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Fig. 1,

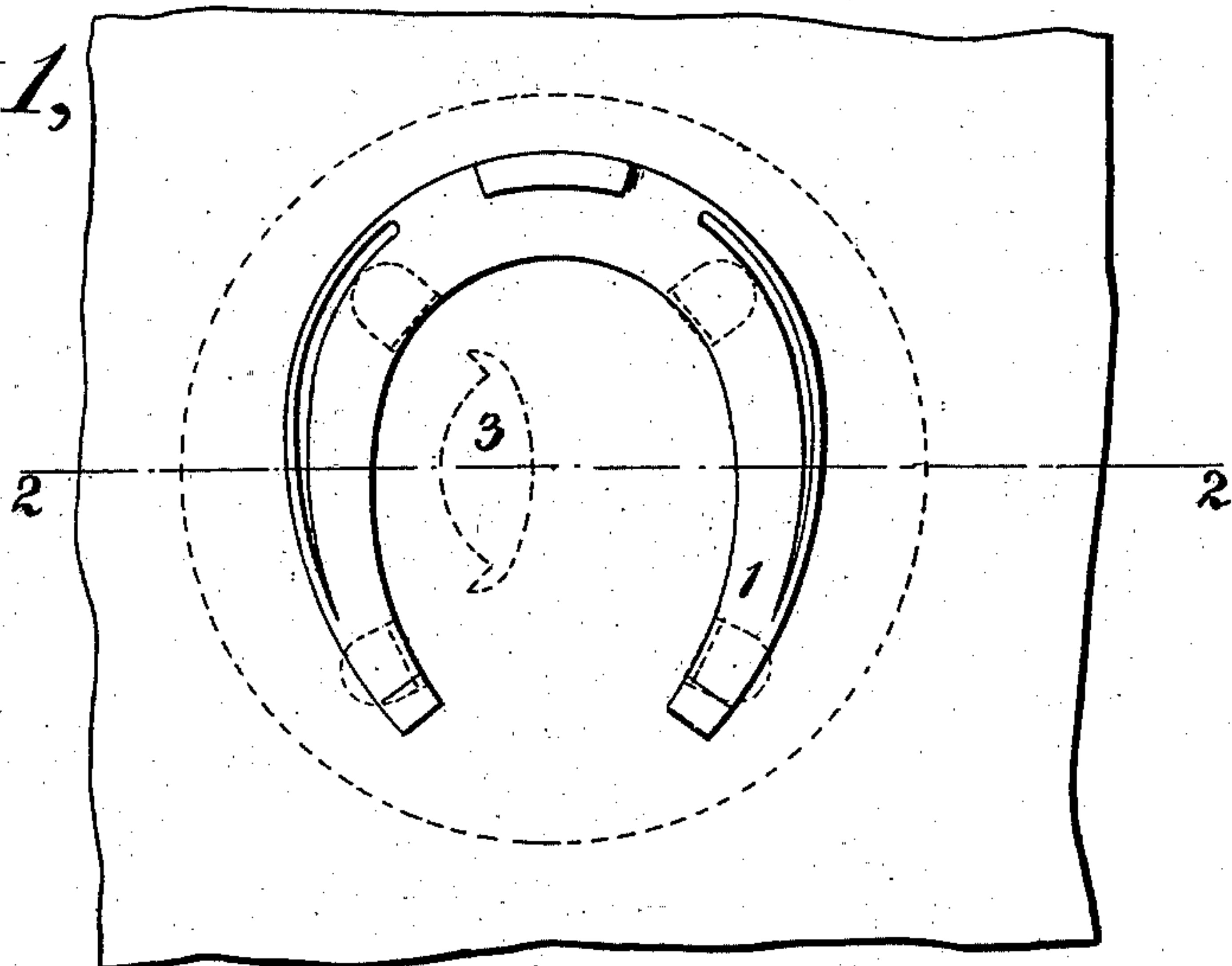


