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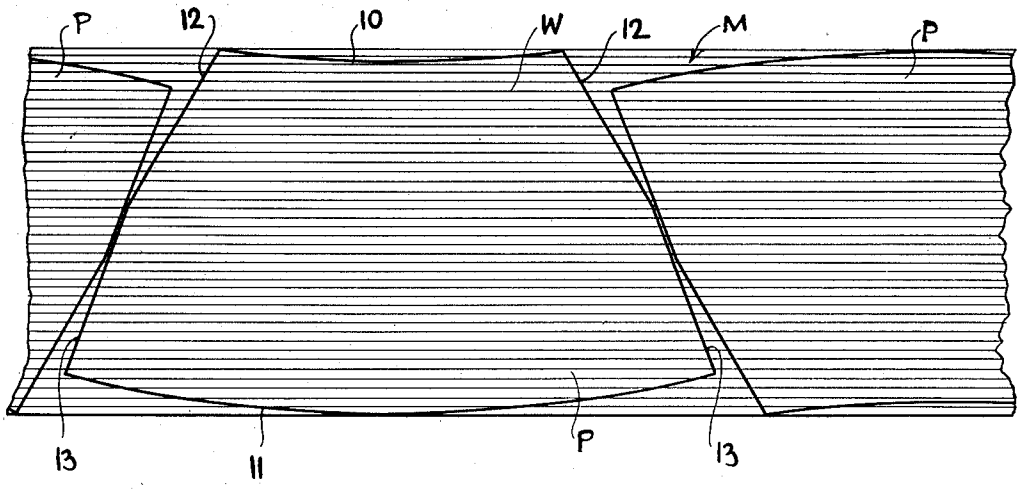


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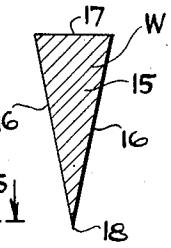


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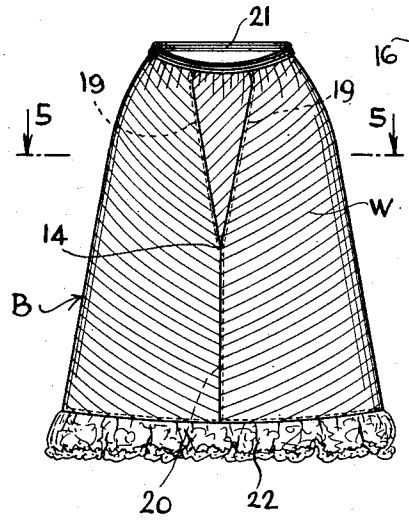


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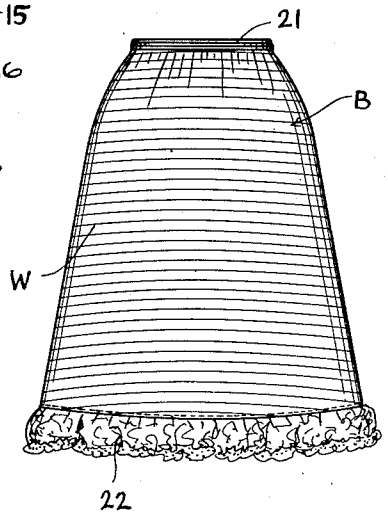
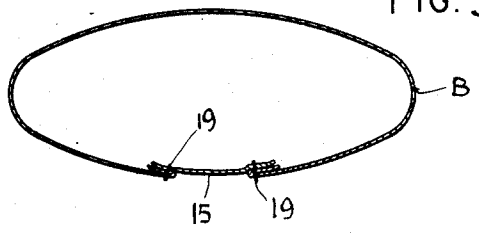


FIG. 5.



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This invention relates to improvements in petticoats, that is, underskirts worn by women and children.

Its principal object is to provide an improved petticoat garment, the material of which is so cut so as to produce a comfortable fitting garment having desirable features of construction.

Among its other objects and features are the following:

(*a*) Material is conserved in manufacture;

(*b*) The garment will not ride up on the body of the wearer;

(*c*) The garment will comfortably conform to the body of the wearer, and avoids the disadvantages of the conventional petticoats;

(*d*) Tearing of the seams are minimized, as all the seams are located at the front of the garment;

(*e*) The garment has a minimum number of seams; and

(*f*) The garment is economical to manufacture.

