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Fig. 1.

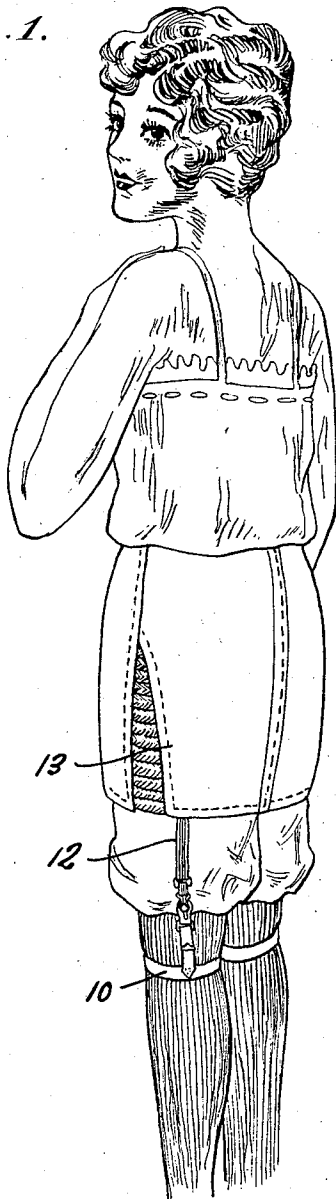


Fig. 2.

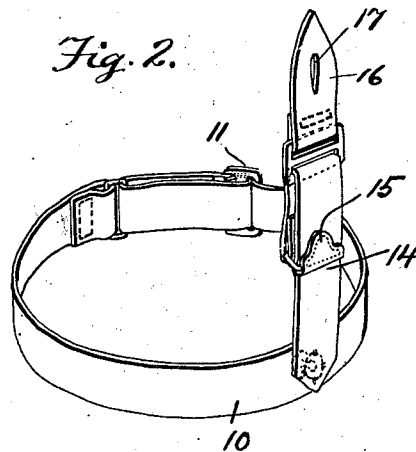
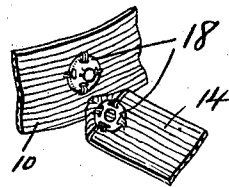


Fig. 3.



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Ladies' hose are usually supported by garters in the nature of elastic tapes suspended from the lower end of the corset, and which garters are directly connected with the hose, subjecting the latter to pulls and strains which usually tear the hose or cause runs therein especially in those of fine and delicate texture.

It is therefore the object of the present invention to provide a hose supporter to eliminate the foregoing objections, the supporter including a band adapted to encircle the limb of the wearer and provided with an extension adapted to be connected with the usual garter suspended from the corset, which of course relieves the hose of any strain or pull incident to the movements of the body of the wearer.

The nature and advantages of the invention will be better understood when the following detailed description is read in connection with the accompanying drawing, the invention residing in the construction, combination and arrangement of parts as claimed.

In the drawing forming part of this application, like numerals of reference indicate similar parts in the several views, and wherein:

Figure 1 is a view showing the application of the invention.

Figure 2 is a perspective view of the invention.

Figure 3 is a detail view showing how the extension can be separated from the supporter if its use is not desired.

The supporter forming the subject matter of the present invention consists of a limb encircling band 10 constructed of elastic material and provided with the usual buckle 11 whereby the diameter of the band can be varied as the occasion may require. This band is adapted to be worn in the manner shown in Figure 1, and is connected with the usual garter 12 suspended from the lower end of the corset or like garment 13 through the instrumentality of an extension in the nature of an elastic tape indicated at 14. This ex-

tension is also provided with a buckle 15 so that its length can be varied to meet the requirements, the tape or extension having associated therewith a tab 16 with a button hole 17 for association with the fastener forming part of the ordinary garter 12 above referred to. The extension or elastic tape 14 of course extends upwardly from the band 10, it being connected with the latter by a separable fastener clearly shown in Figure 3, so that the garter or band 10 can be used without the extension 14 if so desired. The fastener is preferably of the ball and socket type, the component parts being indicated at 18 and carried by the band 10 and extension 14 respectively. While I have shown only one of these extensions 14 it is to be understood that two or more of such extensions can be similarly used, for the other supports usually suspended from the lower end of the corset or like garment.

While it is believed that from the foregoing description, the nature and advantages of the invention will be readily apparent, I desire to have it understood that I do not limit myself to what is herein shown and described, and that such changes may be resorted to when desired as fall within the scope of what is claimed.

Having thus described the invention, I claim:

A garment supporter comprising in combination an adjustable band adapted to encircle the limb of the user, an elastic tape rising from one side of the band, a headed element carried by the band, a socket member carried by the lower end of the tape, whereby the latter is detachably connected with the band, said tape being formed at its upper end with an adjustable loop to permit the tape to be varied in length, a buckle carried by the loop, and a tab associated with the buckle and having a button hole for attachment to a body garment as and for the purpose specified.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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