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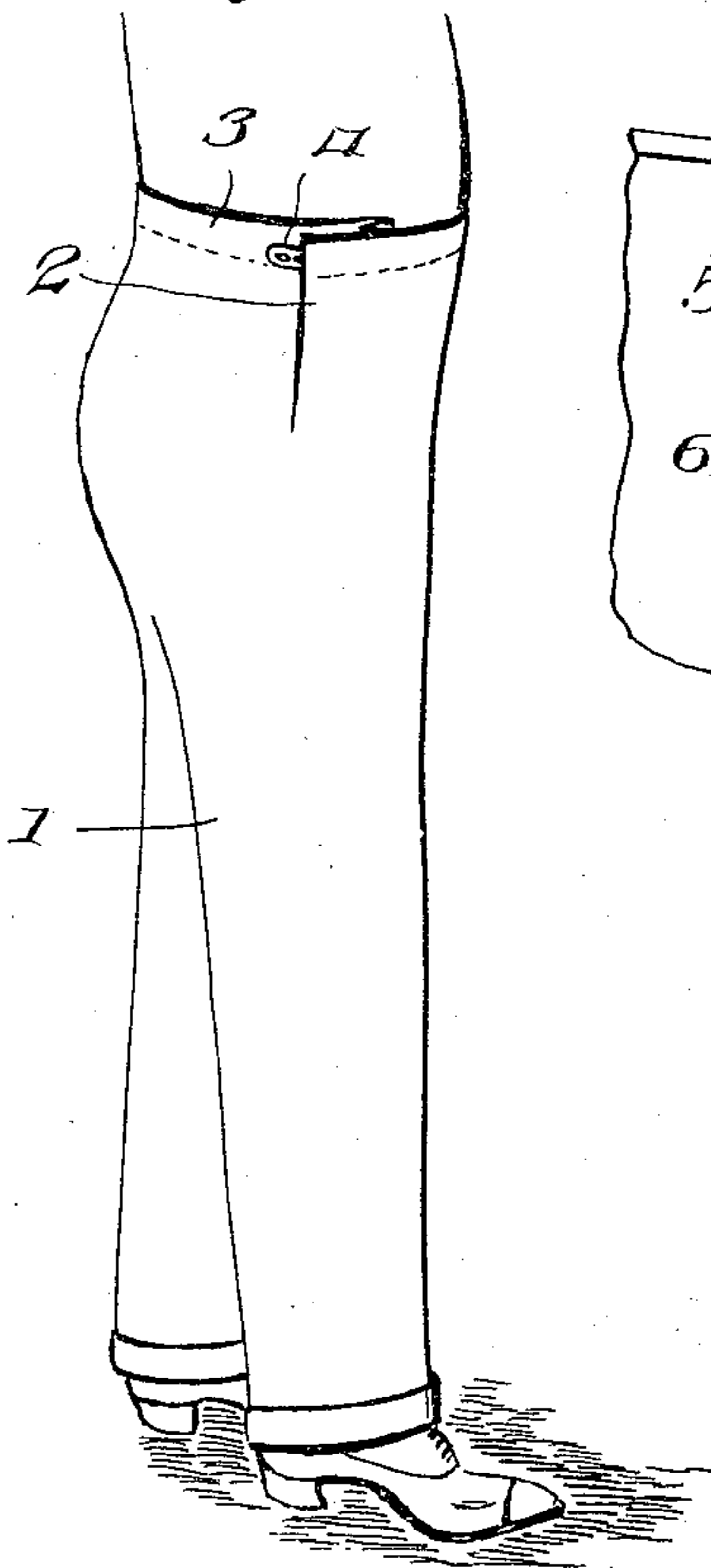


