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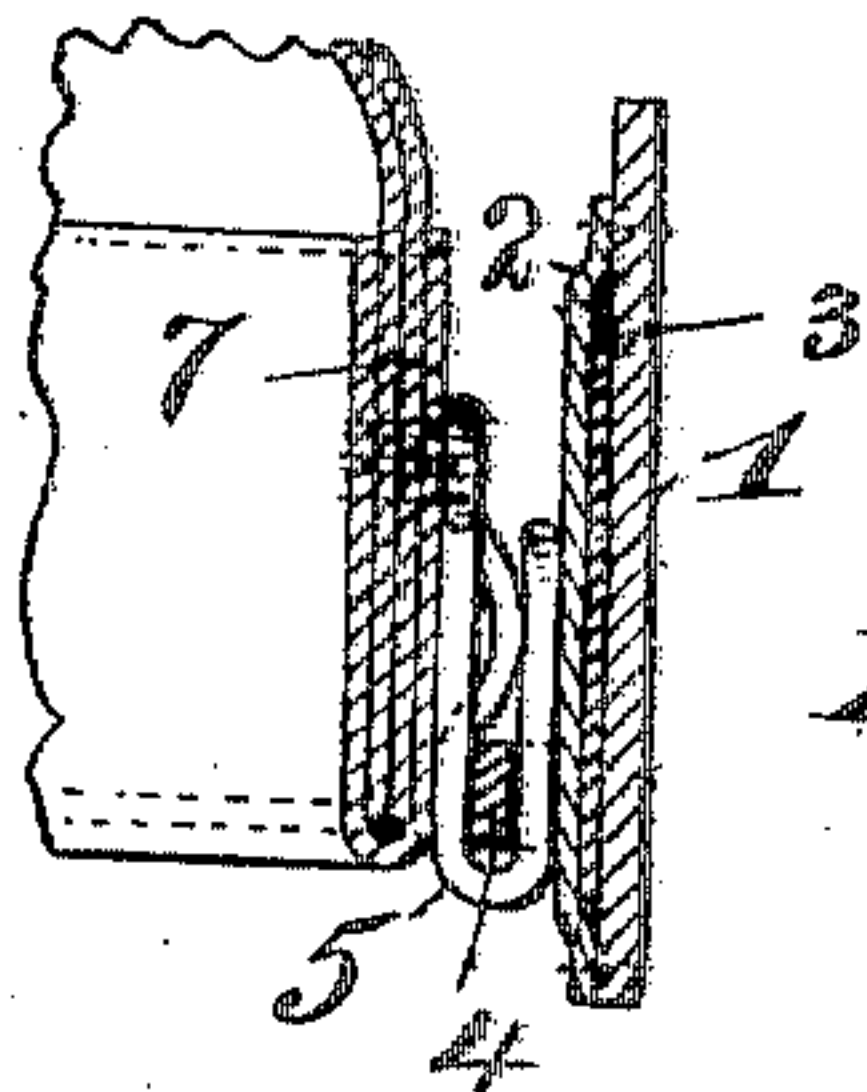
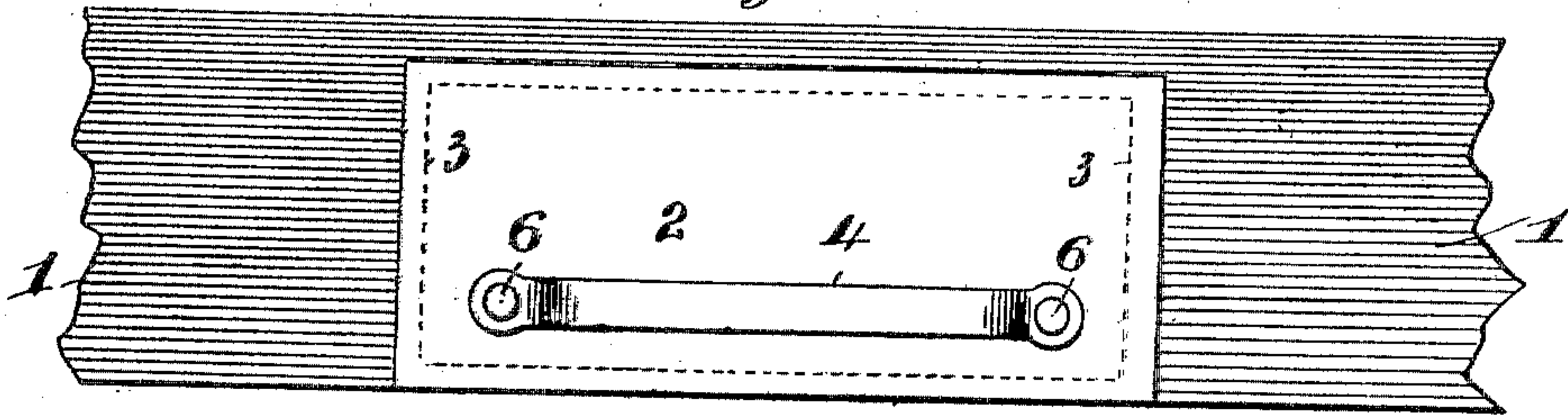
