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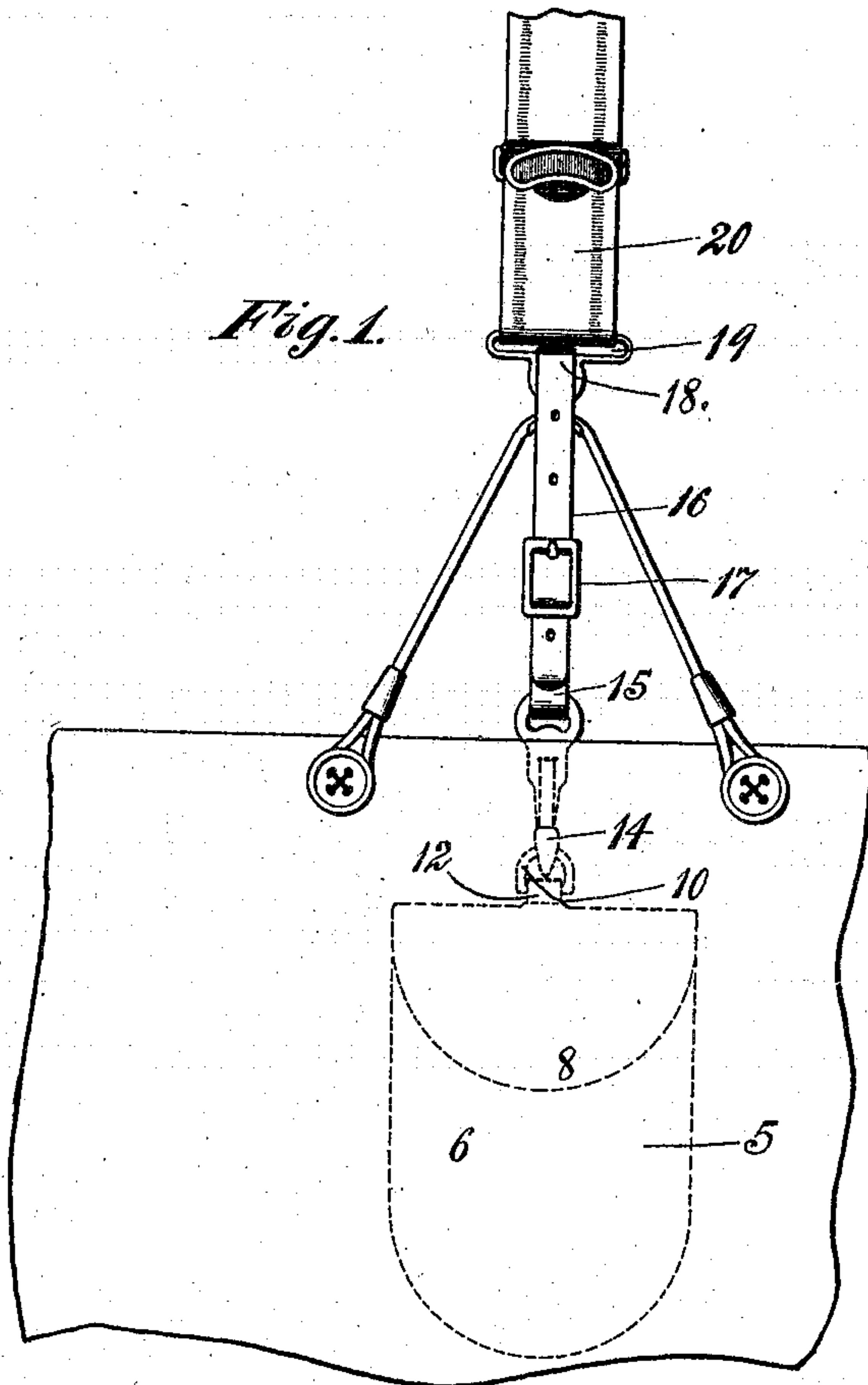


Fig. 1.

