

No. 824,456.

PATENTED JUNE 26, 1906.

J. WALTER,
GARMENT.

APPLICATION FILED OCT. 20, 1905.

2 SHEETS—SHEET 2.

Fig. 2.

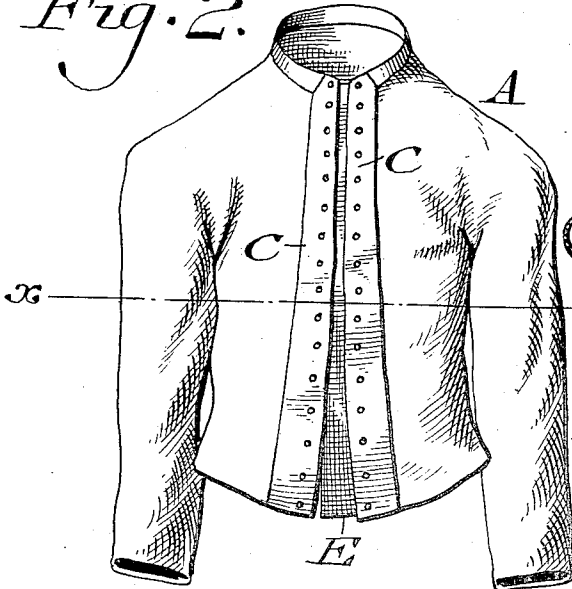


Fig. 3.

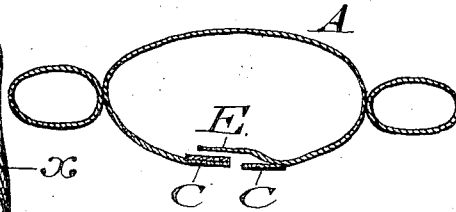


Fig. 4.

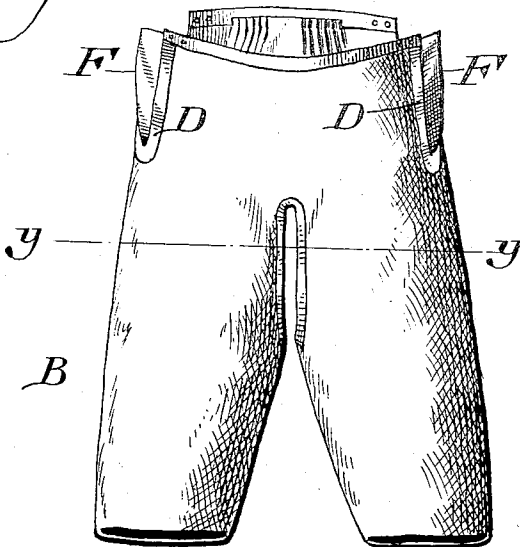
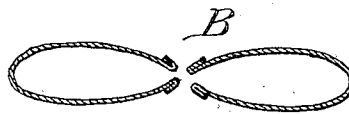


Fig. 5.



Witnesses
P. F. Nagle.
L. Rouville.

Inventor
Jeanne Walter.
By Niederkeim & Leibknecht
Attorneys

No. 824,456.

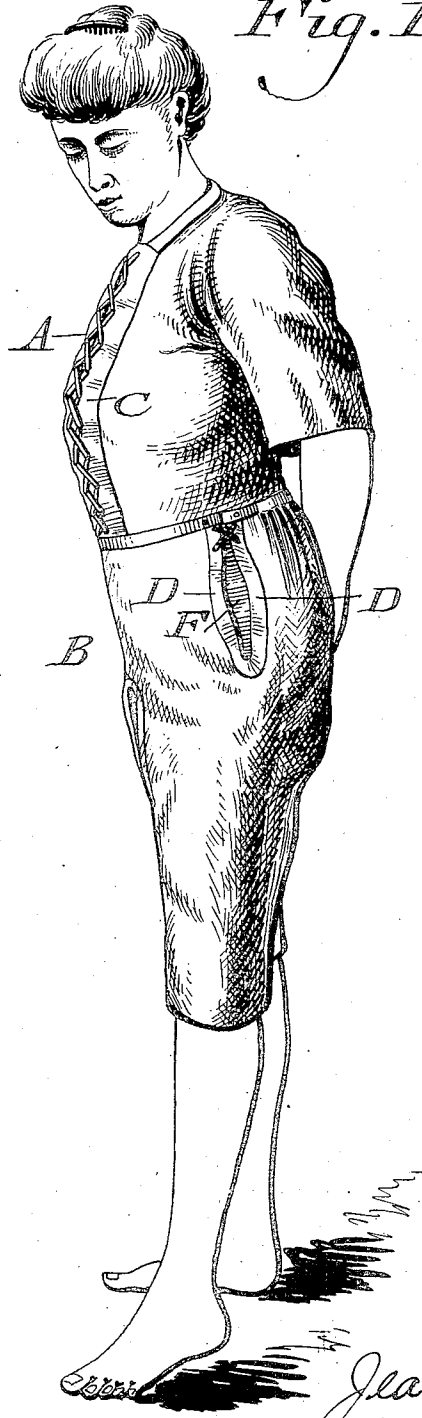
PATENTED JUNE 26, 1906.

