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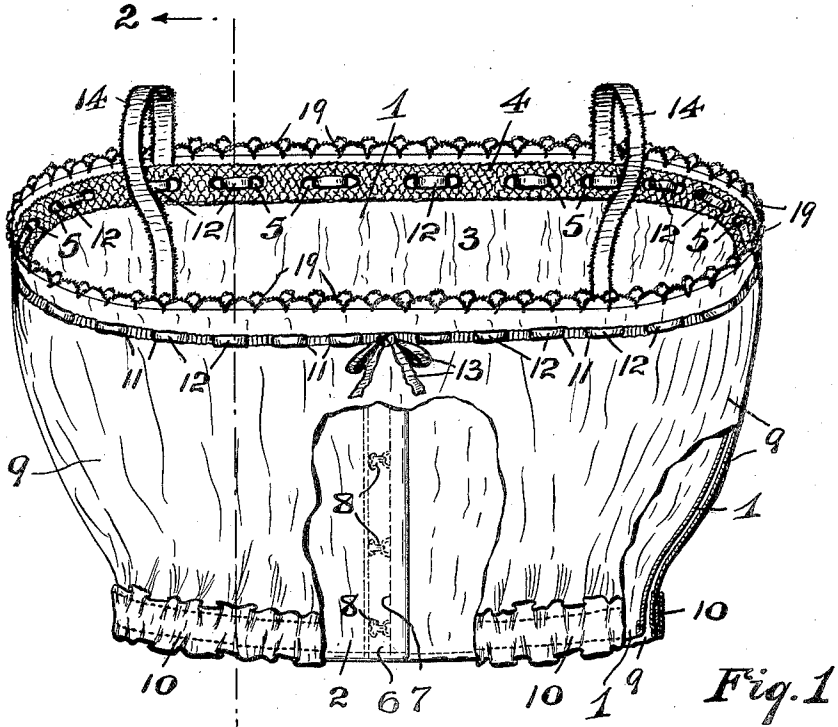


Fig. 1

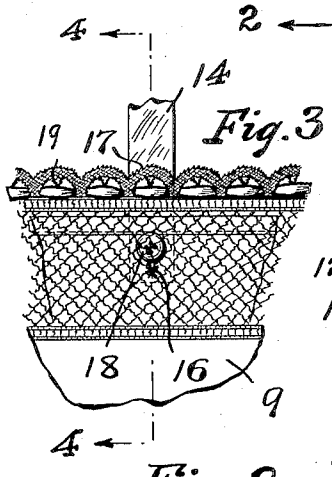
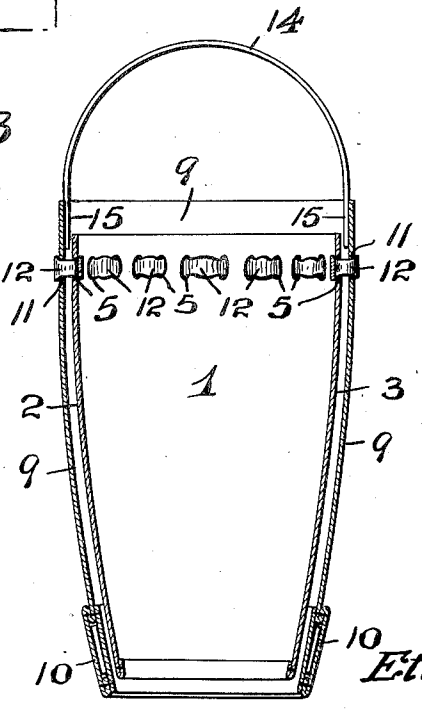


