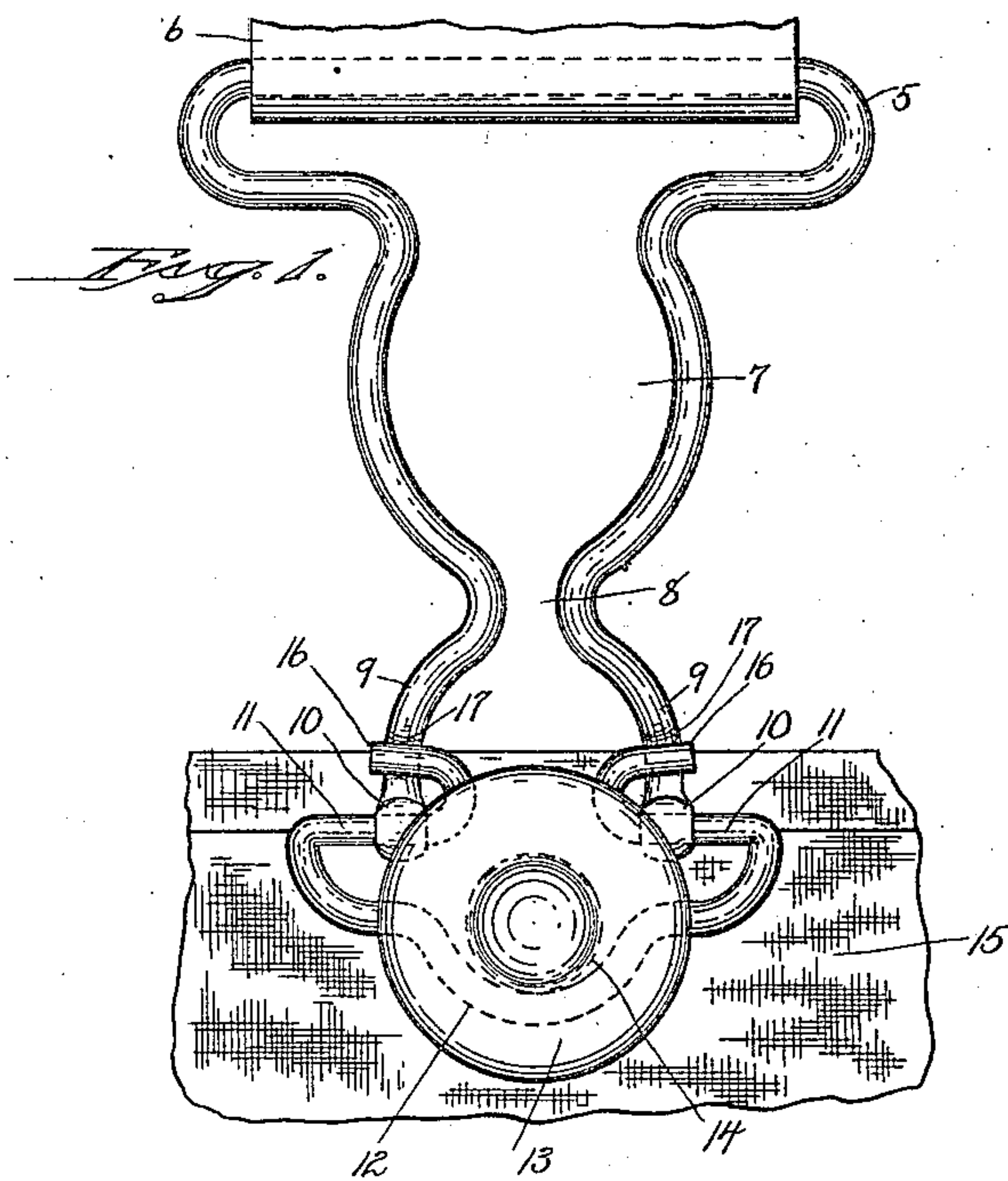


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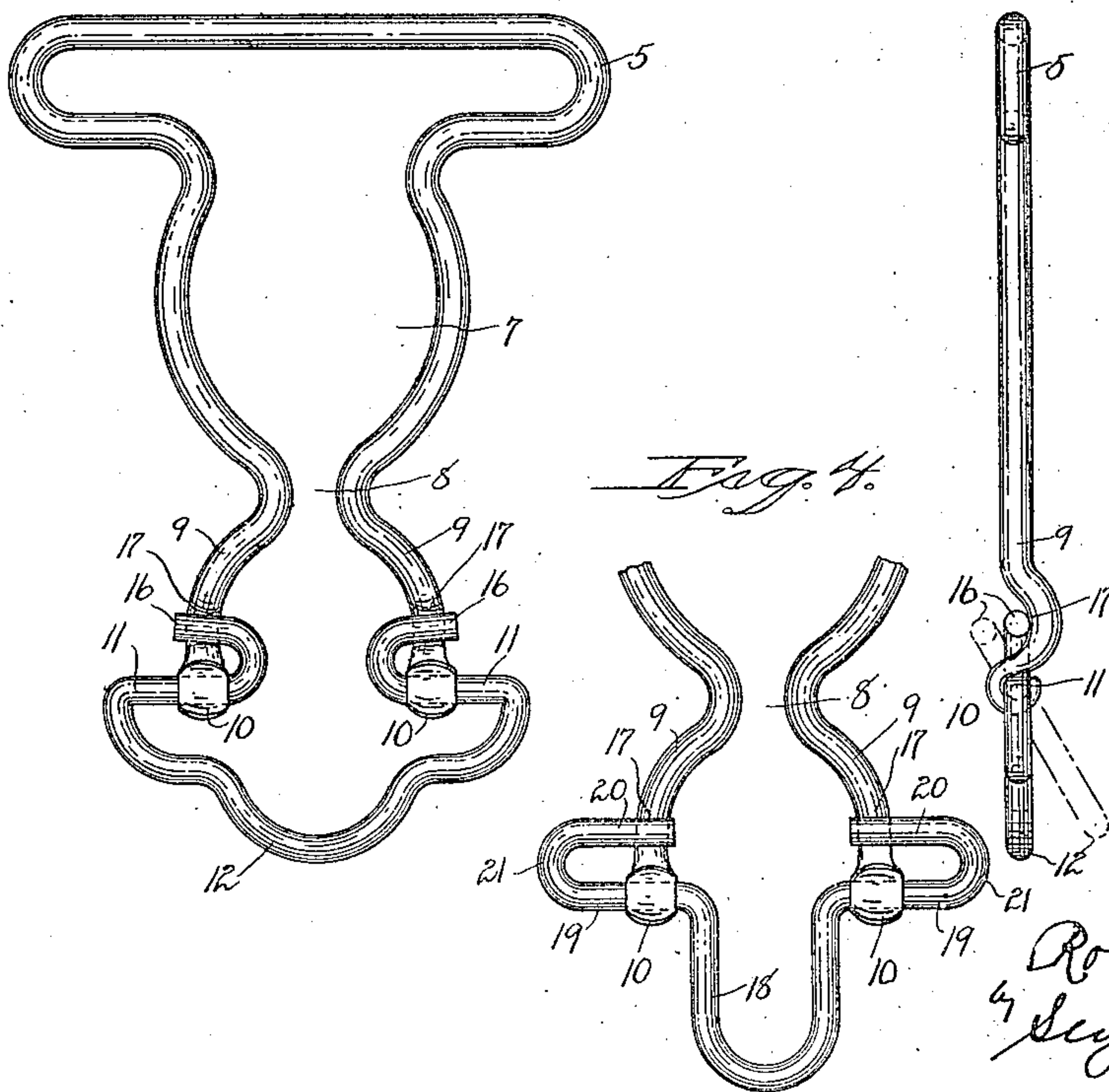
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*Fig. 2.*

*Fig. 3.*



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## OVERALLS-SUSPENDERS LOOP.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ROBERT J. HODGE, a citizen of the United States, residing at West Haven, in the county of New Haven and State of Connecticut, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Overalls-Suspenders Loops; and I do hereby declare the following, when taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, and the characters of reference marked thereon, to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, and which said drawings constitute part of this application, and represent, in—

Fig. 1 a view in front elevation of an overalls suspenders loop embodying my invention and shown as in use.

