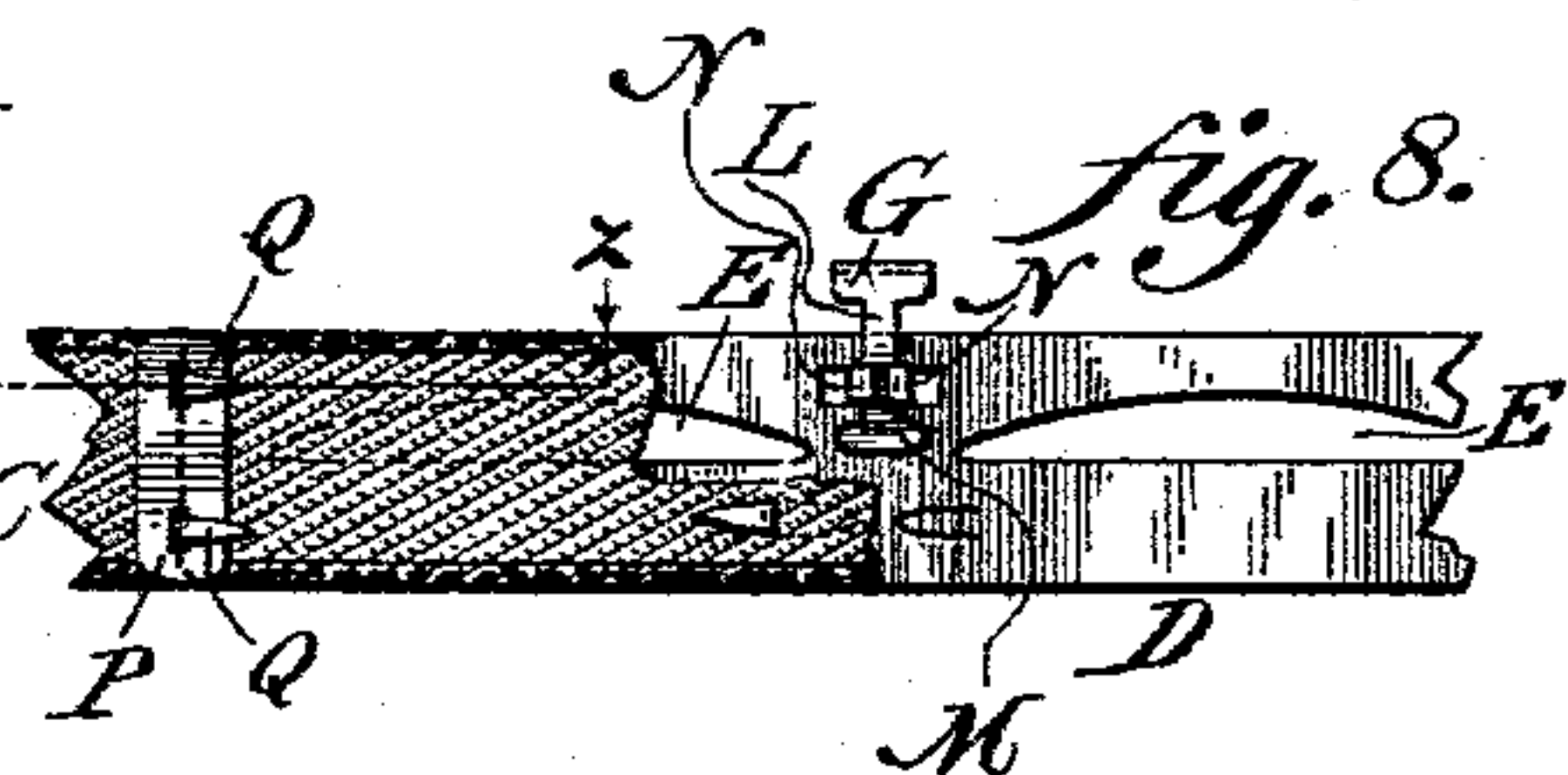
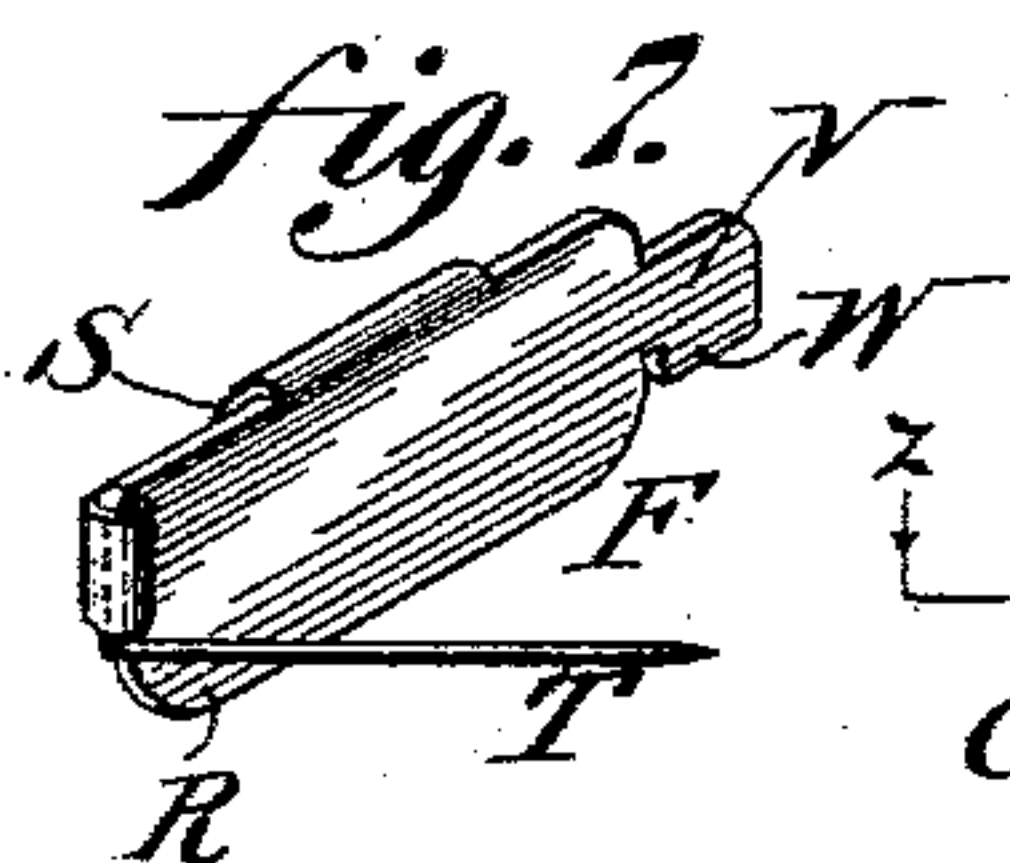
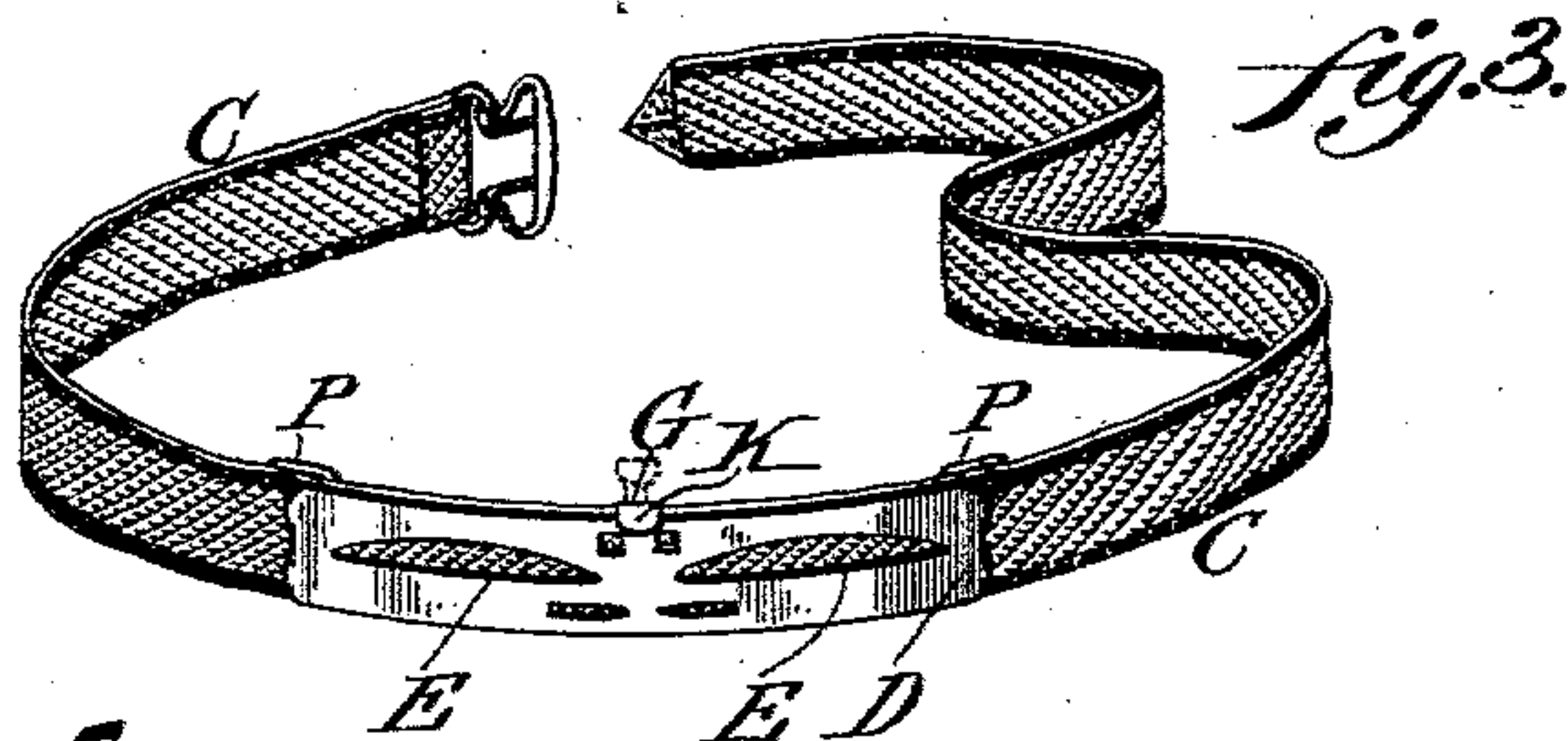
