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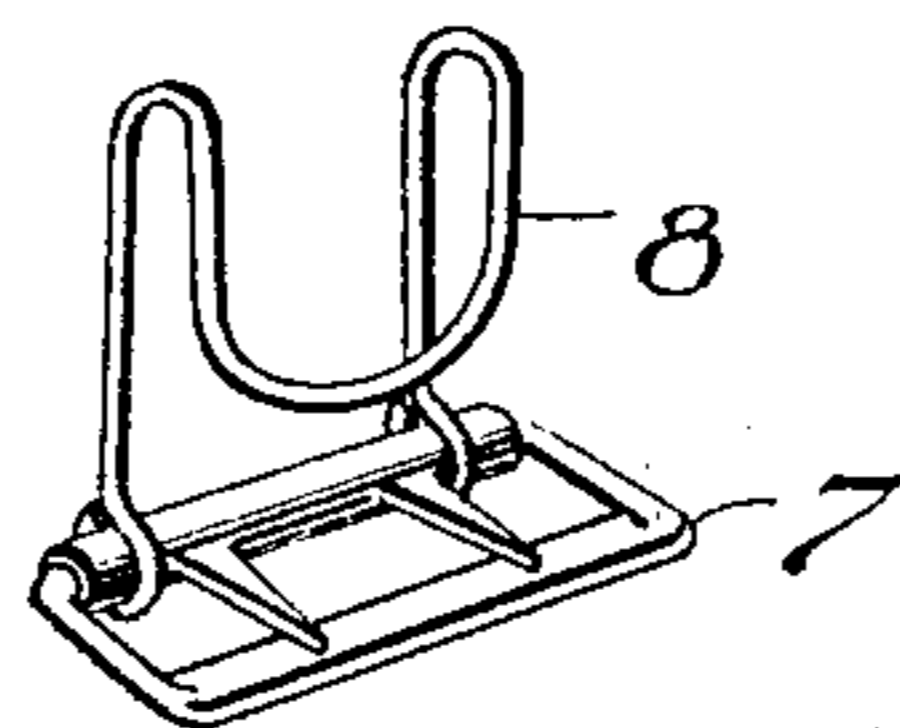
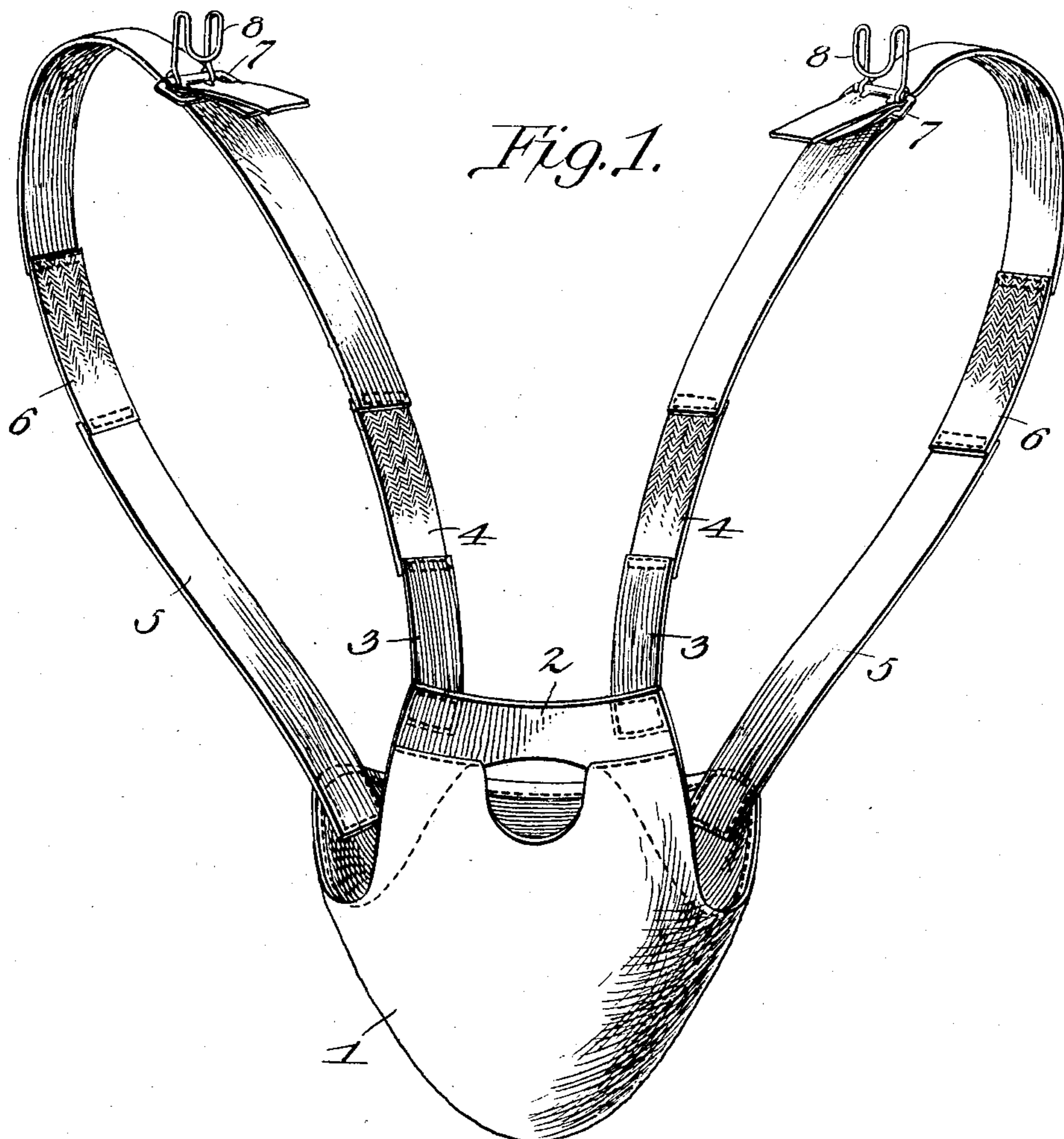


