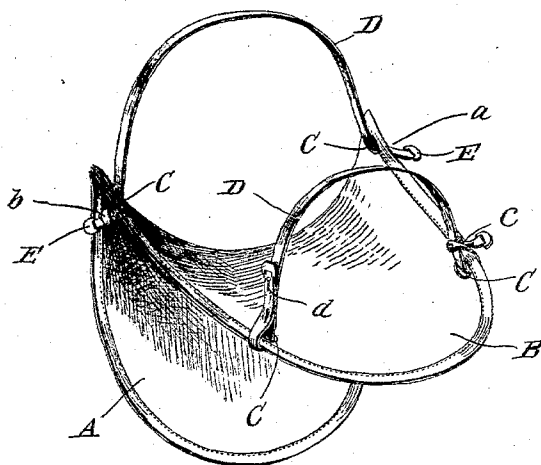


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DRESS-SHIELD.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, DAVID BASCH, a citizen of the United States, residing at New York city, in the county of New York, State of New York, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Dress-Shields, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawing.

This improvement relates to that class of dress-shields which are provided with means of securing the shield to the person of the wearer, and the object of the invention is to provide such shields with securing means that will be easy to the wearer and readily adjustable.

To these ends the invention consists in the peculiar construction hereinafter more particularly described, and then definitely claimed at the end hereof.

In the accompanying drawing the figure is a perspective view of a shield constructed according to my improvement.

Referring now to the details of the drawing by letters, A represents the body-flap and B the arm-flap of the shield, which may be of any approved form of material, but preferably of woven cloth made perspiration-proof by rubber or similar lining. At or near the junction (but preferably at the junction) of the two flaps, at each corner thereof, is set an eyelet C, and also at points near the edges of the arm-flap are set other eyelets, also marked C. Through these eyelets are passed elastic tapes or straps D, having on their ends metal clasps or bindings E, which latter are preferably made large enough to prevent the tapes being withdrawn through the eyelets. These straps are left loose at one end, as shown at a, and the adjustment as to length to suit the arm of the wearer may be made by tying a simple knot in the other end, as shown at b; or one end may be tied around the edge, as at c, and the other end passed through the eyelet and returned upon itself and then se-

cured by any known mode of fastening, such as a pin, (safety or otherwise,) for instance, as shown at d.

It is obvious that either of these modes of fastening or adjusting, or, in fact, any known mode of fastening or adjusting, may be used without departing from the spirit of my invention.

By the above improvements dress-shields may be used with comfort without being attached to the dress or to any garment. Should the elastic straps stretch or become weakened by use, they can be readily adjusted by any of the means described, or other known mode of adjustment, and thus the shields will always remain securely in place.

What I claim as new is—

1. As an improved article of manufacture, a dress-shield having eyelets at the junction of the body and arm flaps, and other eyelets near the edge of the arm-flap between the first-mentioned eyelets and the end of said arm-flap, and provided with elastic straps passing through said eyelets and having an end left free to permit of altering the normal acting length of each of such straps, substantially as described.

2. As an improved article of manufacture, a dress-shield having eyelets at the junction of the body and arm flaps, and other eyelets near the edge of the arm-flap between the first-mentioned eyelets and the end of said arm-flap, and provided with elastic straps each having one free end provided with a clasp and passing through said eyelets whereby their normal acting length may be changed, all substantially as shown and described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature, in the presence of two witnesses, this 7th day of January, 1896.

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