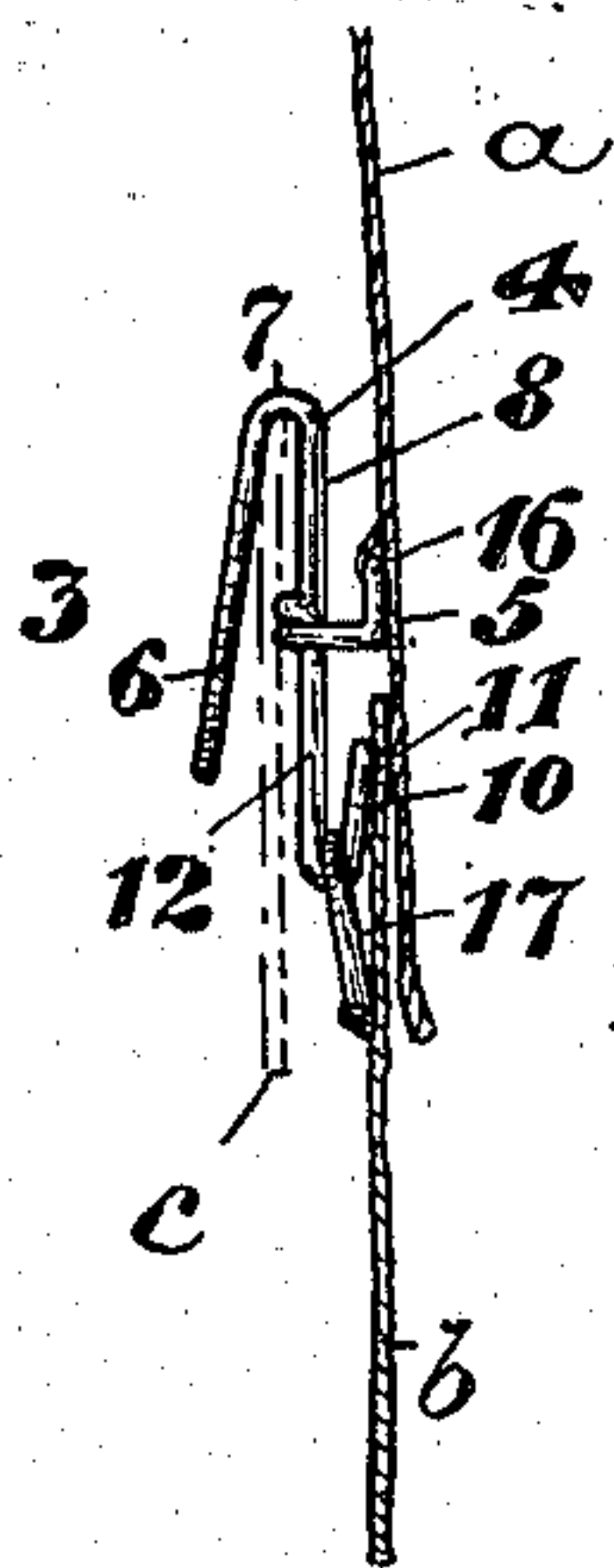
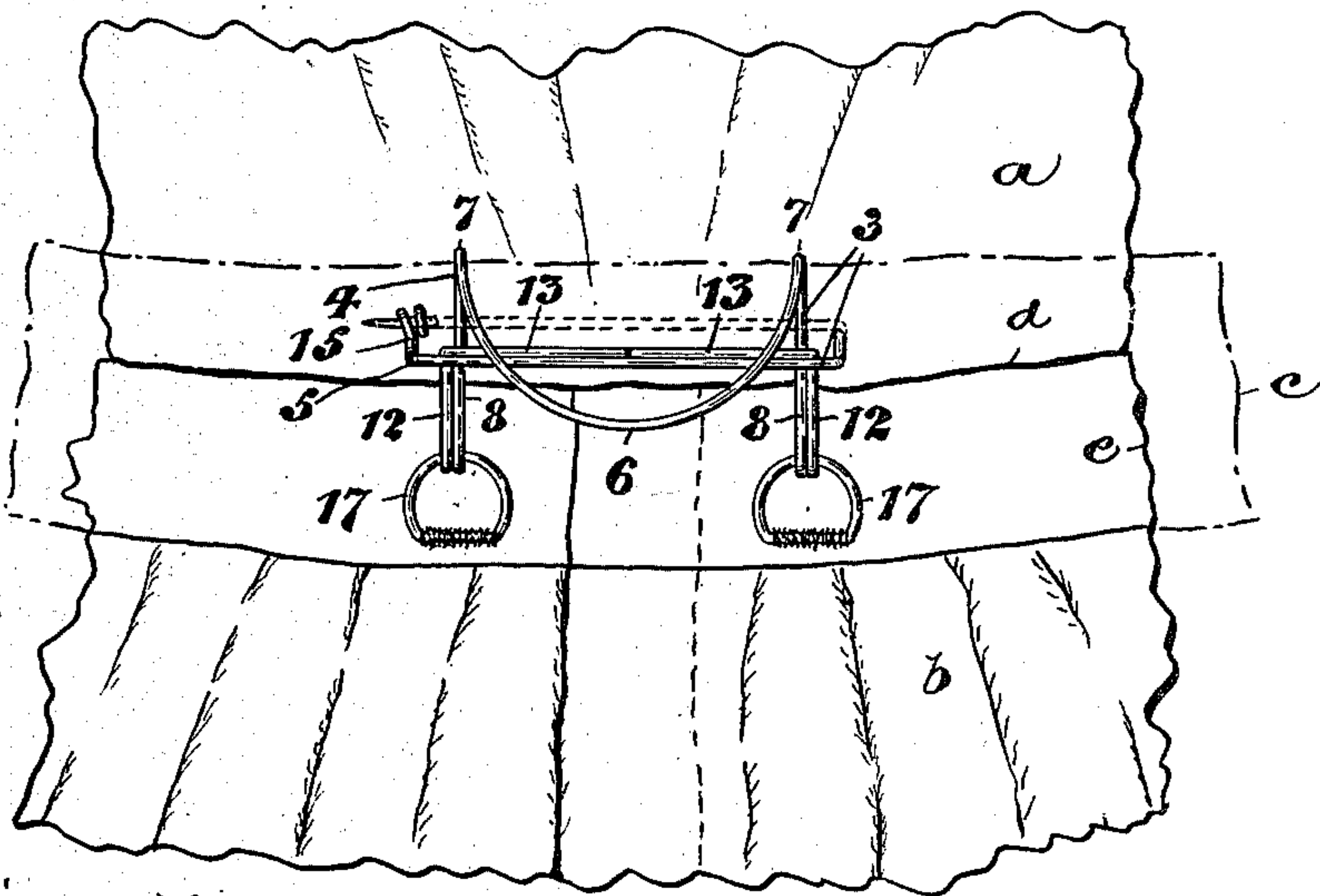
