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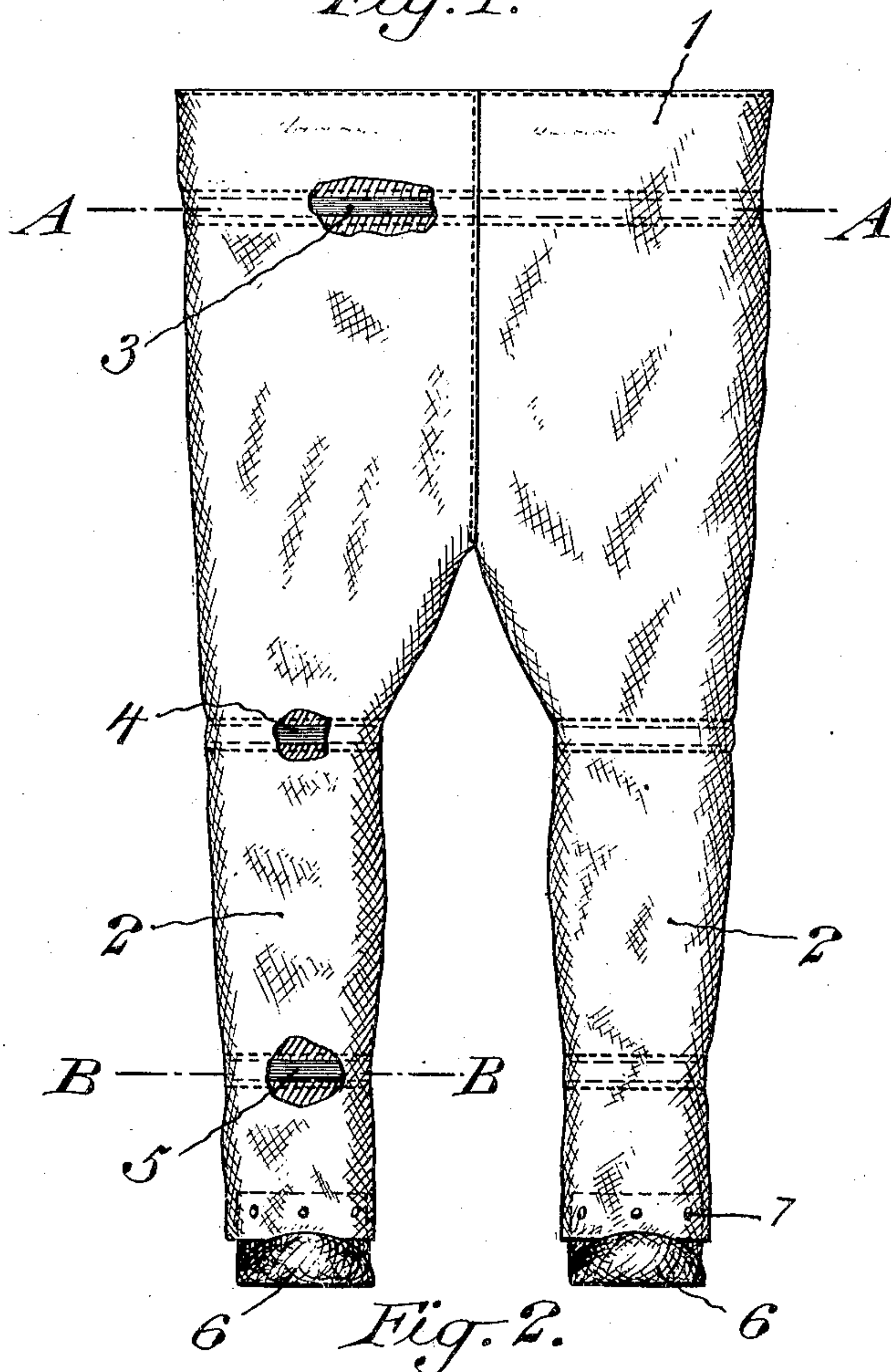
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