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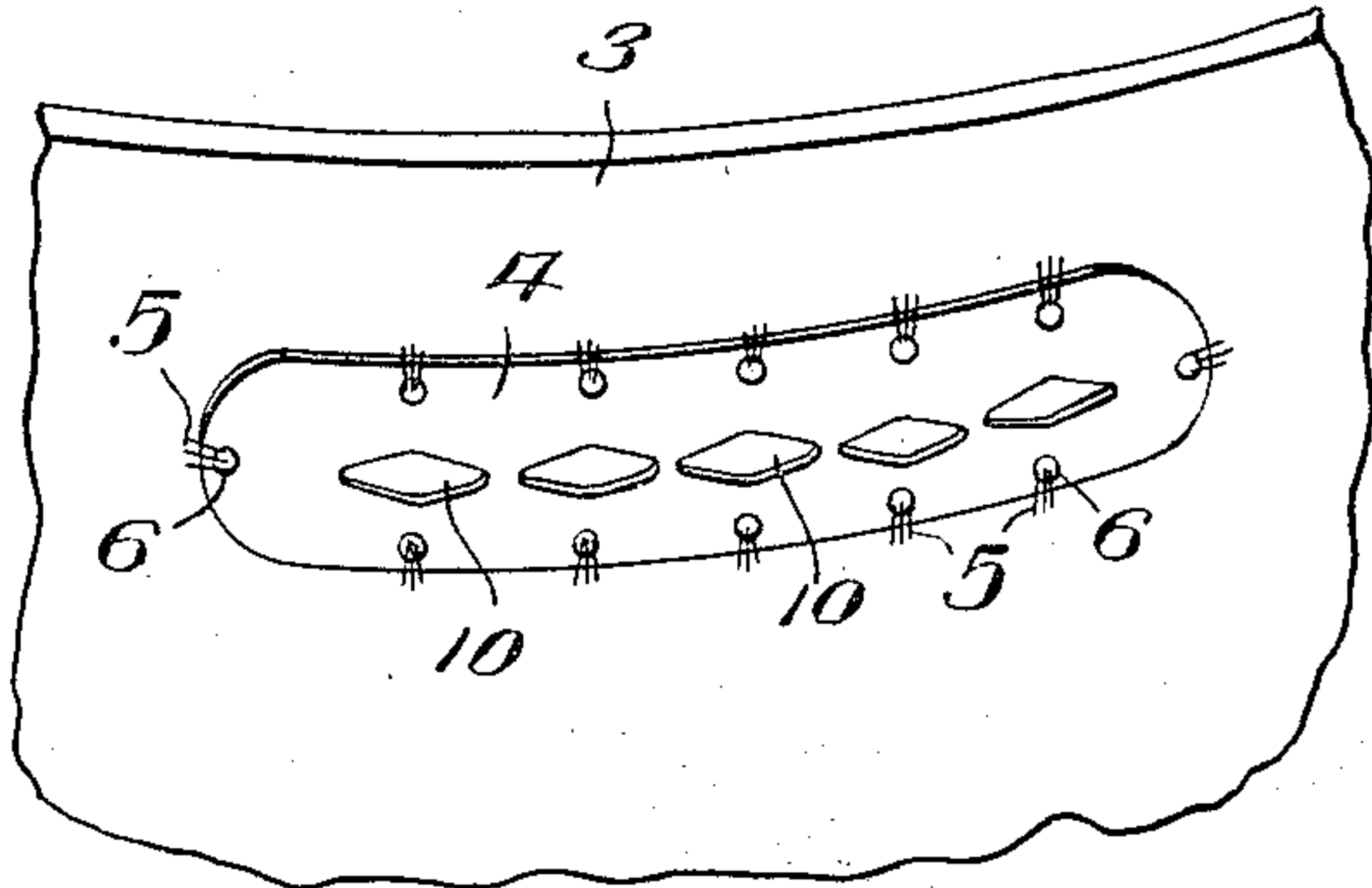


