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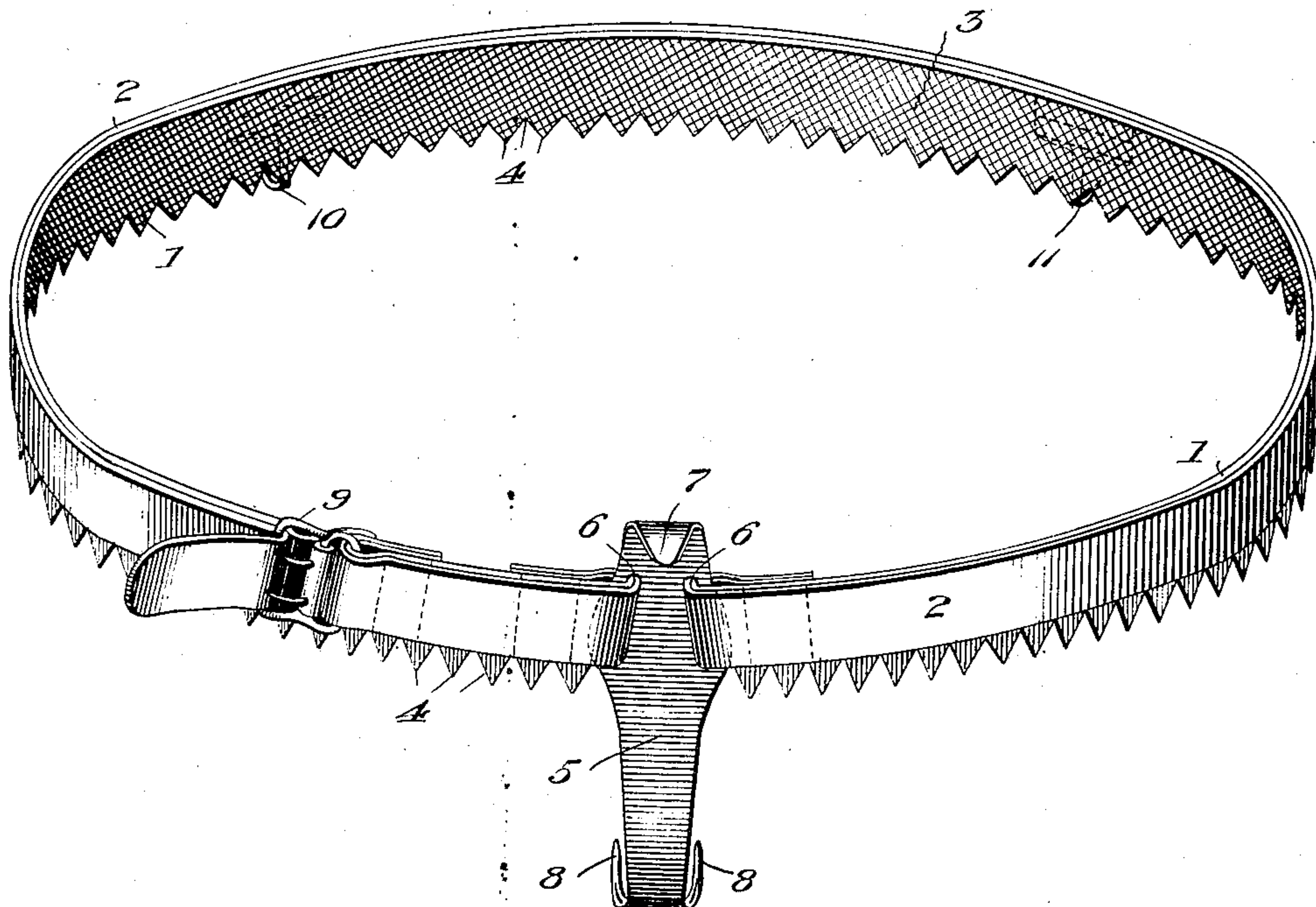


