To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Joseph Albert, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Brooklyn, county of Kings, and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful improvements in Detachable Lining and Sleeves, of which the following is a specification.

This invention has as one of its objects to provide means for detachably engaging sleeves to a garment or liner in such manner that the sleeves and lining may be readily removed for laundry or like purposes, or other sleeves substituted thereby, presenting a variety in shape, fashion, color or material as may be desired, and permitting replacement at will.

A further object is to provide means resiliently connecting the sleeves, which allow full freedom of arm, shoulder and body action, at the same time insuring a better fit about the shoulders and preventing disassociation or dropping of the sleeves should they become inadvertently loose from their body attaching means.

These and other objects, which will be more fully manifest as the description progresses, are attained by the novel construction and combination of parts hereinafter described and shown in the accompanying drawings, forming a material part of this disclosure, and in which:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a waist and lining made in accordance with the invention, looking from the front and having parts broken away to show the lining and construction.

Fig. 2 is a rear elevational view of the same, part of the outer covering being removed.

Fig. 3 is a fragmentary side view of one of the sleeves.

Fig. 4 is a fragmentary front elevational view of the waist lining looking from the front.

Referring to the drawings in detail, the body of the garment, here shown as a woman's waist, comprises an outer covering 10 of any preferred textile material, and an inner lining 11 of suitable fabric, the same having a collar band or hemmed edge 12 and a relatively firm belt 14 at the bottom known as a waist band or belt to which the gathers of the material are confined, the waist band being provided with button holes 13 at intervals to engage buttons on the skirt band.

The back of the lining is in one piece, while the front is formed of two sides meeting at the center and secured by fastenings. 60

The arm holes 15 are finished with hemmed seams at their margins and to the adjacent material are attached, at intervals, with attaching means, as the snap fastener element 16, their mating elements 17 being sewn to the enlarged end or extensions 18 of the sleeves 19 which may be of the same or other material than the waist body, and obviously of any preferred style, finished if desired, with cuffs 20.

It will be observed that the sleeve extensions 18 are of a shape adapted to extend a considerable distance over the shoulders and over the body around the arms, thereby serving to support the sleeves and being adapted to receive the connecting elements at the desired points. It should also be noted that the fastener elements are located at points inwardly of the shoulder joint adjacent the neck and hence are appreciably relieved of the strain of supporting the sleeve.

Attached to the back of the sleeves are the ends of an elastic tape 22 the same closely overlying the back of the lining and made, if wanted, in color to correspond to the material of the waist so as not to show through when worn with a waist of thin or partially transparent material.

By reference to Fig. 2 it will be noted that over the back below the shoulders the sleeve extensions are unconnected to the lining, an elastic strip extending across the back and connecting the sleeve extensions serving to retain the sleeves in position at the back. By this construction, movement of the sleeve extensions relative to the lining is permitted, thus allowing absolute freedom of arm and shoulder movement.

In operation, the waist and its lining having been made in the desired style, and provided with attaching means as indicated, it will be apparent that the sleeves and lining may be readily attached or disconnected, and that the attaching means, elastic tape and joint between the sleeve ends and lining will be completely obscured by the waist body which incloses them.

It will also be clear that the elastic tape permits freedom of movement of the arms.
and body, and prevents the sleeve from dropping should the means of fastening become disengaged.  

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

1. An upper garment comprising a waist, a removable lining therein, sleeves for said waist, sleeve extensions on said sleeves adapted to extend a considerable distance upon the shoulders and over the body around the arms, means for detachably securing said sleeve extensions to said lining at points on the shoulders adjacent the neck and inwardly of the shoulder joints whereby said sleeve extensions rest upon the shoulders and support the sleeves, the connecting means being thereby appreciably relieved of the supporting strain, said sleeve extensions being unsecured to the lining over the back below the shoulder thereby permitting relative movement of the lining and the sleeve extensions at this point.

2. An upper garment comprising a waist, a removable lining therein, sleeves for said waist, sleeve extensions on said sleeves adapted to extend a considerable distance upon the shoulders and over the body around the arms, means for detachably securing said sleeve extensions to said lining at points on the shoulders adjacent the neck and inwardly of the shoulder joints whereby said sleeve extensions rest upon the shoulders and support the sleeves, the connecting means being thereby appreciably relieved of the supporting strain.

3. An upper garment comprising a waist, a removable lining therein, fastener elements on said lining adjacent the arm openings, sleeves for said waist, sleeve extensions on said sleeves adapted to extend an appreciable distance over the shoulders and over the body around the arms, fastener elements on said sleeve extensions and adapted to detachably secure said sleeve extensions to the lining along a line extending over the shoulders inwardly of the shoulder joints and adjacent the neck whereby said sleeve extensions serve to support the sleeves, said sleeve extensions being unsecured to the lining at the back below the shoulders, and an elastic connection between the sleeve extensions extending across the back serving to hold the sleeves in position.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification.

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