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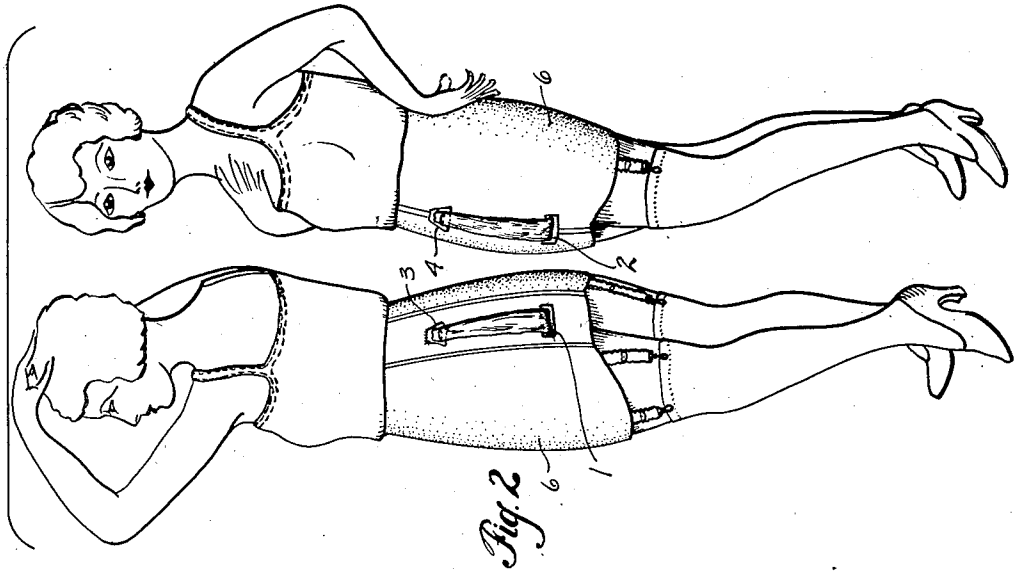


Fig. 2

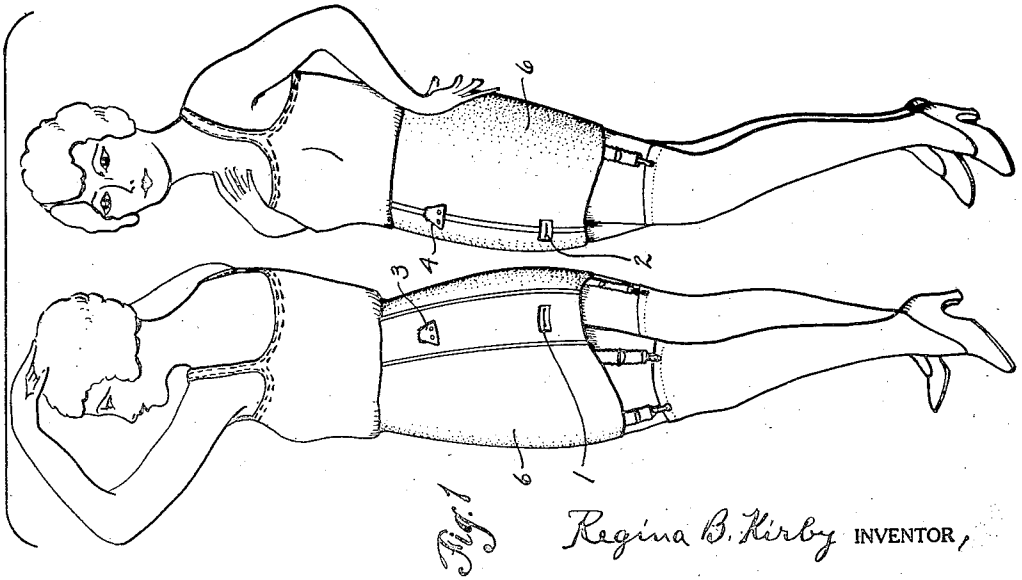


Fig. 1

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, REGINA B. KIRBY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Somerville, in the county of Somerset and State of New Jersey, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Corsets, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in corsets, particularly to what is commonly known as the non-lacing corset, and the objects of my improvement are to provide means whereby a sanitary napkin may be adjusted and secured to the corset or adjusted while wearing the corset.

I attain the objects of my invention by the devices illustrated in the accompanying drawings in which—

Fig. 1 shows a front and back view of one form of my invention; Fig. 2 shows a front and back view of Fig. 1 with sanitary napkin in place.

Similar numerals refer to similar parts throughout the several views.

The drawings show a non-lacing corset, 6, provided with longitudinal, or horizontal, slits, 1 and 2, and with flaps or tabs, 3 and 4. The slits are preferably substantially one and three-quarter inches long (or longer or shorter, as desired) and may be reinforced by button hole stitching or binding (satin or silk preferred). The tabs or flaps, 3 and 4, (preferably of satin or silk) are located substantially as shown in the drawings, are secured at their tops to the corset, and are preferably provided with two eyelet holes for securing the sanitary napkin to the tabs by safety pins or other suitable device.

It will be observed that the present invention preferably includes a non-lacing corset, and that, as the type of corset shown is worn well down over the hips, it results that that portion of the corset in the region of the slits tends to hold the contiguous portion of the bandage yieldably away from the body of the wearer.

It is well known that the non-lacing corset is a great improvement and is desirable for several reasons over those adjusted by lacings, and that the non-lacing corset allows a suppleness and freedom unattainable with laced corsets, but that with non-lacing corsets it is impossible to adjust or secure a sanitary napkin. The object of my invention is to provide, as a part of a corset, a simple and desirable means for adjusting and securing a sanitary napkin.

It will accordingly be seen that the horizontal slits in the resilient corset tend to hold the bandage yieldably at its edges in its original position in the region of the lower portion of the corset.

I claim:

A bandage support comprising a hip corset of elastic material and provided with a horizontal slit in the lower portion of the front and a horizontal slit in the lower portion of the back, flaps secured by their top ends to the outside upper portion of the front and back of said corset, said flaps being located above said slits and adapted to have the ends of a bandage secured thereto, said slits being adapted to have a bandage passed therethrough, and the resilient corset in the region of said horizontal slits tending to hold said bandage flat and maintain it yieldably in position.

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