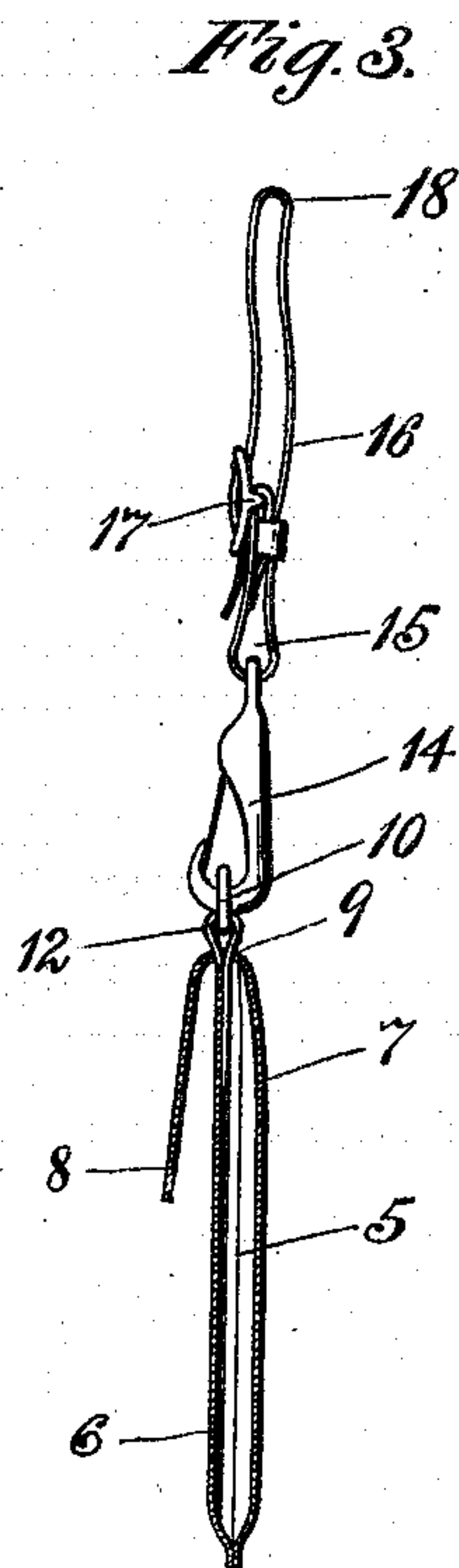
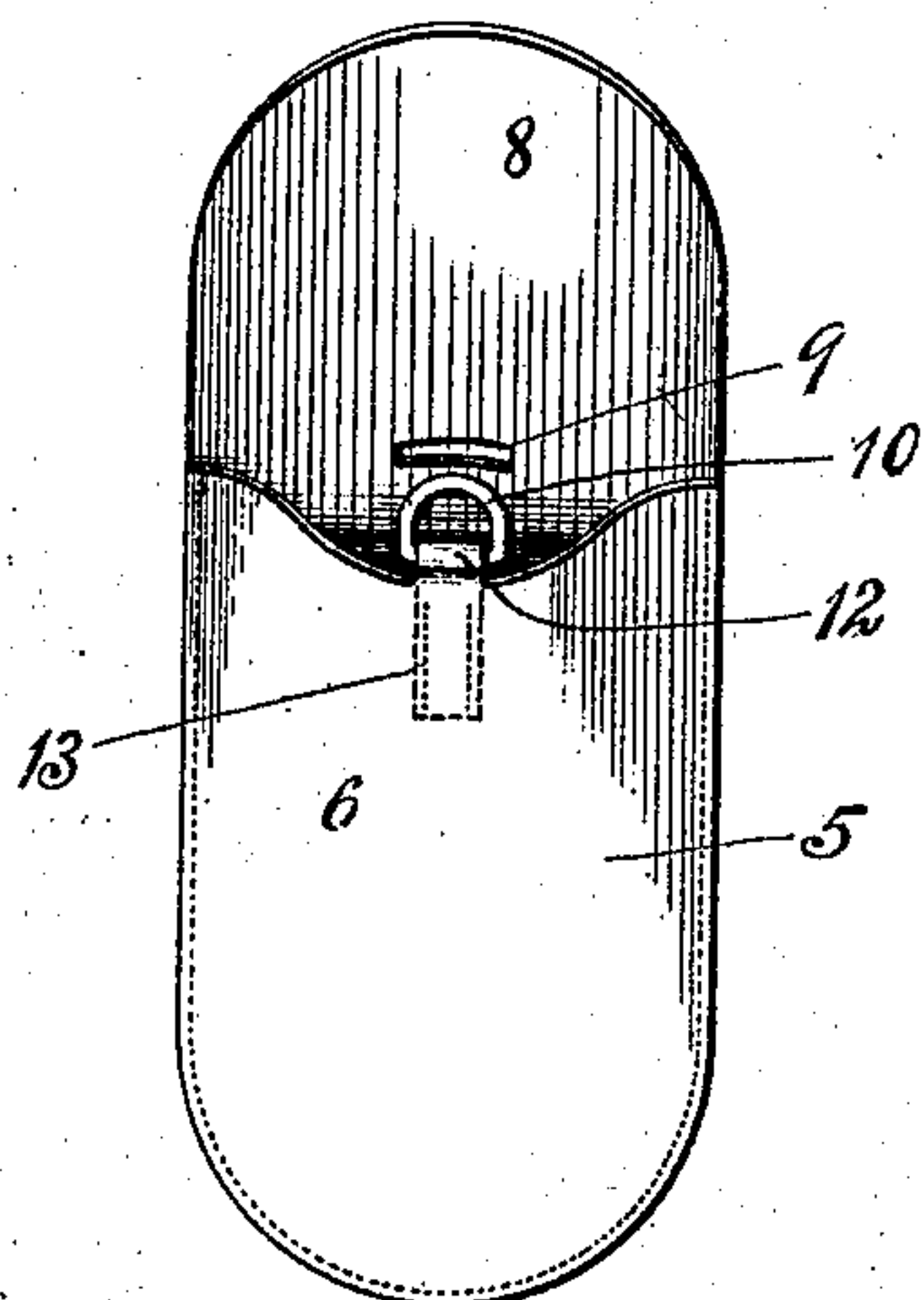


