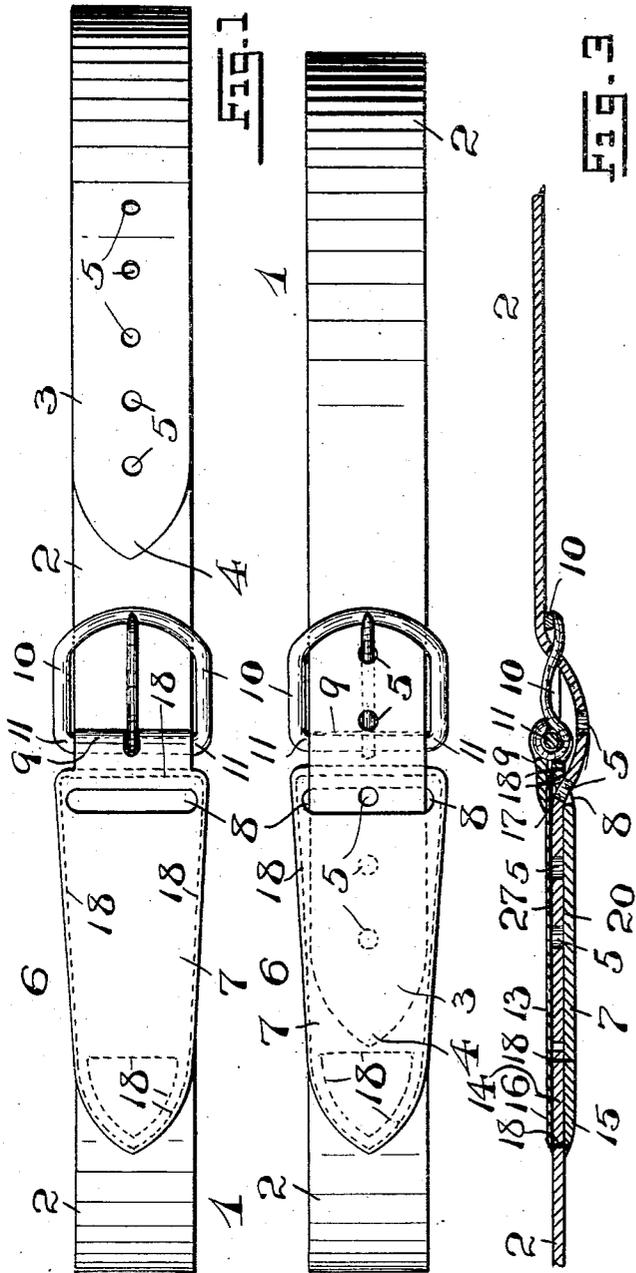


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, WILLIAM F. LOTT, citizen of the United States, residing at Newark, in the county of Essex and State of New Jersey, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Belts; 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, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to characters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

This invention has reference, generally, to improvements in belts; and, the present invention relates, more particularly, to that class of belts which are provided at one end with a receiving loop, buckle, or similar device through which the other end-portion of the belt is adapted to be passed and brought into holding or fastened relation therewith.

The present invention has for its principal object to provide a neat and simply constructed belt which can be easily and quickly secured about the waist of the wearer; and, furthermore, to provide a belt having its buckle or fastening-provided end made of an ornamental marginal configuration, this end-portion of the belt being made of greater width than the remaining portions of the body of the belt, which are of uniform width across any portions of the body of the belt except at the extreme free end of the belt which is provided with the usual pointed part, so that the strap can be readily passed through the receiving loop or buckle.

A further object of this invention is to provide a belt or strap of the general character herein set forth in which said wide part of the body of the belt, directly back of the receiving loop, buckle, or similar fastening device, is provided with a pocket directly back of the loop or buckle, in which the free end-portion of the belt or strap, after it has been passed through the loop or buckle, is arranged, so that the said end-portion of the belt or strap will not be visible, and will provide a neater appearance of the belt, when worn, than when the end-portion of the belt or strap extends directly over the face of the belt, and producing very often an unsightly appearance.

A further object of this invention is to do away with the necessity of the usual narrow

strap-loop sewed to and extending across the face of the body of the belt or strap, and to provide a belt which shall be free from any unsightly projections upon the face thereof.

With the various objects of my present invention in view, the said invention consists, primarily, in the novel belt or strap hereinafter set forth; and, the invention consists, furthermore, in the novel arrangements and combinations of parts, as well as in the details of the construction of the same, all of which will be hereinafter more fully described and then finally embodied in the clauses of the claims which are appended to and which form an essential part of this specification.

