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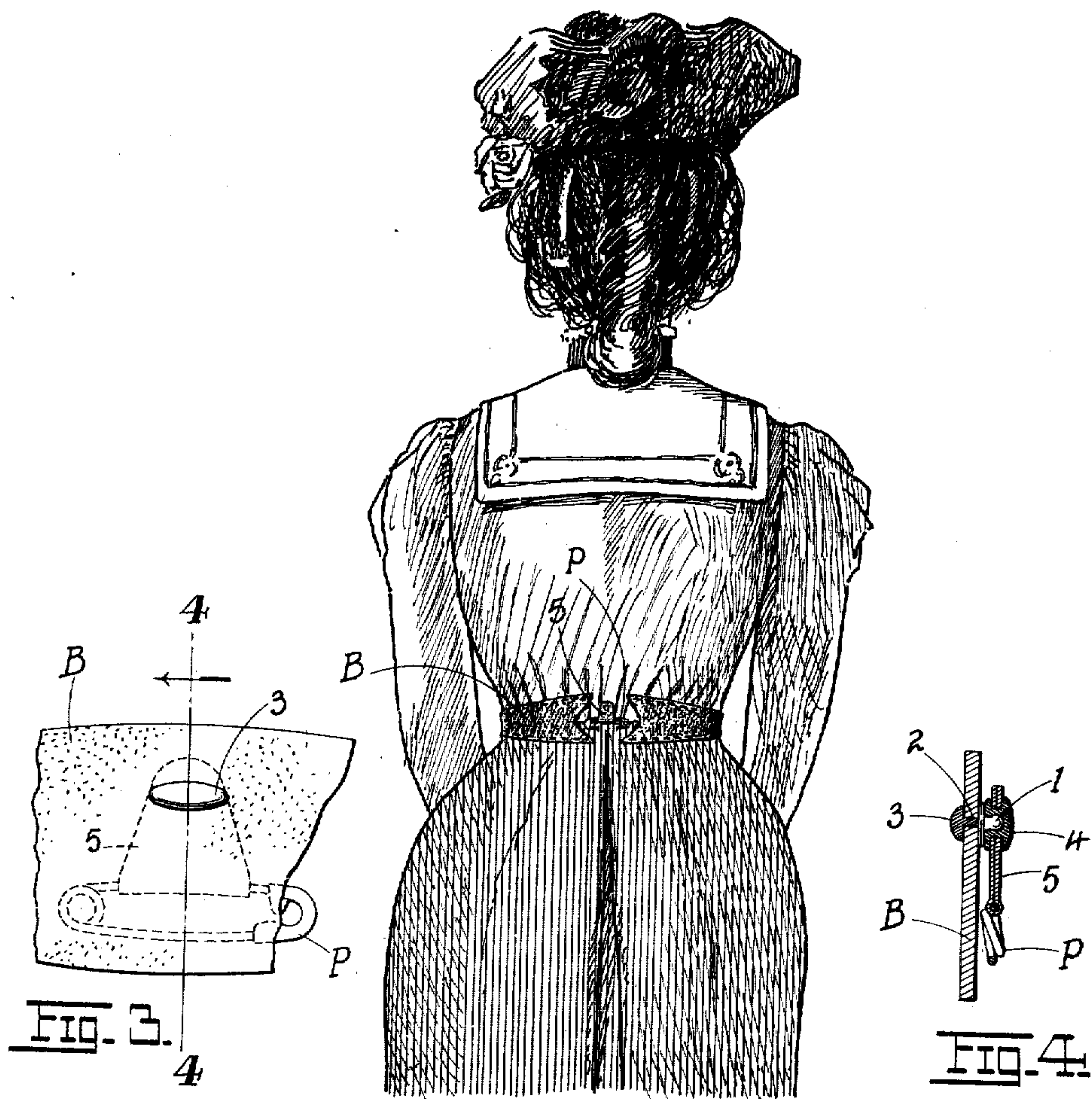


Fig. 1.

