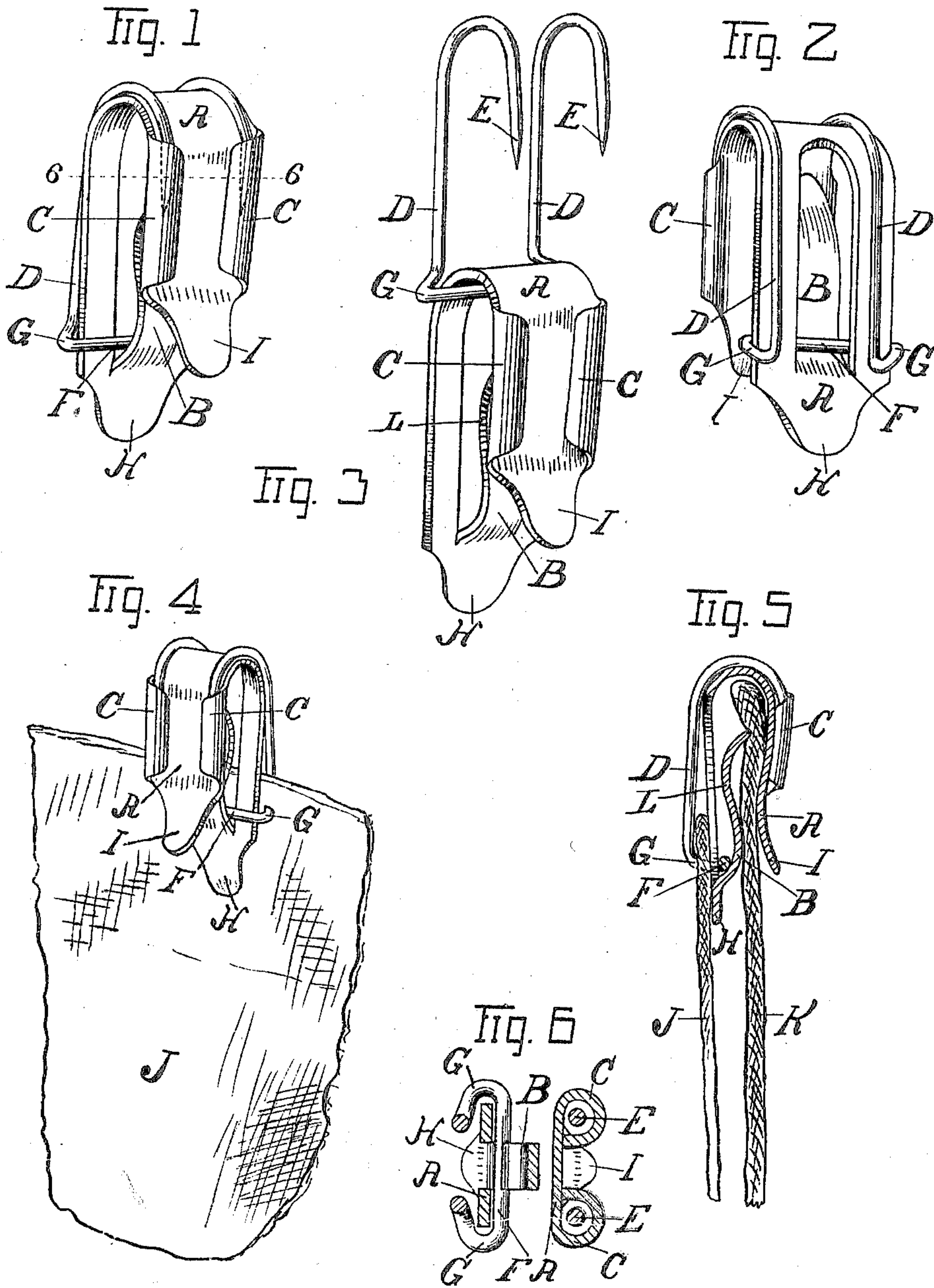


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ROBERT H. EMRY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Batavia, in the county of Jefferson and State of Iowa, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Garment-Supporters, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to devices by which one garment is detachably connected to another and is supported thereby; and it consists of an improvement in the construction thereof, whereby greater security is obtained without adding to the cost of manufacture or detracting from convenience in using, as will appear in this specification and be more definitely set forth in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification, Figure 1 is a front perspective of a supporting device embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a rear perspective of the same. Fig. 3 is a front perspective showing the device opened to receive the garment to be supported. Fig. 4 is a front perspective showing the garment in place and the supporter closed to hold it. Fig. 5 is a vertical cross-section showing the garment to be supported in position and the supporting device hooked upon the supporting-garment. Fig. 6 is a horizontal section on line 6 6 of Fig. 1.

