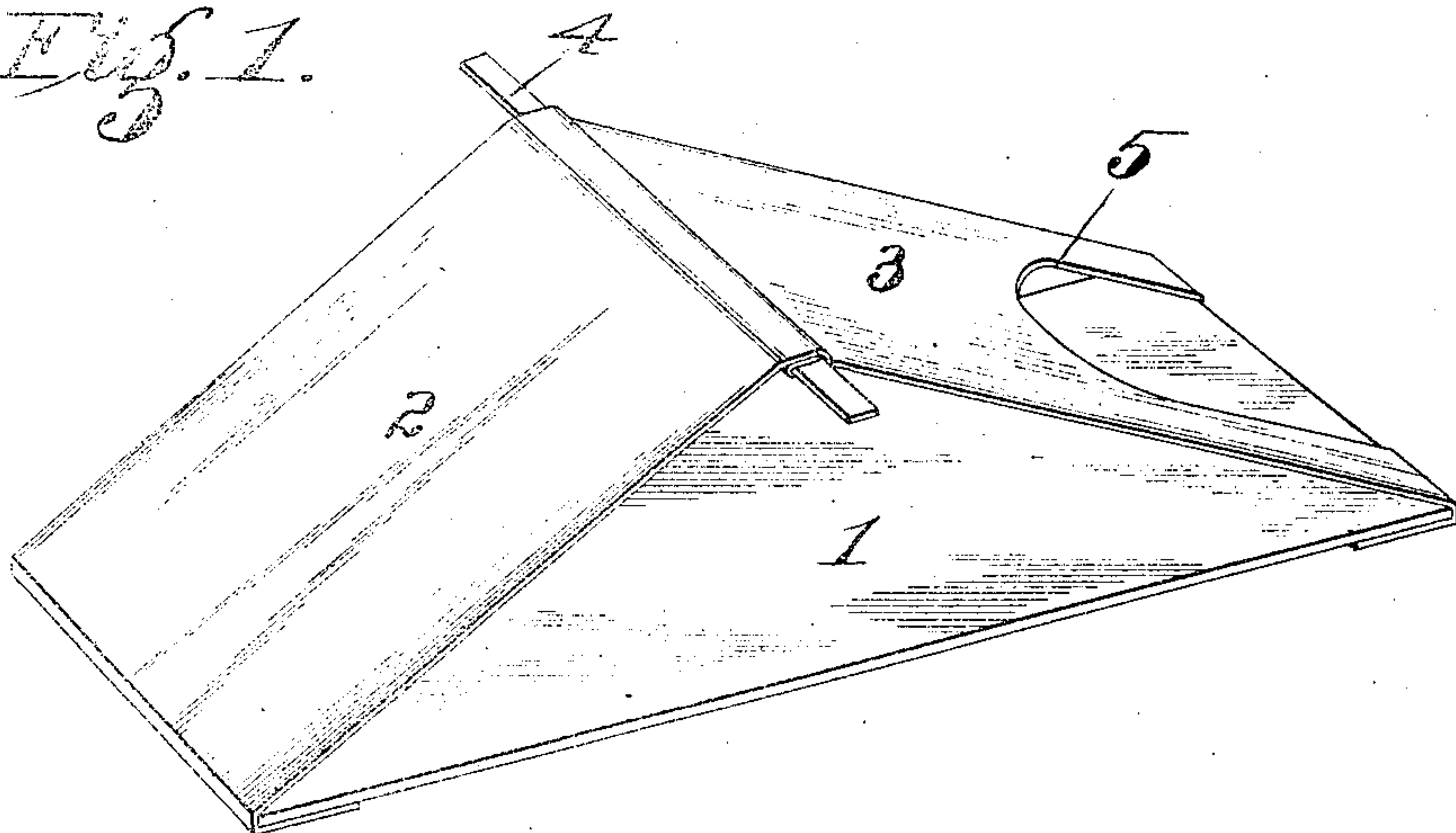


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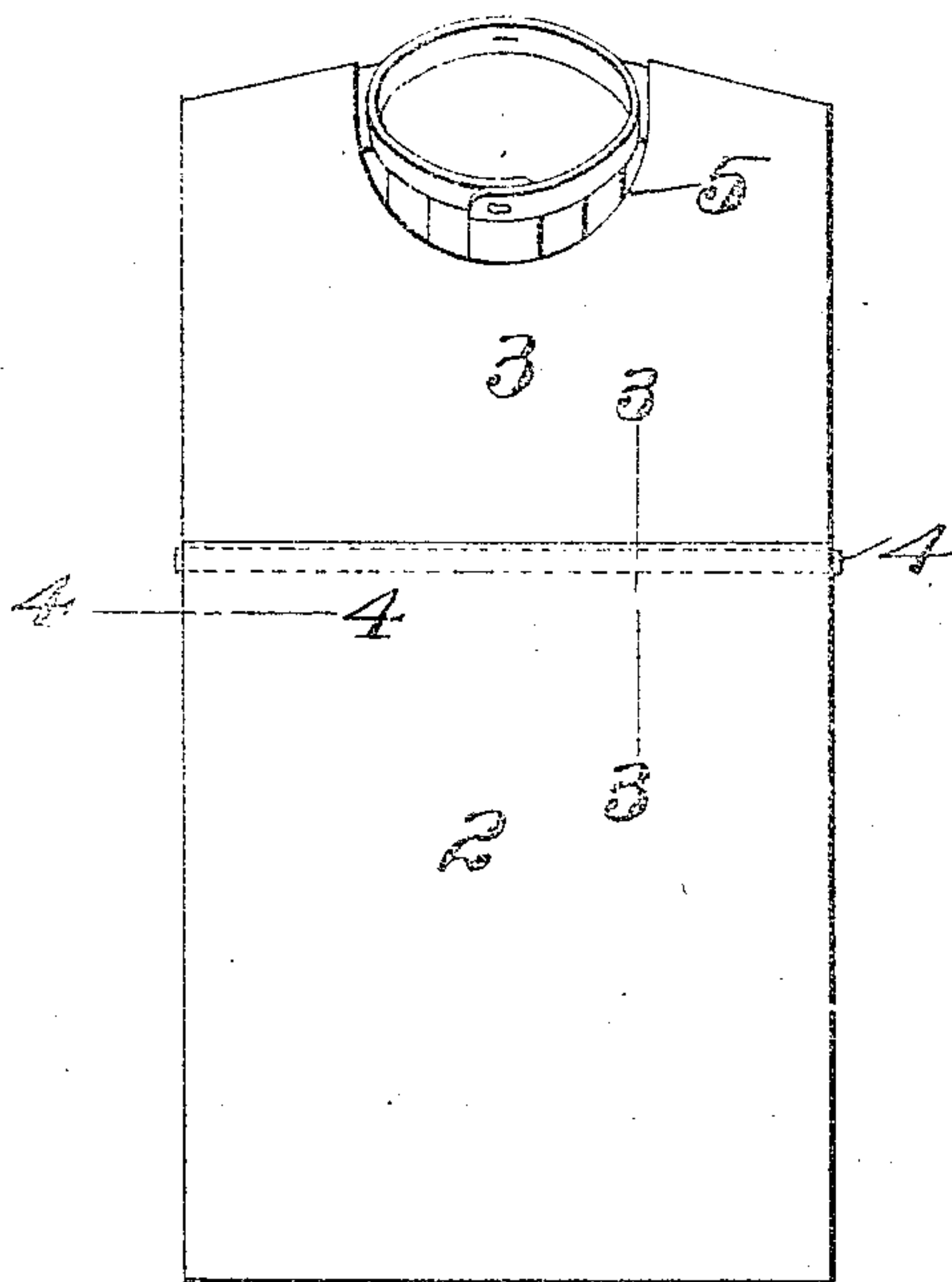