Fig. 3

Fig. 2



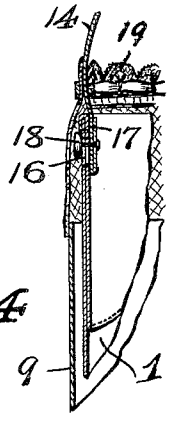


Fig. 4

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ETHEL GOTTLIEB, a citizen of Hungary, residing at Newark, in the county of Essex and State of New Jersey, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Combination-Garments; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as 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 characters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates, generally, to improvements in garments; and, the present invention has reference, more particularly, to a novel, neat and simply constructed garment in the form of a combined corset-cover or brassière and a camisole, with a view of providing a combination garment of the character hereinafter more fully set forth, in which but single shoulder-straps are employed, and in which the inner and outer garments are detachably or separably connected at or near their upper edge-portions, but are not connected with each other at any other point or points of the garment by sewing, shirring, or otherwise.

It is well-known, that the brassière, when worn, is more readily soiled than the camisole, and the latter being usually made of a more delicate fabric than the brassière, if soiled, requires washing with great care in cold water, while the soiled brassière being of a different texture requires washing in hot water. Furthermore, if both the brassière and the camisole were washed in the same water, without separating the inner garment from the outer garment, it is possible that the colors of the camisole might "run," and thereby discolor or stain the brassière. It will also be understood, that where the two garments are permanently secured at their tops or bottoms, that it is with the greatest difficulty and inconvenience that the combined garments can be properly and neatly ironed.

With the above-stated objections in view, the invention has for its principal object to provide a combination garment in the form of a brassière and camisole, said garments being made in most cases of different fabrics, and being arranged one within the other, with the camisole and brassière detachably or separably connected at a point or points at or near their upper marginal edges, so that the two garments can be easily and quickly separated or disconnected without the necessity of ripping lines of sewing or stitching.

The invention has for its further object to provide a combination garment of the general character herein set forth, in which but single shoulder straps are employed, thereby avoiding the use of brassière and camisole-straps disposed one upon the other, and preventing the annoying and unsightly disposition of the straps by one strap slipping from beneath the other strap.

Other objects of the present invention not at this time more particularly enumerated will be clearly understood from the following detailed description of the said invention.

With the various objects of the invention in view, the said invention consists, primarily in the novel combined brassière and camisole hereinafter more fully set forth; and, the present invention consists, furthermore, in the novel arrangements and combinations of the several parts, as well as in the details of the construction of the same, all of which will be fully described in detail in the following specification, and then finally embodied in the clauses of the claim which are appended to and which form an essential part of the said specification.

The invention is clearly illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which:—

Figure 1 represents a perspective view of the combined garment, certain portions of the garment being shown broken away, so as to illustrate, more particularly, the general construction of certain portions of the combination garment, and said view representing one manner of detachably or separably connecting the brassière and camisole, along their upper marginal edge-portions by means of a shirr-string, band or ribbon.

Fig. 2 is a transverse vertical section of the same, said section being taken on line 2—2 in said Fig. 1.

Fig. 3 is a detail face view of the fragmentary portions of a combined brassière and camisole; and Fig. 4 is a transverse vertical section of the same, said section being taken on line 4—4 in said Fig. 3, and said views illustrating a slightly modified construction of the principles of the present invention.

Similar characters of reference are em-

ployed in all of the said above described views, to indicate corresponding parts.

Referring now to Figs. 1 and 2 of the drawings, showing one embodiment of the principles of the present invention, the reference-character 1 indicates a brassière of any usual construction, comprising the front 2 and back 3, bounded at their upper edge-portions, by a marginal strip 4 of lace or other suitable fabric, provided with a plurality of suitably spaced openings, as 5. As shown in Fig. 1, the front 2 of the brassière may be provided with separating fronts, as 6 and 7, having suitably formed fasteners, as 8, for closing said fronts, but this is not essential, and the brassière may be made with other fronts.

The ornamental camisole of the garment is indicated by the reference-character 9, being made somewhat slightly larger than the brassière, so as to be adapted to be easily slipped over the latter, and that the lower and upper edge-portions of the camisole, will project slightly beyond the respective lower and upper edge-portions of the brassière, as will be seen from an inspection of said Fig. 1 of the drawings.