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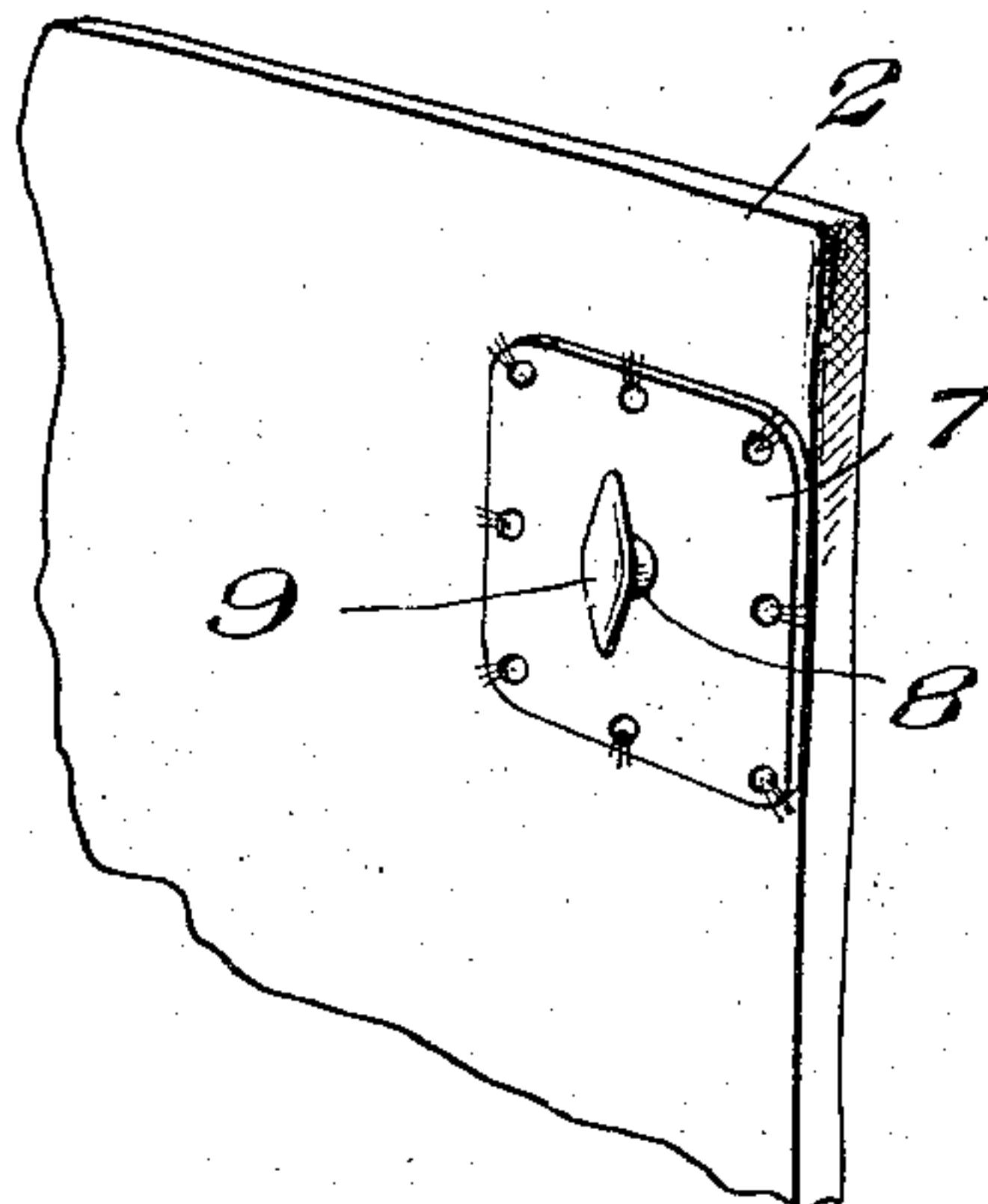
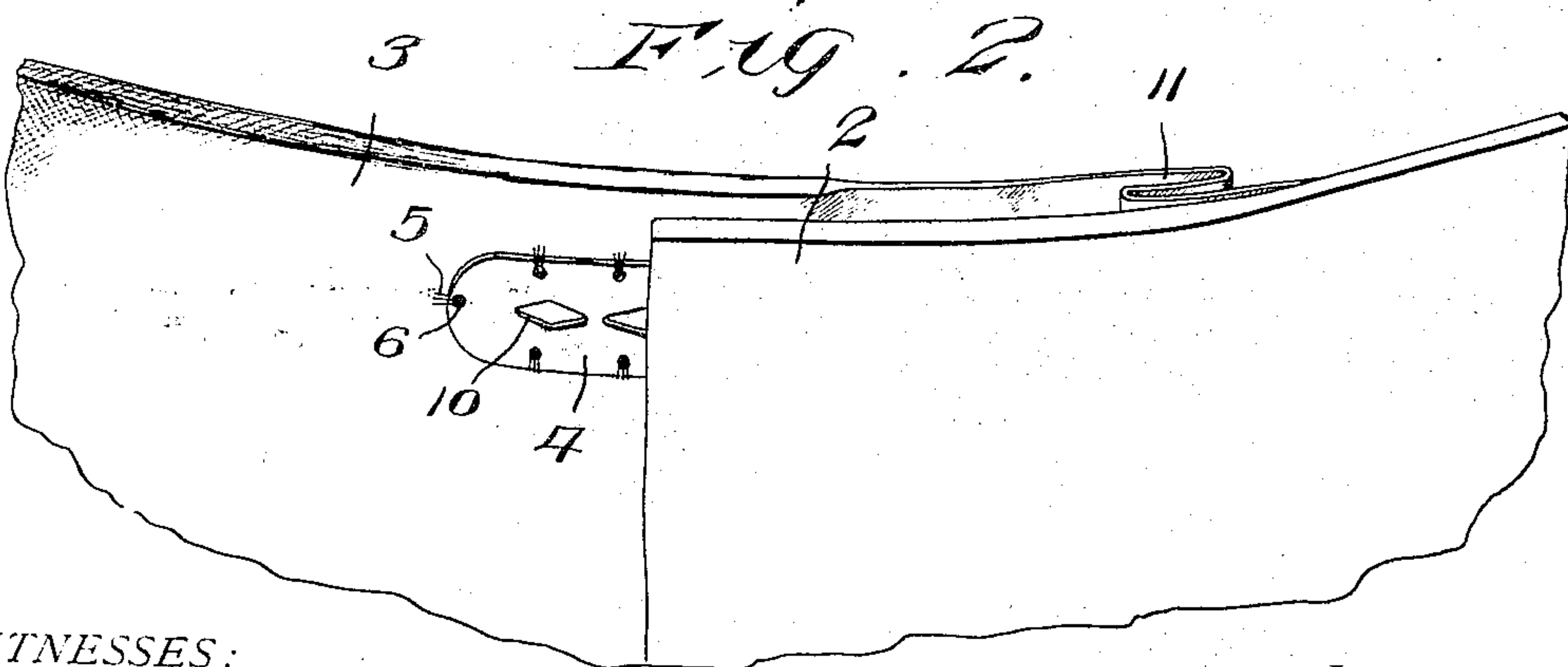


