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Fig. 1

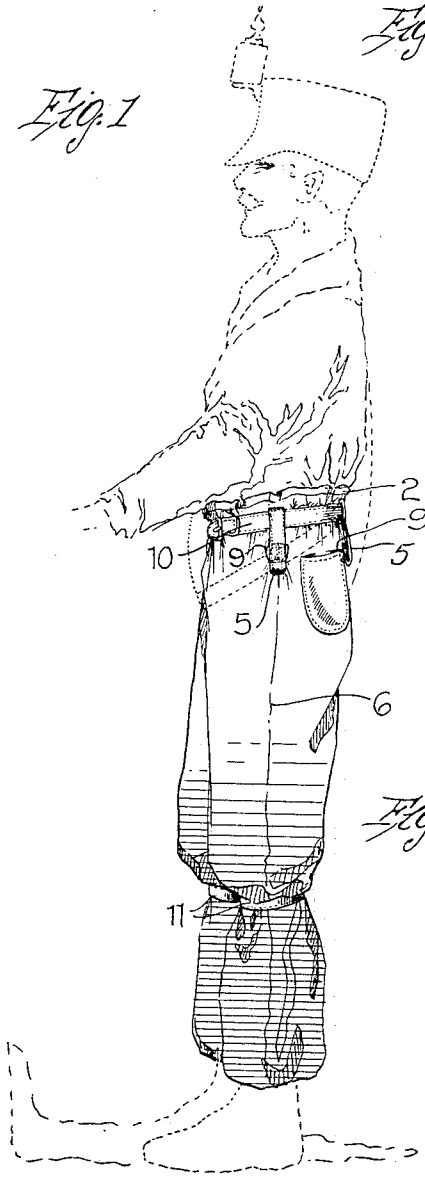


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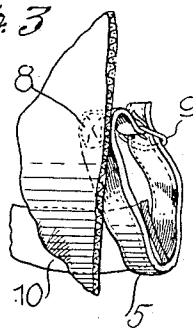


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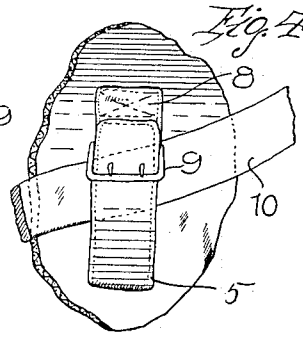
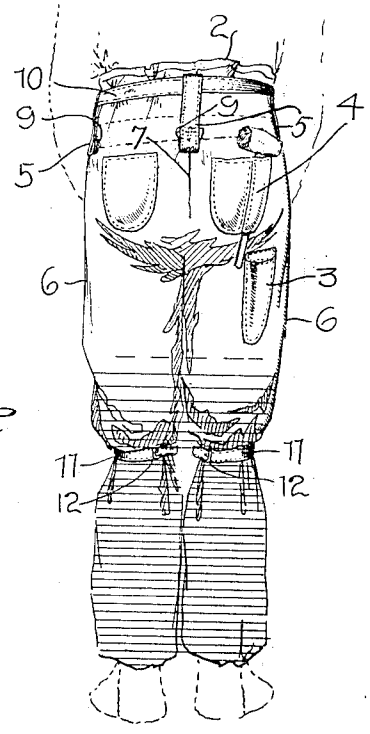


Fig. 2



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SOLOMON KIRSHEN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Butte, in the county of Silverbow and State of Montana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Overalls, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

This invention comprehends certain new and useful improvements in nether garments and relates particularly to improvements in overalls to be worn by miners.

One of the primary objects of the invention is an improved construction of overalls embodying a simple and efficient arrangement of belt-receiving loops or straps, whereby the belt may be disposed in different positions around the body of the wearer, just as the requirements of the case or his judgment or convenience may dictate, the said loops being so constructed and disposed that the waist belt inserted therethrough for the purpose of supporting the overalls on the body of the wearer, may extend comfortably around the hips of the wearer or below his abdomen, as desired.

With these and other objects in view, as will more fully appear as the description proceeds, the invention consists in certain constructions, arrangements and combinations of the parts that I shall hereinafter fully describe and claim.