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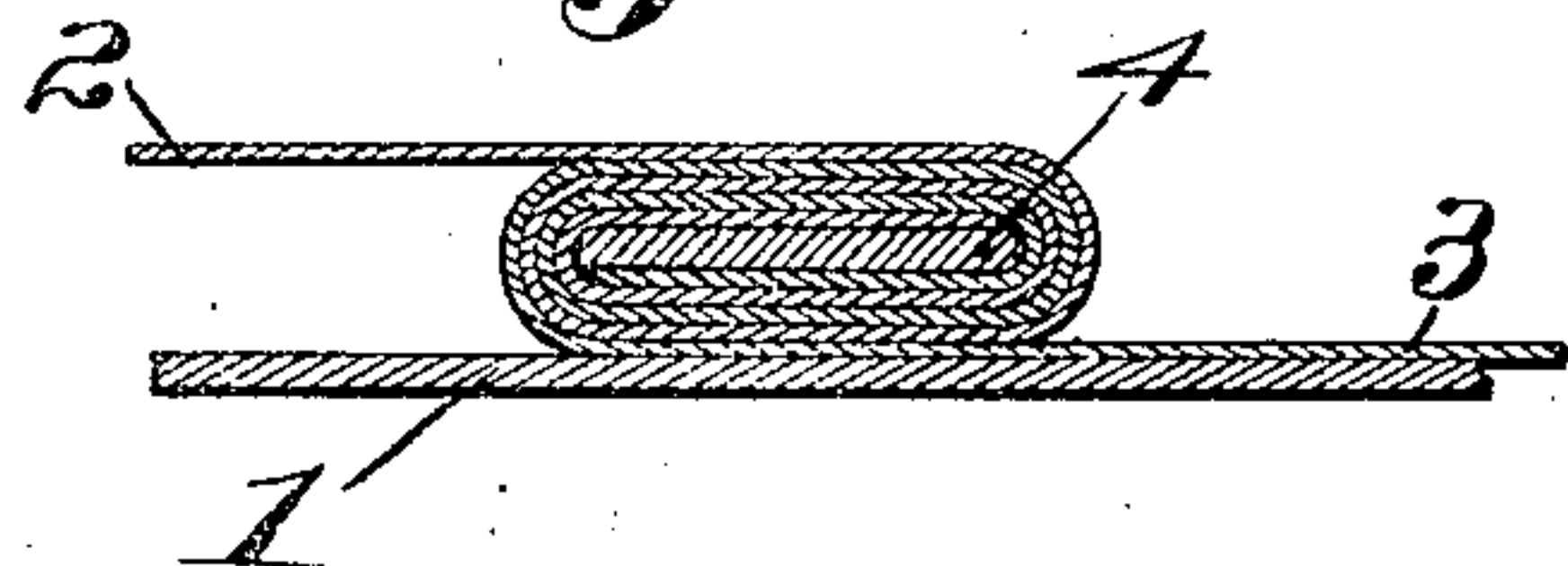
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