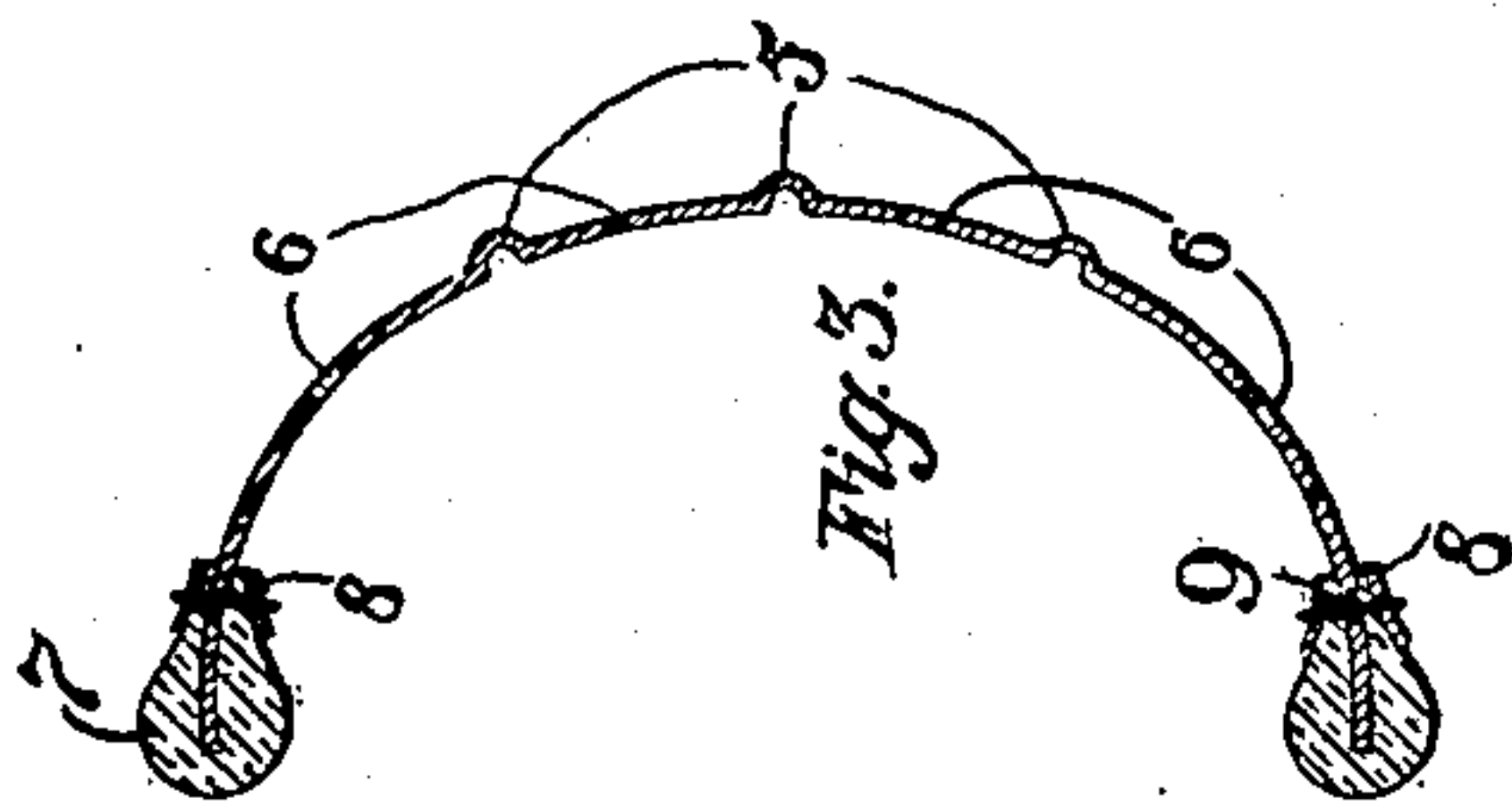
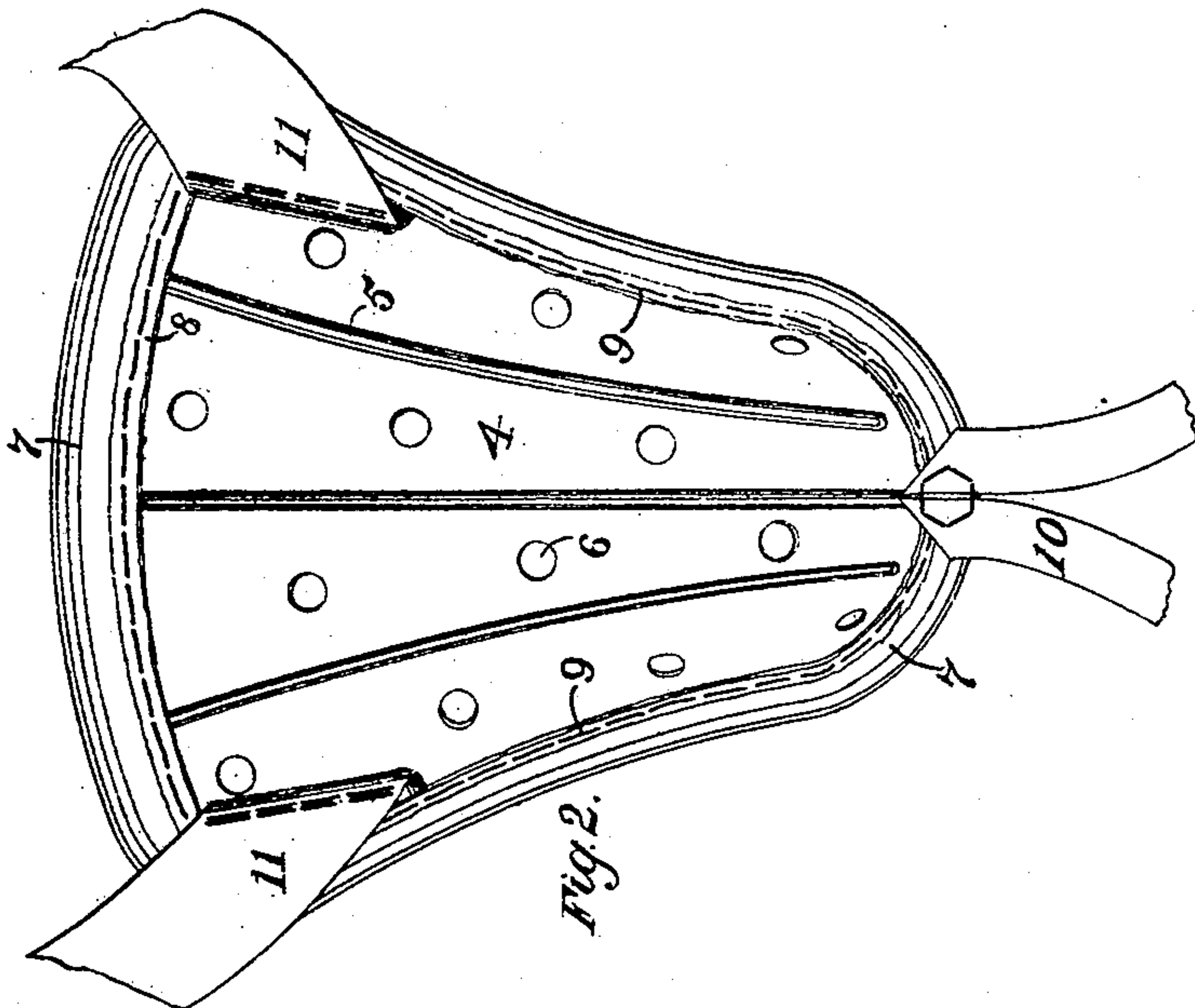