J. WALTER.
GARMENT.

APPLICATION FILED OCT. 20, 1905.

2 SHEETS—SHEET 1

Fig. 1.



Witnesses
P. F. Nagle.
L. Kouville.

Inventor
Jeanne Walter.
By *Wiederheim & Fairbank*
Attorneys

UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE.

JEANNE WALTER, OF PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA:

GARMENT.

No. 824,456.

Specification of Letters Patent.

Patented June 26, 1906.

Application filed October 20, 1905. Serial No. 283,607.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JEANNE WALTER, a citizen of the United States, residing in the city and county of Philadelphia, State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Garment, of which the following is a specification.

My invention consists of a garment which is formed, preferably, of soft rubber, to be worn next to the body, whereby perspiration and heat may be retained within the same for therapeutic purposes, and the members of the garment are integral and seamless, whereby chafing of the body will be avoided and the escape of the perspiration and heat practically prevented, while the garment, owing to its pliable nature, may be worn with ease and comfort, it also serving the purpose of an abdominal bandage and a like appliance, thus avoiding the use of the latter and permitting the garment to be worn close to the body without gathering, buckling, &c.

Figure 1 represents a perspective view of different members of garments embodying my invention shown in use. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of one of the different members. Fig. 3 is a cross-section on the line $x x$ of Fig. 2. Fig. 4 is a perspective view of the other member of the garment. Fig. 5 represents a section on line $y y$ of Fig. 4.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the figures.

Referring to the drawings, A designates an undergarment, as an undershirt, and B designates an undergarment, as drawers, the parts of each member being formed of soft rubber and integral.

In carrying out my invention I form the member A of the necessary parts, comprising the front, back, sleeve, &c., of pieces of soft rubber of the required size and shape, fit them together at the places of meeting or where they are to be united, and then vulcanize the rubber, whereby the material at said places fuses and seams apparently originally existing disappear, the garment thus becoming practically integral.

The member B is formed of the necessary parts comprising the front, back, waist, and legs of pieces of soft rubber of the required size and shape fitted together at the places of meeting or where they are to be united, the material then being vulcanized, whereby

it fuses at said places, and thus seams apparently originally existing disappear, the garment thus becoming practically integral. 55

Each member is provided with means for closing and fastening it at the proper place, the same in the present case consisting of lacings which admit of adjustably closing the garment and for purposes of strength are applied to reinforces C and D, respectively, on the members, it being noticed that the garments are worn next to the body, air being prevented from permeating the same and reaching the body, and they serve the purpose of abdominal bandages, they resting snugly against the body without gathering, buckling, &c., and they further serve to retain the perspiration and heat of the latter within the garments for therapeutic purposes, especially for the reduction of adipose tissue or embonpoint, rheumatism, and the like, in a rapid and effective manner. It will also be noticed that as there are no seams in the garments chafing of the latter on the skin or body is prevented, and the perspiration and heat practically remain within the garments. The reinforces C D are prevented from contacting with the body, owing to the soft-rubber flaps E and F on the respective members, they being integral with the adjacent parts of the latter, and so prevent direct contact of said reinforces with the skin. It is also evident that the garments may be easily washed, and thus kept entirely clean under all circumstances. 85

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

1. As an article of manufacture, an integral seamless therapeutic undergarment of the form of a shirt or drawers composed of soft rubber, shaped to the respective portion of the body of the wearer and adapted to completely inclose said portion, whereby evaporation of the perspiration of the body and admission of air to the latter are prevented, and means for closing said garment. 95

2. As an article of manufacture, an integral seamless therapeutic undergarment of the form of a shirt or drawers, composed of soft rubber shaped to the respective portion of the body and adapted to completely envelop said portion, whereby evaporation of the 100

perspiration of the body and admission of air to the latter are prevented and means for adjustably closing said garment.

3. An integral seamless therapeutic undergarment of the form of a shirt or drawers composed of soft rubber shaped to the respective portion of the body of the wearer and adapted to envelop said portion, reinforces

at the places of the fastening of the garment, means for preventing contact of said reinforces with said body and means for adjustably closing said garment. 10

JEANNE WALTER.

Witnesses:

JOHN A. WIEDERSHEIM,
S. R. CARR.