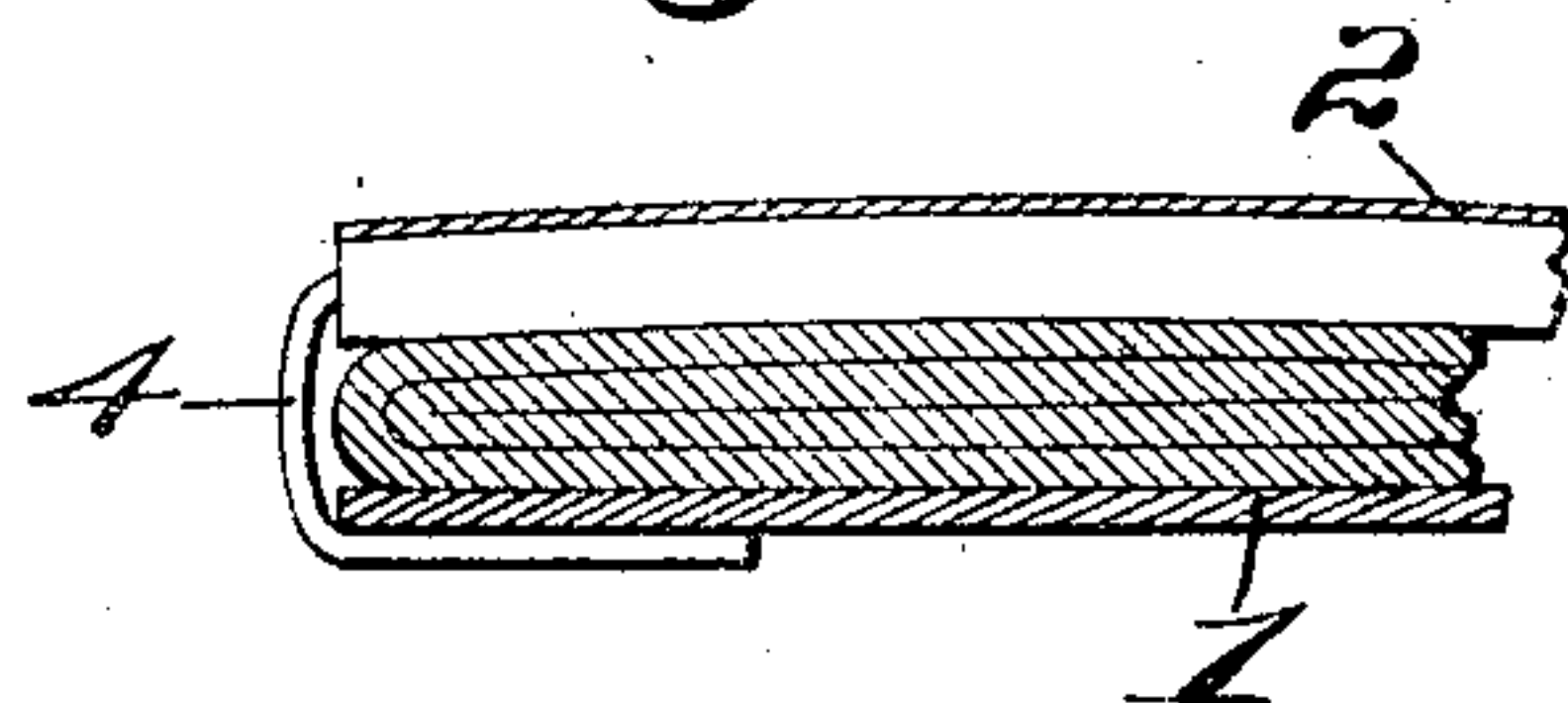
*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 3.*