Fig. 2,

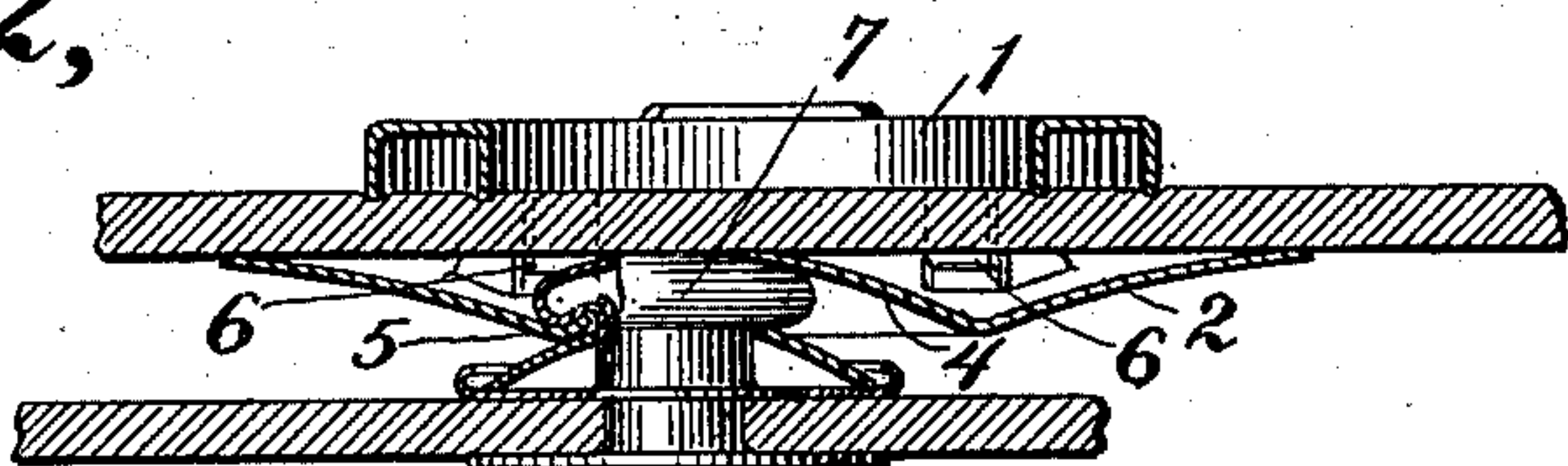
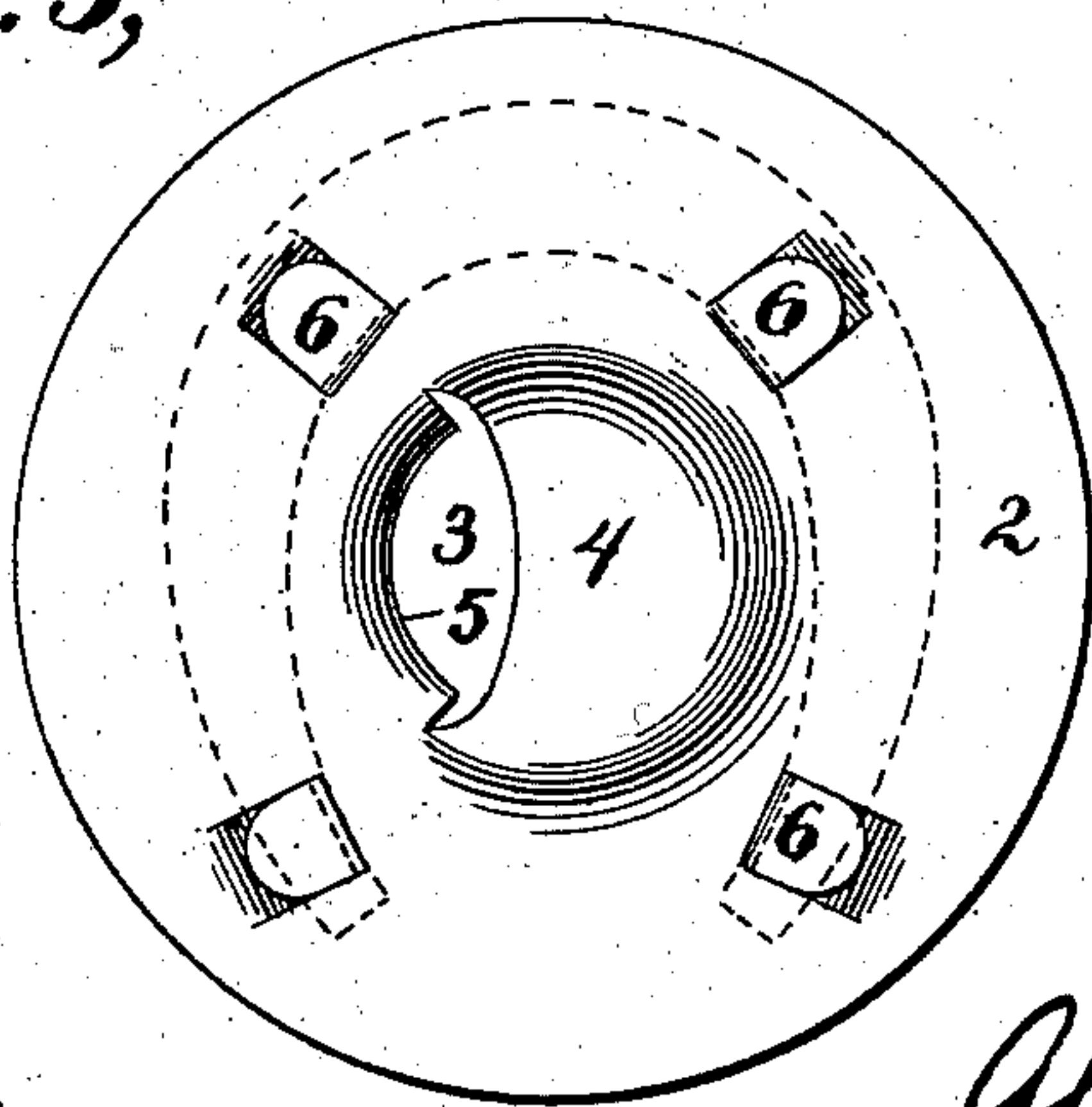


