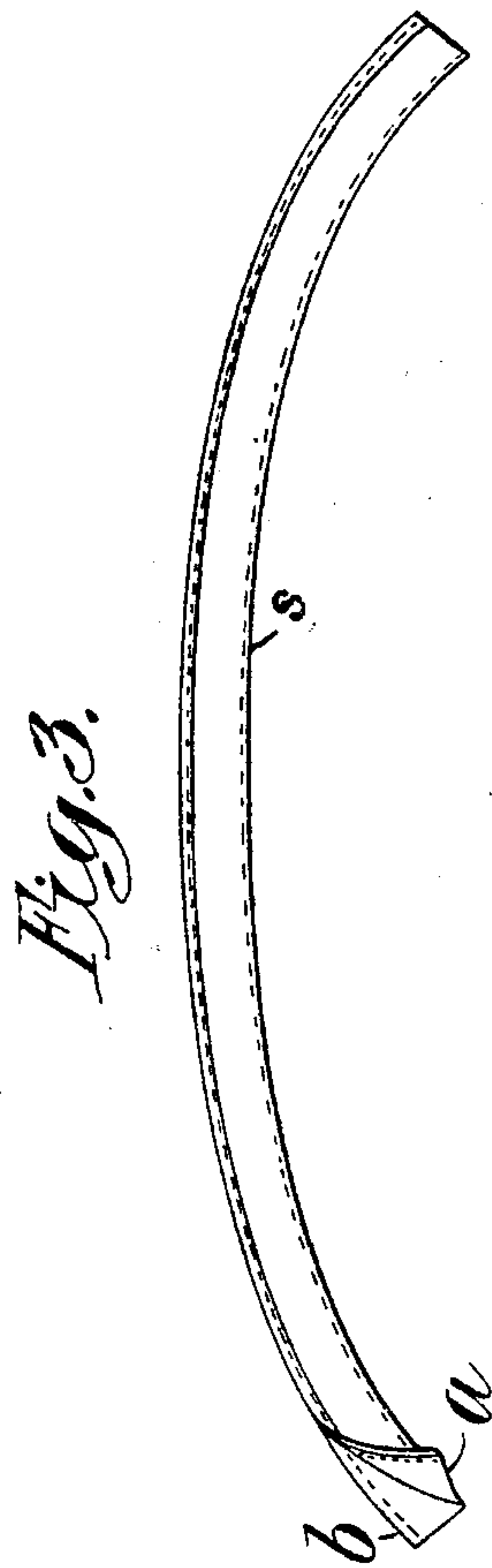
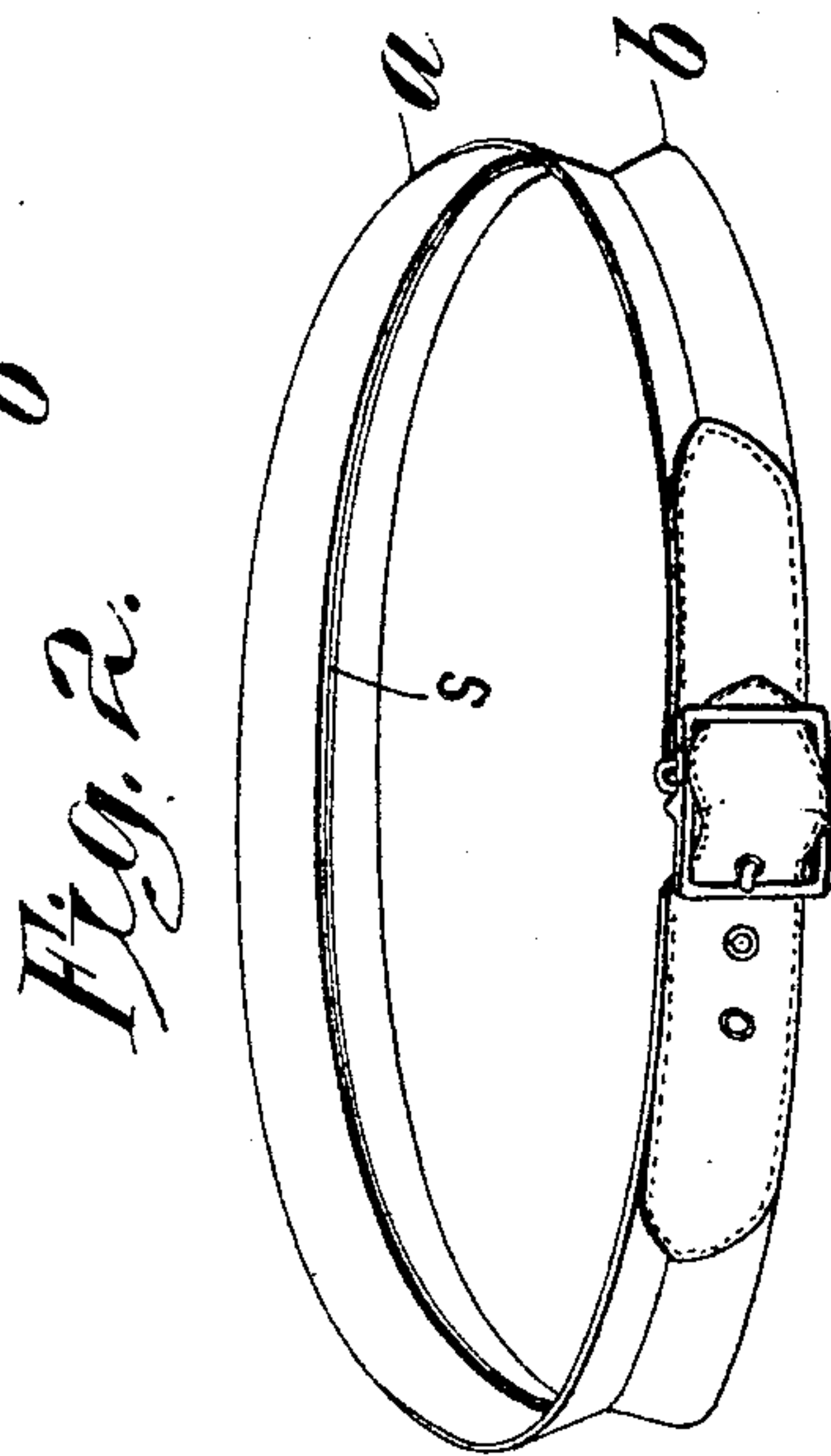
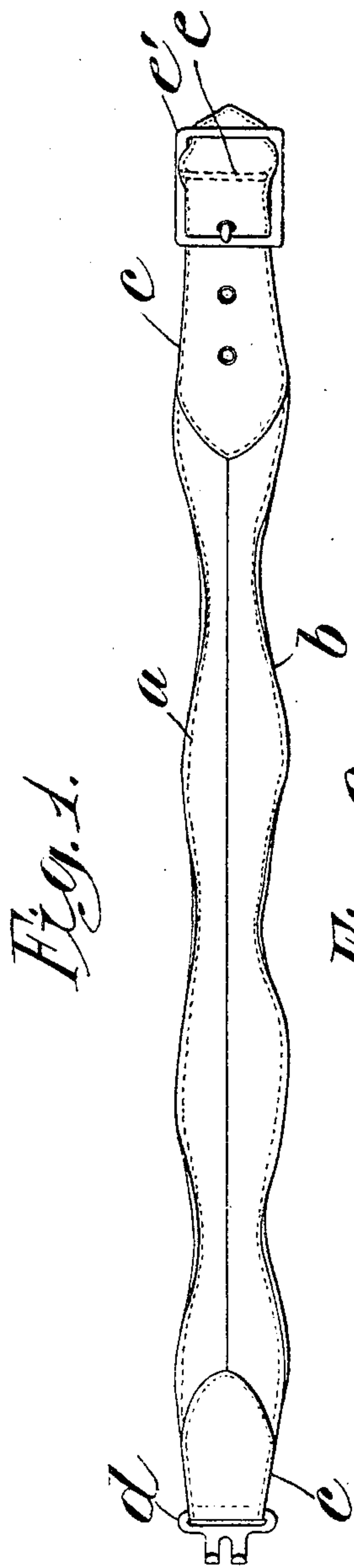