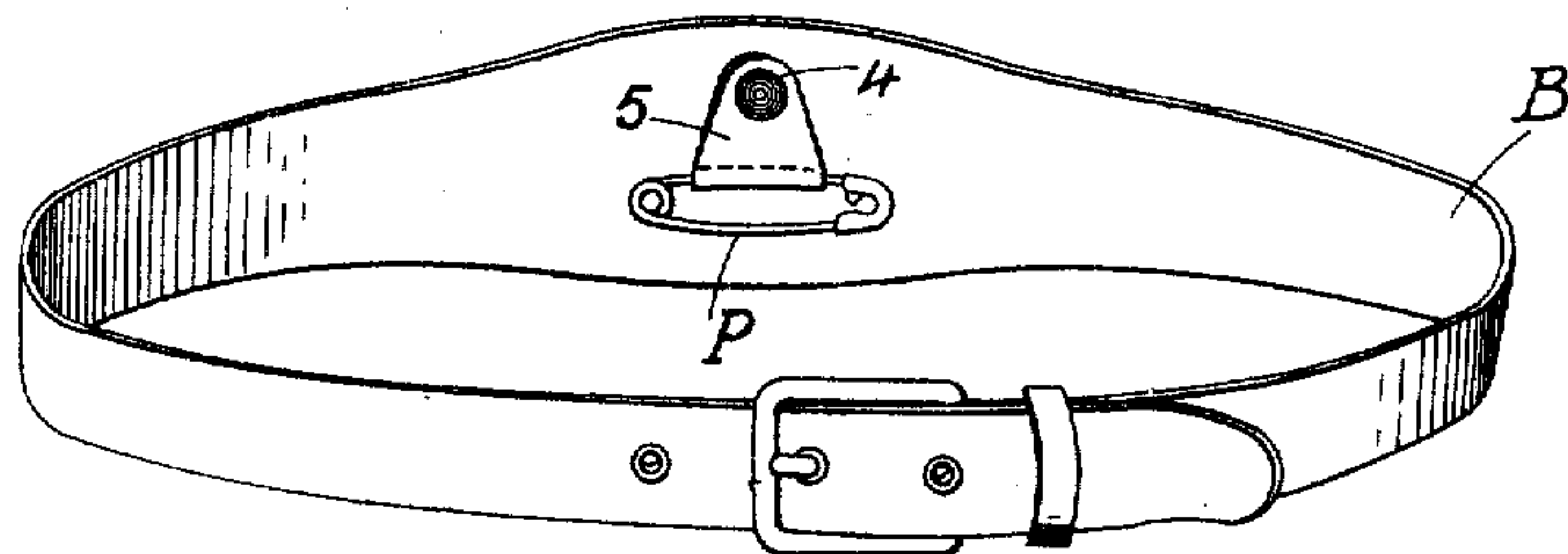


Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, CHARLES WALLERSTEDT and NICHOLAS J. McEVOY, citizens of the United States, residing at St. Louis, State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Skirt-Supporters, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part hereof.

Our invention has relation to improvements in skirt-supporters; and it consists in the novel construction of supporter more fully set forth in the specification, and pointed out in the claims.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a rear view of a belt with wall partly broken away, showing the manner of application of the invention. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of a belt, showing the supporter fastened thereto. Fig. 3 is an enlarged rear elevation of the belt with supporter attached; and Fig. 4 is a vertical cross-section on line 4 4 of Fig. 3.

The object of our invention is to provide a belt with a supporter for a ladies' skirt, the special object sought being not only to couple the belt to the skirt and shirt-waist in such manner as to prevent lateral shifting of the belt, but at the same time to support the skirt and yet have the supporter concealed from view. These several objects are attained by the invention, which in detail may be described as follows:

Referring to the drawings, B represents an ordinary lady's belt of any approved design, the same being provided at a medial point with a knob or stud 1 disposed along the inner face of the belt, the stud being preferably secured to the belt by a shank 2, terminating in an expanded portion 3 on the outside of the belt. Over the stud 1 is passed a detachable socket 4, from which depends a (preferably) leather loop or hanger 5 of substantially triangular design, so that the base thereof may present a sufficiently extended bearing for the stationary wire member of a safety-pin P. The piercing member or prong of the pin is passed through the skirt and shirt-waist, thus not only serving to hold up

the skirt, but holding down the shirt-waist in the back and at the same time positively coupling the belt to the skirt so that lateral shifting of the belt is prevented. The stud 1, located at a point intermediate the upper and lower edges of the belt, so that when the socket 4 is snapped over the stud the hanger or loop 5 is wholly concealed from view, the base of the hanger, with its pin P attached, being removed a suitable distance from the lower edge of the belt, Fig. 2. The broad base of the hanger affords an extended bearing for the pin, so that the weight of the skirt is distributed to the best possible advantage, and the connection between the stud 1 and socket 4 being in a measure a swiveled or pivotal one any lateral sway of the body will permit the parts to readily conform thereto. By connecting the hanger to the belt below the upper edge thereof, as shown, the draft on the belt is applied below said edge, leaving the latter undisturbed, the belt thus always preserving its original shape.

Having described our invention, what we claim is—

1. In combination with a belt, a hanger pivotally coupled along the inner face of the belt, and a pin carried by the hanger, the parts being confined between the upper and lower edges of the belt, substantially as set forth.

2. In combination with a belt, a stud projecting from the face thereof at the middle of the back of the belt, a socket swiveled thereto, a triangular loop or hanger depending from the socket, and a safety-pin having its stationary wire member passed through the loop and supported by the base of the triangle, the parts being disposed wholly between the upper and lower edges of the belt whereby they are concealed from view, substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof we affix our signatures in presence of two witnesses.

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