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GARMENT SUPPORTING DEVICE.
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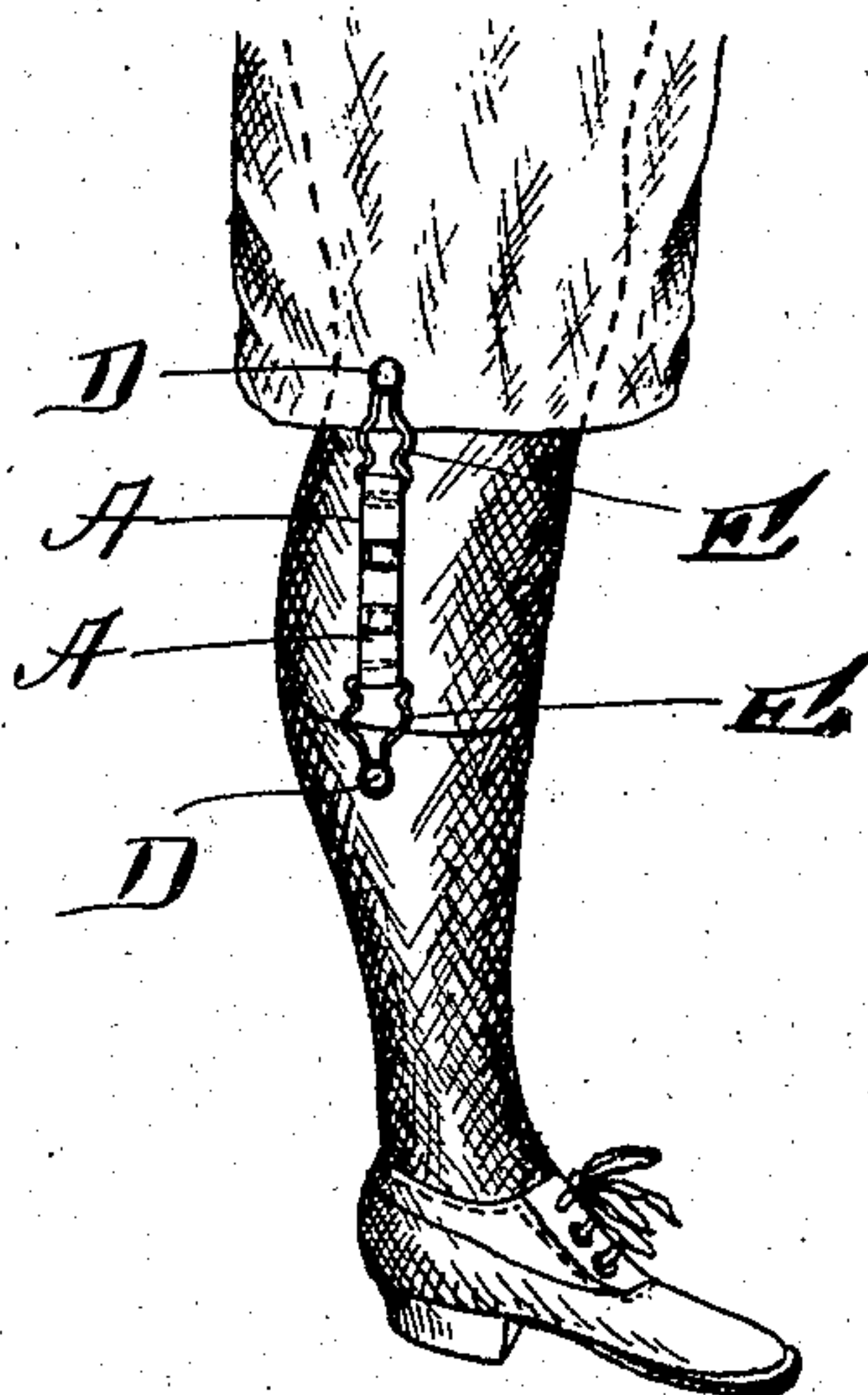


Fig. 1.