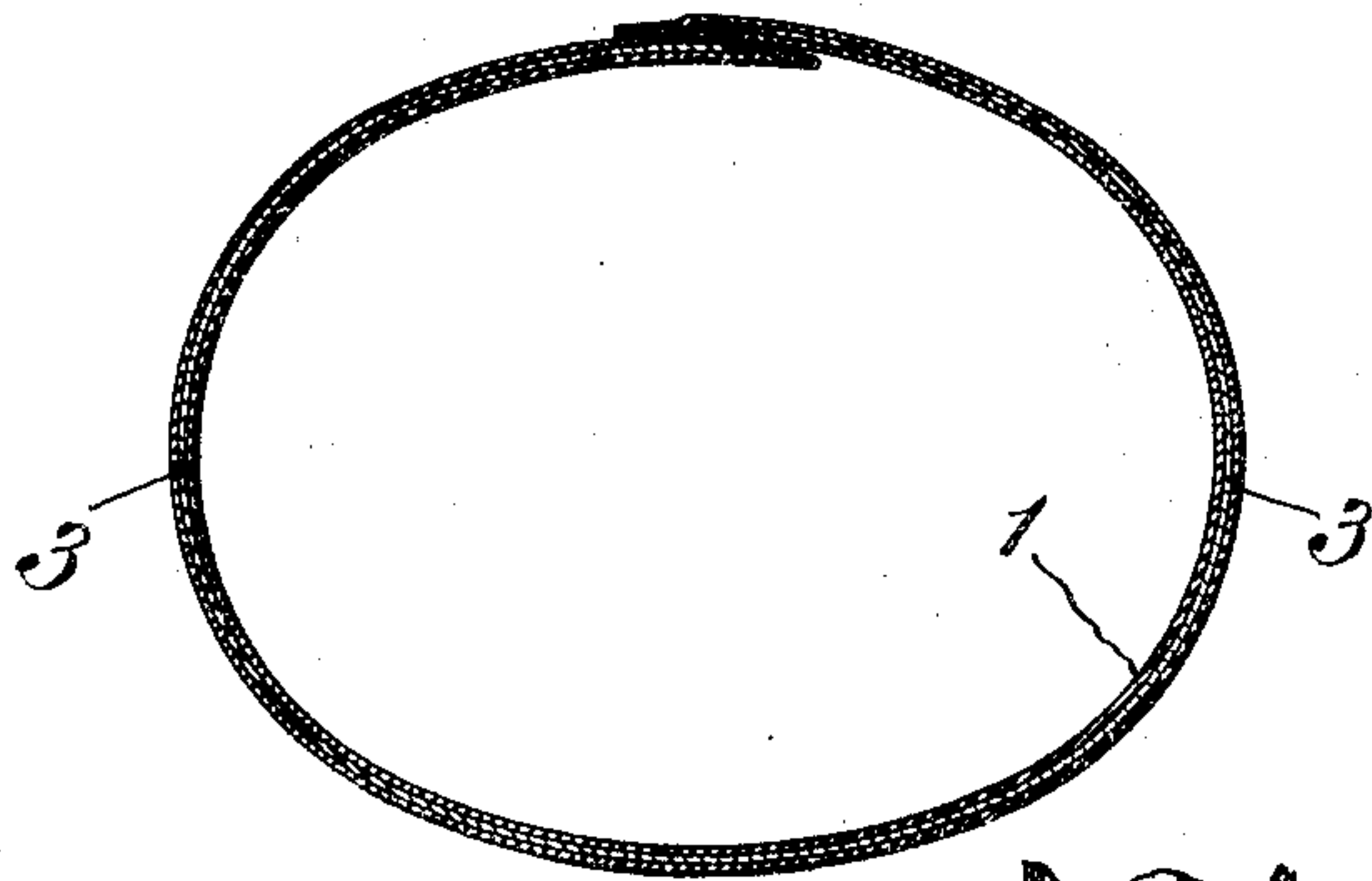
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*Fig. 1.*