Fig. 2 a view in elevation of the device as detached.

Fig. 3 an edge view in which the button-supporting pendant is shown in broken lines as swung back out of the plane of the suspension-member.

Fig. 4 a view in front elevation of one of the modified forms which my improved loop may assume, the upper portion of its suspension-member being broken away.

My invention relates to an improved overalls suspenders loop, the object being to produce, at a low cost for manufacture, a simple, convenient and effective device of the character described, constructed with particular reference to housing the ends of the stop-arms of the button-supporting pendant in the suspension-arms of the suspension-member, so as to prevent the garment from catching upon the said arms when the button is being passed downward over them into the pendant, which is thus permitted to lie in the plane of the loop-member and restricted in its swinging movement to movement from front to rear.

With these ends in view, my invention consists in an overalls suspenders loop having certain details of construction as will be hereinafter described and pointed out in the claims.

In carrying out my invention, as herein shown, the suspension-member is formed from a single piece of wire bent to produce a horizontally-arranged threading-eye through which the suspender-strap is passed, a button-receiving opening into which the button is initially entered, an expansible throat down through which the shank of the button is passed, and two oppo-

sitely-bowed suspension-arms 9, the lower ends of which are flattened and bent from front to rear to form knuckles 10 for the reception of the inwardly-bent, horizontal pintle-arms 11 of the one-piece button-supporting pendant 12, whereby the pendant is hinged to the suspension-member. The said pendant receives and carries the button 13, which is attached by its shank 14 to the bib 15 of the overalls. The inner ends of the arms 11 of the pendant are turned upwardly and outwardly, to form pendant-stops 16, which are substantially parallel with the pintle-arms aforesaid. For the reception and housing of the stops 16, the outwardly-bowed suspension-arms 9 of the suspension-member are set rearwardly just above the knuckles 10, to form forwardly-opening pockets or housings 17 deep enough to receive the pendant-stops 16 and permit the pendant to lie in the plane of the loop-member, as clearly shown in Fig. 3. When so housed, the stops 16 are located so out of the way that they are prevented from catching any portion of the bib, as the button is drawn downward through the throat 8 into its "home" position in the pendant.

Under this construction, also, the pendant is prevented from swinging in both directions, being confined to a swinging movement from front to rear, as shown by broken lines in Fig. 3.

In the modified form of my improved loop, shown by Fig. 4, the button-supporting pendant is shaped to form a centrally-arranged button-loop 18, two horizontal, outwardly-projecting pintle-arms 19 passing through the knuckles 10 at the lower ends of the arms 9 of the suspension-member, and two aligned, inwardly-turned pendant-stops entering the forwardly-opening pockets or housings 17 formed by setting the arms 9 rearwardly, just above their knuckles 10. The modified form of pendant, thus described, has its bowed portions 21 facing outwardly, instead of inwardly, as in the button-supporting pendant of the other figures.

I claim:

1. An overalls suspenders loop, having a one-piece suspension-member, comprising a threading means, a button-receiving opening, an expansible throat, and two suspension-arms terminating at their lower ends in knuckles and set rearwardly above the same



- to form forwardly-opening pockets, in combination with a button-supporting pendant having a centrally-arranged button-loop, horizontal pintles passing through the said 5 knuckles, and pendant-stops located above the said pintles and positioned to enter the said pockets, whereby the pendant is brought into the plane of the suspension-member of the device.
- 10 2. An overalls suspenders loop, having a suspension-member, comprising a horizontally-arranged threading eye, a button-receiving opening, an expansible throat, and two oppositely-bowed suspension-arms terminating at their lower ends in knuckles and set 15 rearwardly above the same to form forwardly-opening pockets, in combination with a button-supporting pendant having a centrally-arranged button-loop, horizontal pintles passing through the said knuckles 20 and outwardly-turned pendant-stops located above the said pintles and entering the said pockets to permit the pendant to lie in the plane of the suspension-loop.
- In testimony whereof, I have signed this 25 specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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