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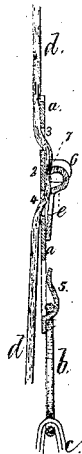


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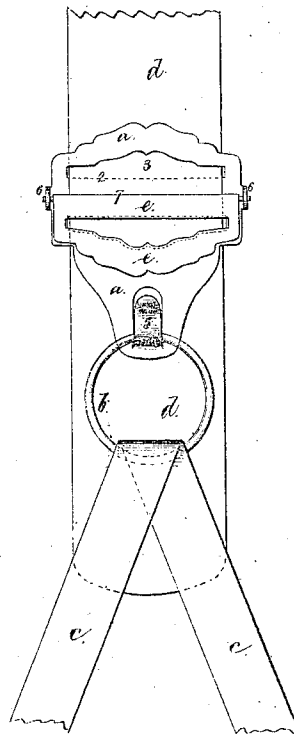


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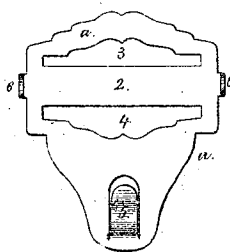
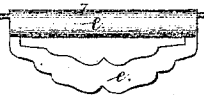


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IMPROVEMENT IN BUCKLES FOR SUSPENDERS.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ABRAHAM SHENFIELD, of the city and State of New York, have invented and made a new and useful Improvement in Buckles for Suspenders, &c.; and the following is declared to be a correct description of the same.

Suspender buckles or clasps have been made with a swinging clamping-jaw, to retain the strap between itself and the body of the buckle. In these cases the clamping-jaw has either come at the back of the suspender or strap, and been inconvenient of access, or else the strap itself has come in front of the divided loops or suspender ends.

My invention is made to remove the objectionable features of the buckles before made, by constructing the clamp so that it is operated at the outer side of the buckle, and the suspender strap passes down next the person and behind the double loops or suspender ends, so that these can be freely unhooked from the buckle, and when the parts are in place on the person the suspender strap lies smooth and nearly straight against the person, and the ordinary loose end of the suspender is held back in place by the suspender ends coming on the outside thereof.

In the drawing—

Figure 1 is an elevation of the buckle complete;

Figure 2 is a vertical section of the buckle and strap; and

Figures 3 and 4 show the two parts of the buckle separated.

The body *a* of the buckle is made more or less or-

namental, and with a cross-bar, 2, between the openings 3 and 4, and 5 is a hook for the ring *b* of the suspender ends *c c*; that can be unlocked from 5 when desired.

The suspender strap *d* is to be introduced from the back through the opening 3, thence passes over the bar 2, and again to the back of the buckle through the opening 4, so that all the parts of the buckle except the bar 2 are in front of the said strap *d*.

The clamping-portion *e* of the buckle is attached by pins passing through ears 6 6 on the edges of the body *a*, and the clamping-edge 7 acts to compress the strap *d* between the bar 2 and itself, and thereby hold said strap firmly.

The clamp *e* can be turned up to release the strap, and both this strap and the hook 5 and suspender ends *c* come outside the strap or suspender *d*, so that the latter can lie next the person.

I claim as my invention—

The suspender buckle, formed of the body *a*, with openings 3 and 4 for the suspender, at the sides of the bar 2, and the hook 5, for the ring or attachment of the suspender ends, in combination with the swinging clamp *e*, connected to the body *a*, as and for the purposes set forth.

Signed by me this 5th day of December, A. D. 1870.
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