The invention is clearly illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which:—

Figure 1 is a plan view of a belt or strap embodying the principles of the present invention, showing the respective end-portions of the belt or strap in their disconnected or separated relations; Fig. 2 is a similar view of the belt or strap, showing the two end-portions of the belt or strap in their connected relation, with the free end-portion of the belt or strap inserted in the pocket; and Fig. 3 is a central longitudinal vertical section of the two connected end-portions shown in said Fig. 2.

Similar characters of reference are employed in all of the above described views, to indicate corresponding parts.

Referring now to the drawings, the reference-character 1 indicates the complete belt or strap, which may be made of any suitable material, preferably leather.

As indicated in the several figures of the drawings, the belt comprises a main body or strap-portion 2, the one end-portion 3 of which is usually pointed, as at 4, so as to provide a tab, and is preferably provided with suitably disposed holes or perforations 5. At its opposite end the said body or strap-portion 2 is provided with a member or element 6, which is made of greater width than the uniform width of the said body or strap-portion 2, the member or element 6 being of any suitable and ornamental marginal configuration.

Referring now more particularly to Figs. 1, 2 and 3 of the drawings, it will be seen, that the said member or element 6 is made separate from the main body or strap-member 2, said member or element consisting of

an outer face member 7 provided near its widest end-portion with a laterally extending opening 8, and having its free end 9 looped around the bar 11 of a buckle 10, or other suitable fastening, the buckle in this case being provided with the usual retaining tongue 12. Suitably arranged upon the back of said face-member 7 is a back-piece or member 13, of the same marginal configuration as the face-member 7. The two members 7 and 13 are placed upon each other, with the end 14 of the body or strap-portion 2 between the ends 15 and 16 of the members 7 and 13, and the end-portion 17 of the member 13 arranged between the looped or folded over parts 9 of the face-member 7, the various parts then being suitably secured at their respective ends and along their marginal edges by means of the sewed stitches 18. In this manner, as will be clearly seen from an inspection of Fig. 3 of the drawings, a suitable pocket 20 is provided, said pocket being closed at its ends and sides, and the laterally extending opening 8 providing an entrance to said pocket, as will be clearly understood.

From the foregoing description it will be clearly seen, that I have produced a simply constructed belt or strap having a pocket, which is closed at its ends and sides, but is provided in its face with an opening for the reception of the free end or tap-end of the main body of the belt or strap, and that the said tab-end can be more easily slipped into and along the interior of said pocket, the inner surfaces of the said back-pieces or members 13 and 24 may be enameled, as indicated at 27 and 28, respectively in Figs. 3 and 5 of the drawings.

I claim:—

1. A belt comprising a main body or strap-portion of a uniform width, said body being provided with a tab-end having perforations, an end-element of greater width than said main body of the belt, said element consisting of a face-member and a back-member between which the other end-portion of said main body of the belt is arranged, said face and back-members being stitched together at their ends and sides to form a pocket, and the face-member being

provided with a laterally extending opening forming an entrance into said pocket for the reception of the tab-end of the belt, said face-member being formed with a looped end, and a buckle connected with said looped end and secured by means of said end to said face-member, substantially as and for the purposes set forth.

2. A belt comprising a main body or strap-portion of a uniform width, said body being provided with a tab-end having perforations, an end element of greater width than said main body of the belt, said element consisting of a face-member and a back-member between which the other end-portion of said main body of the belt is arranged and secured, said face and back-members being secured together to form a pocket for the reception of the tab-end of the belt, a buckle connected with one of said members, and the face of said back-member within said pocket being enameled, substantially as and for the purposes set forth.

3. A belt comprising a main body or strap-portion of a uniform width, said body being provided with a tab-end having perforations, an end element of greater width than said main body of the belt, said element consisting of a face-member and a back-member between which the other end-portion of said main body of the belt is arranged, said face and back-members being stitched together at their ends and sides to form a pocket, the face-member being provided with a laterally extending opening forming an entrance into said pocket for the reception of the tab-end of the belt, said face-member being formed with a looped end, a buckle connected with said looped end and secured by means of said end to said face-member, and the face of said back-member within said pocket being enameled, substantially as and for the purposes set forth.

In testimony that I claim the invention set forth above I have hereunto set my hand this tenth day of February, 1908.

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