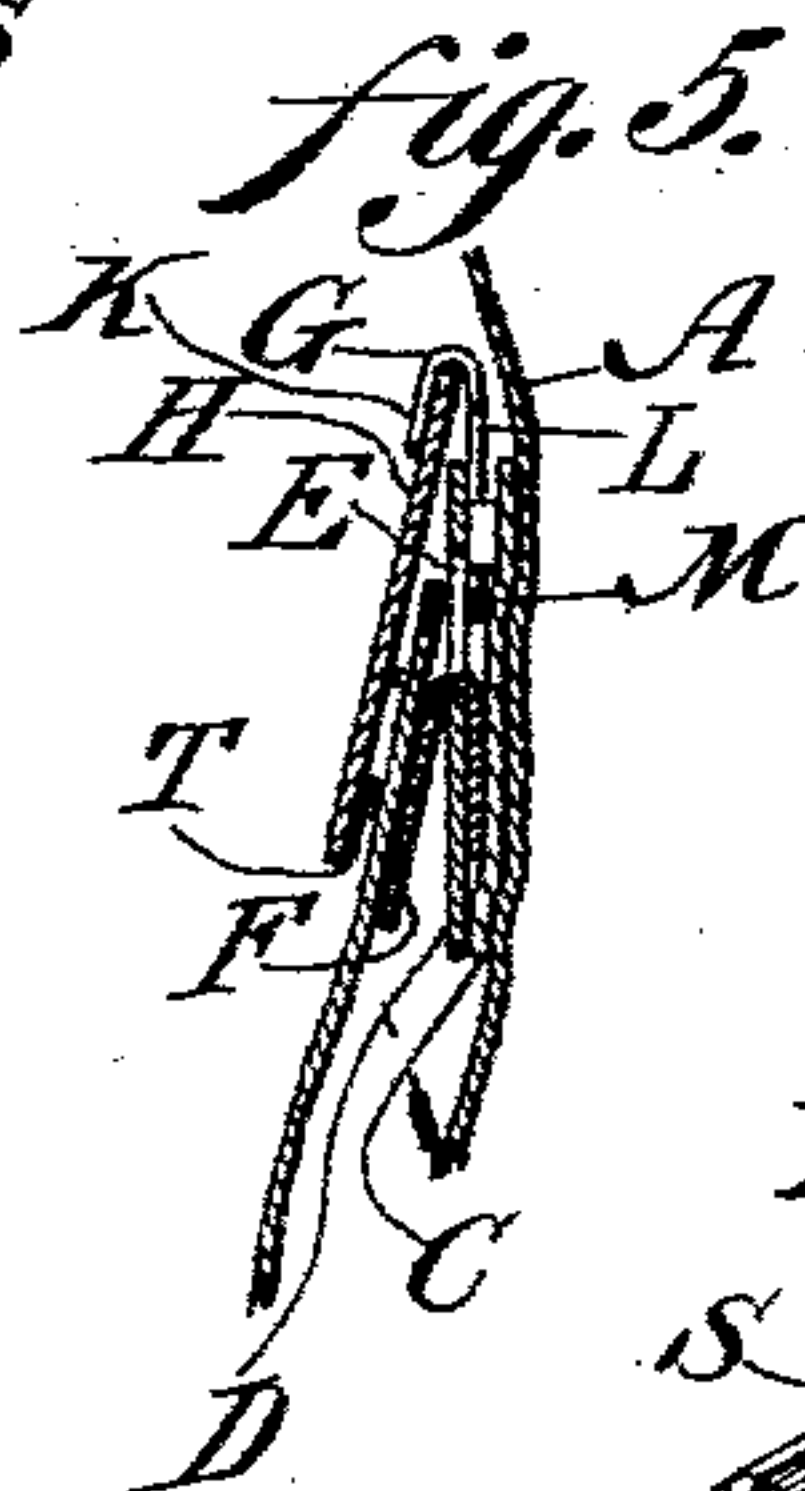
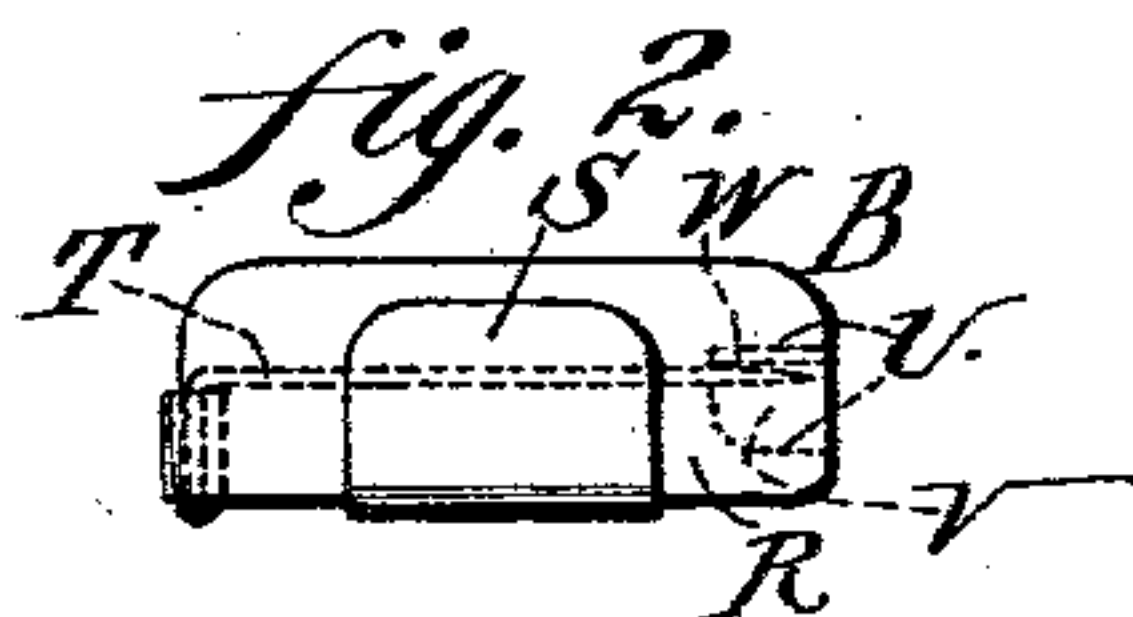
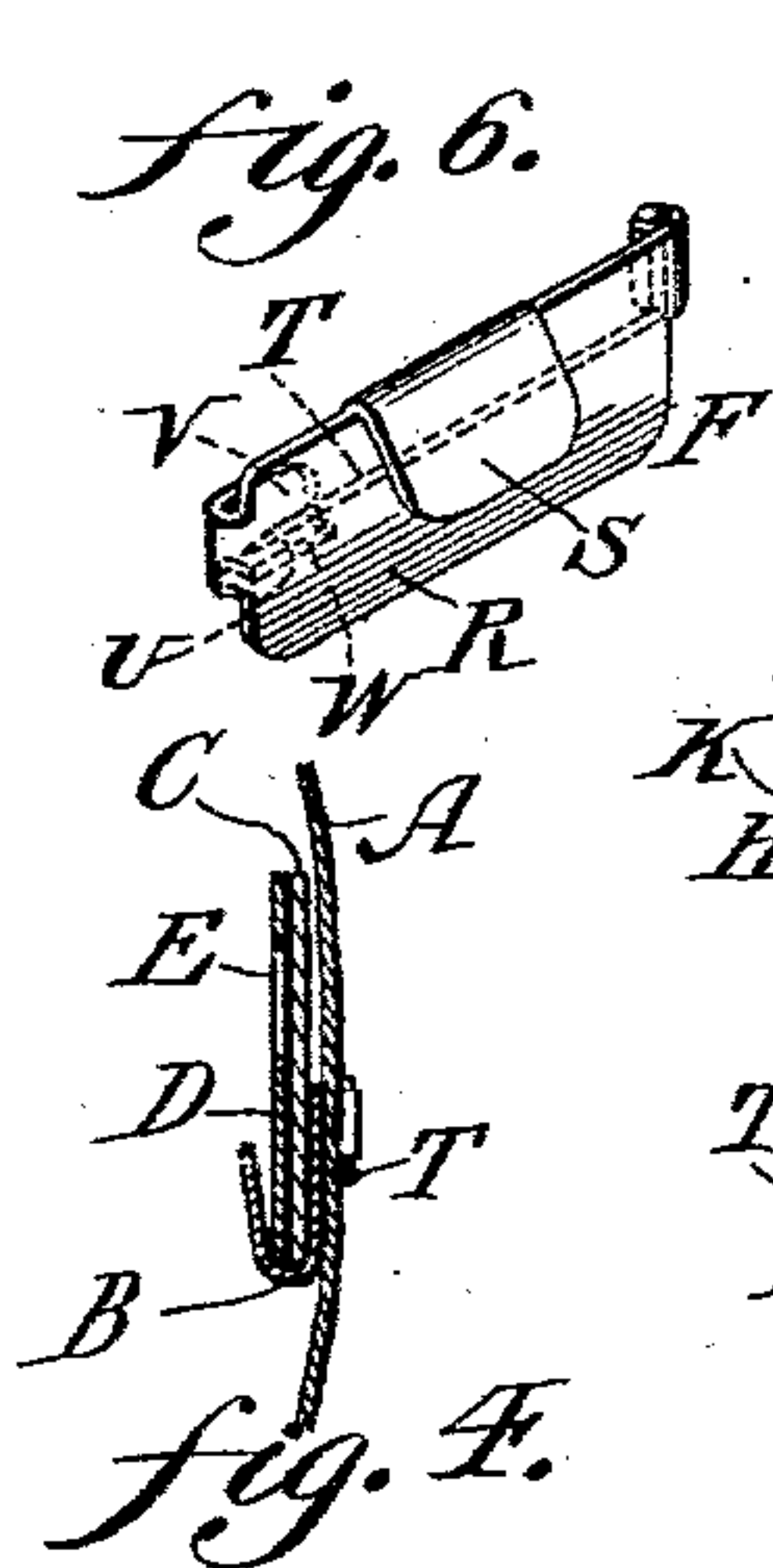