Fig. 3.

Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSEPH FACETTE, a citizen of the Dominion of Canada, residing at Hartford, in the county of Hartford and State of Connecticut, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Purses and Means for Suspending the Same, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to purses or receptacles for containing valuables and to means for hanging them from the suspenders, whereby they will be concealed from view by the vest and trousers.

Primarily the object of the invention is the provision of means for hanging a purse from the buckle-loop or other part of a pair of suspenders.

A further object of the invention is the provision of a purse having an eye or loop secured to the front of the purse, said eye being passed through a slot in the top portion of a flap partially covering the front of the purse and being adapted to receive a snap-hook or other device to which a connection is applied for hanging the purse.

Other objects of the invention will be hereinafter described.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a view in elevation, showing the purse secured to the suspenders. Fig. 2 is a view in elevation of the purse detached, showing the flap open, the loop or eye, and the slot through which said loop or eye passes; and Fig. 3 is a sectional view hereinafter described.

Like numerals designate similar parts throughout the several views.

Referring to the drawings, the numeral 5 indicates a purse in the shape of an oblong pocket, having a front 6 and a back 7 terminating in a flap 8 to be folded over the front, and thus close the purse.

In the base of the flap and at the point or near said point where the flap is folded over the pocket a slot 9 is formed, and projecting from the top of the front part 6 is an eye or loop 10, which may be secured in place by a short strap 12, integral with the front, said strap being passed through the eye or loop 10 and then folded over the inner surface of said front and fastened by stitching 13 or in any other desired manner. To close the mouth of the purse, the flap 8 is folded over the front 6, and the eye or loop 10 is passed through the slot 9, where it may be locked against withdrawal by any desired means.

Designated by 14 is a snap-hook, which in the construction shown is inserted in the eye or loop 10 and locks the flap against displacement. This snap-hook is carried by the loop 15 of a strap 16, said strap having a buckle 17 and a free end 18, the latter being passed through one of the buckle-loops 19 of a pair of suspenders 20. As is well known, it is all but impossible to secure purses, pocket-books, &c., in such a way that they cannot be abstracted by pickpockets and other criminals. By hanging the purse from the suspenders, however, it is concealed between the upper part of the trousers and the body, and is consequently so located that it is impossible to discover it, and, even if discovered, likewise impossible to detach it without the knowledge of the owner.

Should it be desired to withdraw the purse to obtain money or other valuables therefrom, this is readily accomplished by lifting it from the place of concealment and releasing the snap-hook or other locking device, when the flap will be folded back, the desired material withdrawn, the flap then refolded over the front 6 with the eye 10 inserted in slot 9, and the snap-hook applied as before.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim is—

1. The combination, with a purse or receptacle having a slot in its back, of an eye or loop secured to the front and inserted through the slot; a flap folded over the front; a locking device inserted through the eye or loop; and means for suspending said locking device.

2. The combination, with suspender-ends, and with a buckle-loop connected therewith, of a purse hung from said buckle-loop, and a detachable connection between the buckle-loop and said purse.

3. A purse comprising a pocket having a slotted flap projecting from its rear portion, and adapted to be folded over the mouth of the pocket, an eye or loop secured to the front, and inserted through the slot in the flap, combined with a suspending device, and a snap-hook carried by said suspending device, and inserted in the eye or loop.

4. A purse comprising a pocket having a slotted flap projecting from its back and a front having an eye or loop secured thereto, and inserted in the slot of the flap, combined with a snap-hook inserted in the eye or loop, and a strap carrying said snap-hook, and

adapted to secure the parts to a suspending device.

5 5. The combination, with suspender-ends, and with a buckle-loop connected therewith, of a purse having an eye or loop; and a strap attached to said eye or loop, and detachably connected to the suspenders.

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

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