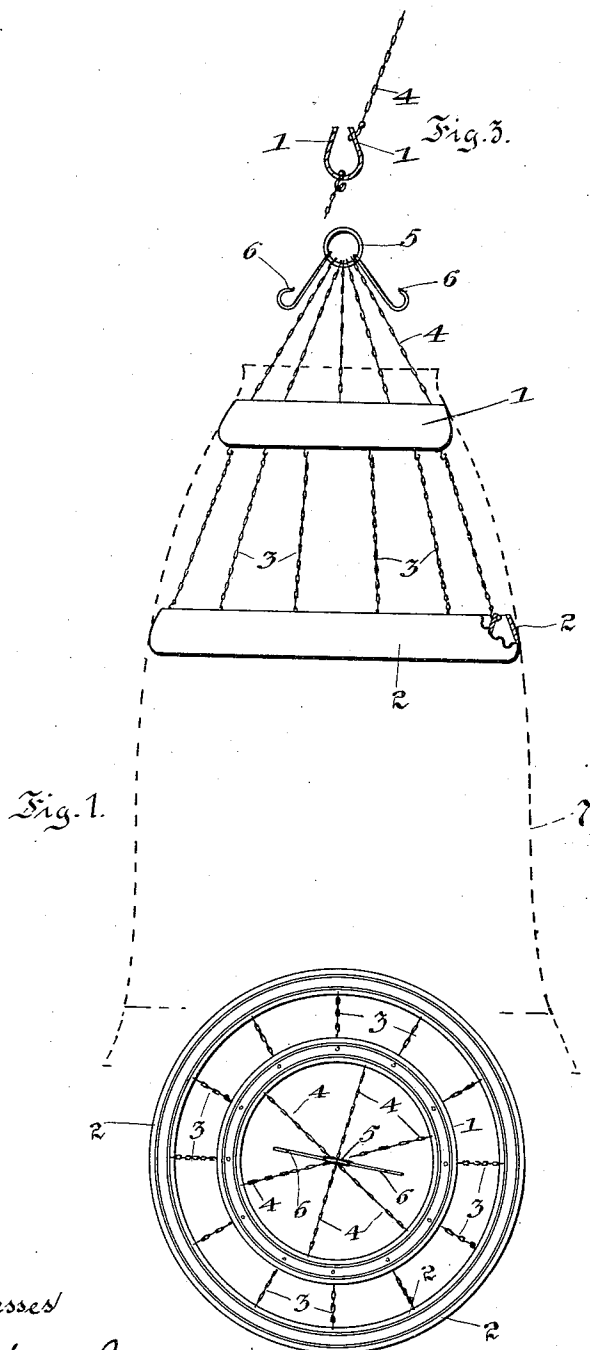


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Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LUCY LYNCH, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of Chicago, county of Cook, and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Skirt-Supporters, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in skirt supporters and has for its object the production of a skirt supporter which may be collapsed into a compact form for convenience in transportation.

A further object of my invention is to provide a device as stated which shall be simple of construction, inexpensive to manufacture, and efficient in operation. Other objects will appear hereinafter.

With these objects in view my invention consists in the novel construction and arrangement of parts as will be hereinafter fully described and more particularly pointed out in the appended claims.

My invention will be more readily understood by reference to the accompanying drawing forming a part of this specification, and in which,

Figure 1 is a side elevation of my improved skirt supporter in its preferred form, Fig. 2 is a top plan view thereof, and Fig. 3 is a detail transverse section.

The preferred form of my invention as illustrated in the accompanying drawing comprises a small ring 1 and a large ring 2 arranged thereunder and in axial alinement therewith. These rings are preferably formed of sheet metal and are U-shaped in cross section, as clearly shown in Figs. 1 and 3. Interposed between the rings 1 and 2 and connecting the same together is a plurality of equally spaced chains 3, the arrangement being such that the small ring 1 may be collapsed into a plane coinciding with the plane of the ring 2, thus rendering the device suitable for packing in a suitcase or other small traveling bag. The ring 1 is supported by means of a plurality of equally spaced chains 4 the upper ends of which are converged and connected to a supporting ring 5 in the manner shown in Fig. 1. When collapsed the chains 3 may be placed in ring 2 and ring 5 and hooks 6 in

ring 1 for convenience in transportation. It will be observed that rings 1 and 2 are arranged with their open sides up and chains 3 are secured to hooks on the bottom of ring 1 and to the upper portion of the inner side of ring 2, chains 4 being similarly secured to ring 1, which constitutes a convenient connection for the purpose and facilitates placing of said parts in the rings. Depending from the supporting ring 5 are supplementary hooks 6 on which any small articles of wearing apparel may be hung. A skirt 7, indicated by dotted lines in Fig. 1, shows the manner in which the device is used.

A skirt supporter of the construction set forth is of simple construction and, due to the collapsibility thereof, is convenient for transportation.

While I have shown what I deem to be the preferable form of my invention I do not wish to be limited thereto as there might be various changes made in the details of construction and the arrangement of parts described without departing from the spirit of the invention, and hence I desire to avail myself of such variations and modifications as fairly fall within the scope of the appended claims.

Having described my invention what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

1. A skirt supporter comprising an upper small and a lower large ring, the former being adapted to fit within the latter when the device is collapsed, both of said rings being comparatively high and wide in cross section; flexible elements connecting said rings at points well within their outer peripheries whereby said elements will not contact with a garment suspended on said rings; and means for suspending said upper ring, substantially as described.

2. A skirt supporter comprising a small and large ring, the former being adapted to fit within the latter, said rings being substantially U-shaped in cross section and arranged with their open sides up; hooks on the bottom of said smaller ring at a distance from the periphery; chains connected with said hooks and with the upper portion

of the inner side of said larger ring; chains secured at their lower ends to the upper portion of the inner side of the upper ring; and a ring secured to the upper ends of said
5 last mentioned chains, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have signed my

name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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