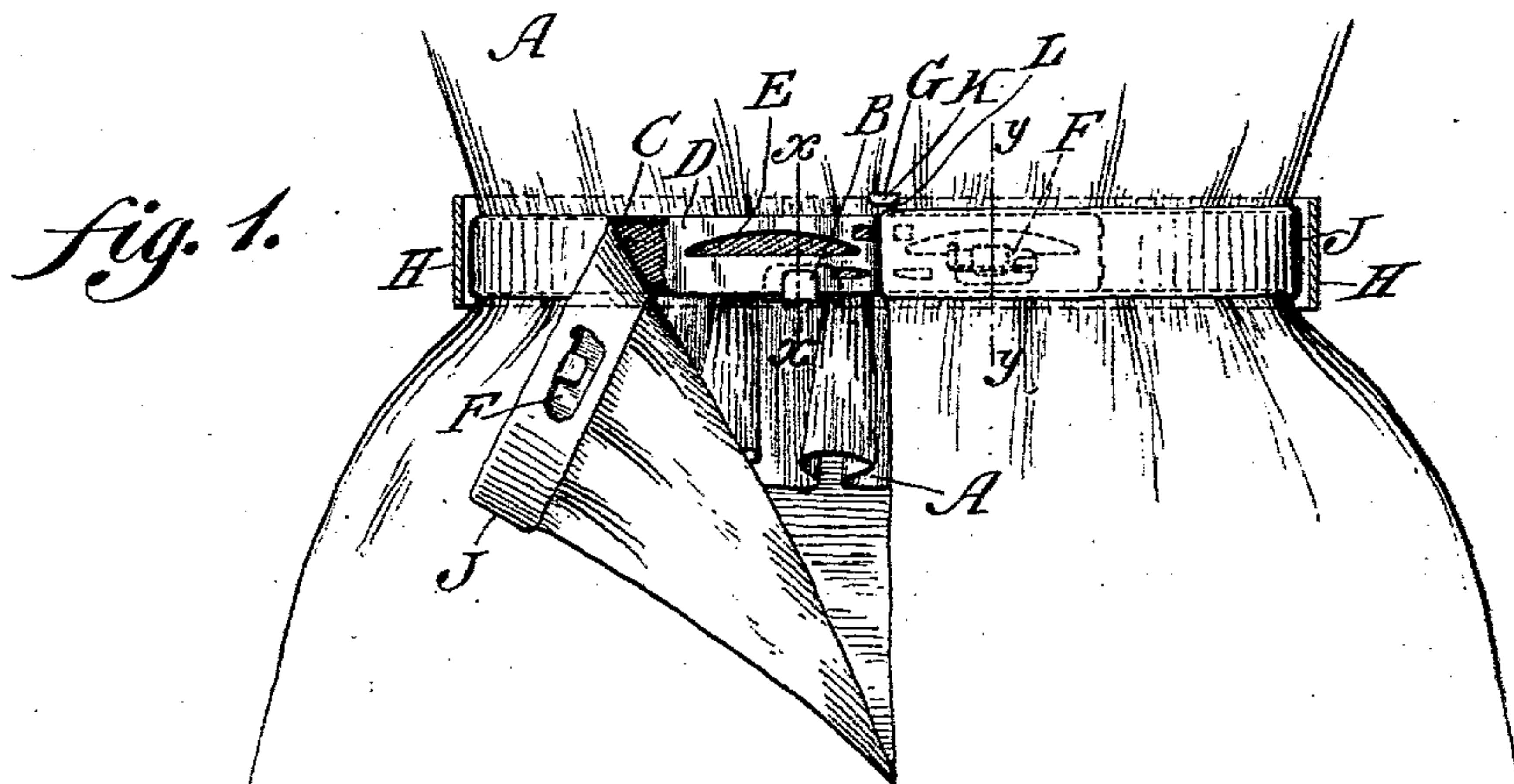
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, JAMES H. TAYLOR and IZORA TAYLOR, citizens of the United States, residing in the city and county of Philadelphia, State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Garment-Supporters, of which the following a specification.

