

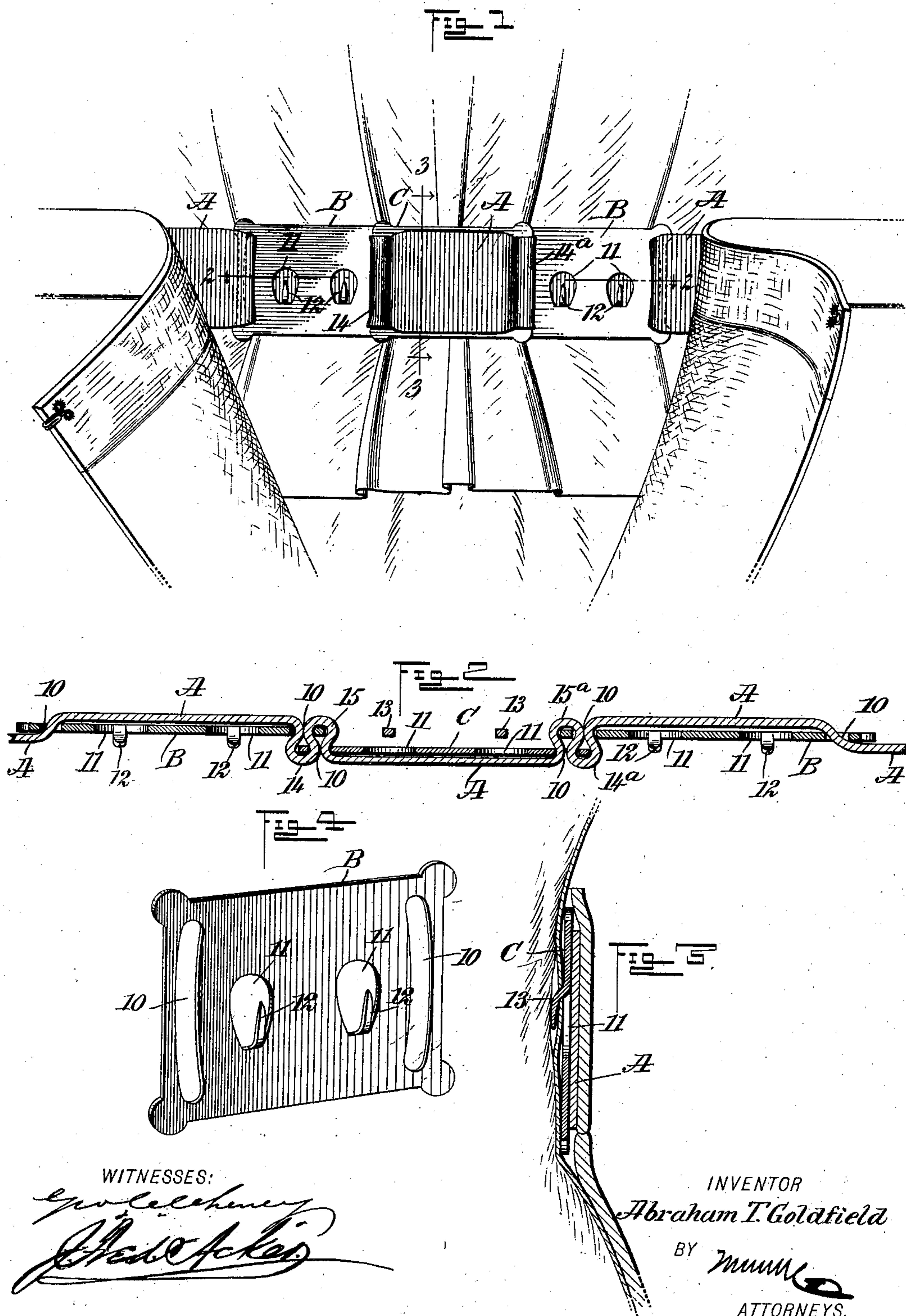
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ABRAHAM T. GOLDFIELD, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of New York, borough of Manhattan, in the county and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Waist-Belt Attachment, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The purpose of my invention is to provide a waist-belt of a pliable material, adapted to be worn between the shirt or other waist and the waistband of a dress-skirt and to removably locate at the central rear portion of the belt a series of plates, usually three in number, the central plate having downwardly-extending hooks projecting from its front face for engagement with the central back portion of the waist at the waist-line, the outer or end plates of the series having upwardly-extending hooks projected or offset from their rear faces, being adapted to engage with the waistband of the dress-skirt at each side of the placket-opening therein, whereby the belt serves to simultaneously hold the waist down and the dress-skirt up, the belt being concealed when used.

The main purpose of the invention in the character of belt described is to bring the plates in close-hinged connection solely by the lacing of the belt through the plates, the plates having no direct hinge connection one to the other, and to so hinge the plates one to the other through the medium of the belt upon which they are supported that the plates will not move from the position in which they were placed.

