This invention relates to riding breeches, one of the objects being to provide a garment of this type which can be adjusted to fit persons of different sizes, the adjustment being effected without causing the garment to bulge or form unsightly folds at the points of adjustment.

With the foregoing and other objects in view which will appear as the description proceeds, the invention resides in the combination and arrangement of parts and in the details of construction hereinafter described and claimed, it being understood that changes in the precise embodiment of the invention herein disclosed may be made within the scope of what is claimed without departing from the spirit of the invention.

In the accompanying drawings the preferred form of the invention has been shown.

In said drawings,

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the garment fitted to a wearer.

Figure 2 is an enlarged section through a portion of the garment taken on line 2—2, Figure 1.

Figure 3 is an enlarged section through the garment taken on line 3—3, Figure 1.

Figure 4 is a perspective view of the waist portion of the garment open.

Figure 5 is a perspective view of the lower portion of one of the legs of the gaiter portions of the garment, the same being shown partly unfastened.

Referring to the drawings by characters of reference 1 designates the body portion of the garment which, except at the waist and the lower portions of the legs, is made like the usual rider’s breeches. Each side of the waist portion 2 is provided with a placket 3 the back portion of which is provided with a longitudinal series of fasteners 4 preferably in the form of buttons. The front edge of each placket is curved forwardly and upwardly away from the back edge portion as shown at 5 and stitched to the back of this curved edge 5 is the curved upper edge of a pocket 7 the bottom portion of which extends below the placket. The back portion of the pocket is normally exposed above the curved edges 5 and 6 as shown at 8 and forms a lap in the free side portion of which is provided a series of buttonholes 9 for receiving the buttons 4.

Buttonholes 10 are formed in the garment adjacent to the upper portions of the curved edges 5 and 6 and fastened to the back portion 8 of the pocket are buttons 11 and 12.

When the garment is in use it can be fastened about the wearer by buttoning the free edge portion of the back 8 of the pocket to the buttons 4. Buttons 12 can be extended through the buttonholes 10. This arrangement of the parts has been shown in Figure 1. It will be seen that access to each pocket can be readily by inserting the hand downwardly back of the curved edge 5. Should it be desirable to make the garment smaller at the waist, the buttonholes 10 can be brought into engagement with the buttons 11. Obviously additional sets of buttons could be arranged to permit further adjustment at the waist.

Straps 13 can be extended from the rear edge portions of the plackets and can be suitably connected to give a belt effect as shown.

The gaiter portion 14 of the garment has an integral lap 15 extending longitudinally from the lower edge and this lap is adapted to overlie the adjacent portion of the garment. The lap has a longitudinal series of buttonholes 16 and these are adapted to receive either of two or more series of buttons 17 secured to the leg portion adjacent to the lap. Thus it will be seen that the leg or gaiter portion of the garment can be adjusted to persons of different sizes by using any one of the series of buttons as fastening means.

What is claimed is:

1. A garment of the class described having a placket in the waist portion thereof, a pocket secured within the waist portion, one side of the placket being cut away to expose the back upper portion of the pocket, means for detachably connecting the back portion of the pocket to the opposed side of the placket, and cooperating means in the front portion of the garment and upon the back portion of the pocket for adjusting the waist of the garment.
2. A garment of the class described having a placket in the waist portion thereof, a pocket secured to the back of the front portion of the garment, the front side of the placket being cut away to expose the back upper portion of the pocket, a detachable connection between the back portion of the pocket and the opposite side of the placket, and cooperating means carried by the back portion of the pocket and the front portion of the garment for adjusting the waist of the garment without closing the pocket, said means being adjustable across the upper end of the pocket.

3. A garment of the class described including a waist portion having a placket, a pocket secured to and extending below the waist portion, the back portion of the pocket being normally exposed between the edges of the placket, means for detachably connecting the back portion of the pocket to one edge of the placket to close the garment at the waist, and cooperating means carried by the back of the pocket and by the front portion of the waist for adjusting the waist portion of the garment by reducing the area of the exposed upper portion of the pocket.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own, I have hereto affixed my signature.

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