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Fig. 1.

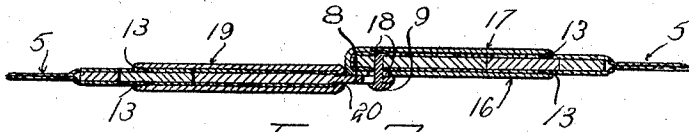
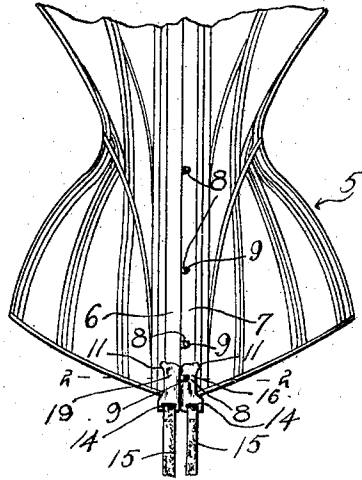


Fig. 2.

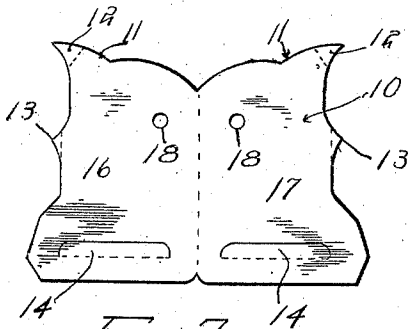


Fig. 3.

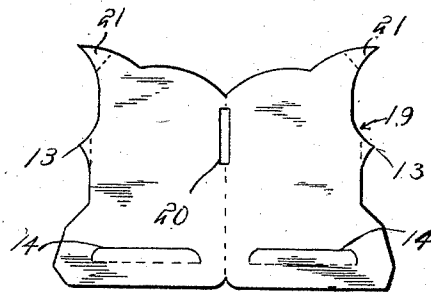


Fig. 4.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JULIA A. DENNIS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Bemidji, in the county of Beltrami, State of Minnesota, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Corset Attachments; 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.

This invention relates to improvements in attachments for body supports and more particularly to that type of body supports known as corsets.

It is well known that the usual method of attaching hose supporters to the front meeting ends of a corset has a tendency, due to the strain of the supports, to force the stays through the fabric, thus reducing the life of the corset. The present invention aims to remedy this defect by providing an attachment to be arranged on the front meeting ends of the corset, the said attachment being provided with openings for the reception of the hose supporters, the whole being so constructed and arranged that the strain produced by the hose supporters will be distributed over the body of the corset and not directly upon the stays.

Another object is the provision of a construction which can be readily attached to most forms of corsets now in use.

With these and other objects in view as will more fully hereinafter appear, the present invention consists in certain novel details of construction and arrangement of parts, hereinafter fully described, illustrated in the accompanying drawings and more particularly pointed out in the appended claim; it being understood that various changes in the form, proportion, size and minor details of the device may be made without departing from the spirit or sacrificing any of the advantages of the invention.

In the accompanying drawings forming part of the specification:—Figure 1 is a front elevation of a corset provided with my improved device. Fig. 2 is a transverse sectional view on the line 2—2 of Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a detailed plan view of the plate from which one member of the attachment is formed. Fig. 4 is a similar view of the

plate from which the other member of the attachment is formed.

Similar numerals of reference are employed to designate corresponding parts throughout.

The corset is designated in general by the numeral 5 and the front stays by the numerals 6 and 7. The clasps of the front stays are designated by the numerals 8 and 9 and are of well known construction.

The attachment forming the subject-matter of the present invention is shown to consist of a pair of plates preferably stamped from a sheet of metal. These plates are designed to be bent upon themselves at their longitudinal centers so as to straddle the front meeting ends of the corset. The plate shown in Fig. 3 and designated by the numeral 10 is oblong in contour and at what will subsequently be termed its upper corners is provided with bendable prongs 12. The opposite sides of the plate 10 are likewise provided with bendable prongs 13 and formed adjacent the lower side of the plate are a pair of oblong openings 14, which are arranged on either side of the longitudinal center of the plate and lie in a horizontal plane. These openings receive the upper ends of the hose supporters designated by the numeral 15 and forming the attachment from the plate 10; the latter is bent upon itself at its longitudinal center and the prongs 12 and 13 turned inwardly. This will bring the oblong openings 14 in direct alinement. In positioning the plate the opposite sides 16 and 17 formed by bending the plate are placed on the opposite faces of the corset and in order that the stud of the clasp may protrude through the plate an opening 18 is formed in the latter and adjacent the upper end thereof. The length of the plate is such that when the stud is within the opening 18 the oblong openings 14 will extend below the lower edge of the corset. When the parts are so positioned they may be secured to the body of the corset by inserting the prongs into the fabric and clenching the same. The opposite plate 19 is formed exactly the same as the plate 10 and corresponds in size to the latter, the only difference residing in the provision of an oblong slot 20 formed on its bent edge, for the reception of the tongue of the clasp. The plate 19 is provided with

prongs 21 by means of which it is secured to the body of the corset like the plate 10.

With this construction it is obvious that the downward pull exerted by the hose supporters will not be centered on the front stays but distributed over the latter and fabric, whereby the tendency of the lower ends of the stays to force themselves through the lower edges of the corset will be considerably reduced. It is to be understood when the parts are positioned their lower ends will extend equal distances below the lower edge of the corset and the oblong openings 14 in position to receive the upper ends of the hose supporters. Thus it can be seen that I have provided a device which is exceedingly simple in structure and comparatively inexpensive to manufacture, embodying few parts and these so arranged that the danger of derangement will be reduced to

a minimum. It will be further observed that this device may be applied to most forms of corsets now in use.

What is claimed as new, is:—

A hose supporting attachment for corsets comprising a pair of metallic plates bendable upon themselves and provided on their upper end portions with prongs to be embedded into the fabric of the corset and further provided with openings for the reception of the corset clasps, the lower ends of said plates extending below the lower edge of said corset and provided with openings for the reception of hose supporters.

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

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