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Fig. 1

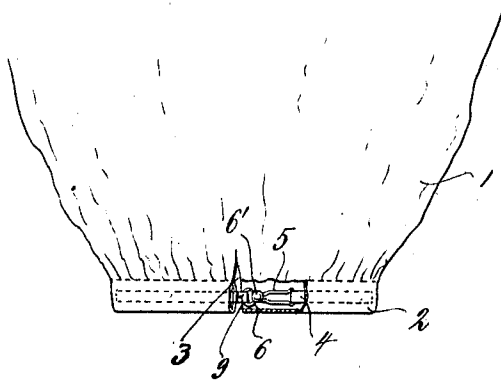


Fig. 2.

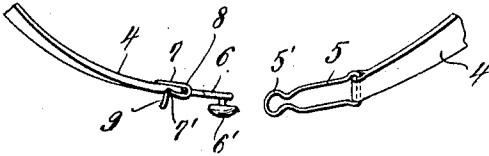


Fig. 3

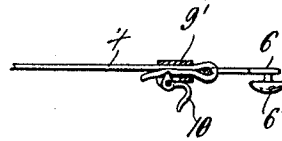


Fig. 4



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ANNA V. ZIEGLER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Los Angeles, in the county of Los Angeles and State of California, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Elastic Supporters, of which the following is a specification.

It is customary in making pantaloons, bloomers or similar garments for children, to provide adjacent to the knee portion of the garment an elastic ribbon or supporter to embrace the leg and by which the knee portion of the pantaloons or bloomers are held up in proper place when worn. The elastic supporter ordinarily used is permanently applied to the garment and becomes rotten when the latter is washed or when the garment is worn in places adjacent to salt water, necessitating frequent renewal of the supporter.

The present invention is designed to provide a detachable supporter of the kind above described and having advantages over the ordinary one used from the stand-point of readiness with which the invention may be applied or renewed.

For a full understanding of the present invention reference is to be had to the following description and to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a view in elevation of the leg portion of a garment, the lower portion in the illustration being broken away to show the invention applied thereto; Fig. 2 is an enlarged view bringing out more clearly the construction of the end members of the supporter, the body of the latter being broken away; Fig. 3 is a modification of the invention; and Fig. 4 is a detail perspective view of the loop and pivoted stop shown in Fig. 3.

Throughout the following detail description and on the several figures of the drawings, similar parts are referred to by like reference characters.

In the drawings, the garment is denoted 1 and as customary is formed at the lower end of the leg portion with an annular pocket 2 split at any suitable point to form an opening 3 at which point the elastic or flexible supporter 4 is insertible into the pocket 2. At one end, the supporter 4 has attached thereto a bodkin member 5, the

free extremity of which is formed to provide a catch or loop 5'. The other end of the supporter 4 has secured thereto a catch member 6 provided with a head or button 6' over which the loop or catch 5' engages when the ends of the supporter are connected together. It is contemplated that the catch member 6 may be secured to an end of the supporter 4 in any suitable manner, but the preferred means employed comprises a clamp member 7 made from a piece of metal bent upon itself to provide a loop 8 receiving an end of the catch member 6, the side portions of the clamp member 7 being pressed together to clamp the end of the supporter at 7'. The outer portion of the clamp member 7 projects outwardly at its extremity and forms a small stop 9.

In actual use, should it be desired to apply the supporter to a garment, the bodkin member 5 is introduced into the pocket 2 at one end and used as an ordinary bodkin for the purpose of facilitating the passage of the supporter through the pocket, or almost entirely through because it is necessary that the end carrying the catch 6 be exposed sufficiently to permit the catch 5' of the member 5 to be engaged therewith. In introducing the supporter 4 into the pocket 2 of the garment, as soon as the bodkin member 5 has passed through the pocket, it will be pulled upon to properly position the supporter, and the stop 9 is advantageously used because it engages with the end of the pocket into which the bodkin member is first introduced, preventing the supporter from being drawn all the way through the pocket, necessitating that the operation of applying the same be started over again.

A modification of the invention is illustrated in Fig. 3, wherein a different form of clamp member 9' is employed, said member consisting of a loop receiving the end portion of the member 4 and having a small stop 10 pivoted to its outer side, said stop being movable to engage and clamp the material from which the supporter is made, and when so engaged the outer extremity of the stop projects to prevent the member 9' from being drawn into the pocket 2 of the garment in the operation of applying the supporter thereto.

The invention is very simple and affords

a very desirable article from the standpoint of one who has to keep children's garments in good order or make the same.

Having thus described the invention, what I claim as new is:

5 In combination, a garment portion provided at its extremity with an annular pocket having a lateral opening, a section of elastic webbing inserted in the pocket
10 and having its free ends extending through the lateral opening, a loop member normally permanently connected with one free end of the elastic webbing, a co-acting element normally detachably connected with the
15 other free end of the elastic webbing and having an opening through which such free end is passed and subsequently bent back upon the body portion of the elastic webbing, a sleeve surrounding this free end

portion of the webbing, and a pivoted element 20 carried by the sleeve, having its inner end engaging the overlapped free end of the webbing to securely hold it against slipping, and its outer end extending laterally outwardly to engage the wall of the lateral 25 opening of the pocket, to prevent this end of the webbing being drawn into the annular pocket and to be itself moved by such engagement with the wall to increase the clamping action of its inner end on the 30 webbing, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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