

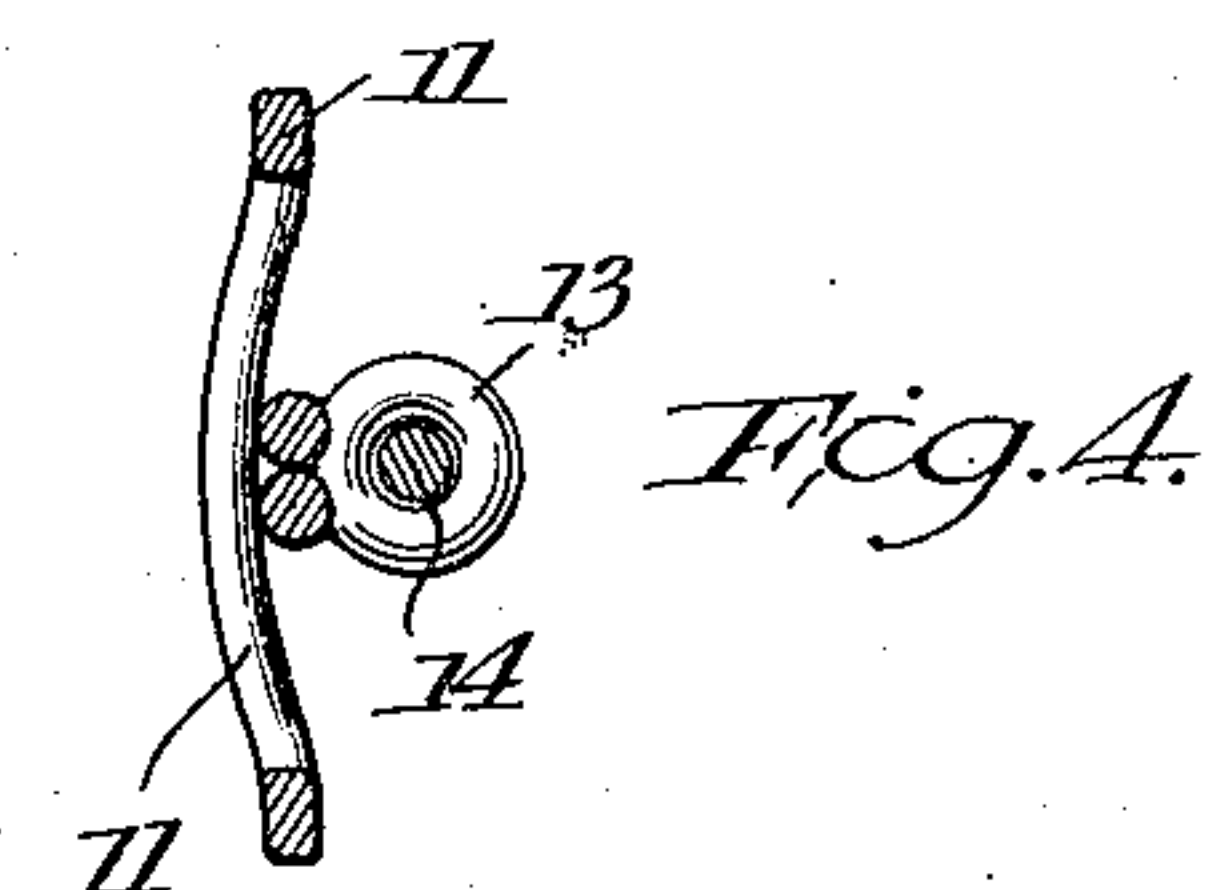
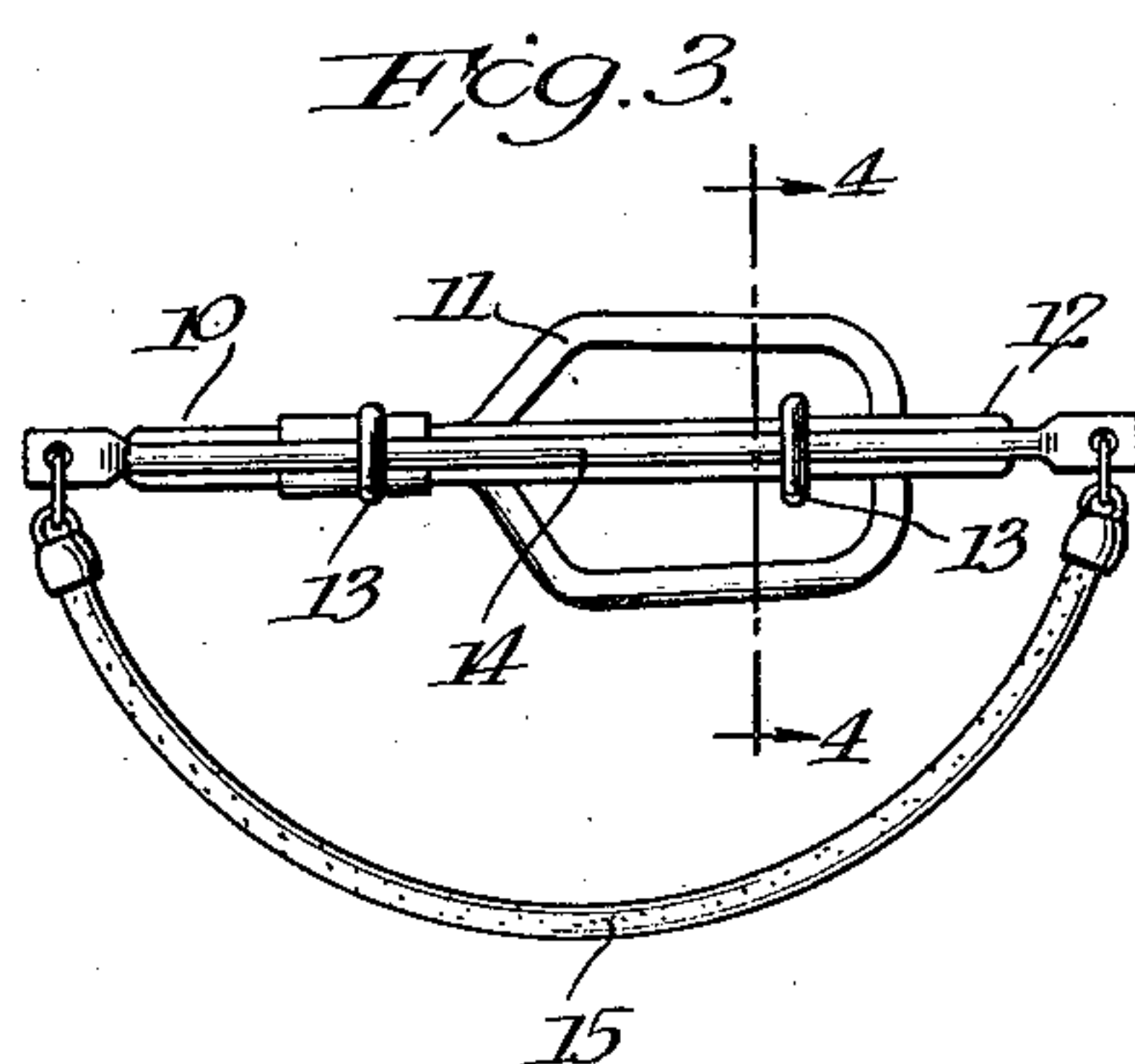
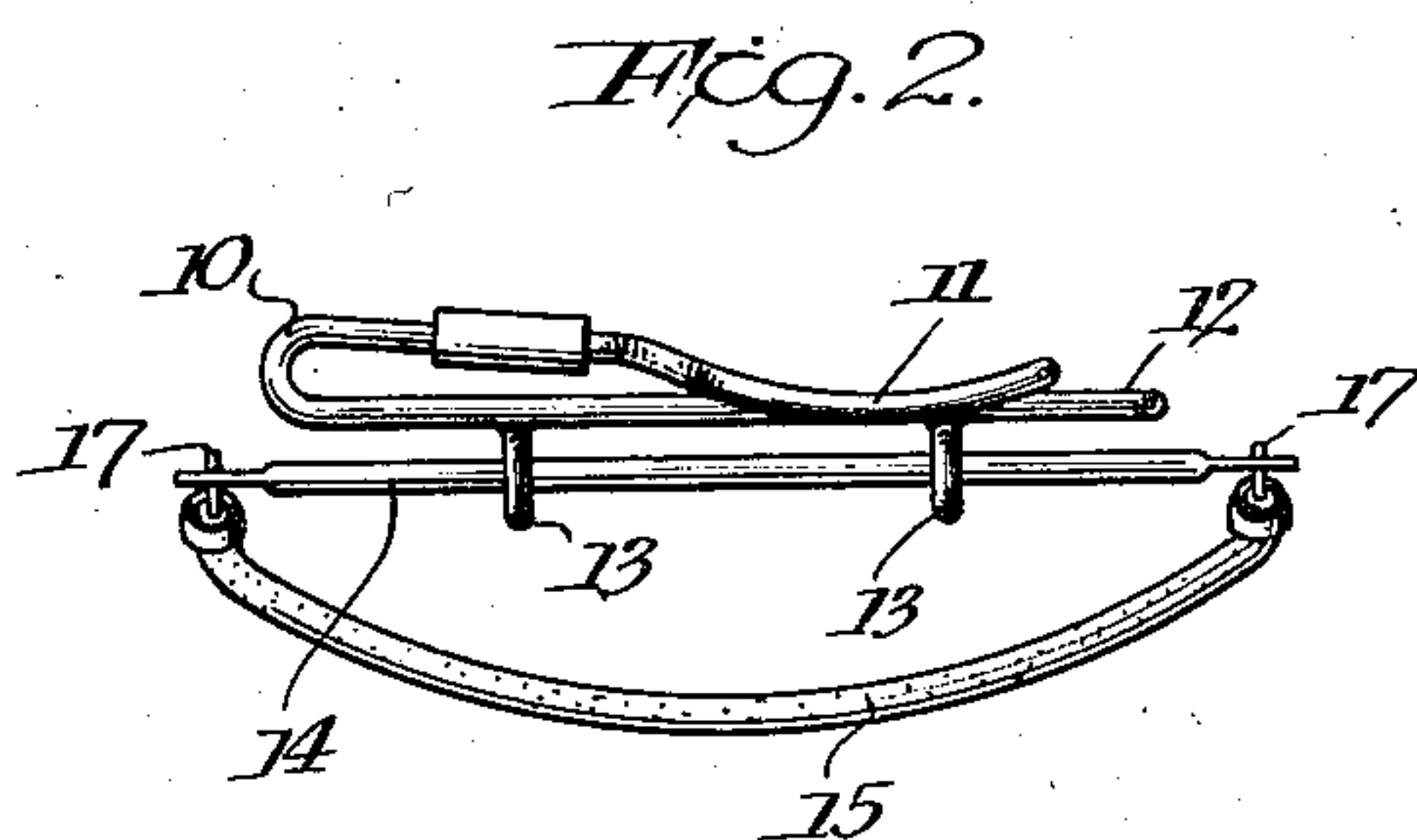
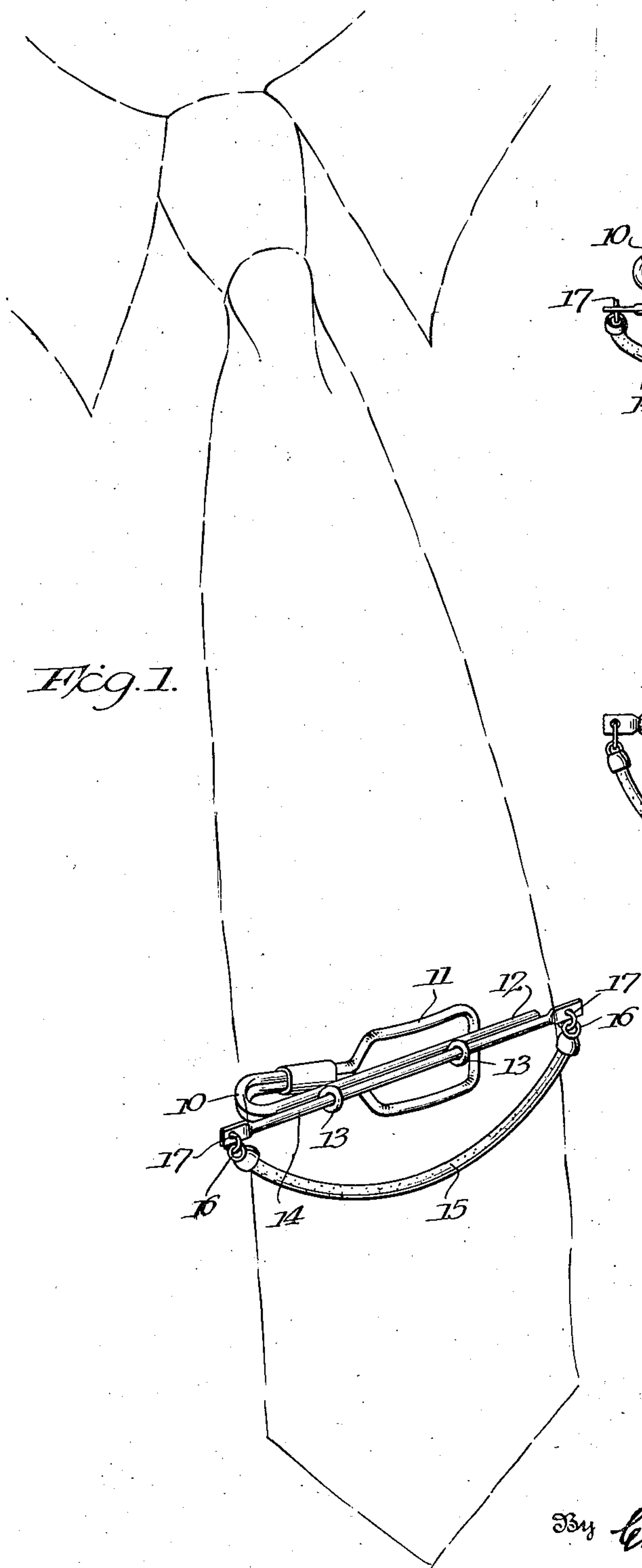
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The present invention relates to garment clips and holders, being designed particularly, and here shown and described, as a cravat holder. It may, of course, be adapted, without departing from the invention, to other narrow wearing apparel or apparel parts, and this disclosure, therefore, in connection with a cravat is merely illustrative and in no sense restrictive.