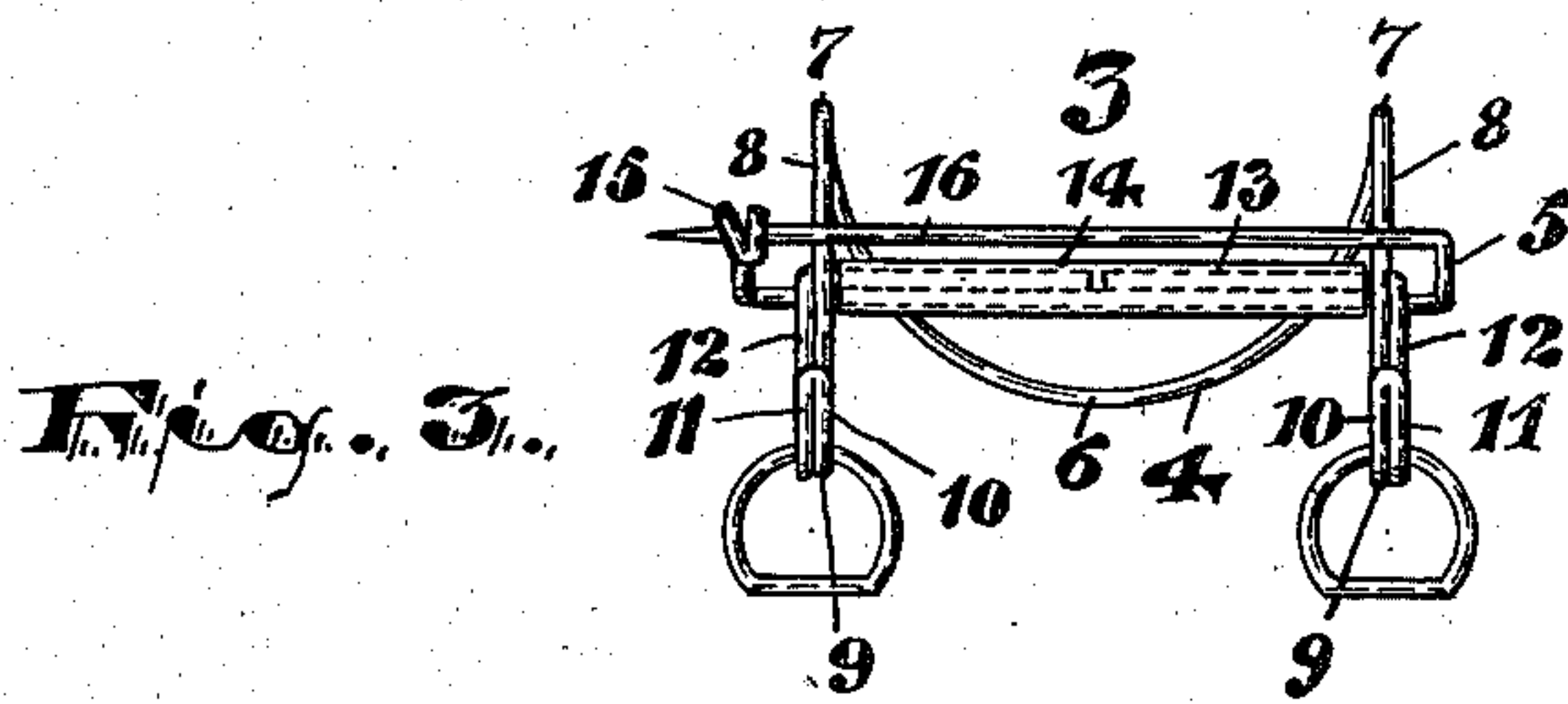