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, FRED CHRIST, a citizen of the United States, residing at No. 144 East Seventh street, in the city, county, and State of New York, (whose post-office address is the same,) have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Belts, of which the following is a full, clear, and concise specification.

This invention relates to belts, and more particularly to certain constructions of belts for ladies' use of simple and durable formation, whereby the same is specially adaptable to the human figure, promoting ease and comfort to the wearer.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification, Figure 1 is a side elevation of a belt embodying my invention in its extended or flat condition. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the same in wearing position, and Fig. 3 is a constructional view of the middle pieces of the belt.

The belt is comprised of two curved strips *a* and *b* of leather or other suitable material appropriately finished or hemmed on their outer or convex edges and united or sewed together along their inner concave edges, as shown, by the seam *s* or equivalent means. The end pieces *c* of the belt, composed of flat pieces or strips of leather or other material, are fastened, respectively, to the opposite ends of the united curved strips *a* and *b* when the latter have been opened, as shown in Fig. 1. The width of the end pieces is conformable to the combined width of the curved strips *a* and *b* of the body portion of the belt, so as to form an artistic continuation or termination thereof, and the said end pieces may be conveniently fastened by being sewed to the curved strips, as indicated. The belt-fastening mechanism is attached to the end pieces *c* and may consist of a hook *d* at one end adapted to lock with a cross-bar *e*. (Shown

in dotted lines in Fig. 1.) This cross-bar may conveniently form a part of a buckle *e'*, which latter may be secured to one of the end pieces *c*, a convenient method of securing the same being by way of engagement of the tongue of the buckle *e'* with one of a plurality of holes in the said end piece. This method of attachment permits a ready adjustment of the girth length of the belt.

It will be apparent that a belt constructed as above will fit snugly around the waist without crushing or creasing and that it will therefore afford abundant comfort to the wearer, at the same time having a pleasing appearance.

The degree of curvature of the strips *a* and *b* may of course be varied to suit particular requirements and sizes and the method of fastening the belt may also be altered materially without departing from the spirit and scope of this invention.

Having described my invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States, is—

1. A belt having its middle or body portion composed of two curved strips united to each other along their inner concave sides, substantially as described.

2. A belt having its middle or body portion composed of two curved strips united to each other along their inner concave edges, and having flat end pieces secured to opposite ends of said strips, and belt-fastening means secured to the extremities of said end pieces, substantially as described.

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

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