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CAST-OFF FOR SUSPENDERS.
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALBERT E. SAWS, a citizen of the United States, residing at 189 Elton street, Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cast-Offs for Suspenders; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, and to the letters of reference marked thereon.

This invention relates to improvements in cast-offs for suspenders of that style usually made of flexible material, as leather, the object being to provide a thin and light cast-off of greater durability than devices of the same character as heretofore made.

To this end the invention consists in certain novel details of construction and combinations and arrangements of parts, all as will be now described and the particular features of novelty pointed out in the claims.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a view of the cast-off blank extended to show the reinforcing or strengthening side tabs. Fig. 2 is a view of the cast-off with the side tabs folded down in position and fastened. Fig. 3 is a side elevation of the improved cast-off doubled to form a loop for the suspender-end. Figs. 4 and 5 are detail views showing modified forms of reinforcing-folds.

Like letters of reference in the several figures indicate the same parts.

It is well known that with cast-offs made of flexible material, as leather or webbing, the material is soon worn through by the friction of the suspender-end where it passes through the cast-off. To prevent this, I strengthen or reinforce that portion of the cast-off where this wear takes place by providing the strip or band A, from which the cast-off is made, with integral side tabs or extensions a, (shown in Fig. 1,) preferably of such width as that their edges shall meet when folded down flat on the inner side of the strip or band, as shown in Fig. 2. By folding the tabs a inwardly smooth rounded edges are formed at the bend of the cast-off, over which the body of the suspender-end will play or slide freely, and at the same time a double thickness of material is provided at the point subjected to the greatest wear, but without increasing the thickness of the other portion of the cast-off or requiring a larger or heavier separable fastening. An additional advantage arises from the fact that no edge binding is necessary or desirable. Thus the outer surface of the cast-off is left smooth and of a finished appearance.

The upper portion of the cast-off is folded to form a loop, within which is carried the ordinary union B, by which the cast-off is secured to the suspender-strap. At the upper and lower portion of the cast-off are the operating members G and H of a separable fastening, which are adapted to engage when the cast-off is folded, all of which is of usual construction and requires no further description.

In the modified forms shown in Figs. 3 and 4 the reinforcing-tabs are of such width as that their edges do not meet, the edge of the tabs in the construction shown in Fig. 4 being curved.

Where desired, the cast-off may have lines of stitching along the edges, and the tabs may be united to the body by paste or glue, so as to lie smooth when the cast-off is looped around the suspenders-end.

With the present construction very light and fine stock may be employed, as well as small and neat separable fasteners, and at the same time the full strength and wearing qualities are secured.

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

1. A cast-off for suspenders formed of flexible material, having the integral reinforcing-tabs folded down and secured to the body portion of the cast-off.

2. A cast-off for garment-supporters formed of flexible material having the side tabs folded in to form rounded edges and greater thicknesses at the bend of the cast-off and a separable fastener having its members secured in the ends of the cast-off beyond the ends of the side tabs; substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

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