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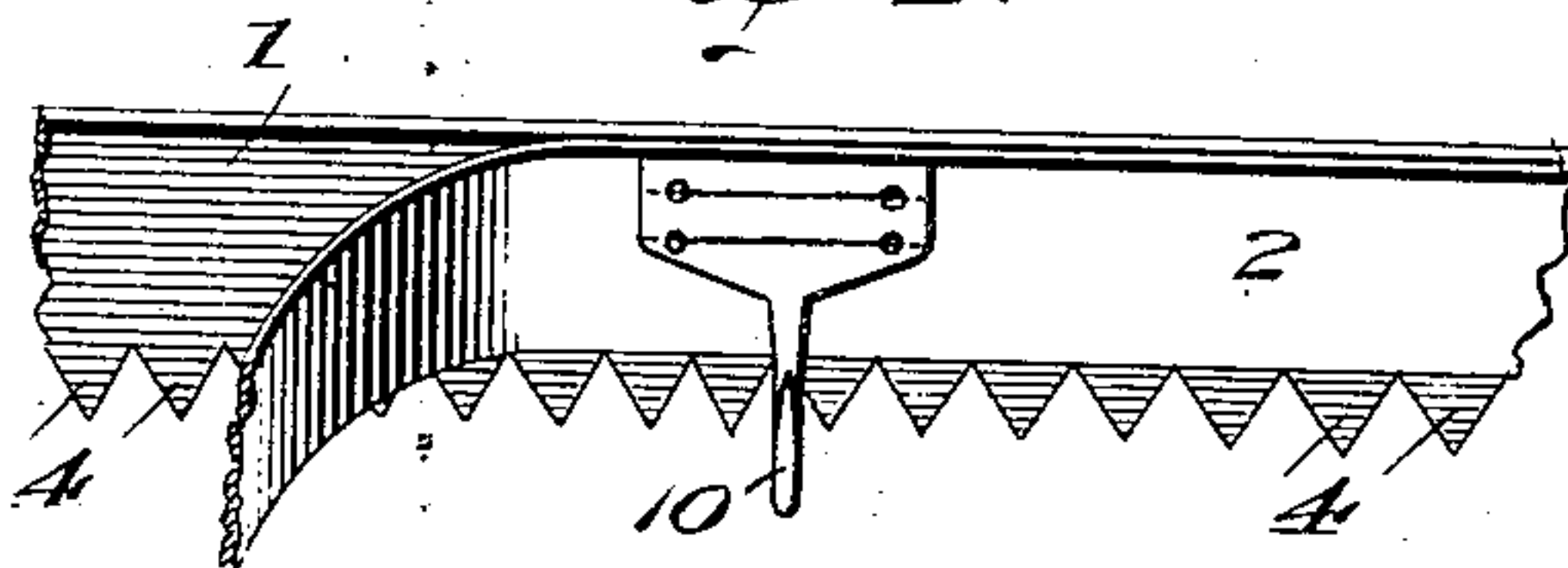


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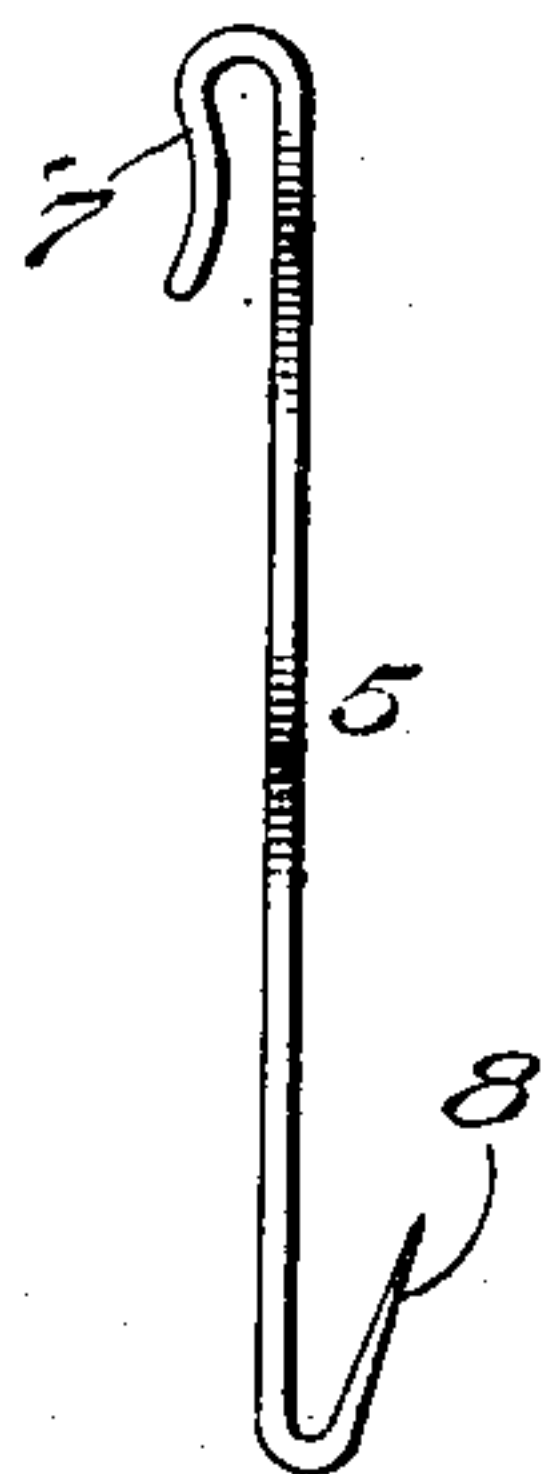


