

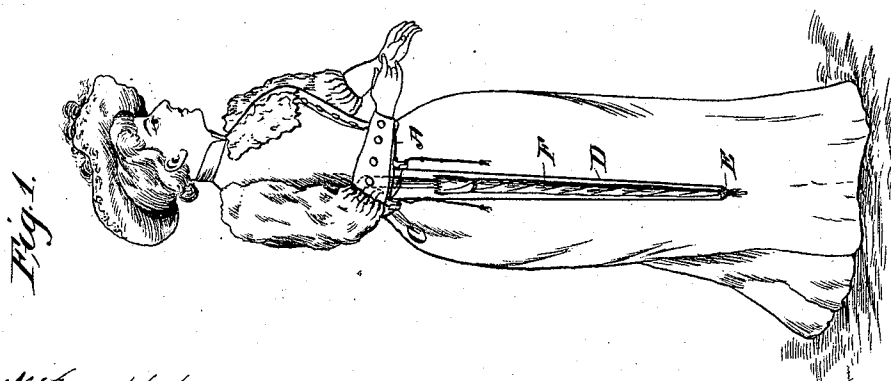
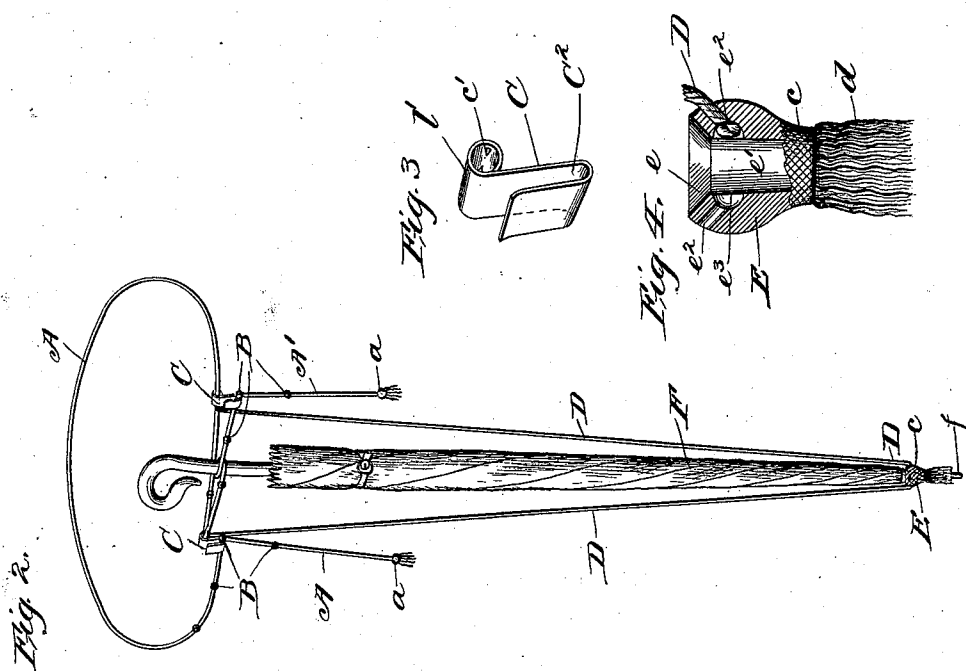
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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that we, LAURA E. STOCKDALE and GEORGE R. LAWRENCE, citizens of the United States, residing at Englewood, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Umbrella Suspenders and Carriers, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in devices which may be secured to the body of the person for suspending and carrying umbrellas and parasols; and it consists in certain peculiarities of the construction, novel arrangement, and operation of the same, as will be hereinafter more fully set forth and specifically claimed.

The objects of our invention are, first, to provide a simple, attractive, and inexpensive suspender or carrier for the above-named purpose which will suspend and carry the umbrella or parasol in an upright position by the side of the person, thus leaving the hands free to be employed for other purposes, and, second, such a device which when not in use may be quickly detached from the body or may be allowed to remain secured thereto without being cumbersome or detractive from the appearance of the dress.

In order to enable others skilled in the art to which our invention pertains to make and use the same, we will now proceed to describe it, referring to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a view of a woman with the suspender secured around her waist and the umbrella in position. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the suspender or carrier detached from the body of the person and with the umbrella in place. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of one of the securing hooks or clamps; and Fig. 4 is a view, partly in section, of the receiving-socket for the lower end of the umbrella.

Similar letters refer to like parts throughout the different views of the drawings.

