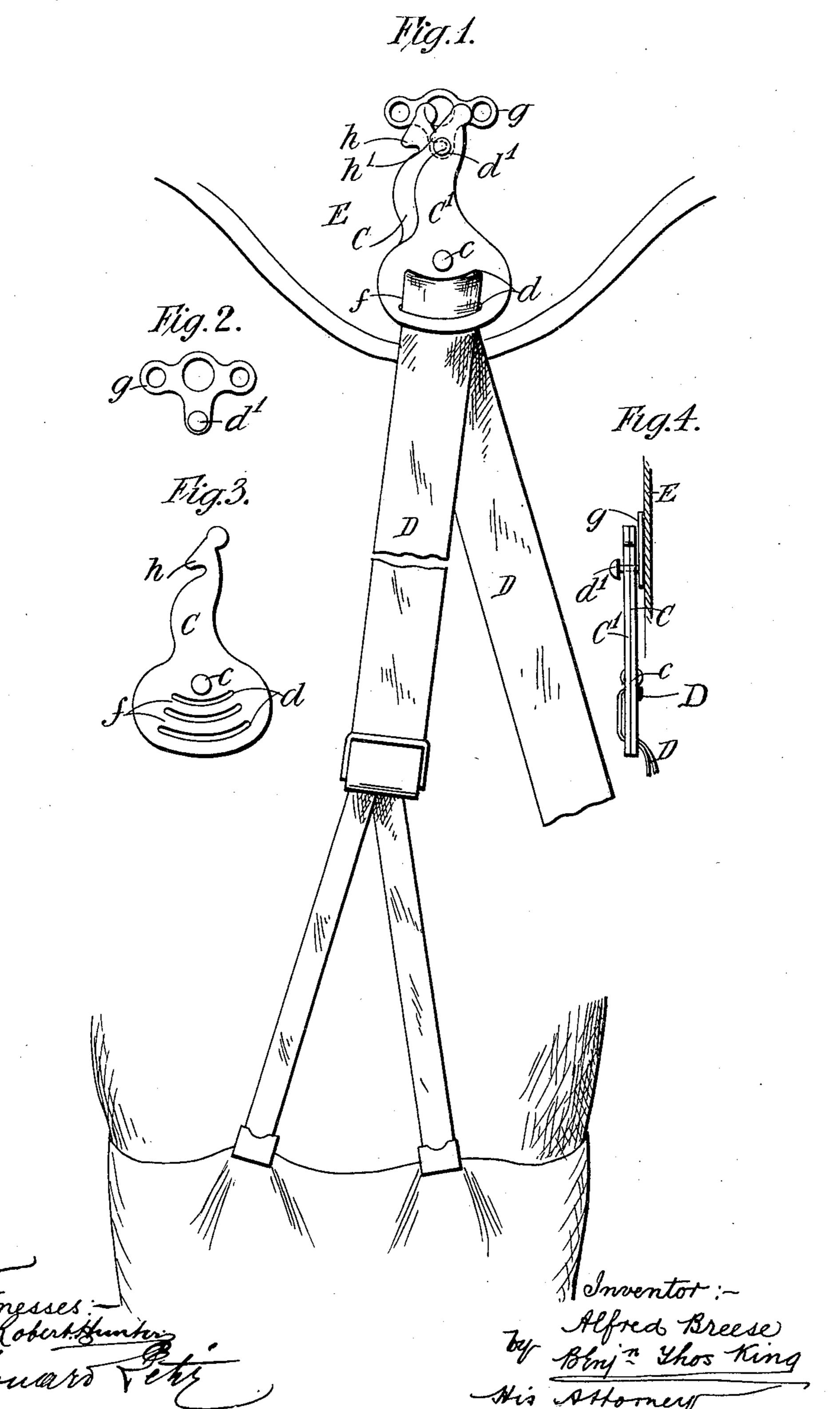
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STOCKING-SUSPENDER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Alfred Breese, a subject of the King of Great Britain and Ireland, residing at 75 Aldermanbury, in the city and county of London, England, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in and Connected with Stocking-Suspenders, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in and relating to or connected with stocking - suspenders, and is best understood by reference to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 shows a self-locking detachable clip or holder according to my invention by which the stocking-suspender is supported from a stud on the corset without the intervention of a belt or waistband. Fig. 2 is a stud specially provided for attachment to the corset. Fig. 3 is a detached view of a portion of the clip separated from its stud and suspender-strap. Fig. 4 is a side view of the clip hung from the corset-stud as it appears when in use.

In carrying out my invention I support the 25 stocking-suspenders direct from either a special stud d', shown separately at Fig. 2 as adapted to the corset, or from the ordinary corset-stud by means of a specially-constructed self-locking detachable clip or fastener. 30 This clip or fastener consists, essentially, of two metal frames or plates C C', which may be riveted at c, although not really necessary. The plates C C' are slotted, as at d, to leave bars f, so that the elastic or tape D of the 35 stocking - suspender can be threaded therethrough, the action being such that the normal pull of D effectually causes the pawl or hooked nose-piece h' of the plate C' to engage and hold the corset-stud d', which is prefer-40 ably separately attached by a back-plate g to the corset material E, Fig. 4, or the clip may be attached direct to the ordinary corset-stud. The hooked ends h h' of the plates C C' may face one another, and really one hooked end 45 only, h', is required; but the position shown,

Fig. 1, is quite sufficient to serve the purpose of effectually locking the clip to the stud until released by pressing back the nose h' of the plate C' by hand. I do not confine myself to the shape or precise arrangement of 50 the plates forming the clip, as same may be varied without departing from the principle of my said improvements.

Having now described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters 55

Patent, is—

1. In a stocking-supporter, two metallic plates pivoted together and having coinciding slots one above the other, a tape threaded through the slots and holding the plates nor- 60 mally in operative relation.

2. In a stocking-supporter, two metallic plates pivoted together and having notches in their edges near their upper ends and having coinciding slots below the pivot, and a tape 65 threaded through the slots normally holding

the plates parallel.

3. In a supporter of the character described, two metallic plates pivoted together and having a plurality of coinciding slots, a tape dou- 70 bled on itself and threaded through the slots in its doubled position, the said tape serving to retain the plates normally in operative position.

4. A stocking-supporter comprising two 75 metallic plates pivoted together having notches in their edges near their upper ends and provided with coinciding slots below the pivot, a device carried by the wearer to be engaged by the metallic plates and a tape threaded through the slots normally holding the plates in position to engage the supporter carried by the wearer.

In testimony whereof I have affixed my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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