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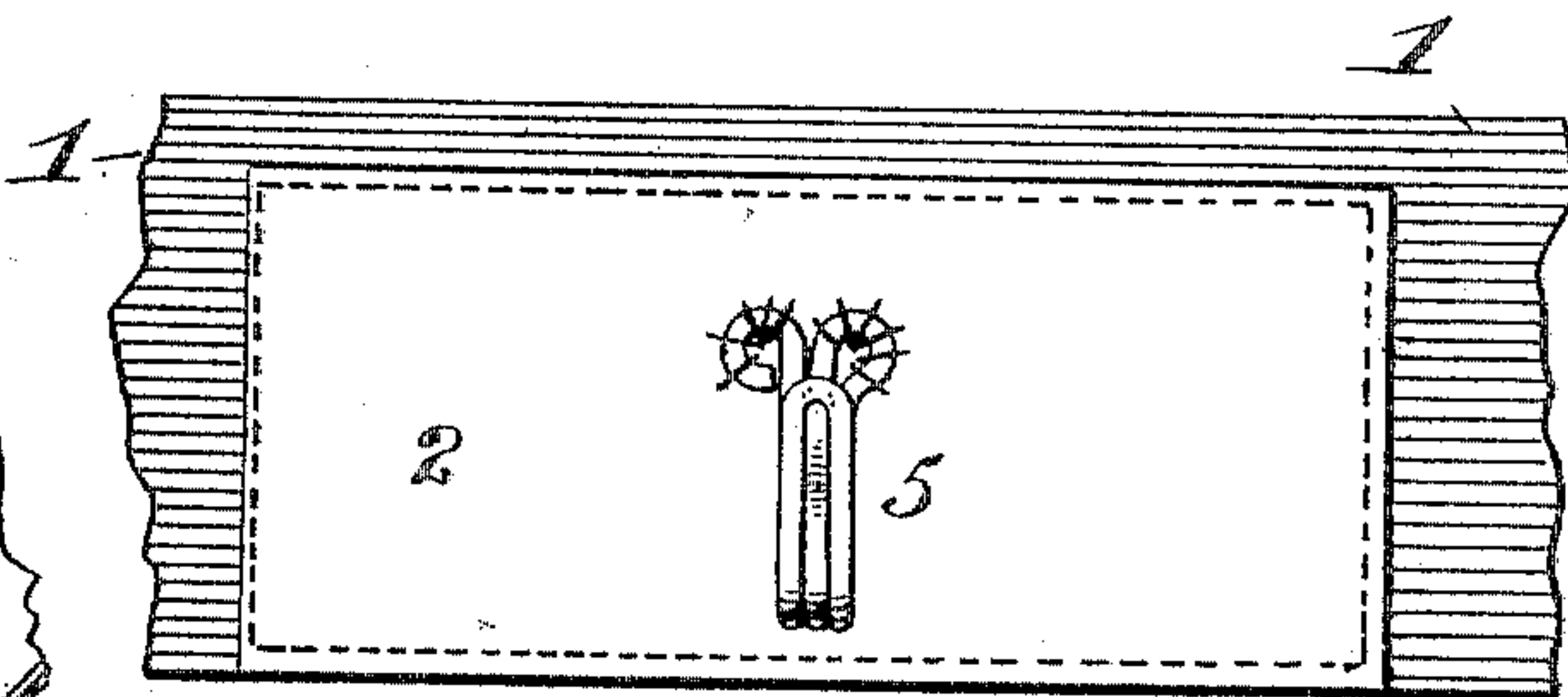
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*Fig. 1.*