A represents a waistband or belt, which may be made of any suitable material, but preferably of silken cord, and of proper dimensions to be adapted to waists of various sizes. Each end of the band or belt A may be provided with a tassel *a* or other desired ornament, and near each end of the same are

formed or provided a number of knots or enlargements B, which are designed to engage with the securing hooks or clamps C, and thus enable the wearer to adjust the belt to the waist, and also to easily secure the umbrella in position as well as to readily release it when desired.

At suitable points to the band or belt A is secured in any desired manner the suspender or cord D, which is preferably made of material similar to that composing the belt or band, and is provided at its lower portion with a socket-piece E for the reception and retention of the ferrule or lower end of the umbrella F, as is clearly seen in Fig. 2 of the drawings.

As shown in Fig. 4, the socket-piece E is formed with a flaring or funnel-shaped mouth *e* to facilitate the insertion of the ferrule *f* into the socket or opening *e'*, which extends vertically through the socket-piece, which piece may be covered with cloth *c* and provided at its lower extremity with fringe *d*, thus forming a tassel or attractive ornament for the lower part of the suspender D, and also serving by reason of its weight to keep the suspender D taut, which for this purpose has its upper ends secured to the waistband A a slight distance apart.

At and to the waistband or belt, and about the points where the upper ends of the suspender D are attached, are fastened the securing hooks or clamps C, which may be made of any suitable material, usually sheet metal, and preferably of the form shown in Fig. 3, with their upper portions bent so as to form cylinders C' when the waistbands used are cylindrical and of proper shape to conform to the form of the band when any other than cylindrical is employed. The inner surface of the portion C' of these hooks or clamps may be provided with teeth or projections *c'*, which will pierce the band A and prevent them slipping thereon. The material composing the hook or clamp is then bent downwardly for a distance and then back upon itself, thus forming the bifurcation or fork C<sup>2</sup> for the reception of the free portions of the cord or band A, one portion A' of which is designed to be wrapped around the staff of the umbrella, as is clearly shown, in order to hold it in an upright position.

As seen in Fig. 4, the socket-piece E has formed in its upper part two holes  $e^2$ , which are diametrically opposite each other, and unite with the opening  $e'$  and are enlarged at their inner portions, as at  $e^3$ , to receive the knots on the ends of the cord D, which are placed there to prevent them slipping through. While we have shown this manner of securing the socket-piece E to the cord D, yet we do not desire to be limited to such, as we may attach the cord to the socket or receptacle in any desired manner.

The operation of our device is simple and as follows: The waistband or cord A is placed around the waist so that the suspender D will depend to one side, and preferably over the hip of the wearer. It is then adjusted to the size of the waist by drawing the free end A through the bifurcation  $C^2$  of one of the hooks C, when the enlargements or nuts B thereon will prevent slipping. The suspender D will then hang vertically by the side, when the lower end of the umbrella may be inserted in the socket-piece E, and the free end A' may be twined around the umbrella-staff and secured in the other hook C and be prevented from slipping therein by reason of its enlargements. When it is desired to use the umbrella, it is only necessary to remove the free end A' of the waistband or cord from the hook C and untwine it from the staff, when the umbrella can be removed from its socket.

Having thus fully described our invention, what we claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. As an improved article of manufacture, an umbrella suspender or carrier consisting of a waistband having attached thereto the

securing-hooks C and suspender or cord D, having at its lower end a receptacle for the ferrule of the umbrella, substantially as described.

2. In an umbrella suspender or carrier, the combination of a waistband with the securing-hooks attached thereto, said hooks having a bifurcation  $C^2$  to receive and retain the free ends of the band or cord A, and the suspender D, having at its lower portion a receptacle or socket for the ferrule of the umbrella, substantially as described.

3. In an umbrella suspender or carrier, the combination of the waistband or cord A, provided with the knots or enlargements B, with the securing-hooks C, having the teeth  $c'$  and fork  $C^2$ , and the suspender D, having a receptacle or socket to receive and retain the ferrule of the umbrella, all constructed, arranged, and operating substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

4. In an umbrella suspender or carrier, the combination of the waistband or cord A, having its free ends provided with knots or enlargements B, with the securing-hooks C, having the cylinders  $C'$ , provided with teeth  $c'$  and the bifurcation  $C^2$  to receive and retain the free ends of the band or cord A, and the suspender D, having secured to its lower portion the socket-piece E, having the opening  $e'$ , provided with the flaring mouth  $e$ , substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

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