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GARTER

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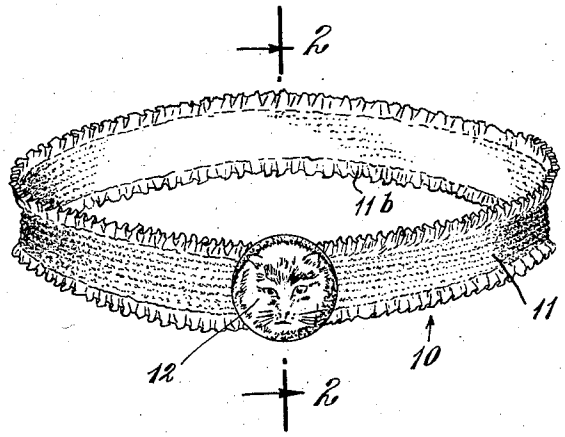


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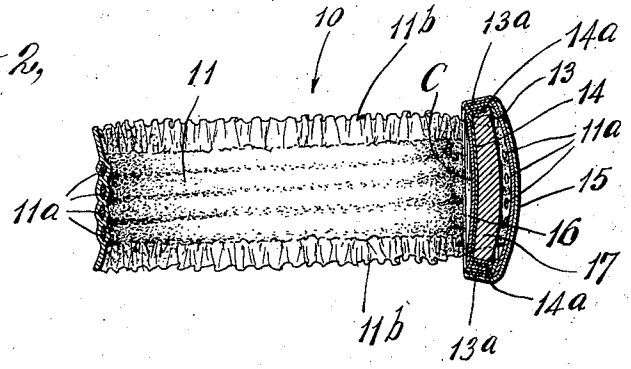
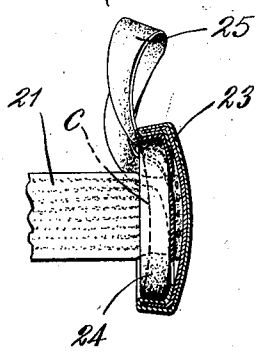


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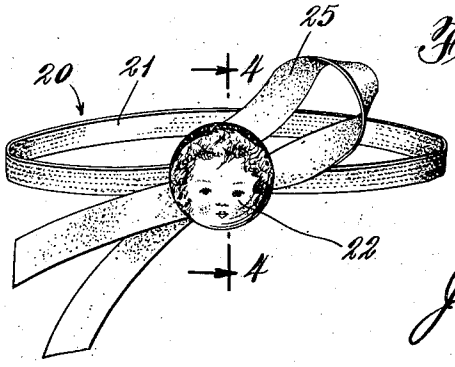


Fig. 3,

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GARTER

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This invention relates to garters and the like wearing apparel.

Among the objects of the invention is the provision of a garter of improved construction comprising few and simple parts, which shall be neat and attractive in appearance, comfortable to wear, relatively cheap to manufacture, and practical and efficient to a high degree in use.

Other objects of this invention will in part be obvious and in part herinafter pointed out.

The invention accordingly consists in the features of construction, combinations of elements, and arrangement of parts which will be exemplified in the construction hereinafter described and of which the scope of application will be indicated in the following claim.

In the accompanying drawing, in which is shown one of the various possible illustrative embodiments of this invention,

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of a garter embodying the invention;

Fig. 2 is a cross-sectional view taken on line 2—2 of Fig. 1, showing the interior construction of the button fastener;

Fig. 3 is a perspective view of a modified form of the invention; and

Fig. 4 is a cross-sectional view taken on line 4—4 in Fig. 3.

Referring in detail to the drawing, 10 denotes a garter embodying the invention and comprising an extensible body portion 11 and an ornamental trimming or button fastener 12 permanently secured to the ends of said body portion.

The body portion 11 may be made of extensible ribbon or the like suitable strip material in any manner well known in the art, and as here shown is woven so as to incorporate longitudinally extending elastic members 11^a and is provided with shirred border edgings 11^b.

The button fastener 12 may be of any desired shape or size, and may comprise a circular shallow thimble shaped cap portion 13 having an inturned rim flange 13^a into which is fittted the correspondingly shaped upstanding edge flange 14^a of a backing shell 14 for permanently securing between the latter and said cap portion, the ends of the body portion 11 (see Fig. 2).

The cap portion 13 may be formed of any suitable material that lends itself to a decorative finish, stamped, or molded in the desired shape, or may be formed of plain sheet metal covered with an outer piece 15 of decorative material carrying a pleasing artistically designed ornamentation as shown in Figs. 1 and 3. The edge portion of said cover 15 is folded inwardly against the inner surface of said flange 13^a and against the inner concave surface of the outer portion of said cap 13.

The backing shell 14 is preferably stamped from sheet metal having the outer surface thereof suitably finished and provided with a coating or fabric covering 16 to prevent rusting of said surface and to eliminate possible injury to the wearer's apparel on which the garter 10 is applied.

The edge portion of said cover 16 is folded over said flange 14^a and is clamped to the inner surface of said flange by an annular disc or block 17 fitting into said shell 14. The covered shell 14 and its disc 17 serve to press the folded edge portion of the cover 15 in position against the inner surface of said flange 13^a and against the inner concave surface of the outer portion of said cap 13. Thus the folded portions of fabric covers 15 and 16 are disposed between flanges 13^a and 14^a and contact each other to prevent intercontact of the metal sheet and cap members, and protect the portions of the body 11 clamped between said flanges.

The contacting surface of the shell 14 is preferably concaved as at C to conform to the shape of the wearer's leg so as not to cause the wearer any discomfort.

It will be apparent from the drawings and the above description that clamping of the ends of the extensible body portion 11 and the edge portions of covers 15 and 16 between the cap portion 13 and the backing shell 14 of the ornamental trimming button fastener results in a very simple and highly practical garter construction requiring the

aid of only a few inexpensive tools operated by a relatively cheap class of labor, thus materially cheapening the cost of manufacture and making the garter available at a comparatively low selling price.

In Figs. 3 and 4 is shown a modified form of the invention. Here the garter 20 includes an elastic body portion 21 and an ornamental trimming or button fastener 22. The coated cap portion 23 and backing shell 24 which are similar to cap 13 and shell 14 described above not only clamp between them the ends of the body portion 21 as described above for the corresponding parts of the garter 10, but also serve to anchor and retain between said cap portions and shell other suitable trimming devices such as the bow ribbon 25.

It will thus be seen that there is provided a device in which the several objects of this invention are achieved and which is well adapted to meet the conditions of practical use.

As various possible embodiments might be made of the above invention, and as various changes might be made in the embodiment above set forth, it is to be understood that all matter herein set forth or shown in the accompanying drawing is to be interpreted as illustrative and not in a limiting sense.

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

In combination, a shallow thimble shaped cap member, an annular member insertable thru the open end of said first mentioned member and snugly fitting against the inner surface thereof, and, a single strip of flexible material, having end portions frictionally clamped between said members and extending from between the annular walls of said members, said annular member comprising a backing shell having a flange, a covering for said shell, and an annular disc within said shell clamping an edge of said cover to the inner surface of said flange.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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