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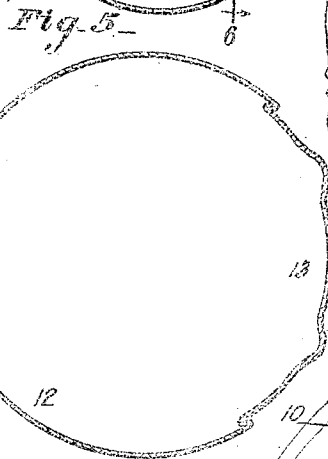
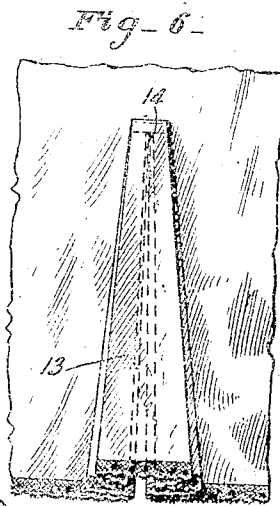
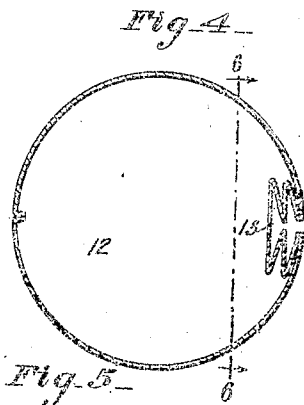
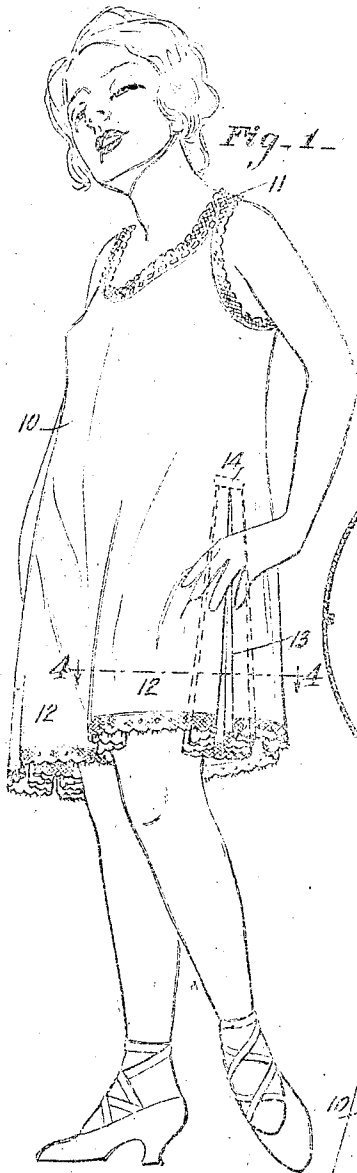


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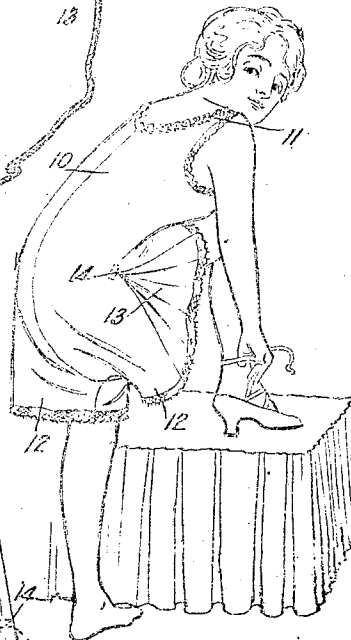


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, MORRIS BARROW, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of New York, borough of Manhattan, in the county and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Undergarment, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The invention relates to wearing apparel and its object is to provide a new and improved undergarment, such as an envelop chemise and the like, arranged to provide the desired fullness for sanitary and other purposes without producing an undesirable bulging at the hips and impairment of the hang and appearance of the undergarment.

In order to accomplish the desired result the unitary body of the garment is provided with short legs, each having at the outer side folds extending from the hips downwardly to the lower ends of the legs and forming integral parts thereof.

A practical embodiment of the invention is represented in the accompanying drawings forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the views.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the undergarment as worn and with the folds in normal position;

Fig. 2 is a similar view of the same and showing the undergarment extended at one leg thereof;

Fig. 3 is a front elevation of the undergarment;

Fig. 4 is an enlarged sectional plan view of one of the legs of the undergarment, the section being on the line 4—4 of Fig. 1;

Fig. 5 is a similar view of the same with the folds extended; and

Fig. 6 is a cross section of the same on the line 6—6 of Fig. 4.

The unitary body 10 of the undergarment is provided with the usual shoulder straps 11 for supporting the undergarment from the shoulders of the wearer. The lower portion of the body 10 terminates in short legs

12, each of which is provided at the outer side with folds or plaits 13 extending downwardly from a point 14 located approximately at the hips. The folds or plaits 13 of each leg are preferably in the form of a double box plait, the folds overlying one the other and gradually increasing in width from the hips downward to the lower ends of the legs, of which the folds or plaits 13 form integral parts. It will be noticed that by the arrangement described, the folds normally overlie each other and hang straight downward thus preventing undue bulging at the sides of the garment, as will be readily understood by reference to Figs. 1, 3, 4 and 6. It will further be noticed that for sanitary or other purposes the legs may be enlarged or opened up to the full width at the lower ends of the folds, as plainly indicated in Figs. 2 and 5 thus insuring the desired comfort to the wearer. It will also be noticed that by the arrangement described the legs of the garment remain circumferentially of unbroken continuity whether the folds are closed or opened up.

In practice each leg 12 is split at the outer side and the folds or plaits are formed of a single piece inserted at the said slit.

Having thus described my invention, I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent:—

In an undergarment of the character described, a unitary body having short legs split at their outer sides and a single piece inserted in each slit and having folds therein, the slit and folds extending from a common point at the hips to the lower end of the corresponding leg, the folds of each piece normally overlying each other and being adapted to spread open in fan shape, the material in the lower edge of each leg and that of the corresponding inserted piece being continuous circumferentially, the folds gradually increasing in width from the upper ends to the lower ends thereof.

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