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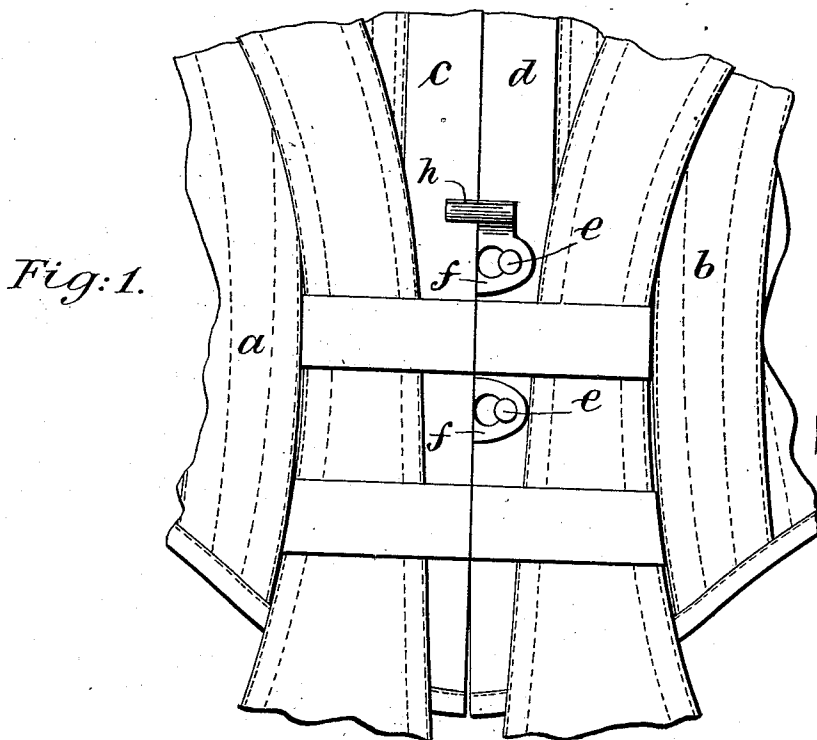


Fig. 1.

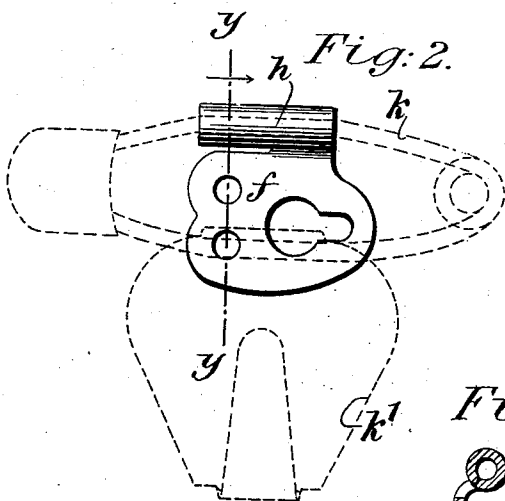
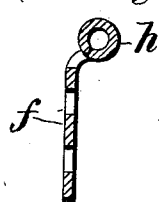


Fig. 2.

Fig. 3.



Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SAMUEL KOPS, a citizen of the United States, residing at the borough of Manhattan, city, county, and State of New York, have invented an Improvement in Means for Pinning Down Waists to Corsets, of which the following is a specification.

The present fashion or style of long waist effects for women's wear requires that the waist be fastened down below the waist of the corset by a safety or other pin, or otherwise secured in the desired position. Devices aiming to accomplish this result have been employed but the usual way is to secure the waist directly to the corset by a safety pin passing through the fabric overlying one of the steels, with the result of tearing the fabric and making necessary repairs to the corset.

The object of my invention is to overcome the present disadvantages and provide a part of metal anchored to and supported by the corset steels and with which the pin bar of a safety or other pin may be directly connected.

In carrying out my invention, I form one or more of the slotted plate or eye-members of the corset steel fasteners with a sleeve integral therewith or secured thereto and arranged at one edge of said member and lying in a position horizontally with and at right angles to the line of the steels for use and through which the pin bar of a safety or other pin may be directly passed in pinning and so holding the waist down in the desired position.

In the drawing, Figure 1 is an elevation of the lower front portion of a corset, which by the way may be of any desired style, conformation or arrangement of the parts,—Fig. 2 is an elevation,—Fig. 3 an edge elevation and Fig. 4 a vertical section at the dotted line *y, y*, of Fig. 2, representing the slotted plate or eye-member of the corset steel fastener formed according to my improvement; Fig. 2 at the same time showing in dotted lines a safety pin and plate connected thereto.

a b represent parts of the fabric body of the corset halves near the lower front portion, *c d* the front steels, *e* the stud members of the corset steel fasteners and *f* the slotted plates or eye-members of said fasteners.