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, HANS THOMPSON and HERBERT I. FOWLER, citizens of the United States, residing at Spring Valley, in the county of Filmore and State of Minnesota, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Garment Attachments; 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 appertains to make and use the same.

Our invention relates to attachments for garments and our object is to provide means for increasing or decreasing the waist measure of trousers.

A further object is to provide means for locking the parts in their adjusted position.

Other objects and advantages will be hereinafter referred to and more particularly pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings which are made a part of this application, Figure 1 is a perspective view showing our improved device in its operative position on a pair of trousers. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of a portion of the trousers showing our improved device secured thereto and on an enlarged scale. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of one portion of the securing device, showing the same attached to the trousers, and, Fig. 4 is a perspective view of the opposite portion of the securing device.

Referring to the drawings in which similar reference numerals designate corresponding parts throughout the several views, 1 indicates a pair of trousers, which may be constructed in the usual or any preferred manner and 2 indicates the flap employed in forming the pocket of the trousers and in order to permit the waist band 3 of the trousers to be adjusted to increase or decrease the size of the waist band, a portion of the upper edge of the flap is left free of the band, while the remainder of the flap is stitched or otherwise secured to the band.

That portion of the band adjacent the loose portion of the flap 2 is provided with a keeper 4, which is secured to the band in any preferred manner, as by entering threads 5 through the band and through openings 6 in

the keeper, while to the loose portion of the flap 2 is secured a plate 7 having at its central portion a stem 8, to the outer end of which is secured a substantially diamond shaped head 9.

The body of the keeper 4 is provided with a plurality of substantially diamond shaped slots 10, which extend at right angles to the longitudinal plane of the head 9, so that in introducing the head through the slots, the loose portion of the flap is twisted to bring the head 9 in alinement with the slots 10 and after the head is introduced through the slots, the flap is restored to its normal position and the head turned at right angles to the slots, thereby securely locking the plate to the keeper and retaining the band in its adjusted position.

The keeper 4 is so located on the band 3, that when the head 9 is in engagement with the slot 10 in that end of the keeper nearest the flap 2, the band 3 will be extended to its fullest capacity and in reducing the size of the band, the plate 4 is moved longitudinally towards the secured portion of the flap, until the band has been reduced to the proper size when the head is introduced through the adjacent slot and the parts of the trousers held in their adjusted position; that portion of the band between the keeper and the secured portion of the flap, being placed in folds, as best shown at 11 in Fig. 2 of the drawings.

It will be clearly understood that there is to be a keeper and cooperating head therefor at each side of the trousers, so that by adjusting the heads at opposite sides of the trousers in corresponding slots, in the respective keepers, the normal shape of the trousers will be retained and it will further be seen that the trousers may be readily and quickly adjusted to fit a larger or smaller waist and it will also be seen that the device may be cheaply constructed and readily attached to the garment.

What we claim is:

Trousers having a flap opposite the pocket-opening, a waist-band of suitable material, connecting said trousers and flap together at the top edges and adapted to be folded upon itself with the adjustment of the flap, a plate

having oblong openings therein, fastened to
said trousers at the waist and a button-mem-
ber adapted to engage any one of said open-
ings and assume a locking action therewith
5 as the flap is adjusted or manipulated in in-
serting said button in said opening.

In testimony whereof I have signed my

name to this specification in the presence of
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