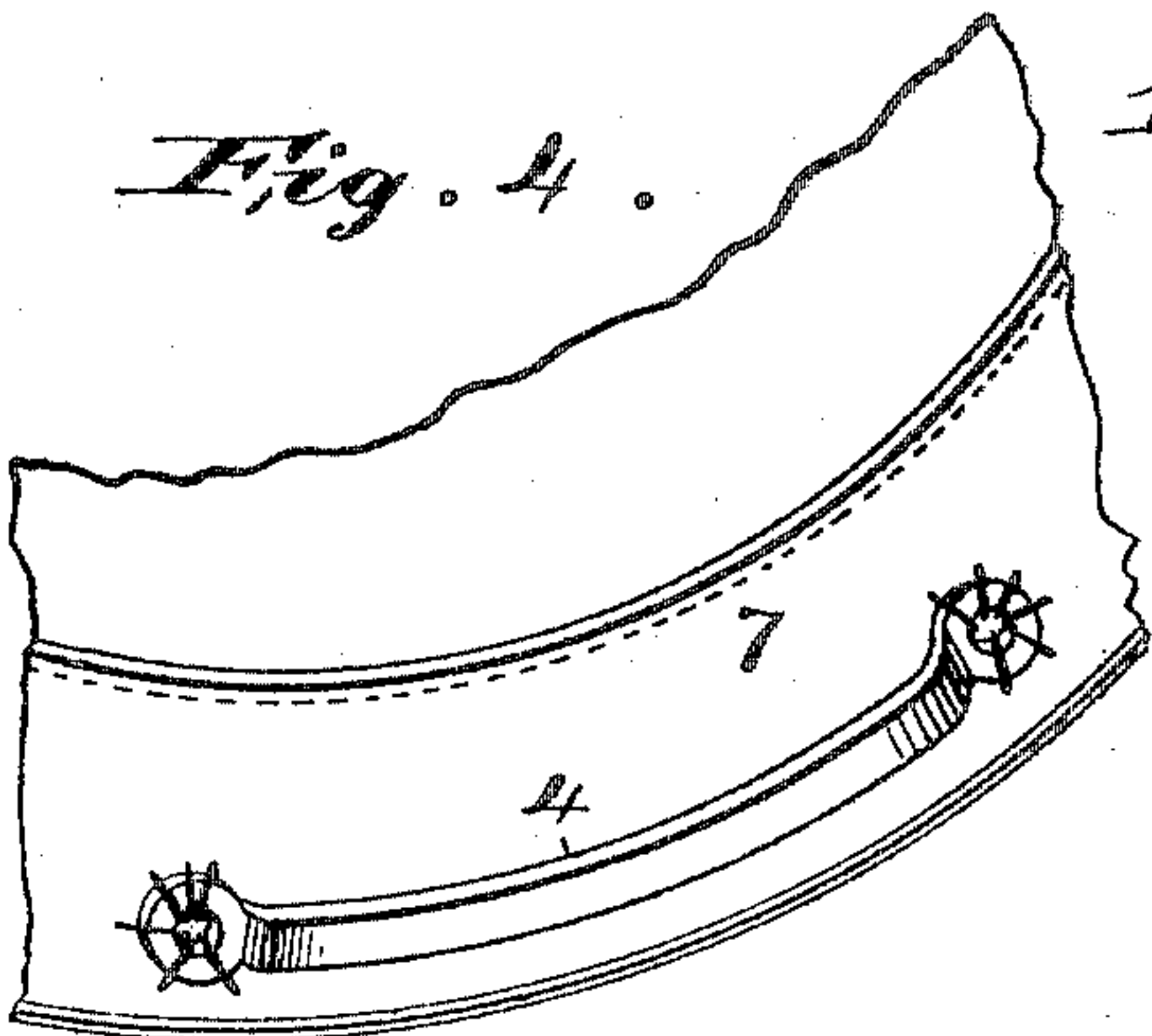


*Fig. 2.*

*Fig. 3.*



*Fig. 4.*



*Fig. 5.*



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, HENRY J. GAISMAN, a citizen of the United States, residing in New York city, county and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Waist-Belts, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to provide simple, cheap, and effective means for connecting a belt to a garment wherein I am enabled to reduce the tendency of the belt to crease or wrinkle at the point of connection with the garment and at the same time insure a substantial connection between the belt and the fastening device carried thereby.

The invention consists in the combination of a belt with a patch or short piece of material secured on the inner face thereof and a fastening device carried by said patch for attachment to a garment.

The invention also consists in the combination of a belt with a patch or short piece of material secured thereto, a piece of stiffening material located between said patch and the belt to resist the tendency of the belt to crease or wrinkle that part, and a fastening device carried by said patch for connection with a garment.

The invention further consists in the novel details of improvement and the combinations of parts that will be more fully hereinafter set forth and then pointed out in the claims.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming part hereof, wherein—

Figure 1 is a face view of the inner side of a portion of a belt shown provided with my improvements. Fig. 2 is a vertical cross-section thereof, showing the belt connected with a garment. Fig. 3 is a view corresponding to Fig. 1, showing a modification. Fig. 4 is a detail view of a portion of a garment, showing a bar carried thereby for connection with the belt; and Fig. 5 is an edge view of a belt, showing the fastening-bar connected therewith.

In the accompanying drawings, in which similar numerals of reference indicate corresponding parts in the several views, 1 indicates a portion of a belt, which may be of any suitable construction, and 2 is a patch or short piece of suitable material secured to the inner face of the belt. By preference I make this patch of leather or sheepskin and glue or cement linen or other suitable strong fabric on its inner face, and the patch is secured to the belt by sewing, glue, or both,

or otherwise. By preference the ends of the patch are glued to the belt, while the longitudinal sides of the patch are stitched thereto. This patch serves to stiffen the belt in line with the part to which the patch is applied and serves to prevent creasing or wrinkling of the belt in line therewith, and at the same time it is a substantial and convenient means for attaching a suitable fastening device to the belt for the purpose of connecting the belt with a garment. To additionally stiffen the belt at the part where the fastening device is applied, I insert a plate or stiffening-piece 3 between the belt and the patch 2, which stiffening-piece is by preference made of metal, and it is or may be held in place by the means that hold the patch upon the belt. By this arrangement it is merely necessary to lay the stiffening-piece between the patch and the belt when securing the former to the latter. This stiffening-piece 3 also serves as a wear-plate for a fastening device that is carried by the patch, so as to prevent the fastener or the parts that connect it with the belt from pressing directly upon the belt.