Our invention consists of an improvement in garment-supporters of that class in which a belt is employed to support the skirt and hold down the waist.

Our invention further consists in the features of construction hereinafter fully described and specifically claimed.

Figure 1 represents an elevation of a skirt-supporter embodying our invention, showing a portion of a shirt-waist and skirt. Fig. 2 represents an elevation of the hook which is attached to the waist-garment for the purpose of holding the same down. Fig. 3 represents a perspective view of the belt forming a part of our garment-supporter. Fig. 4 represents a vertical section on line *x x*, Fig. 1. Fig. 5 represents a vertical section on line *y y*, Fig. 1. Fig. 6 represents a perspective view of one of the hooks employed for securing the garment to the belt. Fig. 7 represents a perspective view of the same before the pin-clasp is bent into position. Fig. 8 represents an elevation of a portion of the plate and belt taken from the rear or inside of the belt. Fig. 9 represents a section of the same taken on the line *z z*, Fig. 8.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the figures.

Referring to the drawings, A designates a waist-garment or shirt-waist, to which is attached the hook B. The belt C, preferably of webbing, is of usual construction and is provided with a plate D, having slots E therein to receive the hooks F upon the skirt, it being noted that the hook B on the waist-garment extends oppositely to the hooks F of the skirt, so that the plate D of the belt C will hold the waist A down, while the hooks F of the skirt upon being inserted in the slots E of the plate D will support the skirt. This construction is shown in Letters Patent No. 622,731, granted to us April 11, 1899, and is not claimed herein.

