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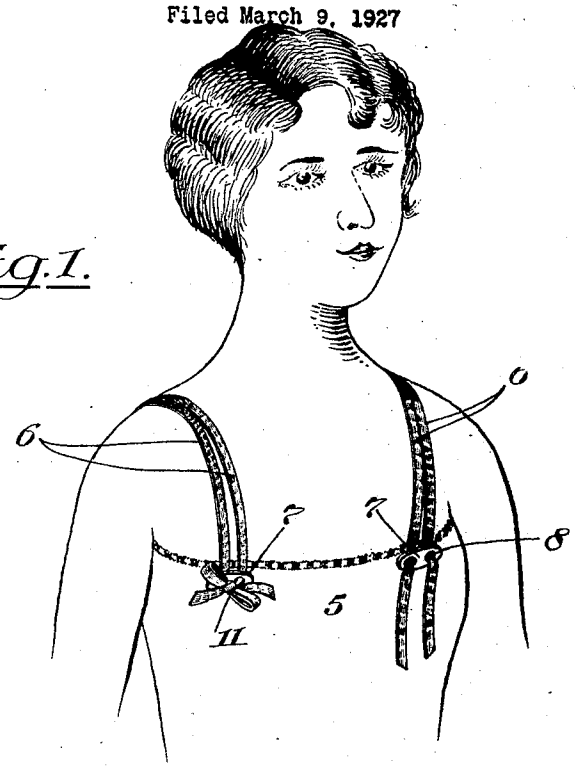


Fig. 2.

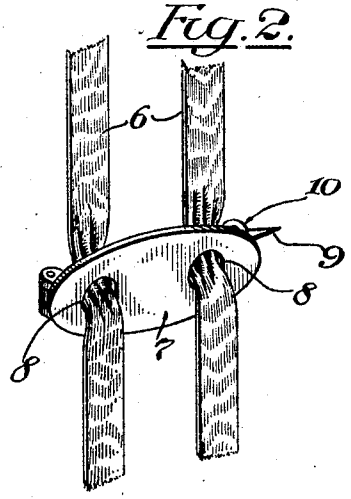
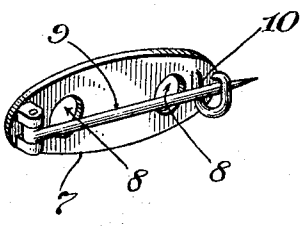


Fig. 3.



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The object of this invention is to provide a neat and simple device for use in connection with the shoulder ribbons of ladies' underwear, such as slips and brassières, for the purpose of reliably securing the free ends of the ribbons to the garment, which device is readily attachable to or detachable from the garment, as occasion may require, and which device when in use affords a convenient means whereby the shoulder ribbons can be nicely adjusted to any desired length and be retained in the adjusted position.

With this object in view my invention consists in the provision of a shoulder ribbon retainer embodying a rigid member having spaced-apart apertures therein and means for securing said member to the front of the garment in such a manner that the free ends of the shoulder ribbons can be passed through the respective apertures and readily manipulated to effect the desired longitudinal adjustment of the ribbons; whereupon said ends can be tied together in the form of a bow across the front of said member in order to maintain the ribbons in adjusted position and at the same time substantially cover and conceal the device, as will be hereinafter described and claimed.

In the drawings—

Figure 1 is a view of a pair of retainers embodying my invention, the same being represented as in actual use.

Fig. 2 is a front perspective view of a retainer, enlarged, showing the free ends of the shoulder ribbons extending therethrough.

Fig. 3 is a rear perspective view of the retainer.

Referring to the drawings, 5 designates the upper portion of an undergarment, such as a slip, having pairs of shoulder ribbons 6 attached at their rear ends to and extending from the back of the garment. The free ends of these ribbons are adjustably yet securely attached to the upper portion of the front of the garment, by means of a pair of counterpart retaining devices 7 of novel construction. Each of these devices comprises a rigid plate of any suitable form, as, for example, elliptical, having therein two spaced-apart apertures 8, preferably circular, in horizontal alignment with each other. Hinged on the back of the plate adjacent one end thereof is one end of a pin 9, and fast on said back adjacent the opposite end is a suitable catch or keeper 10 for the pointed end of the pin. By this safety-pin arrangement the device can be readily attached to or detached from the garment, at the will of the wearer.

The free ends of each pair of shoulder ribbons 6 are passed through the respective apertures 8 of the adjacent plate and the ribbons are then drawn therethrough to effect the requisite adjustment of the ribbons to meet the requirements of the wearer of the garment; whereupon the projecting ends of the two ribbons are brought together and tied across the front of the plate in a manner to secure the ribbons effectively in adjusted position. The ends of the ribbons are preferably tied in the form of a bow, as indicated at 11, which bow presents an attractive appearance and substantially covers and conceals the plate.

Changes in the form of the device may be made without departing from the spirit of the invention or the scope of the appended claim.

I claim—

The combination with an undergarment having paired shoulder ribbons secured to one side of the garment, of a shoulder ribbon retainer secured to the opposite side of the garment and consisting of a rigid member having spaced apart apertures therein and means for securing said member to the garment, the free ends of said ribbons extending adjustably through the respective apertures of the member and being tied together across the outer face of said member to maintain the ribbons in adjusted position.

Signed at New York, in the county of and State of New York, this 24th day of Feb., A. D. 1927.

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