

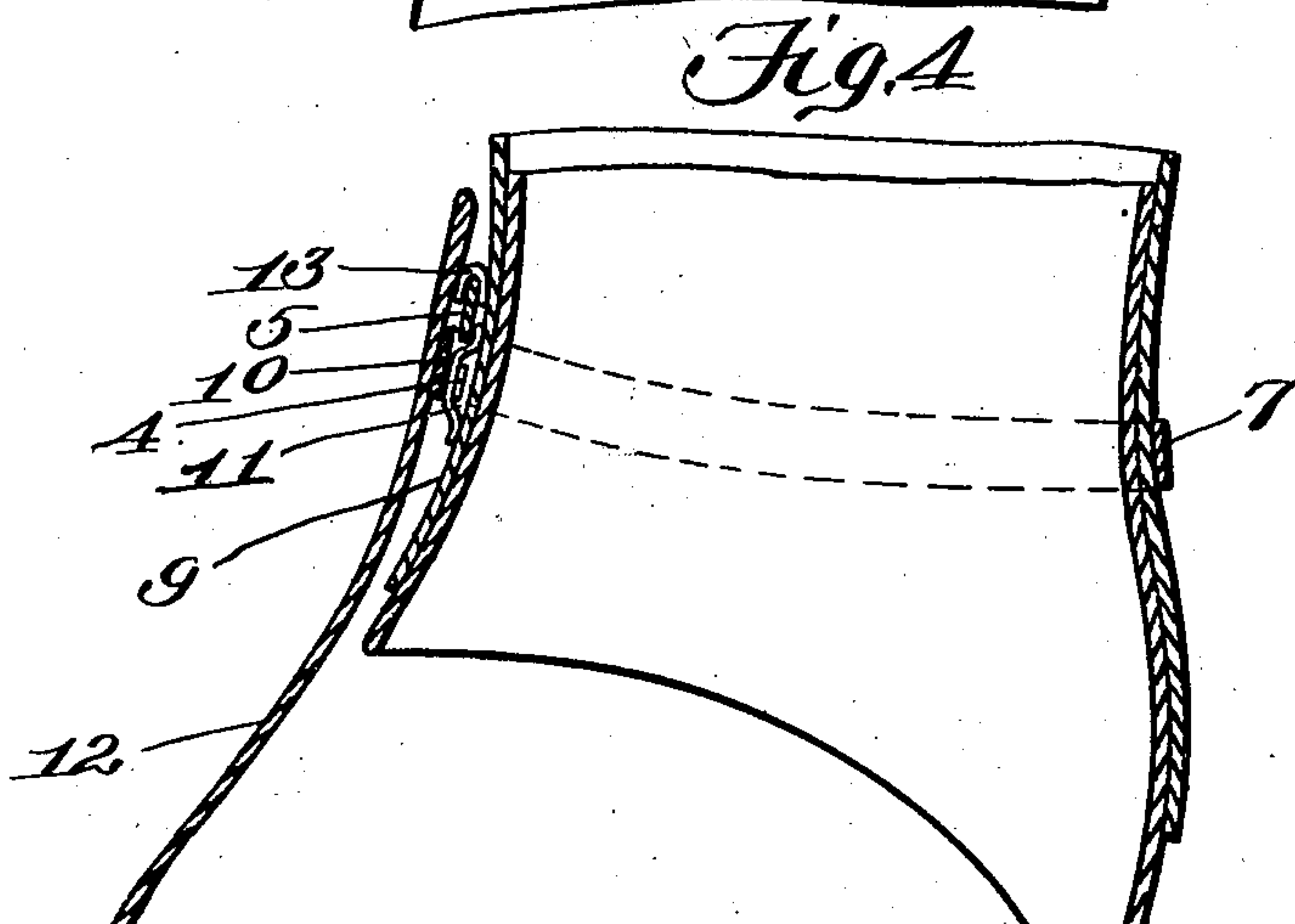
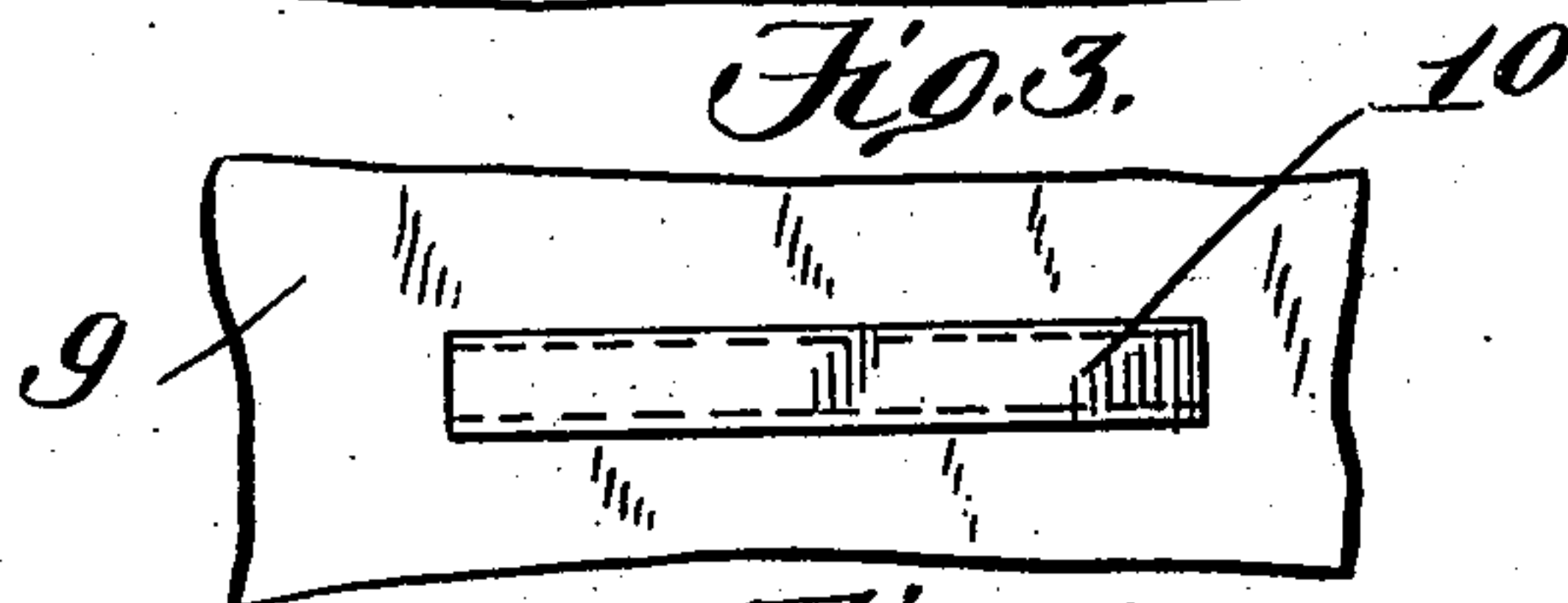
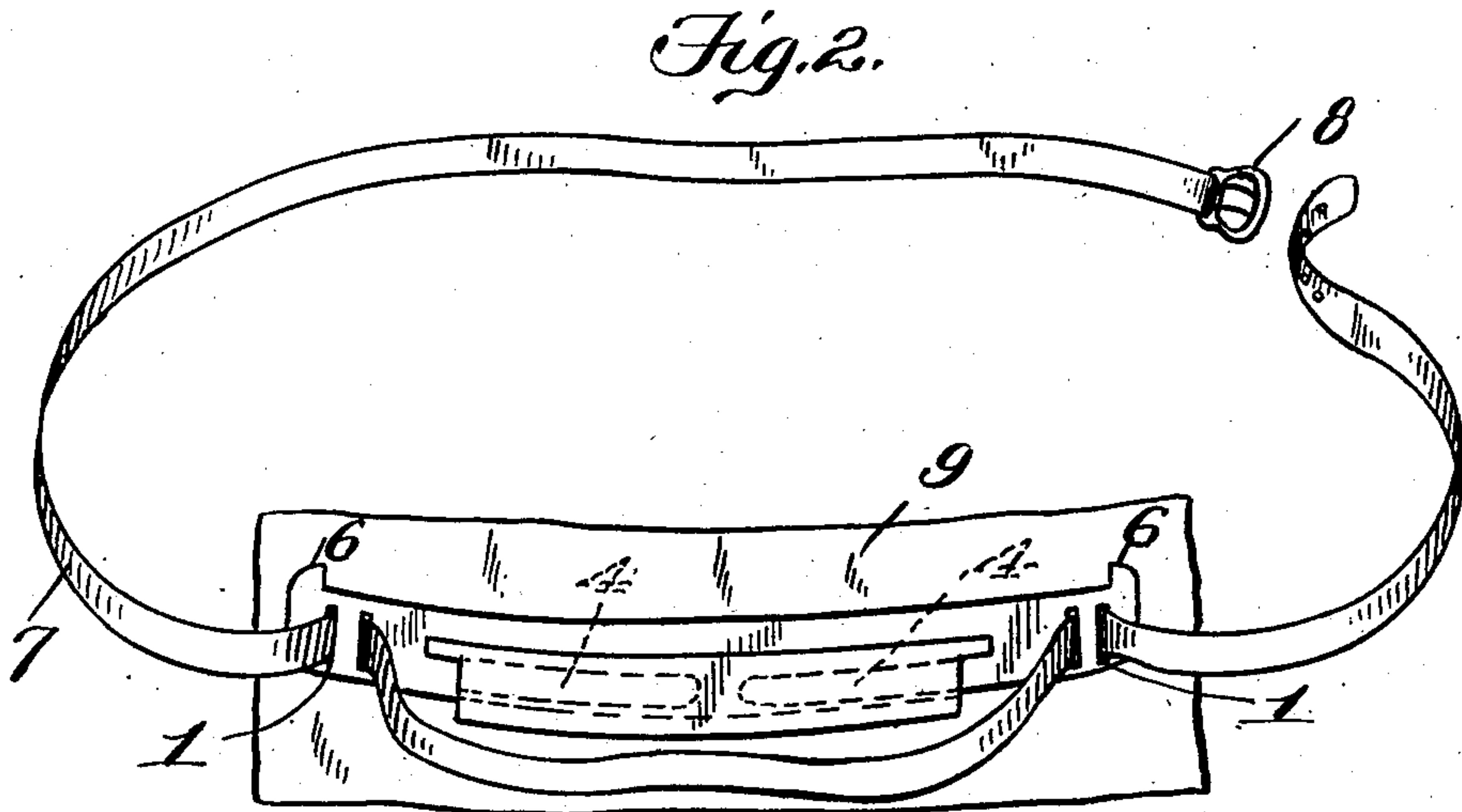
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, NORA C. EDWARDS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Spooner, in the county of Washburn and State of Wisconsin, have invented new and useful Improvements in Skirt-Supporters, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in skirt-supporters.