Fig. 2.

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## SUSPENSORY.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ELBERT W. MUNSEY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Drane, in the county of Navarro and State of Texas, have invented a new and useful Suspensory, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to suspensories.

The object of the invention is to dispense with the employment of a belt and shoulder-straps to hold the appliance in position; to prevent any binding, and thus discomfort, in use; to obviate any tendency to chafing; to facilitate positioning, adjustment, and removal, and generally to improve and simplify appliances of this character.

With the above and other objects in view, as will appear as the nature of the invention is better understood, the same consists, generally stated, in a suspensory comprising a bag or sack, supporting-straps secured to the front portion of the bag, holding-straps secured to the rear portion of the bag, and means for holding the terminals of the two sets of straps adjustably connected and for suspending the appliance from the band of the drawers or trousers of the wearer.

The invention consists, further, in certain novel details of construction of a suspensory, as will be hereinafter fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, and in which like characters of reference indicate corresponding parts, there is illustrated one form of embodiment of the invention capable of carrying the same into practical operation, it being understood that the elements therein exhibited may be varied or changed as to shape, proportion, and exact manner of assemblage without departing from the spirit thereof.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a view in perspective of the suspensory. Fig. 2 is a detached detail view of the combined buckle and hook for holding the appliance suspended.

Referring to the drawings, 1 designates the bag or sack, which may be of usual or any preferred construction, and has its upper front portion reinforced by a yoke 2 of any suitable material. Connected with the yoke are

two straps 3, constituting supporting-straps, which are rendered flexible by elastic sections 4, interposed intermediate of their ends, and connected with the rear portion of the bag or sack are two similar straps 5, constituting holding-straps, which are also rendered flexible by elastic sections 6, interposed intermediate of their ends.

The terminals of the supporting and holding straps on each side of the bag are associated with a supporter comprising a buckle 7 for engaging the straps to hold them in their adjusted positions and a hook 8, which may be combined with the buckle in any preferred manner to support the appliance in the manner before described. This combined hook and support is of importance, inasmuch as in one structure a double function is secured, thereby simplifying the construction of the device as a whole and correspondingly reducing the cost of its production.

The supporting-straps, as their name indicates, serve to suspend the bag in position and are disposed over the crest of the pelvis of the wearer, and the holding-straps, as their name indicates, serve to secure the bag properly and positively around the scrotum and are disposed between the legs and over the buttocks of the wearer.

It will be seen from the foregoing description that under the construction employed a belt and shoulder-straps are entirely dispensed with and that the appliance is supported wholly from the band either of the drawers or trousers of the wearer, so that its securing in place or its removal may readily be effected. By dispensing with the shoulder-straps all strain upon the back of the wearer is removed, as is also any danger of chafing, so that the appliance will be thoroughly comfortable in use and may readily be adjusted through the medium of the buckles to cause it to be properly positioned and positively held in place.

It will be noted by reference to Fig. 1 that the straps 3 and 5 are entirely disconnected from each other throughout their length—that is to say, there are no transverse bands or strips used for connecting them, such as are commonly employed in devices of this

kind, and by dispensing with such supplemental appliances all binding, with attending discomfort in use, is positively obviated.

Having thus fully described my invention,  
5 what I claim is—

1. A suspensory comprising a bag or sack, supporting-straps secured to the front portion of the bag, holding-straps secured to the rear portion of the bag, the pairs of straps  
10 being disconnected throughout their length, and means for holding the terminals of the two sets of straps adjustably connected and for suspending the appliance from the band of the drawers or trousers of the wearer.

15 2. A suspensory comprising a bag or sack, supporting-straps secured to the front por-

tion of the bag, holding-straps secured to the rear portions of the bag, the pairs of straps being disconnected throughout their length, and a combined buckle and hook for holding  
20 the terminals of the two sets of straps adjustably connected and for suspending the appliance from the band of the drawers or trousers of the wearer.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as  
25 my own I have hereto affixed my signature in the presence of two witnesses.

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