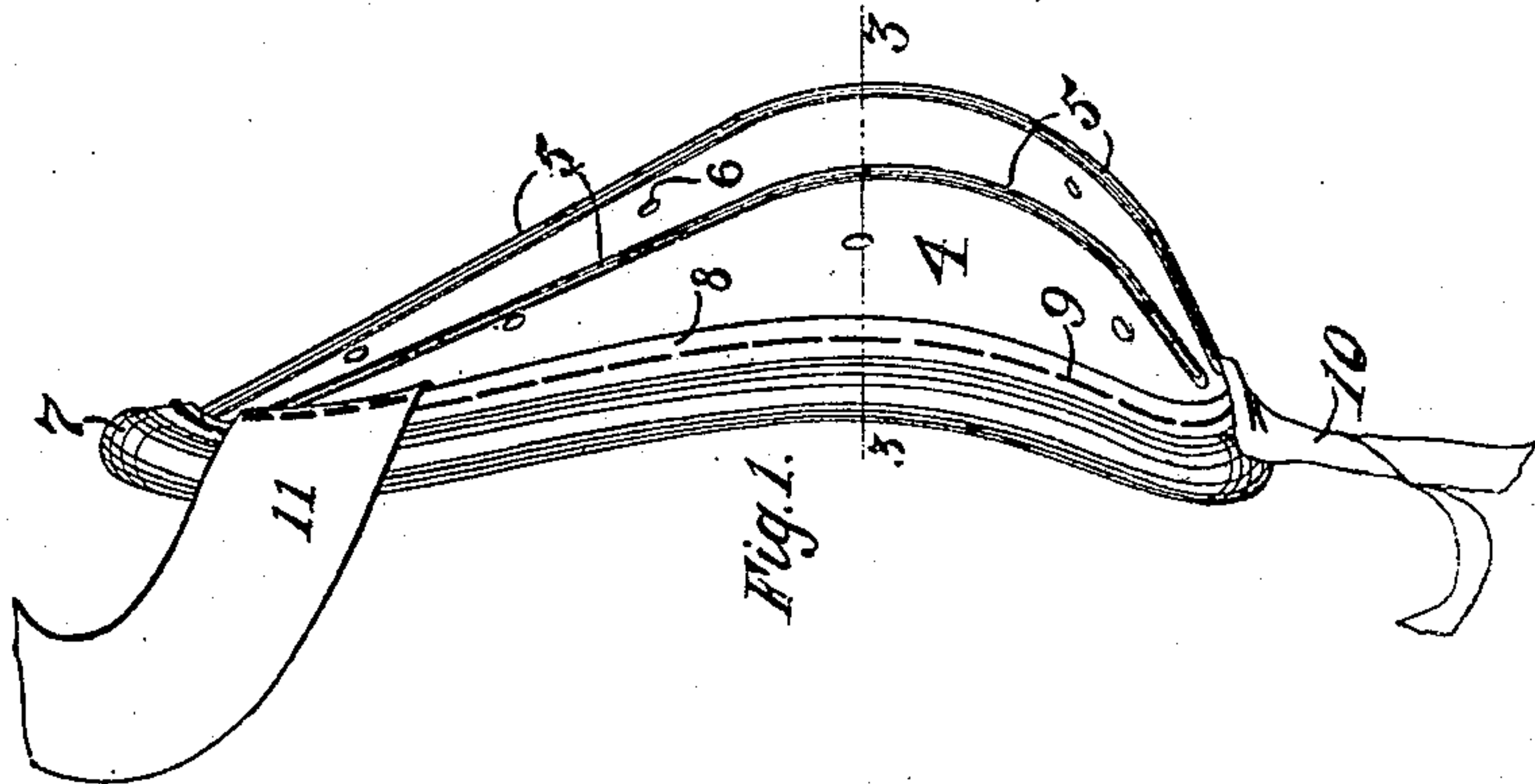