Our improvement consists first in provid-

ing the plate D with a holder G for the outside belt H, which is placed around the waistband J of the skirt after the same is fastened to the plate D. This holder prevents the outside belt H from rising, and consists of a lip K at the upper edge of the plate D. The upper edge of the outside belt is placed under this lip K, the latter being situated a sufficient distance above the upper edge of the plate D and belt C to permit the upper edge of the outside belt to effectually conceal said plate, the belt C, and the waistband of the skirt. To provide a compact article and to facilitate handling and transportation, said holder G is movable upon the plate D, so that when not in use it can be depressed to the position shown in Fig. 3, about even with the upper edge of the plate D. For this purpose the lip is carried by a shank L, having an enlargement M at its lower end, while the shank is retained by guides N on the rear face of the plate D. It will therefore be seen that when not in use this holder can be depressed, as shown in Fig. 3, so that it does not project beyond the edge of the plate, but that when in use it can be moved upwardly, as shown in dotted lines in said Fig. 3, to hold the upper edge of the outside belt a little distance above the plate D and belt C and the waistband of the skirt, as will be obvious.

In this class of devices, owing to the manner in which the same are worn, it is important that all the parts should be smooth and even to avoid wear on the garment. It has been found that the outer ends of the plate D are liable to project when the belt C is fastened around the waist and plate D bent to conform thereto, and to obviate this objection we secure a fastening-plate P to the rear side of the belt C, that extends beyond the outer ends of the plate D. The ends of the plate D are provided with and fastened to the outer side of the belt by means of spurs Q at the ends of said plate, said spurs passing through the belt C and through slots or openings in the fastening-plates P. The spurs Q are bent upon the plates P, so that no portion of the same projects beyond the extreme outer edge of said plate D. The openings in the plate P through which the spurs Q pass are located so that a considerable portion of the plate P projects beyond the end of the

plate D, and as these parts are firmly secured to the belt and to each other the portion of the belt just beyond the edge of the plate D is supported by a projecting portion 5 of the plate P, so that even when curved in conforming to the waist of the wearer the outer edge of the plate D does not project and abrade or injure the garments.

The hooks B and F consist of a plate R, 10 having a lip S on one side and a pin T pivoted to the other side. The clasp for holding the pointed end of the pin consists of a socket U, formed integrally with the plate R and bent rearwardly and against the back of 15 the same. This socket U consists of a side piece V and an end piece W, while the pin T is so pivoted that it normally springs against the end piece W of the socket, so that in fastening and unfastening the same said pin 20 must be sprung away from said end piece W to move it through the mouth of the socket; but we do not herein claim this construction

of hook, as the same is claimed in another application filed by us May 15, 1902, Serial No. 107,387.

Having thus described our invention, what we claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is— 25

A garment-supporter consisting of a belt, a plate secured to said belt and having means 30 for fastening garments thereto independent of the means for securing said plate in position upon the wearer, and a transversely-movable holder permanently and slidingly secured to said plate and provided with a 35 hook at its outer end, said hook being located substantially at the edge of the plate when the holder is at the inner limit of its movement.

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