Referring to the drawings, A represents the main body of the device, which is preferably made of a plate of sheet metal bent substantially U-shaped or in the form of a hook. On the inner face of the back of the plate a tongue B is formed, having its point set toward the center of the plate and being preferably stamped or cut out of the back of the plate. The front side of the plate has a portion of its sides C curved so as to form circular-shaped vertically-set recesses thereon.

D represents a piece of wire having its ends E sharpened and bent in the form of parallel hooks, the central portion F being set in a horizontal position and substantially at right angles to its body. The corners G, which join the horizontal portion F to the vertical parts D, are bent outwardly and upwardly, so that the portion F will be brought inwardly toward the points E and the corners G will be extended out wider than the body portions D.

The wire portion D, which may be called a "double hook," having its points E set parallel with each other and having a horizontal center F with widened corners G, is passed over the point H of the plate A and over the

tongue B, which is sprung down to admit its passage thereover. The part F is then pressed down behind the tongue B between it and the rear side of the plate A where the two are joined together. The side portions of the wire D will now be behind the rear edges of the plate, and the hooked ends E will come over the top edges of the plate and will be inserted in the recesses formed by the curved portions C, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2.

To attach my invention to the garment to be supported by it, the hooks are drawn out by sliding the part F up behind the tongue B until it assumes the position shown in Fig. 3. The upper edge of the garment is inserted in the hooks and is brought around to the corners G. The hook will then be pushed back to the position of Figs. 1 and 2, when the garment, which is represented by J, will be held as shown in Fig. 4.

Fig. 5 shows how the garment J, which may be a pair of drawers, is supported by another garment K, which may be a pair of pantaloons. The drawers J being hooked to the device as already explained, the plate A is simply hooked or caught over the upper edge of the pantaloons. The central part L of the tongue B is preferably bent toward the rear of the plate, so as to bear upon the part F in passing under it, and thus prevent it from coming out too easily, while the point of the tongue B is bent toward the front of the plate, so as to catch against the inner side of the supporting-garment, as shown in Fig. 5, and thus prevent the supporter from becoming prematurely detached therefrom.

My supporting device is simple and effective. It can be easily and cheaply made and is durable and convenient. The points of the hooks E being fully covered by the portions C, there will be no danger of being injured by them in use. The points H and I of the plate are preferably made flaring, so as to slip more easily over the edge of a garment.

What I claim is—

1. In garment-supporters a wire member having its ends bent into parallel U-shaped hooks and its center formed at right angles to the stem of said hooks, and a U-shaped plate member having means on its rear side to support the central portion of the hook member and recesses formed on its front side for the insertion of the points of the hooks.

2. In garment-supporters, a member having parallel hooks, a central portion disposed at substantially right angles to the stem of



the hooks, the corners connecting the stems of the hooks and the central portion being bent so as to bring the central portion in toward the center of the hook, and a U-shaped plate member having means on its rear side to support the central portion of the hook member and recesses formed on its front side for the insertion of the points of the hooks.

3. In a garment-supporter, a plate member bent in the shape of an inverted U, a tongue formed on the inner face of the rear side of the plate, and the edges of the front side of the plate folded so as to form vertically-set cylindrical-shaped recesses on its front side, and a hooked member having its lower end adapted to slide under the tongue and to rest upon its base, and its upper or hooked ends to catch over the top of the plate and the points of the hooks to rest in the recesses.

4. In a garment-support, a plate member bent in the shape of an inverted U, a tongue cut out of and joined at its lower end to the rear side of the plate and the edges of the

front side of the plate folded so as to form vertically-set tubular-shaped recesses on its front side, and a hooked member having its lower end adapted to slide under the tongue and to rest upon its base, and its upper or hooked ends to catch over the top of the plate and the points of the hooks to rest in the recesses.

5. The combination of a hooked wire member having its central portion set at an angle to the stems of the hooks, and the corners joining said central portion and the stems together extended out laterally; a U-shaped plate member having a tongue on its rear side and recesses on its front side, and said corners of the wire member adapted to slip over the rear side of the plate member and its central portion to catch under the tongue thereon, and the hooked ends to catch over the top of the plate member and insert in the recesses.

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