The form or arrangement of the fabric sections of the corset are immaterial and I do not in any respect limit myself thereto.

The device of my invention consists essentially of the sleeve *h* formed integral with or secured to one or more of the slotted plates or eye-members *f* of the corset steel fasteners. This sleeve is arranged at one edge of said member. It is preferably formed integral with the member and in line with the slot formed in said member and therefore occupies when in place on the corset steel and attached to the corset, a horizontal position and one at right angles to the line of the steels. This sleeve is substantially as long as the slotted plate or eye-member and as a part of said slotted plate or eye-member overlies the corset steels and a part projects beyond the same, so there is preferably an essential part of the sleeve member which overlies the steel and a part which projects beyond the same. This will be appreciated from the drawings especially from Fig. 1, which shows that the sleeve *h* has a part extending over the steel *d* and a part substantially the same length also extending over the steel *c* so as to project the said sleeve substantially equally at each side of the dividing line between the two steels.

From Figs. 3 and 4, it will be noticed that the sleeve *h* is in a plane parallel with and beyond or above the plane of the slotted plate or eye-member taken by itself; therefore the position of the sleeve will not interfere with securing the eye-member or slotted plate to the corset steel nor to covering the corset steel with fabric as usual.

In Fig. 2 I have shown by dotted lines a safety pin *k* with its pin bar passing through the sleeve *h*. I have also shown by dotted lines as attached to this safety pin *k* a hook plate *k'*. This is only illustrative of the use of the sleeve *h* because this safety pin and hook plate *k* and *k'* shown by dotted lines are articles that are on the market and can be purchased at the department stores. The bar of this safety pin is passed through the sleeve after being passed through the skirt and the band of the waist is connected to the hook plate *k'* especially when the safety pin and hook plate extend above the slotted plate or eye-member having the sleeve *h* formed therewith, but I do not limit myself to the use of or position of the safety pin in the hook member, as other means may be employed for effecting the same object. I further do not limit myself to making the sleeve *h* of the length shown in the drawing, as it may be made shorter and entirely out-

side of the steel to which it is attached, without departing from my invention, although for the most successful use the form shown is to be preferred.

5 While I have shown and described my invention as applied to a single slotted plate or eye-member, I do not thus limit myself because several of the slotted plates or eye-
 10 members of corset steel fasteners may be formed with said sleeves and employed upon a single corset, thus providing different points along the lower part of the corset to which the waist may be pinned for the desired long waist effect, and while I have described
 15 my invention with special reference to pinning down a waist to the corset, I do not limit myself in this respect, as it is obvious that any other garment may be pinned to the corset in like manner and so held in place

20 I claim as my invention:

1. A means for pinning down a garment to a corset, comprising a member of a corset steel fastener and a sleeve forming a part thereof.

25 2 A means for pinning down a garment to a corset, comprising a member of a corset steel fastener, and a sleeve connected therewith along one edge thereof and located above and beyond the plane of the slotted
 30 plate.

3. In combination with one of the steels of a corset, a means for pinning down a garment to a corset, comprising a member of a corset steel fastener secured to said steel and
 35 a sleeve secured to the said fastener and which sleeve is long enough to extend in both

directions from the forward edge of the corset steel to which said slotted plate is secured.

4. In combination with one of the steels of 40 a corset, a means for pinning down a garment to a corset, comprising a member of a corset steel fastener secured to said steel and a sleeve secured to the said fastener along one edge thereof and located above and be- 45 yond the plane of the slotted plate and which sleeve is long enough to extend in both directions from the forward edge of the corset steel to which said slotted plate is secured.

5. In combination with one of the steels of 50 a corset, a means for pinning down a garment to a corset, comprising a member of a corset steel fastener secured to said steel and a sleeve secured to the said fastener by a union which extends beyond the edge of the 55 corset steel toward the free end of the eye-member and which sleeve is long enough to extend in both directions from the forward edge of the corset steel to which said slotted plate is secured. 60

6. A means for pinning down a garment to a corset, comprising one of the members of a corset steel fastening device and a sleeve of suitable material adapted to receive a fastening pin and said sleeve associated with and 65 secured to said member.

Signed by me this 12th day of March 1908.

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