*Fig. 4.*



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## LAUNDRIED-SHIRT HOLDER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, NATHAN J. GOODMAN, a citizen of the United States, and resident of St. Louis, Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Laundried-Shirt Holders, of which the following is a specification containing a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part hereof.

My invention relates to a holder for laundried shirts, the object of my invention being to construct a simple, inexpensive device particularly adapted for use in laundries and by shirt dealers, and which holder receives and maintains the shirt in a neat and convenient manner, and without the use of pins or bands, the use of which latter involves considerable time and labor.

To the above purposes, my invention consists in certain novel features of construction and arrangement of parts, which will be hereinafter more fully set forth, pointed out in the claims, and illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which:—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a shirt holder of my improved construction; Fig. 2 is a plan view of the holder, with a shirt positioned therein; Fig. 3 is an enlarged detail section taken on the line 3—3 of Fig. 2; Fig. 4 is an enlarged detail section taken on the line 4—4 of Fig. 2.

Referring by numerals to the accompanying drawings:—1 designates the base or back of the holder, which is preferably constructed of cardboard, or analogous material, and of such size as to receive a shirt when the same is properly folded after being laundered.

Secured in any suitable manner to the ends of the base or back 1 is a pair of flexible sections 2 and 3, of paper, or analogous material the inner ends of which are secured in any suitable manner to one another and to a transversely disposed strip 4, of thin sheet metal, such as tin.

The sections 2 and 3 form the cover for the front of the shirt, and the combined length of said sections is somewhat greater than the length of the base 1, in order that said sections may be elevated from the back or base 1 a sufficient distance to permit the insertion of the folded shirt between the back and the front sections. Formed in the end of the section 3, which is attached to the base 1, is an opening 5, through which the neck band

of the shirt is adapted to project when the device is in use.

In the use of my improved holder, the laundried shirt, properly folded, is positioned on the base 1, with the neck band projecting through the opening 5, and the ends of the strip 4 are now manually engaged, and said strip is now rotated in either direction, preferably toward the opening 5, which action winds portions of the sections 2 and 3 upon said strip 4, thus taking up the fullness of said sections and causing the same to be drawn tightly over the bosom of the shirt. The extended ends of the strip 4 are now bent downward around the side edges of the shirt and into position immediately beneath the side edges of the base 1, thus maintaining the sections 2 and 3 in position and clamping said sections to the base. The shirt so held is entirely inclosed, with the exception of the neck band; and while so inclosed is prevented from becoming soiled while being packed or delivered.

In some instances, only one of the sections 2 or 3 may be attached to the metal strip 4; and where this arrangement is provided, the opposite section is engaged and held on the metal strip at the time the same is rotated to bring the flexible sections against the shirt bosom.

In some instances, if desired, a single flexible section may be used in place of the two flexible sections, and where the single section is made use of, the ductile strip is secured in any suitable manner to the center thereof.

By the use of a holder of my improved construction, laundried garments, such as shirts and the like, and various articles of merchandise may be quickly and conveniently packed and delivered to the patron in a neat and clean condition.

I claim:—

1. A laundried shirt holder, comprising a back section, a flexible front section of greater length and having its ends attached to said back section, and a ductile strip transversely disposed upon the flexible section.

2. A laundried shirt holder, comprising a back section, a flexible front section of greater length and having its ends attached to said back section, a ductile strip transversely disposed upon the flexible section, and there being an opening in one end of the flexible section.

3. A laundried shirt holder, comprising a



back section, a flexible front section of greater length and having its ends secured to the ends of said back section, means secured to the flexible section for taking up the excess length of said flexible section, and the ends of which means are adapted to be clamped beneath the base section.

4. A laundried shirt holder, comprising a base, a pair of flexible sections having their outer ends secured to the ends of the base, and a ductile strip uniting the inner ends of the flexible sections.

5. A laundried shirt holder, comprising a

base, a pair of flexible sections having their outer ends secured to the ends of the base, a ductile strip uniting the inner ends of the flexible sections, and there being an opening formed in one end of the flexible sections.

In testimony whereof, I have signed my name to this specification, in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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