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN GAMBLE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Abdominal Guards and Supporters, of which the following is a specification.

My present invention relates to the improvements in abdominal guards and supporters designed more especially for baseball, foot-ball, and polo players, wrestlers, boxers, and the like.

The object of the invention is to provide a light and comfortable supporter which will be ventilated, which will be free from any parts capable of becoming saturated with perspiration, and which may be easily cleansed and dried, and thus kept in a sanitary condition.

With these and possibly other objects in view the invention includes the novel features of construction hereinafter described, and particularly pointed out in the appended claim.

The invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a side elevation; Fig. 2, a face view, and Fig. 3 a section on line 3 3 of Fig. 1.

Referring by reference characters to the drawings, the numeral 4 designates the body or frame of the pad, which is constructed of

sheet metal of suitable shape. The body is made of very thin sheet metal to secure lightness, and in order that it may be of requisite strength I provide it with corrugations, 5, indicated at 5. It is provided with a plurality of ventilating-openings 6 and is enameled to prevent corrosion. Around the edge is secured a rubber protector 7, consisting, preferably, of a strip of rubber folded over the edges of the frame and having its edges reinforced by strips of canvas or other substantially waterproof fabric, as indicated at 8, these being secured in place by sewing through suitable perforations in the frame, the stitches being indicated at 9. The ordinary holding straps or tapes are indicated at 10 and 11.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim is—

An abdominal guard and supporter comprising a corrugated sheet-metal body having a non-corrosive surface and its edge provided with a moisture-proof padding, substantially as described.

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

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