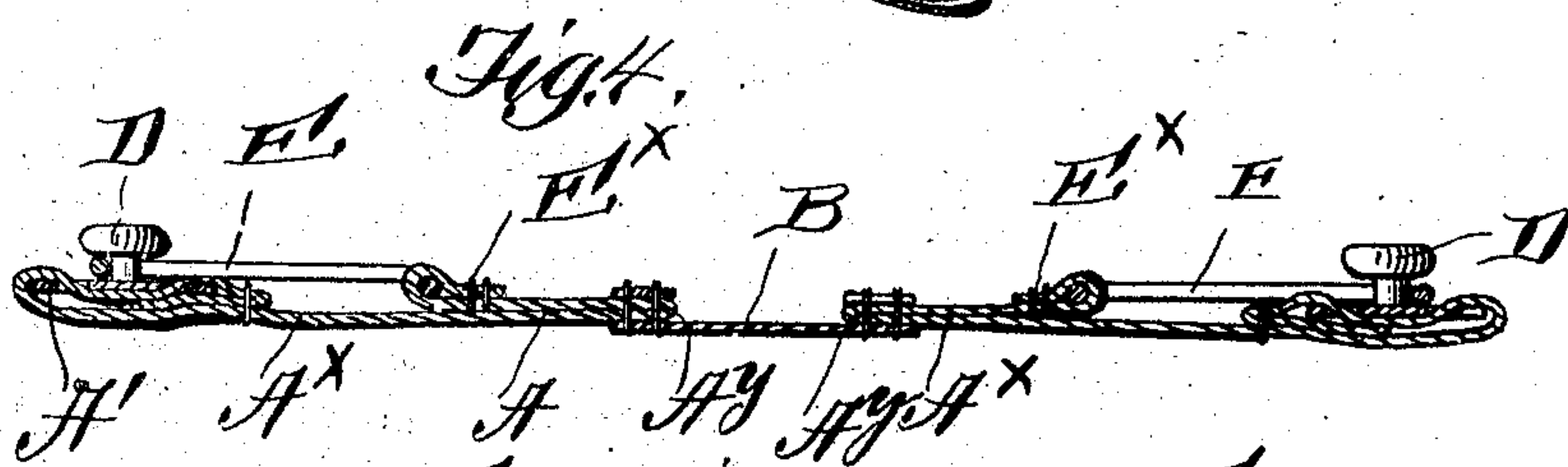


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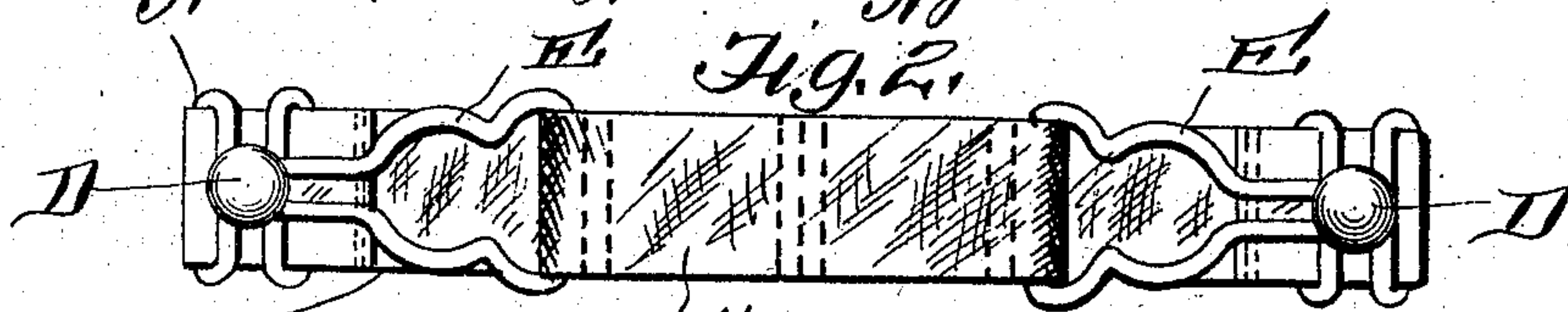


Fig. 3.



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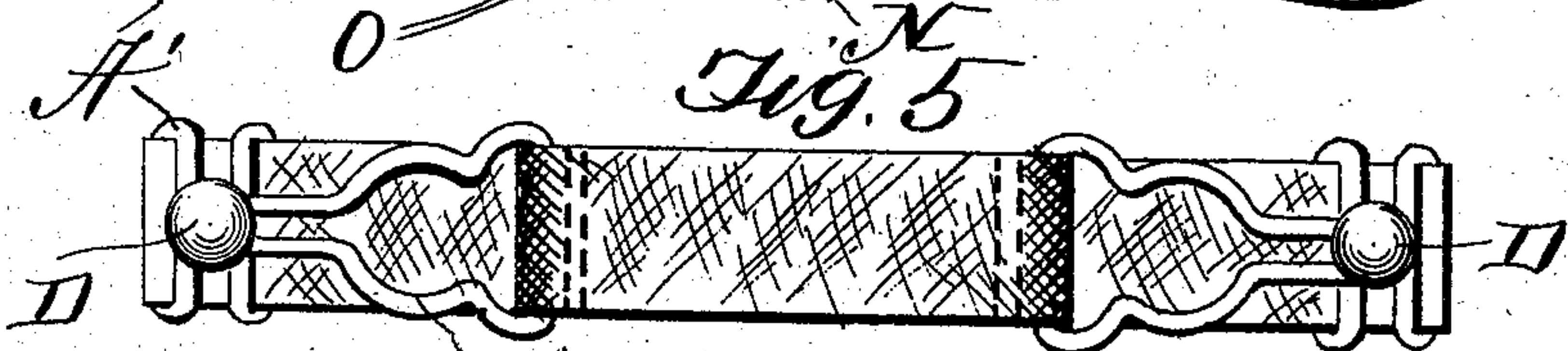