The fastening device I have shown for connecting the belt with a garment consists of a bar 4 and a hook 5. In Figs. 1 and 2 I have shown this bar 4 as carried by the patch 2, and for this purpose the bar is shown provided with apertures at its ends through which rivets or eyelets 6 may be passed to connect it with the patch; but of course the bar 4 can be sewed or otherwise secured to the patch. The bar 4 is shown raised from the surface of the patch so as to conveniently receive a portion of a hook or other fastening device between itself and the patch. In Fig. 2 the hook 5 is shown secured to the waistband 7 of a garment; but of course it may be secured to any other part of a garment, such as upon the lower part of a waist or upon a skirt. It will be seen also from Fig. 2 that the patch 2 serves to prevent the hook or fastening device 5 from bearing upon the belt. By this means the belt and the stiffening-piece 3 when used act to preserve the external appearance of the belt or, in other words, prevent the fastening devices that are located between the belt and the garment from injuring the belt and from causing protrusions to appear on the outer face of the belt. The hook 5 may be of any well-known or suitable form or construction and by preference will have its opening extended upwardly, so that the belt, through the medium of the bar 4,



will tend to prevent the garment from rising relatively to the belt and will also prevent the belt from descending relatively to the garment. By preference the patch 2 is rectangular or elongated, and the opposite ends of the bar 4 are secured thereto at such a distance apart as to leave a free and unobstructed portion between the ends of the bar, so that the belt may be adjusted around a waist more or less while in connection with a garment to bring the front fastening devices of the belt, (not shown, but which may be of suitable construction, such as a buckle,) in the center of the person at the front. The elongated patch and the connection of the bar at its ends with said patch serve as an extended member for connecting the fastening-bar 4 with the belt, so that the strain upon the belt will be distributed, and thus tend to prevent the belt from buckling, creasing, and wrinkling between the points of connection of the fastening device with the belt.

In Figs. 3 and 4 the positions of the fastening devices are reversed—that is to say, the bar 4 is connected with a garment and the hook 5 is connected with the patch 2. In either case the advantages of the patch are present, in that the spread-out connection of the fastening device with the belt is preserved. By preference the bar 4 is curved so as to substantially correspond with the curve of a person's waist, as clearly shown in Fig. 5, whereby the bar will lie snugly against the waist without having a tendency to draw or to crease the belt. It is evident that other suitable fastening devices for connecting the belt with a garment may be used in conjunction with the patch 2; but I find the device shown a very convenient, simple, and effective means for readily connecting or disconnecting the belt with or from a garment.

I do not limit my invention to the precise details of construction shown and described, as they may be varied without departing from the spirit of the invention.

Having now described my invention, what I claim is—

1. A waist-belt and a bar secured to and located at a distance from the inner face of the same and having a space along its edge extending longitudinally of the belt to receive a hook to permit adjustment of the bar along

the hook, combined with said hook for attachment to a garment, substantially as described.

2. A waist-belt having a patch secured to its inner face, and a bar attached to said patch and extending longitudinally of the belt and located at a distance from the same between its ends for connection with a holding device on a garment, substantially as described.

3. A waist-belt having a patch secured to its inner face, and a bar having its opposite ends secured to said patch; said bar extending lengthwise of the belt and raised from the same between its points of connection with the patch for connection with a garment and curved to conform to the shape of a waist, substantially as described.

4. The combination of a belt with a flexible patch immovably secured on its inner face, a stiffening-piece located between said patch and the belt, and held to the belt by the means that hold the patch on the belt, and means carried by said patch in line with said stiffening-piece for connection with a garment, substantially as described.

5. The combination of a belt with a flexible patch secured on the inner face thereof, by stitches that pass along the upper and lower edges of the patch and through the belt, a stiffening-piece or wear-plate located between said patch and said belt, and held to the belt by the stitches that hold the patch on the belt, and a bar secured at its ends to said patch and adapted for connection with a garment, said stiffening-piece being located in line with said bar to prevent wear on the belt, substantially as described.

6. The combination of a belt with a patch secured on its inner face, a stiffening-piece or wear-plate located between said patch and the belt, and held to the belt by the stitches that hold the patch on the belt, and a bar secured near its ends to said patch and extending longitudinally along the belt and having a portion between its points of connection with the patch raised from the surface of the patch for connection with a fastening device on a garment, substantially as described.

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