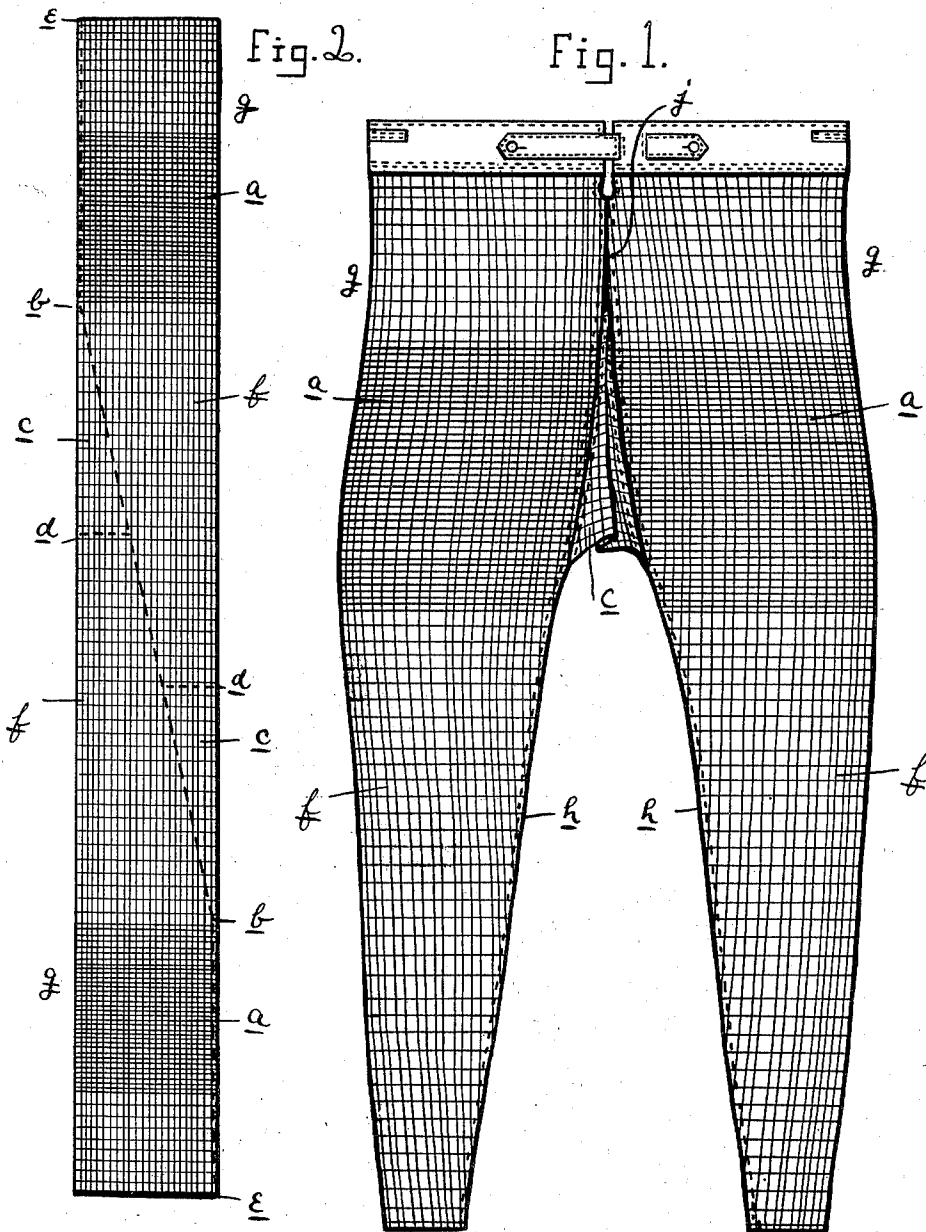


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE S. MARVILLE, of Riegelsville, in the county of Bucks and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Undergarments; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form part of this specification.

The object of my invention is to provide an undergarment of improved construction, whereby it is better adapted to withstand wear and is simple in construction and inexpensive to produce as compared with its merits.

Figure 1 shows a rear view of the garment of my improved construction. Fig. 2 shows on a reduced scale a section of tubular fabric from which the garment may be constructed, showing in dotted lines the cuts made to produce the several pieces.

The piece of tubular fabric shown in Fig. 2 has knitted in at intervals reinforced sections *a-a*, while the remainder of the tube is of the ordinary knit. The reinforced sections *a-a* may be produced by running in additional threads as the tube is knitted, or by introducing threads of larger quality and stronger material. To produce the pieces for the garment when the tube is collapsed and laid out flat, both folds are cut on the substantially straight line *b-b* extending diagonally across the tube and terminating at each end at the reinforced sections. Both gores *c-c* are then severed by cutting on

the line *d-d* through both folds of the fabric. The bodies are then slitted from *b* to *e*. This provides two main pieces, consisting of the leg portion *f* and the body portion *g*, including the reinforced section and two gore pieces *c-c*. These are then assembled in the form shown in Fig. 1, the inside of the leg being seamed as indicated at *h*, the gore pieces compiled and sewed in as shown in Fig. 1, and the body sections secured together in a rear seam as *j* in an obvious manner. This provides a garment having the reinforced sections of the fabric located at the points subjected to greatest wear, and utilizes the entire material of the tubular fabric without loss or waste in the production of the garment.

What I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

A bifurcated undergarment composed of knit fabric having integral reinforced sections and a portion of which fabric has been divided diagonally, the edges of said diagonally divided portion of the fabric being secured together to form the tubular leg portions of the garment, the waist and hip, or non-bifurcated portion of the garment, comprising tapering gores secured in place in the crotch part of the garment, and the reinforced sections of knitted fabric being disposed to form a reinforced zone which is mainly at the hip portion of the garment.

In witness whereof, I have affixed my signature, in presence of two witnesses, this 25th day of June 1908.

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