It has for its object to provide a holder by which the cravat or other clothing with which it is used will be maintained in normal position and flapping prevented, but which will nevertheless, be free to move longitudinally and laterally in response to movements of the wearer.

In the drawing herewith, I have illustrated one form of my invention, and in said drawing:—

Figure 1 shows the device in position on a shirt, with the cravat in position in the holder.

Figure 2 is a plan view of the holder.

Figure 3 is a front view.

Figure 4 is a cross sectional view on substantially the line 4—4 of Figure 3.

Referring to the drawing by numbers, like numbers indicating like parts in the several views, 10 indicates a clip of any usual or desired form, made up of the two members 11 and 12, this clip being designed to engage the hem or edge of the garment in the usual manner in which clips of this sort are applied. The clip may take any usual form, but is here shown as a resilient clip, so designed that the resilient arms 11 and 12 will grip the shirt front or hem of the garment yieldingly and hold the device in proper position.

On one of the clip members, here shown as the member 12, are provided bar engaging eyes 13 extending from the clip member 12. The purpose of the eyes 13 is to receive and support a bar 14, which will lie behind the cravat and be of sufficient length to span the cravat or other garment to be held, said bar 14 being maintained in parallel relation with the clip member 12 by the eyes 13 and freely shiftable in said eyes, so that the bar 14 may slide in the eyes laterally. Preferably, the eyes 13 will be spaced a sufficient distance apart to give a steady bearing in which the bar will ride and maintain its parallel relation to the clip.

Secured to the ends of the bar is the cravat-engaging band 15; the bar and band engagement being accomplished in any suitable manner, and as here shown, is by means of eyes 16 and 17 on the band 15 and bar 14, respectively, so that the band will be freely suspended at its ends on the bar. The bar 14 and band 15 form a loop which is adapted to encircle the cravat.

The band 15 may be, and preferably is, of flexible material, as, for example, flexible leather, braided silk or leather, or any material which is sufficiently flexible to accommodate itself to the movements of the cravat, which as shown in Figure 1, is inserted through the loop. In this category would also be included a flexible metallic band. By the word "band" I do not intend to be limited to a substantially flat connecting member, but means to include one circular or of any other shape in cross section.

With this construction, it will be seen that the cravat is free to slide up and down through the loop in response to movements of the wearer, and, further, that, owing to the shiftable bar 14 which carries the band 15, the cravat may swing laterally, the band and bar responding to and shifting with its lateral movements.

The advantage of this is that there will be no rumpling or disengagement of the cravat or other garment which may be inserted in the loop, either by reason of longitudinal movement of the cravat or side movement of the cravat, for it is free to move vertically and swing laterally, without disturbing it in any way, such lateral movement shifting the band and bar relative to the clip.

While I have shown the band 15 as flexible, and as having a flexible connection with the shiftable bar 14, and this is the preferred form of my invention, it will be understood that a rigid or semi-rigid curved band of sufficient size and design to receive the cravat might be permanently or detachably connected with the ends of the shifting bar, and when the cravat was inserted, there would still be the advantage of a loop which would maintain the cravat or other garment in place, and yet would permit longitudinal movement of the cravat in the loop and shifting of the cravat and the band and bar laterally.

While I have shown a particular embodiment of my invention, and that the best now known to me, it will be understood that any mechanical changes or changes in design which are within the skill of a mechanic and designer are to be regarded as within the range of my invention.

I claim:

1. A device of the class described, comprising a clip, a supporting bar mounted for longitudinal movement on said clip, and an engaging band having its ends connected with the ends of said bar.

2. A device of the class described, comprising a clip, a supporting bar mounted for longitudinal

nal movement on said clip, and a flexible engaging band having its ends connected with the ends of said bar.

- 5 3. A device of the class described, comprising
a clip having relatively movable gripping mem-
bers, bar-holding means on one of said members,
a supporting bar connected for longitudinal
movement with said holding means, and an en-
gaging band having its opposite ends movably
10 connected to opposite ends of said bar.

4. A device of the class described, comprising
a clip having relatively movable gripping mem-
bers, a loop including a bar and a flexible band
having its ends connected to said bar, and co-
15 operating means associated with said bar and
one of said members for mounting said bar for
longitudinal movement on said one of said mem-
bers.

5. A cravat holder, comprising a clip for at-
tachment to a garment, and a loop including a
bar and a flexible band for encircling the cravat,
said bar being mounted for bodily sliding move-
ment on said clip.

5 6. A cravat holder, comprising a clip for at-
tachment to a garment, a flexible band for pass-
ing around the cravat mounted for longitudinal
movement on said clip, and a rigid member con-
necting the ends of said band to maintain said
10 ends spaced from one another.

7. A cravat holder, comprising a clip for at-
tachment to a garment, and a loop for encircling
the cravat, said loop including a bar and a flex-
ible band connected at its ends to said bar, said
15 bar being mounted for longitudinal movement on
said clip.

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