The invention aims to provide a skirt-supporter which shall be simple of construction, strong, durable, and efficient in use and comparatively inexpensive to manufacture.

To this end the invention consists in the novel combination and arrangement of parts hereinafter more specifically described, illustrated in the accompanying drawings, and particularly pointed out in the claims hereto appended.

In describing the invention in detail reference is had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, wherein like reference characters denote corresponding parts throughout the several views, and in which—

Figure 1 is a front elevation of the supporting-plate. Fig. 2 is an elevation of the skirt-supporter when attached in position to a garment, the latter being shown in part. Fig. 3 is a detail view of a portion of a waist, showing the stay-piece forming a pocket into which extend the arms of the supporting-plate; and Fig. 4 is a sectional detail of the skirt-supporter attached in position to a garment.

Referring to the drawings by reference characters, the supporting-plate is constructed of an oblong piece of flexible material, preferably metal, which is provided at each end with a pair of vertically-extending apertures or slots 1. The supporting-plate is cut away approximately centrally thereof to form an elongated longitudinally-extending slot 2, communicating with a vertically-extending opening 3, arranged approximately centrally of the plate. This cutting away of the plate provides a substantially T-shaped slot and forms the lower portion of the plate into a pair of attaching-arms 4. The latter are adapted to connect the plate to a waist in a manner hereinafter referred to. The upper portion of the plate above the arms 4, which

is indicated by the reference character 5, is termed a "supporting-bar," the function of which will be hereinafter set forth, and the plate at each corner of this upper portion is provided with a vertically-extending lug or projection 6, the function of which will be hereinafter referred to.

The reference character 7 denotes a belt or band which is adapted to be passed around the waist of a person and through the openings 1 at each end of the supporting-plate. One end of the belt or band carries a buckle 8, which is adapted to be engaged by the apertured end of the belt or band for connecting the ends thereof together when in position around the waist of a person.

The supporting-plate is adapted to be attached to the back of a waist, (indicated by the reference character 9,) and the waist has connected thereto a stay-piece 10, forming a pocket 11, so that the attaching-arms 4 can be inserted in the pocket and connect the supporting-plate to the waist.

The reference character 12 denotes the skirt, provided on the top edge thereof with hooks 13, the latter being adapted to connect the skirt with the bar 5 of the supporting-plate. When the skirt is attached to the bar 5 in the manner just set forth, the lugs 6 at each end of the supporting-plate prevent the hooks 13 from riding off the same.

Before the supporting-plate is attached to the waist the belt or band is connected to the plate, so that the belt or band will pass through the openings 1 in the plate and will lie against the outer face thereof.

It will be evident from the foregoing description, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, that I have devised a simple, inexpensive, and novel form of skirt-supporter, one that can be readily attached in position, and it will, furthermore, be evident that changes, variations, and modifications may be resorted to without departing from the spirit of the invention or sacrificing any of its advantages, and I therefore do not wish to restrict myself to the details of construction hereinbefore described, and shown in the accompanying drawings, but reserve the right to make such changes, variations, and modifications as come properly within the scope of the protection prayed.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A skirt-supporter comprising a plate provided at each end with a vertically-extending pair of openings and at each upper corner with a vertically-extending lug, and said plate further provided with a substantially T-shaped opening to form a pair of attaching-arms.

2. A skirt-supporter comprising a substantially rectangular plate provided with end openings and a pair of lugs and further provided with a T-shaped opening forming a pair of attaching-arms, and a waist-belt extending through the said end openings and lying against one face of said plate.

3. A skirt-supporter comprising a plate provided at each end with a pair of vertically-extending openings suitably spaced apart and at each upper corner with a vertically-extending lug, said plate provided with a T-shaped opening forming a pair of longitudinally-extending attaching-arms, and a waist-

belt passing through each of the vertically-extending openings and adapted to lie against one face of the plate, said attaching-arms adapted to be connected to a waist for retaining the plate in position and said belt adapted to encircle the waist of a person for securing the plate thereto.

4. The combination with a waist provided with a pocket, of a plate provided with a pair of longitudinally-extending attaching-arms adapted to engage in the said pocket for connecting said plate to the waist, said plate further provided with a pair of vertically-extending openings at each end thereof and with a lug at each upper corner thereof, and a belt extending through the openings of the plate and adapted to secure the plate to the wearer.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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