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FIG.1.

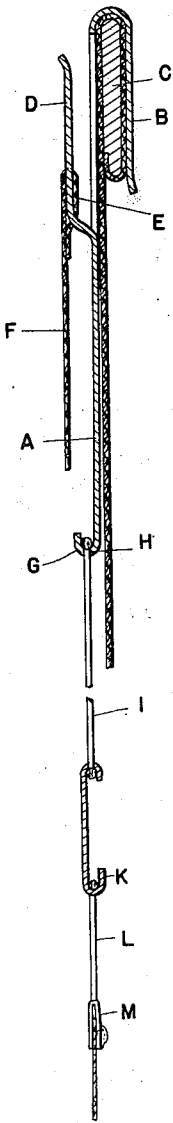


FIG.2.

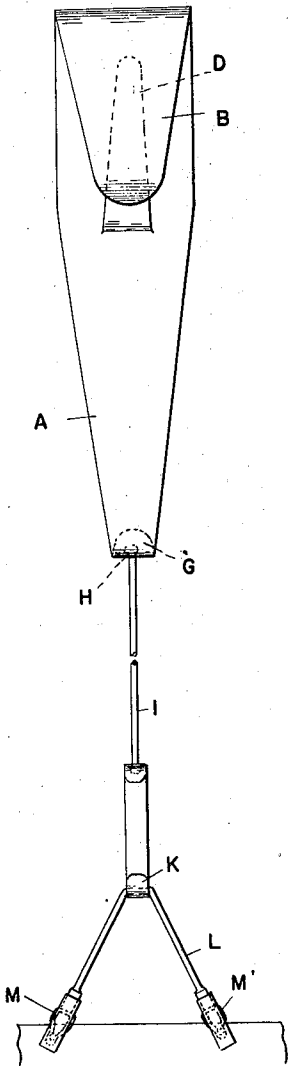
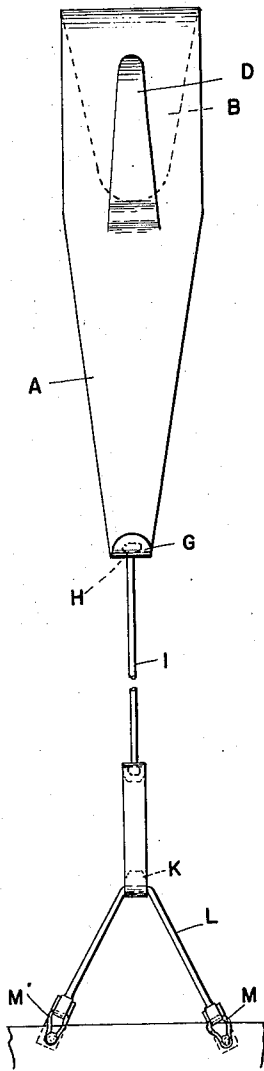


FIG.3.



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The invention relates to garment supporters and it is the object of the invention to obtain a construction which will support both the socks and the drawers from the trousers. It is a further object to obtain this result without binding either the waist or the leg, thus doing away with interference to circulation and thereby promoting health. With these objects in view the invention consists in the construction as hereinafter set forth.

In the drawing:

Fig. 1 is a section showing my improved garment supported as in use;

Fig. 2 is a front elevation of the supporting device;

Fig. 3 is a rear elevation thereof.

A is a member formed either of metal or any other suitable material having sufficient rigidity, said member being provided at its upper end with the return bent portion B adapted to embrace the trousers band, C. In the rear of the portion A is an upwardly extending tongue D which may, if desired, be struck out from the portion A and which forms a means for engaging a loop E on the drawers or under-garment F. The lower portion of the member A preferably tapers and at its lower end is provided with a return bent portion G. This has an aperture H at the bend for the passage therethrough of a cord or elastic I extending downward and having connected to its lower end a suitable hose engaging fastener. Preferably the lower end of the elastic cord I which extends downward on the outer side of the leg between the drawers and trousers has a hook K attached thereto. This hook engages a cord L on each end of which ordinary sock fasteners M and M' are permanently fixed. The ends of the cord I are knotted to retain the same in engagement with the members G and K. The fasteners M and M' with connecting cord L are left engaged with the socks while the wearer is both dressed and undressed. In dressing, the wearer after donning the drawers and socks, slips the hook B over either the drawers band or loop E and the hook K under the cord L, thus making a quick temporary connection between the drawers band and socks, then after drawing on the trousers and adjusting the trousers suspenders over the shoulders, the wearer disengages the hook B from the drawers or loop E and slips it over the trousers band C, after which he slips the drawers loop E over the upturned tongue D. By these simple movements the supporter for both drawers and socks is quickly and handily adjusted for wear. The elastic cord I can be of a

length that will remain taut enough to hold up the socks whenever the wearer is in a sitting position as well as a standing one.

With the construction described it will be understood that the supporters are used in pairs and are engaged with opposite sides of the trousers band, cords I extending downward on the outer side of each leg between the drawers and trousers. The tongue D may then be engaged with the loop E of the drawers and thus both socks and drawers are supported with the trousers from the suspenders.

As above stated, one important advantage is that there is nothing to interfere with the circulation of the user. A further advantage is that the elastic cord or tape can be easily replaced at any time, while the other parts of the structure are practically indestructible and will last indefinitely.

What I claim as my invention is:

1. A garment supporter comprising a rigid member having a flat plate portion for extending inside the trousers, a return bent hook at the upper end of said plate for engaging the trousers band and an upwardly extending tongue on the reverse side of said plate for engaging a loop on the drawers, the lower portion of said plate member having detachably secured thereto a flexible elastic for supporting the hose.
2. A garment supporter comprising a rigid member having a flat plate portion for extending inside the trousers, a return bent portion at the upper end of the outer side of said plate forming a downturned hook for engaging the trousers band, a tongue extending from the rear face of said plate and projecting upward to engage a loop on the drawers, the lower end of said plate being provided with an upturned hook apertured in the bend thereof and an elastic cord passing through said aperture and provided with a knot engaging and protected by said hook, said cord extending downward to form a hose supporter.
3. A garment supporter comprising a rigid member having a flat plate portion for extending inside the trousers, a return bent hook at the upper end of said plate for engaging the trousers band and an upwardly extending tongue on the reverse side of the plate for engaging a loop on the drawers, a flexible elastic cord secured to the lower portion of said plate and extending downward therefrom, a hook member attached to the lower end of said cord and a hose supporter having a loop for detachably engaging said hook whereby said hose supporter may be left in per-

manent engagement with the hose in dressing and undressing.

- 5 4. A garment supporter comprising a rigid member having a flat plate portion for extending inside the trousers, a return-bent hook at the upper end of said plate for engaging the trousers band, a portion struck out rearwardly from said

plate opposite said return-bent hook and forming an upwardly extending tongue for engaging a loop on the drawers, an up-turned hook at the lower end of said plate and a flexible elastic cord secured to the latter hook and extending downward therefrom to support the hose.

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