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHRISTIAN METTERNICH, a citizen of the United States, residing at Newark, in the county of Essex and State of New Jersey, have invented and produced a new and original Improvement in Dress-Supporting Pins; 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, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to letters and figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

The more particular object of this invention is to fasten a lady's skirt to the waist portion of her garment more conveniently and at the same time to hold the belt in place, where said skirt and waist come together, to cover the joint, and to secure other advantages and results, some of which may be referred to hereinafter in connection with the description of the working parts.

The invention consists in the improved dress-supporting pin and in the arrangements and combinations of parts of the same, all substantially as will be hereinafter set forth and finally embraced in the clauses of the claim.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, in which like characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in each of the figures, Figure 1 is an elevation showing portions of a waist and skirt joined by my improved fastener or supporting-pin. Fig. 2 is a side view of the same, and Fig. 3 is a detail elevation of the fastener or support from the reverse side from what is shown in Fig. 1.

In said drawings, *a* indicates a portion of a lady's waist or upper garment, *b* a portion of a skirt or lower garment, and *c* a belt (shown in outline) adapted to cover the joint *d* where the garments unite or overlap.

3 indicates the supporting-pin, comprising two pieces of wire 4 and 5, of which the wire 4 is bowed centrally downward, as at 6. At opposite ends of the bow said wire is bent backward and downward, as at 7 7, to overlie the edge of the belt, vertical bars 8 8 an inch, more or less, in length being formed. At the lower ends of the bars 8 the wire is bent backward and upward, as at 9, to form

hooks 10 10, the hooks 10 being connected and lying a little distance apart. At the tops of the hooks the wire is bent downward or is doubled, so that it lies at 11 11 parallel with vertical bars 8, extending about half-way up the length of said vertical bars, and there being bent horizontally or perpendicular to the bars 8, the ends 13 13 of the wire extending in alinement toward one another. The second wire 5 lies parallel with the alined ends 13 and is reinforced by the same, being united thereto by solder or by an inclosing piece 14, of sheet metal, as shown in Fig. 3.

At one extremity of the wire 4 the same is bent, as at 15, into the form of a hook to receive the pointed end of the pin extension 16 at the opposite end of said wire.

The pin extension 16 lies a little back and away from but approximately parallel with the ends 13 13, to which the body portion of said wire 4 is rigidly attached, and thus the device can be conveniently pinned to the waist, and the hooks 10 10 will extend downward to eyes or rings 17, sewed or otherwise formed on the belt-band *e* or other portion of the skirt, so that the latter will be supported by said hooks. The parts being applied as described, the belt *c* may be arranged in place over the joint *d* and beneath the bow 6, so as to be held by said bow from riding up and away from the joint to expose the same.

Having thus described the invention, what I claim as new is—

1. The improved skirt-support combining two rigidly-joined wires, one of which is centrally bowed and bent to overlie the upper edge of a belt and at the opposite ends of the bow extends downward and then upward to form hooks the opposite ends of the wire being turned horizontally toward one another, and the other of said wires being rigidly fastened to said horizontally-turned ends and having a hook at one end and a pin extension at the other, substantially as set forth.

2. The improved skirt-support combining two rigidly-joined wires one of which is centrally bowed and bent to overlie the upper edge of a belt and at the opposite ends of the bow extending downward and then being bent upward to form hooks, the wire being further turned or extended horizontally from the central parts of the downward extensions, and

the other of said wires being rigidly fastened to said horizontally-turned ends and having a hook at one end and a pin extension at the other, substantially as set forth.

5 3. The improved skirt-supporting device combining therein a wire bent to form a hook to overlie the upper edge of a belt and at the opposite ends of said hook bent downward and then upward and forming two hooks to
10 engage eyes formed in the skirt, and a pin

fastened horizontally to the downward extension of the wire about midway thereof, substantially as set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand this 30th day of 15 April, 1903.

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