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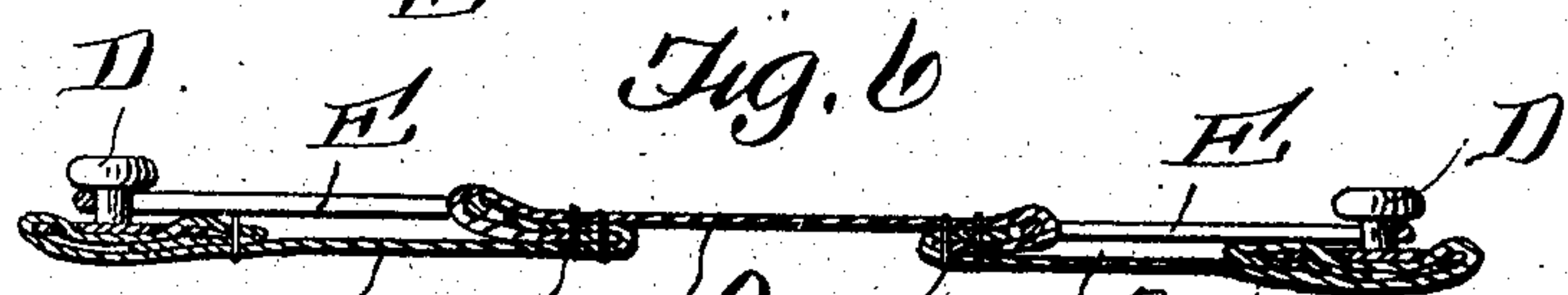


Fig. 6.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES F. STOKES, a citizen of the United States, residing at Washington, District of Columbia, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Garment-Supporting Devices; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates to new and useful improvements in garment-supporting devices; and the object of the invention is to produce a simple and efficient device adapted to support hose and various other articles to connect the lower ends of short drawers to hose, affording means for fastening surgical appliances, such as trusses, &c., and comprises, essentially, a single piece or pieces of webbing carrying at corresponding ends a button about which a fold of an article to be supported is held by a loop which is fastened to the other end of the webbing, the two fastening ends being connected together, preferably, by a single piece of webbing.

The invention consists, further, in various details of construction and in combinations and arrangements of parts, which will be hereinafter fully described and then specifically defined in the appended claim.

My invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawings, which, with the letters of reference marked thereon, form a part of this application, and in which—

Figure 1 is a view showing the application of my improved garment-supporting device. Fig. 2 is a face view of the device, and Fig. 3 is a longitudinal sectional view through the device. Fig. 4 is sectional view centrally and longitudinally through a slight modification. Fig. 5 is a face view showing a different form of construction, and Fig. 6 is a sectional view longitudinally through Fig. 5.

Reference now being had to the details of the drawings by letter, A designates a piece of webbing, which may be either elastic or otherwise, and each end of said webbing is bent upon itself, forming a loop to which a buckle A' is fastened, carrying a button D, a detail sectional view of the preferred form of

my invention being shown in Figs. 3 and 5 of the drawings, and K designates a piece of webbing which is bent upon itself forming two loops K', and the ends of said webbing K are folded one against the other, as shown clearly in Fig. 3 of the drawings, and held by means of stitchings N near the middle portion of the webbing A. Stitchings O are formed in the two folds of the webbing K and confine the loops E in the manner shown in the drawings. Each loop E is of sufficient length so that its outer end will engage the shank portion of a button D, which latter co-operates with the loop E to hold and engage a fold of a garment to be held by the device in the usual manner. By this construction it will be observed that the webbing K will be reinforced by means of the stitchings and equally distribute the strain coming upon the ends of the device.

In Fig. 4 of the drawings I have shown a slight modification in which I provide two pieces of webbing A^x, each of which has its outer end bent upon itself and has fastened thereto a button D and a loop E, and the inner end of each of said webbings A^x is bent upon itself and held, by means of stitchings A^y, to the intermediate flexible strap B, and the loop E is fastened, by means of stitchings E^x, to a fold formed at the inner end of the piece of webbing A^x.

In Figs. 5 and 6 I have shown a still different modification of my invention in which the three pieces of webbing (designated by letters Q, Q', and Q²) are provided, said webbing Q having its ends bent upon themselves and interlocked with the inner ends of the webbings Q' and Q², which are similarly constructed. The two interlocked ends of the webbing Q are held to the webbings Q' and Q² by means of stitchings Q³. In this form the usual buttons D and loops E are fastened in the manner shown and described.

From the foregoing it will be observed that a simple and efficient means is provided for supporting garments of various kinds and so arranged that it may be quickly and easily applied for supporting hose, napkins, and other articles and also affording a simple, durable, and inexpensive hygienic device which may be utilized without constricting the leg of the wearer when used as a hose support.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A garment-supporting device, comprising
5 a single piece of webbing, buttons secured to the ends thereof, a second piece of webbing which is folded upon itself in opposite directions, and having its folds and inturned ends stitched to the button-carrying webbing, and
10 loops connected to said folded webbing and

designed to cooperate with said buttons to engage and hold an article to be supported, as set forth.

In testimony whereof I hereunto affix my signature in the presence of two witnesses. 15

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