The invention consists in the novel construction and combination of the several parts, as will be hereinafter fully set forth, and pointed out in the claim.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures.

Figure 1 is a rear elevation of the back portion of the belt, illustrating it as attached to a shirt-waist, and the said figure also illustrates the open placket-section of a skirt ready for attachment to the rear of the belt. Fig. 2 is a horizontal section through the belt, the section being taken practically on the line 2 2 of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a vertical section taken

substantially on the line 3 3 of Fig. 1, and Fig. 4 is a perspective view of one of the plates adapted to assist in holding up a skirt.

The belt A is made of a pliable material—such as tape or webbing, for example—of suitable width, and in connection with the belt A preferably three plates are employed, comprising two outer or end plates B and a central or intermediate plate C. These plates may be made of any suitable or approved material; but sheet metal is usually employed, and each plate is provided at each end with a transverse slot 10. In the further construction of each plate preferably two openings 11 are made in the plate between the end slots 10, as is shown in Figs. 1 and 4.

In the construction of the end plates B of the series of plates hooks 12 are projected upwardly and rearwardly outward from the bottom portions of the openings 11, and the said hooks are more or less upwardly curved. The intermediate plate C is identical in construction with the end plates B, except that at the top portions of the openings 11 therein downwardly or forwardly offset projections or hooks 13 are formed on the plate or are made integral therewith, and these hooks 13 are also shown more or less curved and of less length than the vertical depth of the openings 11 at which they are located. These plates are placed at the rear central portion of the belt A and are threaded on the belt. They are given a hinge connection one with the other directly through the medium of the belt in the following manner, and as is best shown in Fig. 2: The belt A is passed from the rear forwardly through the outer end slot of one end plate B and is then carried longitudinally across the front face of that plate and is passed rearwardly through the inner end slot 10 of the same plate and around the adjacent edge of the intermediate plate C, being then carried forward through the adjacent end slot 10 in the intermediate plate C, forming a loop 14 at the rear of the structure. The belt is now returned through the inner end slot 10 of the end plate B above referred to and is passed around the inner edge of the said end plate and rearwardly again through the slot 10 in the intermediate plate through which the belt was previously passed, forming thereby an inner or forward loop 15. The

belt A is now carried longitudinally across the outer or rear face of the intermediate plate C and forwardly through the opposite longitudinal slot 10 in said plate around the inner edge of the opposing end plate B and outwardly or rearwardly through the adjacent slot 10 in the latter end plate, forming thereby a forward or inner loop 15^a. The belt is now passed around the end of the intermediate plate C and is again returned through the aforesaid slot 10 in the end plate, forming an outer or rear loop 14^a. Finally, the belt is passed longitudinally across the forward face of the end plate B last referred to and out rearwardly through the opposing end slot 10.

I desire it to be understood that I do not restrict myself to the openings 11 made in the said plates, although they are preferably employed, as the hooks may be secured to the plates in any suitable manner; but the illustrated order of arranging the hooks is preserved.

In operation after the shirt-waist or other waist has been placed upon the person the belt A is passed around the shirt-waist at the waist-line and the hooks 13 are made to engage with said shirt-waist at the central portion of its back. The belt A is then snugly secured to the person by any available means. The dress-skirt is now placed upon the person and when the placket-opening of the skirt is closed the waistband of the skirt at each side of the placket-opening is made to engage with the hooks on the end plates B. Thus it will be observed that the belt is independent of the garments, may be readily placed in position, and will effectually hold the shirt-waist down at the back, and will support the dress-skirt at its band at each side of its central rear portion.

It will be further observed that the plates are effectually hinged together, the ends of the intermediate plate being brought over the inner ends of the end plates, and such hinged connection is made entirely through the medium of the material of the belt. As no metal fastenings are employed to effect a hinged

connection between the plates, the belt may be more comfortably worn, and the plates may be quickly and readily placed upon another belt when occasion may demand.

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

A series of plates comprising end plates and an intermediate plate, each plate having end slots therein, the end plates having upwardly-extending hooks offset from their rear faces and the intermediate plate downwardly-extending hooks offset from its forward face, the slotted ends of the intermediate plate being adapted to overlap the slotted inner end portions of the end plates, a belt threaded through the outer end slot of one end plate, then rearwardly through the opposing end slot of the same end plate and around the adjacent end of the intermediate plate, again through the inner end slot of the said end plate and upwardly around the end of said end plate and through the adjacent slot in the intermediate plate, the said belt being further passed through the opposite end slot of the intermediate plate, around the inner end of the opposing end plate, through the adjacent slot in the latter end plate, again through the slot in the intermediate plate through which the belt was last passed, thence around the end of the intermediate plate and again through the inner end slot of the latter-named plate, the belt being finally passed out through the outer end slot of the said latter-named end plate, whereby the belt is doubly looped at the overlapping ends of the plates, the loops of each pair extending one forwardly and the other rearwardly to effect a hinged connection between the plates by the belt, and to prevent possible displacement of the plates on the belt, as described.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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