Other objects of the invention will be set forth in the following description and annexed drawing, which illustrates a preferred embodiment thereof.

In the drawing:

Fig. 1 is a plan view of a portion of a web of material from which the improved petticoat garment is made, showing the manner in which the main body pattern-piece is cut therefrom;

Fig. 2 is a front view partly in elevation and partly in perspective, of a petticoat garment embodying the features of the invention;

Fig. 3 is a rear elevation thereof;

Fig. 4 is a plan view of the wedge-shaped front insert; and

Fig. 5 is a sectional view taken on the line 5—5 of Fig. 2.

Referring to the drawings, Figs. 2 and 3 illustrate the complete petticoat garment. This consists of a main body-portion B which comprises a main body pattern-piece P and an insert 15.

Pattern-piece P is made from a single length of woven material M, which as shown in Fig. 1 is cut from a web of material, in the length. Said pattern-piece can also be formed by folding a piece of woven material in the length and cutting the superposed layers concavely at the top to form the waistline 10; cutting the lower end thereof concavely to form the hem line 11; and then cutting the free side edges at 12 and 13 in an inclined or angular direction. The said side edges 12 and 13 are inclined to top edge 10 and bottom edge 11 of said pattern-piece P.

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Pattern-piece P has a vertical pattern-axis and the warp threads W of said pattern piece are substantially perpendicular to said vertical pattern-axis.

Referring to Fig. 4, this shows the front insert 15, which has a straight top edge 17 and downwardly tapering side edges 16 which converge at point or apex 18. Said insert 15 has a vertical insert-axis, its warp threads W being inclined to said insert axis.

Cutting pattern-piece P, as heretofore described will present the side edges 12 as upwardly diverging from point 14 to waistline 10 at the front of the petticoat garment, and will also present lower side edges 13 in vertical contiguous relation. It will be noted that side edges 12 form a triangular opening therebetween at the front of the garment.

As shown in Fig. 3, the warp threads W at the back of the garment are perpendicular to the vertical axis of said garment, and the warp threads at the front of the garment are inclined to the vertical axis of said garment.

As shown in Fig. 2 side edges 16 of insert 15 are stitched to side edges 12 of the pattern-piece P by the upwardly diverging lines of stitching 19. In such position, apex 18 of insert 15 will abut point 14 at the front of the garment. Abutting side edges 13 of said pattern-piece are stitched to each other at the front of the garment by the vertical line of stitching 20. To complete the garment, an elastic band or strip is secured to waistline 10 and top edge 17 of insert 15. This is provided so that the garment will be properly positioned on the body of the wearer. To ornament the garment, a ruffle 22 may be stitched to hem line 11.

As shown in Figs. 2 and 3, the front of the finished petticoat garment is entirely on the bias and the rear thereof is on the cross or transverse.

There have been illustrated and described a preferred embodiment of the invention. It is accordingly obvious that minor changes may be made without departing from its spirit. For example, the pattern-piece P can be made of two or more panels.

What is claimed is:

1. A petticoat garment made of woven fabric, said garment having a vertical axis, said body having a main body-portion which comprises a main body pattern-piece having a bottom edge and a top edge and side-edges which are inclined to said bottom edge and said top edge, said pattern-piece having a vertical pattern-axis, the warp-threads of said vertical pattern piece being

substantially perpendicular to said vertical pattern-axis, said body also comprising a tapered insert which tapers downwardly at its side edges from the top edge of said insert, said insert having a vertical insert-axis, the insert having its warp threads inclined to said insert axis, the side edges of said insert being fixed to the upper portions of the side edges of said main body pattern-piece, said side edges of said main body pattern-piece being fixed to each other below the bottom of said insert, the warp threads of said main body being inclined to the vertical axis of said garment at one side of the garment and being perpendicular to said vertical axis at the opposite side of said garment.

2. A petticoat garment in accordance with claim 1 in which the tapered insert is located at the front of the garment, the warp threads at the front of the garment being inclined to the vertical axis of said garment, and the warp threads at the rear of said garment being perpendicular to said vertical axis.

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