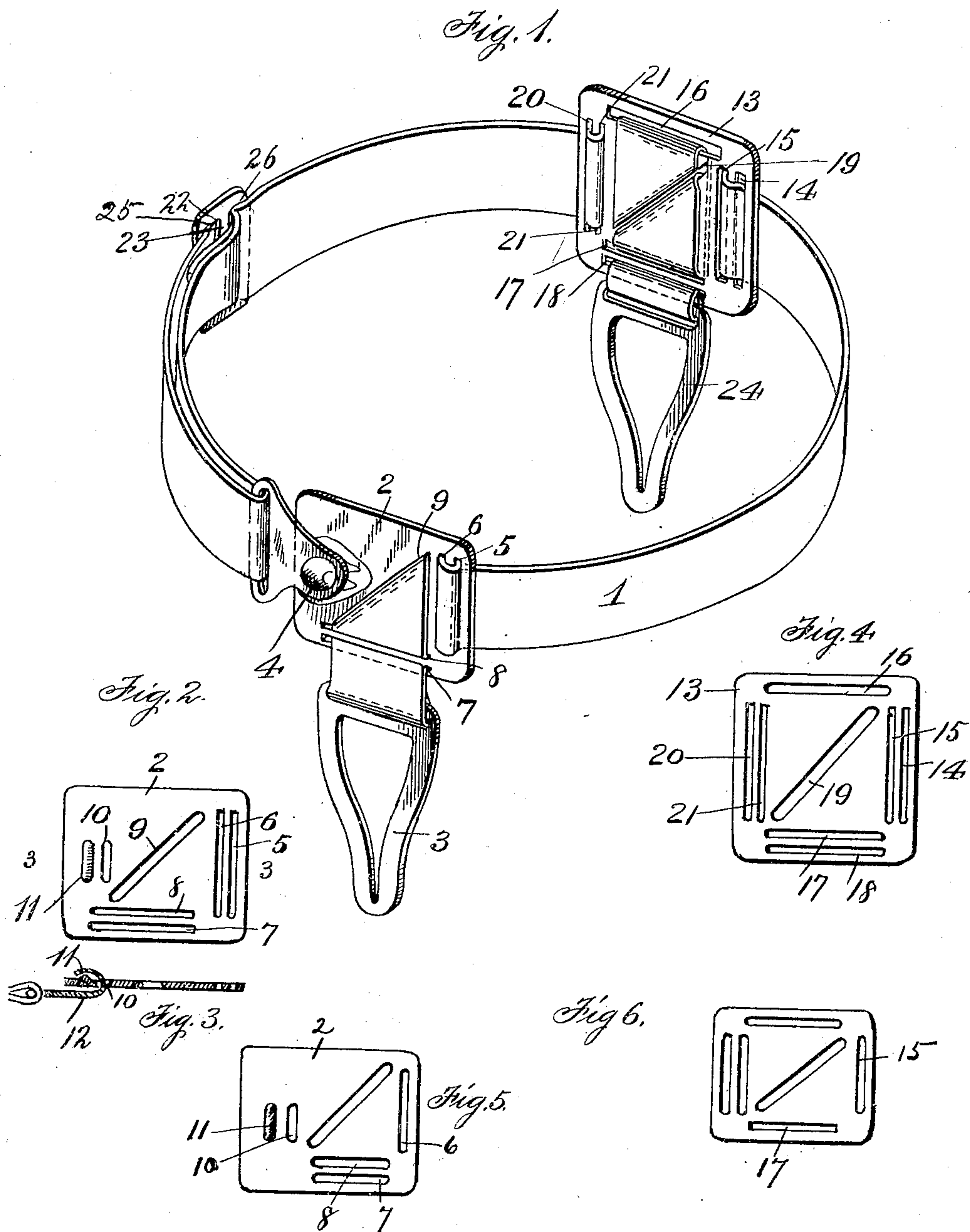


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, CHRISTOPHER ARMAT, a citizen of the United States, residing at Washington, in the District of Columbia, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Garters, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to garters; and more particularly to a garter designed to uniformly hold the weight of the stocking or garment upon the leg of the wearer.

A further object of the device is to so construct the same, that a webbing of elastic or inelastic material may be used, and thus the compressing power of the same, so objectionable in articles of this character be obviated, and a free circulation of the blood be permitted.

In the drawings forming a part of this specification, and in which like symbols of reference represent corresponding parts in the several views:—Figure 1 is a perspective view of the device in its complete condition; Fig. 2 a view of the slide carrying the clasp; Fig. 3 a sectional side view of the slide, Fig. 2; Fig. 4 a view of slide carrying a second suspending clip; Fig. 5 a modification of slide shown in Fig. 2; and, Fig. 6 a modification of slide shown in Fig. 4.

1 represents the garter of elastic or inelastic webbing; 2 a slide, having a depending clip 3 to grasp the stocking; and 4 the ordinary clasp for the same.

5 and 6 are slots in side of slide for reception of webbing; 7 and 8 slots at bottom of slide; 9 a diagonal slot in same; 10 a slot for clasp; and 11 a lug or struck-up portion to hold clasp in place.

12 is a hook or clasp to be received in slot 10, and held therein by its spring-action over the lug 11.

13 is a slide to be used at the other side of garter, the same having slots 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21, more particularly referred to hereinafter.

In the modification shown in Figs. 5 and 6, the slot 5, shown in Fig. 2, is dispensed with, and also the slots 14 and 18.

22 is a slide having a middle bar 23, forming slots 25 and 26, to adjust the ends of the webbing.

24 is a clip for slide 13.

The operation of the device is as follows:—The webbing is passed into slot 7, back through slot 8; then into slot 9, and then through slots 6 and 5. It then passes around the leg of the wearer and enters slot 14; then through slot 15; into slot 19; down through slot 17; then through slot 18; and then grasps the clip

24. It is then passed once more through slot 18, over the back of plate 13; down through slot 16; once more through slot 19; and then through slots 21 and 20. It then passes around the leg of the wearer, through the clip 22; through slots 26 and 25 therein, through the clasp; and back through slot 26, and out through slot 25. By this means the garter may be adjusted, as desired.

In the modifications shown, I have simply dispensed with the outer bars which form slots 14, 18, and 5; the elastic in the modifications lying next the leg of the wearer, the said construction being preferred by some.

In the modification shown in Fig. 6 the webbing would pass through the same as follows: First through the side slot 15, then through the diagonal slot, up through the upper slot, down through the lower slot, then backwards through the same slot, then through the diagonal slot, and again through the lateral slots at the other side of the slide.

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

1. In a garter, a slide formed with lateral, longitudinal, and diagonal slots, said slots adapted to receive and permit adjustment of the webbing, and a reduced lateral slot near the diagonal slot having a lug adjacent thereto, to receive a hook.

2. In a garter, a slide having closed slots on its four edges or sides and a diagonal slot, so that the webbing may be received and adjusted in the same, and a clip be suspended therefrom.

3. In a garter, slides having a plurality of side and end slots, and a diagonal slot, a webbing adapted to be received, adjusted, and held in said slots, a reduced slot formed in one of the slides adjacent the diagonal slot and a lug formed near the outer side of the same, said reduced slot adapted to receive a hook, and a third slide connecting the webbing to the hook and adapted to adjust the same.

4. In a garter, a slide having slots on its four sides and a diagonal slot, a webbing passed through a side slot, then through the diagonal slot, up through the upper slot, down through the lower slot, then backwards through the same slot, then through the diagonal slot and again through a lateral slot, and thus support and permit adjustment of the webbing.

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

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