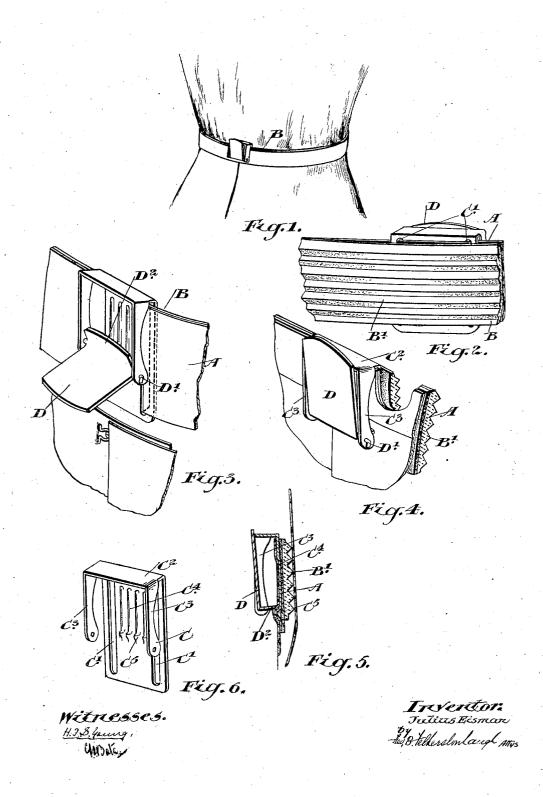
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Julius Eisman, of the city of Toronto, in the county of York, in the Province of Ontario, Canada, have invented 5 certain new and useful Improvements in a Combined Waist-Holder and Skirt-Supporter, of which the following is the specification.

My invention relates to improvements in combined waist-holders and skirt-supporters, 10 and the object of the invention is to devise a simple and efficient means for holding down the shirt-waist without injuring the fabric of which it is made and holding the skirt up without injuring the band and nec-15 essarily holding both shirt-waist and skirt together properly at the back.

The invention is illustrated in the accom-

panying drawings, in which-

Figure 1 is a perspective view showing the applicability of my invention. Fig. 2 is an enlarged detail of the inside of the belt, showing the gripping-strip. Fig. 3 is an enlarged detail showing the skirt-support open and the top of the skirt in position ready to be inserted. Fig. 4 is a perspective detail showing the band inserted and gripped by the fastener when closed. Fig. 5 is a vertical section through the lower portion of the shirt-waist, belt, and fastener and the upper sportion or hand of the skirt. Fig. 6 is a decrease of the skirt. 30 portion or band of the skirt. Fig. 6 is a detail of the main member of the skirt-support

with the clamping-lever removed.

In the drawings, like letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in each figure.

A is the belt, and B a strip of material, preferably rubber or any other substance having a like gripping quality. The strip B, it will be noticed, is provided with a series of corrugations B'.

C is one member of the skirt-support, which is provided with slots C', through which extends the belt A, such belt passing under-

neath the central portion of the member C.

The member C is provided with a bent upper end C², formed with depending arms C³ in the holes, in the lower end of which is journaled the plate-like lever D, having the trunnions D' formed thereon. The arms C³ are located at such a distance from the main 50 body of the member C as to leave an opening sufficient for the insertion of the band of the skirt. The member C is formed in the cen-

tral portion between the slots with corrugations C⁴ and teats C⁵ below the corrugations, such corrugations and teats being stamped 55 up in the metal, but not through it, and being smooth, so as not to tear or injure the fabric in the band.

The belt is put on in the usual way and tightened around the waist. The clamping- 60 lever D is thrown into the position shown in Fig. 3, and the band of the skirt is then inserted up between the arms C³ and the main body of the member C, whereupon the lever D is swung on its pivot into the position 65 shown in Figs. 1, 4, and 5, thereby securely gripping the band of the skirt by means of the bent ends D2 and the teats C5 with which the bent end is in close proximity. It will now be seen that by means of the inner strip 70 B, which I find in practice has a secure grip upon the waist and prevents it moving, and the skirt-supporting clamp hereinbefore described, that the shirt-waist and skirt will be held securely in place at the back.

It will be understood that it does not make any difference whether the skirt-supporting clamp is located over the divide in the back of the skirt or to one side of it, or when skirts are fastened in the front upon 80 the band, which is then undivided at the

back.

What I claim as my invention is— In a shirt-waist holder and skirt-supporter, the combination with a fabric band or belt 85 having a back inside strip of resilient water-proof gripping material designed to prevent vertical displacement of the shirt-waist ma-terial and a reinforcement for the band, of a clamping device having the back plate 90 thereof designed to extend and be held be-tween the band and the reinforcing strip tween the band and the reinforcing-strip, located centrally of the length of the strip, and having arms extending downwardly from the upper edge, and the clamping-lever 95 pivotally held in the arms and having the inner bent end designed to coact with the fabric band in front of the back plate, so as to grip the skirt as and for the purpose specified.

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