For a full understanding of the invention, reference is to be had to the following description and accompanying drawing, in which—

Figure 1 is a side view of my improved overalls, illustrating one position of the waist belt in full lines and another adjusted position in dotted lines. Fig. 2 is a rear view of the overalls. Fig. 3 is a sectional perspective view taken at about the line of one of the belt-receiving loops, and Fig. 4 is a fragmentary view showing one of said loops and the waist belt passing therethrough.

Corresponding and like parts are referred to in the following description and designated in the accompanying drawing by like reference characters.

Referring to the drawing, the numeral 1 designates my improved overalls which are of the usual and conventional construction or type, except as hereinafter specified, being provided at the upper edge with the usual waist band 2. In the present instance, the overalls, as shown, are also provided with a rule pocket 3 which is covered by Letters Patent of the United States, No. 1,036,859, granted to me Aug. 27, 1912. In addition to the rule pocket, the overalls are provided with a hammer-holding strip 4 which, in the present instance, is secured to the seat portion of the overalls, just above the rule pocket 3, as clearly illustrated in the drawing.

One of the important features of the present invention is the provision of belt loops 5. There may be any desired number of these employed, and in the present embodiment of the invention, there are three, all of them being secured to the overalls below the waist band 2 and in spaced relation thereto, and two of them being secured to the overalls at the side seams 6, the third loop being secured to the overalls at the seat seam 7. Each of these loops consists of a strap, preferably of the same material that forms the overalls themselves, and each strap is secured by stitching 8 to the overalls, preferably considerably nearer one end of the strap than the other, whereby each strap, in unfastened condition, embodies a relatively short end and a long end. Buckles 9 are attached to the short ends of the respective straps, which short ends extend uppermost when the strap is laid out flat on the overalls, and by means of these buckles, it is manifest that the other ends of the straps may be secured to the relatively short ends in an adjustable manner, whereby the loops may be enlarged or reduced, as required. Consequently, when the waist belt 10 is inserted through these belt-supporting loops 5, the loops may be enlarged, as required, whereby the belt may be caused to encircle the body of the wearer extending around the overalls close to and along the line of the waist band 2 or, by adjusting the straps constituting said loops, the loops may be reduced, and the belt may be lowered at any one point. For example, all of the loops may be reduced so that the belt 10 will encircle the body of the wearer close down upon the hips or, if desired, the rearmost loop may be elongated so that the belt at the rear may extend across the wearer at the small of his back, while the two side loops may be reduced so as to cause the belt to be lower at this point and extend around the body of the wearer below his abdomen. It will thus be seen that by this construction and arrangement of belt-receiving loops, the

waist belt may be adjusted to suit the convenience of the wearer and promote his comfort.

An additional feature which my improved overalls possess is the provision of knee straps 11, the same being secured to the leg portions of the overalls and provided at one end with buckles 12, whereby they may encircle the legs of the wearer just below his knees and cause the leg portions to snugly fit around the wearer's legs at this point. As set forth at the outset of the specification, it has heretofore been customary for miners to bind the leg portions of their overalls below the knees by tying pieces of twine or rope around the legs at this point. This has been done in order to prevent the dirt which falls from the top of the mine sifting down into the shoes of the miner. It will thus be seen that by the provision of these adjustable knee straps 11 with their buckles 12, the leg portions of the overalls may be caused to properly fit around the legs of the wearer and that the straps may be very easily unfastened, whereas by the use of cord or rope, inconveniences are caused, particularly in view of the fact that it is sometimes very hard to untie the knot after the same has once been tied in a manner to prevent accidental loosening. It will also be seen that by the provision of my improved belt-retaining strap, the belt may be disposed around the body of the wearer just as suits his convenience, while at the same time, it is impossible for the overalls to slip down away from the belt which is a source of considerable inconvenience with the ordinary overalls heretofore used.

While the accompanying drawing illustrates what I believe to be the preferred embodiment of my invention, it will be understood that the invention is not limited thereto, but that various changes may be made in the construction, arrangement and proportions of the parts without departing from the scope of the invention, as defined in the appended claim.

What I claim is:—

A nether garment of the character described, having secured thereto below and in spaced relation to the waist line thereof, a plurality of belt receiving loops each of said loops comprising a strap which is attached nearer one end of the strap than the other, the shorter end of the strap being provided with a buckle designed for engagement with the longer end of the strap for increasing and decreasing the size of the loops, one of said loops being located at the rear of the garment and the others at two sides for the reception of a waist belt as and for the purpose set forth.

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

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