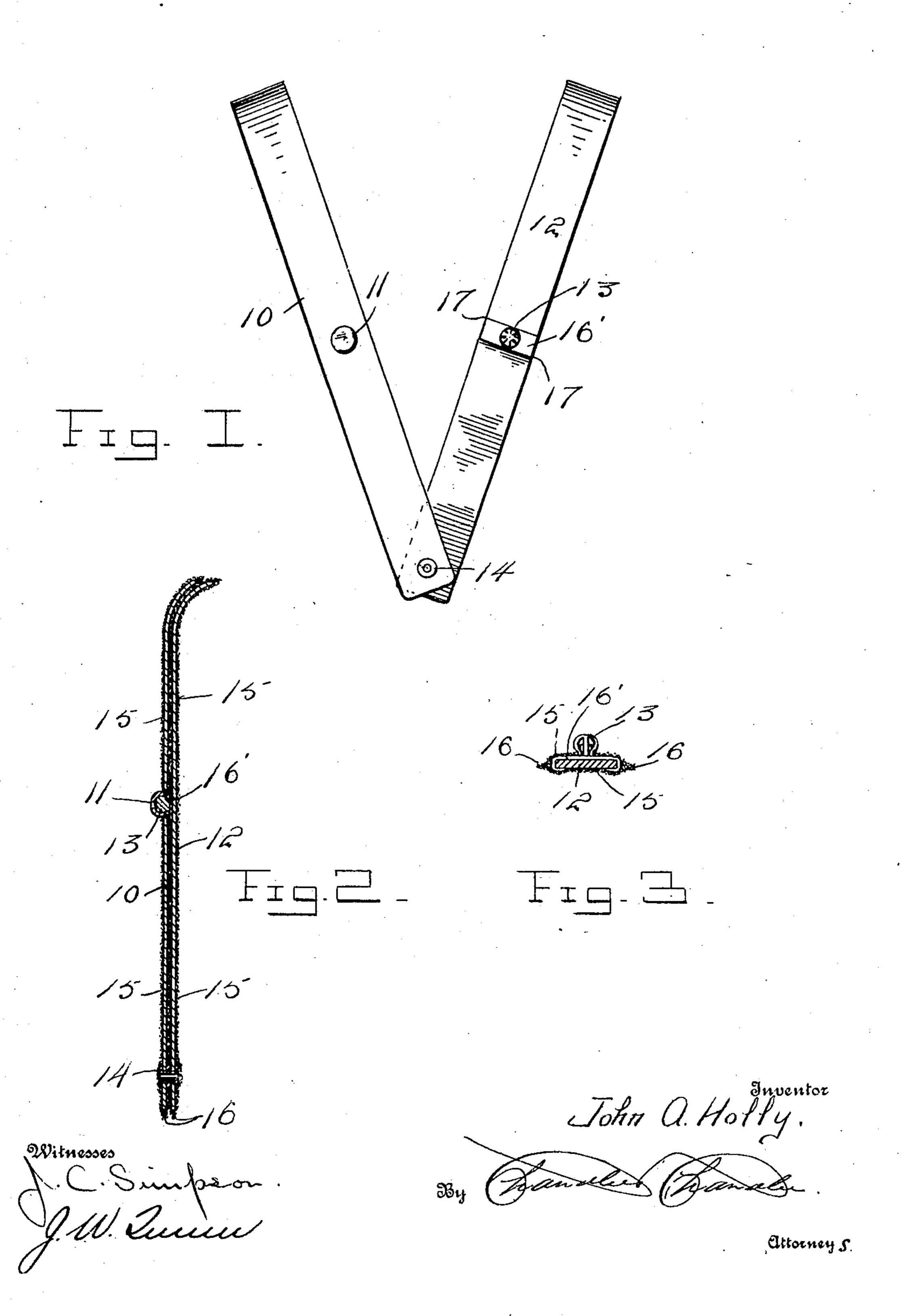
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, John Alfred Holly, a citizen of Haiti, residing at Port au Prince, in the Republic of Haiti, have invented 5 certain new and useful Improvements in Placket-Closures; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it ap-10 pertains to make and use the same.

This invention is in the line of placketclosing devices for skirt or gowns, and it has for its object the provision of improved means for securing the fastening means to 15 the strips or members comprising the closure as well as to provide for a more effectual

closing of the placket.

The nature of the invention is clearly portrayed in the annexed drawings, forming a 20 part of this specification and in view of its construction and mode of operation and then be pointed out in the subjoined claims.

Of the said drawings—Figure 1 is a front 25 view showing the placket closure partially open. Fig. 2 is a vertical longitudinal section showing the device as covered with cloth and as in closed position. Fig. 3 is a transverse section.

30 Similar numerals of reference designate similar parts or features, as the case may be,

wherever they occur.

In the drawings 10 designates the strip or member provided with an eyelet 11 near its 35 center.

12 designates the other strip or member that is provided centrally with a split stud 13 adapted to engage the eyelet 11 of the member 10 and secure the two members together 40 or in closed position.

The two strips 10 and 12 are pivotally connected by an eyelet 14 or a device of similar functional qualities at the lower end

of the said strips.

The length of the strips will be such that they may extend from the bottom of the placket to the waist-band of the garment, and the members will be secured in the side

margins of the placket by hemming them therein, or the strips may be covered with a 50 fabric 15 having edges 16 projecting beyond the edges of the strips whereby the latter can be sewed in desired position on the margin of the placket.

The placket can be closed by bringing the 55 two parts together edgewise and snapping the stud 13 into the eyelet 11, these two instrumentalities being in the nature of wellknown glove-fasteners their construction and functions need not be further explained. 60

In order to provide the member 12 with the stud 11, I first secure the latter to a band 16' and form notches 17 in the edges of the strip 12 of a depth corresponding to the thickness of the said band, and then fasten 65 the band around the strip, arranging it at the edges in said notches 17.

The fastening means are arranged cenwhich it will first be described with respect to | trally, longitudinally considered of the strips so as to the better keep the placket closed 70 than though they were arranged at the top where the garment is usually provided with

means to close the placket.

The strips may be made of thin steel or other resilient metal, and the band may be 75 made of the same or a different material.

The upper ends of the strips may be curved inward to conform to the fit of the dress, as shown.

What is claimed is:—

A placket closure comprising two members consisting of thin strips of steel pivotally connected at their lower ends, one member being provided centrally with an eyelet, and the other strip having notched edges, a 85 band surrounding the latter strip, engaged in said notches and provided with a split stud adapted to be brought into register with and engage the said eyelet to secure the two members in closed position.

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

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