Fig. 3,



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GLOVE-FASTENER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALFREDO LEBLANC, a citizen of the United States, residing at the city of Stamford, county of Fairfield, and State of Connecticut, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Glove-Fasteners, of which the following is a specification.

The present invention relates to glove-fasteners, and has for its object to provide a glove-fastener member which shall be more readily available for the purpose of ornamentation than those generally in use.

The object of the invention is attained by making the upper member of a glove-fastener in such manner that the locking portion is located entirely upon the under side of the glove material and practically does not project up so as to cause an irregularity in the surface of the glove material which presents a substantially flat surface upon the upper side. Located upon the upper side of the glove material is an operating-piece which is made in any desirable shape, the function of this operating-piece being to afford a thumb-piece by which the locking portion of the fastener on the under side of the glove may be locked with and unlocked from a stud member.

Referring to the drawings, Figure 1 shows a plan view of the female member embodying my invention, the same being attached to a piece of fabric, the securing or locking portion being shown in dotted lines. Fig. 2 is a section along the line 2 2 of Fig. 1, showing the male member in engagement with the female member. Fig. 3 is a plan view of the under side of the fastener member.

Referring to the drawings in detail, 1 indicates the operating or thumb piece, which is here shown in the form of a horseshoe. The securing-piece is located upon the under side of the glove material and consists of a simple shell 2, whose general outline is saucer shape, being provided with a concave or beveled locking portion 4, cut away at 3, so as to form a locking-hook 5. As shown in the drawings, the operating-piece and the locking portion 2 are secured together and to the glove material by means of tongues 6, extending from the inner edge of the portion 1 and passing through

suitable slits in the glove material and the shell 2 and being folded against the outside surface of said shell 2, as clearly shown in Fig. 3. It will be understood that the parts 1 and 2 may be separately and independently connected to the glove material in any well-known or convenient manner. The stud or male member attached to the other portion of the glove is in engagement with the opposite member 2, the head 7 taking over and being held by the hook 5. Said male member may be constructed in any suitable manner and fastened to the glove in any desired fashion, and further description thereof is not deemed necessary, since it forms no part of the present invention. The head 7 is prevented by the beveled portion 4 from pressing forcibly against the glove material, and thus the formation of a protuberance of the glove material is avoided.

It will be seen that by this invention the widest possible latitude for purposes of ornamentation is given to that part of the glove-fastener which is apparent to the eye when the glove is worn, as said portion has for its necessary function only to provide a thumb-piece whereby the locking portion may be actuated. In my construction also it will be seen that it is not necessary to cut out any material portion of the glove material in order to secure the locking member, and no locking-dome is required, which permits of giving any form of ornamentation or any shape to the operating or thumb piece, and the designer is not limited to stamping or otherwise representing the desired ornamentation upon a circular or other shaped disk, as is necessary where a dome is required to lock the parts together and to cover mutilated parts of the glove material.

I do not restrict my device to the specific features described and shown, but believe that I am entitled to such changes as come within the spirit of the invention.

I claim—

In a glove-fastener, a female member comprising a shell made of a single integral piece of metal fastened to the inside of the glove material and having a concave locking portion lying wholly below the glove material,

said locking portion being partially cut away
to form a hook; a male member comprising a
stud fastened to the opposite portion of the
glove material and adapted to engage with the
5 said concave locking portion and said hook,
the stud being held firmly in engagement with
said female member but prevented by the
same from forcibly engaging with the glove
material; and an operating thumb-piece fas-
10 tened to the outside of the glove material above

said female member for actuating the latter;
substantially as described.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand, in the presence of two subscribing wit-
nesses, this 14th day of March, 1899.

ALFREDO LEBLANC.

In presence of—

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