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, IDA L. McFADDEN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Reno, in Washoe county, and State of Nevada, have invented a Certain Article of Wearing-Apparel to be Known as a "Shirt-Waist Holder."

My invention relates to shirt waist holding belts.

10 The present invention has for its object the provision of a shirt waist holding belt of novel construction, adapted to be worn around the lower edge of a lady's shirt waist and concealed by the outer skirt, which will
15 be so constructed that it will firmly hold the lower edge of the shirt waist in position and prevent it from becoming displaced upwardly.

20 With this object in view, the invention consists of a belt composed, first, of an inner strip of elastic material having its lower edge of novel conformation and its inner face corrugated or roughened, in connection with an outer facing, and means for taking
25 up or letting out said belt; second, in the provision of a front retaining plate of novel construction to which the belt ends are connected, whereby the front part of the belt is retained in proper position to prevent
30 the shirt waist rising, and a neat appearance of the lady's garment is obtained; and, third, the provision of fastening plates of novel construction disposed at a plurality of points on the rear part of the belt adapted to engage it with the garment and assist in its retention in proper position.

The invention is set forth in detail hereinafter and the novel features are recited in the appended claim.

40 In the accompanying drawings:—Figure 1 is a perspective view of the complete belt; Fig. 2, is a detail showing one of the fastening plates and hook and a portion of the belt; and Fig. 3, an edge view of the front
45 fastening plate. Fig. 4 is a side view of one of the rear hooked plates.

50 The belt proper is composed of an inner elastic strip 1 of rubber, and an outer cloth tape 2, which are firmly adhered. The inner face 3 of the elastic strip or tape 1 is provided with corrugations which cause the

device to be securely retained in position around the shirt waist, the lower ends of said elastic tape 1 being provided with serrations or teeth 4 which extend below the
55 lower edge of the cloth tape 2 and by their engagement with the loose lower edge of the shirt waist and the inner face of the outer skirt, prevent movement of the belt around the waist of the wearer and upward move-
60 ment of the shirt waist and, being elastic or flexible, these teeth conform to the garments and insure retention thereof and of the belt in the position to which the belt was originally adjusted. At the front of the belt
65 there is a plate 5 of some suitably stiff material to which the belt ends are secured by being passed through slots 6 therein and brought back upon themselves and sewed or otherwise fastened. The plate 5 has an
70 outwardly facing hook 7 at its upper end which is adapted to extend over the upper edge of the outer skirt and prevent dropping or downward movement of said belt or rising of the skirt at the front, and the lower
75 end of said plate is provided with divergent needle points or prongs 8, facing inwardly, which are adapted to engage with the corset and prevent rising of the belt. The belt is made adjustable by the interposition of a
80 buckle 9 therein adjacent the plate 5, but said buckle could be placed at any suitable position.

Secured to the cloth tape 2 at a plurality of points on the rear part of the belt are
85 plates provided with needle pointed hooks or prongs 10 and 11 which extend outwardly and upwardly and are adapted to engage with the outer skirt and assist in retaining the belt in position.

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

A belt for holding ladies' shirt waists, comprising an elastic strip having a serrated lower edge, and a second strip to which said elastic serrated strip is attached and below which said serrated strip projects.

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