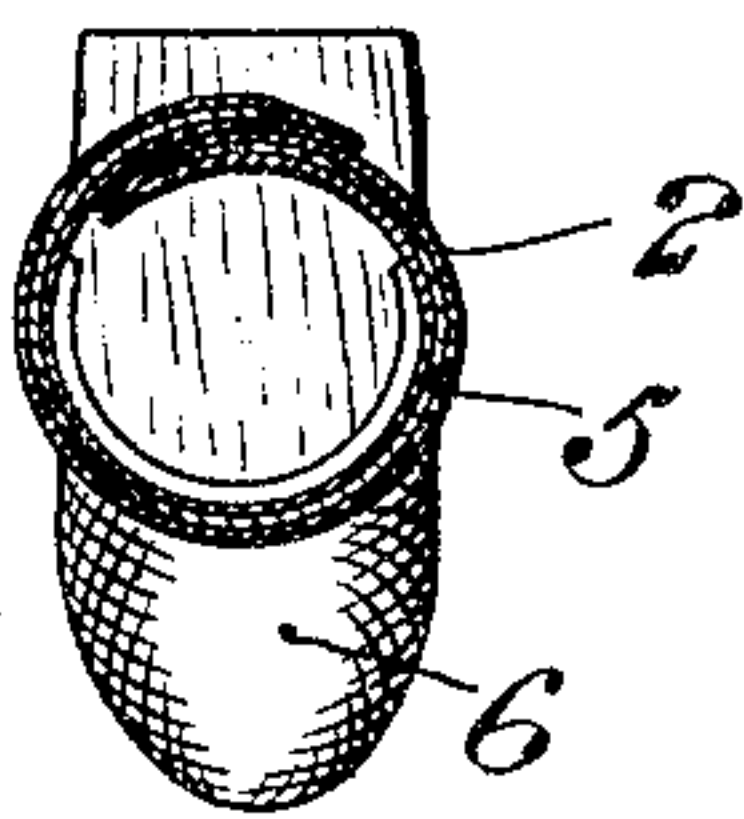


*Fig. 2.*



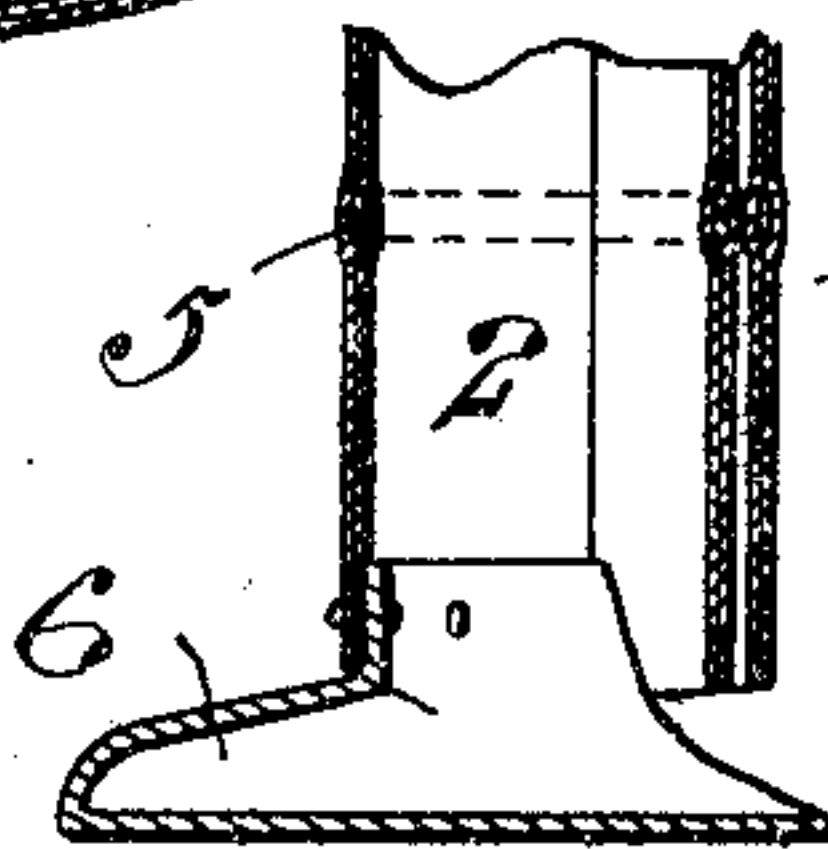
*Fig. 3.*

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*Fig. 4.*

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## TROUSERS-PROTECTOR.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ROBERT FOX, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of New Rochelle, in the county of Westchester and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Trousers-Protectors, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to an improvement in trousers-protectors, and has more particularly for its object to provide a protector for men's trousers, which may be readily secured in position over the trousers and as readily removed therefrom, the object being to provide a means for protecting the trousers from the elements—as, for instance, when the person wearing the trousers is driving or automobiling.

A practical embodiment of my invention is represented in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a front view of the trousers-protector, portions of the outer layer being broken away to show the location of the spring-clips, which serve to wrap the garment around the body and legs of the wearer and removably hold the garment in place. Fig. 2 is a horizontal section taken in the plane of the line A A of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a horizontal section taken in the plane of the line B B of Fig. 1, and Fig. 4 is a vertical central section taken from front to rear through the lower portion of one of the legs of the protector and the foot-covering carried thereby.

The trousers-protector comprises an upper portion 1, fitted to embrace the lower portion of the body of the wearer, and depending portions 2, fitted to embrace the legs of the wearer. A spring-clip 3 is secured to the body portion 1 of the garment, which clip is normally so shaped that its ends overlap each other, thus causing the edges of the garment to lap past each other at the back. Spring-clips 4 and 5 are secured to the depending

leg portions of the garment, which springs are of such shape that they will cause the edges of the leg portions to overlap each other at the back. The clip 4 is arranged to embrace the leg of the wearer above the knee and the clip 5 to embrace the leg of the wearer below the knee, thus permitting the wearer to assume a sitting posture without causing the garment to open up at the back of the legs.

This garment is preferably made waterproof and may be constructed of an outer layer of rubber cloth and an inner woolen lining. It is to be understood, however, that the garment may be made of any desired material or materials.

The bottoms of the leg portions of the protector are provided with foot-coverings 6, which foot-coverings are removably secured along the fronts of the bottoms of the leg portions of the protector by suitable fastening devices 7—such, for instance, as the usual socket-clasps. These foot-coverings should be so formed as to permit the ready insertion and removal of the feet of the wearer.

It will be seen that a garment constructed as above described permits the application and removal of the garment without requiring the insertion of the legs of the wearer into the leg portions of the garment. When it is desired to apply the garment, the springs 4 and 5 are opened, thus opening the back of the leg portions of the garment. The leg portions of the garment may then be passed around the leg portions of the trousers of the wearer, the feet of the wearer being at the same time inserted into the foot-coverings. The spring 3 is then opened, thus opening the back of the body portion of the garment and permitting the same to be wrapped around the body of the wearer.

It is evident that the number of embracing-springs may be varied and also that their location may be varied without departing from



the spirit and scope of my invention. Hence I do not wish to limit myself strictly to the construction herein set forth; but

What I claim as my invention is—

- 5 A trousers-protector comprising a body-encircling portion, separate leg-encircling portions and foot-coverings removably secured to the leg-encircling portions.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention I have signed my name, in presence of two witnesses, this 20th day of April, 1904.

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