As is usual, the camisole is made of a more delicate and ornamental fabric than the brassière, being preferably, but not absolutely provided upon its upper edge with an edging 19 of lace, or the like, and its bottom edge being also preferably suitably ornamented with a shirring or edging as 10.

At or near its upper edge, the camisole is also provided with a plurality of openings 11 corresponding in number and location to the number and location of the openings 5 in the brassière, so that each opening 11 is in registration with an opening 5.

Threaded into and through the said registering openings alternately from front to rear and from rear to front of the two garments, that is the camisole and brassière, is a shirr-string 12, usually in the form of an ornamental band or ribbon, the free end-portions of which extend from the front of the combined garment, where they may be tied in the form of a bow 13, as represented in said Fig. 1. Thus, it will be seen, that the camisole and the brassière, by means of this band or ribbon 12, are detachably or separably connected in supporting relation with each other along their upper edges, without permanent stitching or sewing, the remaining parts of the camisole being disconnectedly disposed over the brassière, which usually is more or less snugly fitted over the corset, will hang in loose and graceful folds so as to produce a beautiful effect and without discomfort to the wearer.

To cause the combined brassière and camisole to be properly supported from the shoulders of the wearer, single shoulder-straps 14 are provided, said single straps being secured at their ends 15, usually to the inner surface-portions of the camisole at or near the upper edge-portions of the front and back of the camisole, substantially in a manner as represented in Fig. 2 of the drawings.

When wearing thin dresses, it is desirable that the camisole be made of a thin and fancy material, and that a brassière, especially with stout persons, be used of a stronger and an easily washable fabric and, by constructing and detachably or separably connecting the two garments together as here shown in the drawings, and as hereinabove described, the necessary support is provided by the brassière which is concealed completely within the dressy outer camisole, and still the two garments are connected in a manner that they can be easily and quickly separated by the novice, and separately laundried, so that the washing-effect of one garment will not have any deteriorating influence upon the other garment.

The separable connecting arrangement of the two garments at their upper edges also permits the use of single shoulder-straps, so that there is no slipping of an inner brassière-strap from under the camisole-strap which is so objectionable in combined brassières and camisoles when provided with double shoulder-straps as is ordinarily the case with combination garments of this character.

As shown in Figs. 3 and 4 of the drawings the detachable connecting and suspension band or strap 12 may be dispensed with, and in lieu thereof, the brassière may be provided at or near its upper edge with properly located button-holes 16, the shoulder-straps which are secured at their respective end-portions to the inner faces of the camisole being provided with extensions or tabs 17 to which are fastened suitable buttons, as 18, which may be disposed in the button-holes 16, substantially in the manner represented in said Figs. 3 and 4.

While in the foregoing specification I have described, and in the accompanying drawings, I have illustrated, two practical constructions embodying the principles of the present invention, I am fully aware that the general arrangements and combinations of the several devices and parts, as well as the details of the construction of the several parts, may be changed without departing from the scope of the present invention as set forth in the foregoing specification, and as defined in the clauses of the claims which are appended thereto. Hence, I do not limit my present invention to the exact arrangements and combinations of the several devices and parts as described in the said specification, nor do I confine myself to the

exact details of the construction of the said parts as illustrated in the accompanying drawings.

I claim:—

1. A combination garment comprising a camisole, having a brassière arranged therein and separably secured thereto at the upper marginal portion of said camisole, to permit separation of the camisole and brassière for laundrying the same separately.

2. A combination garment comprising a camisole, having a brassière arranged therein and separably secured thereto at the upper marginal portion of said camisole, to permit separation of the camisole and brassière for laundrying the same separately, combined with single shoulder-straps attached to the upper edge-portion of the combined garment.

3. A combination garment comprising a camisole and a brassière entirely concealed therein, said camisole and brassière being provided along their upper edge-portions with registering receiving openings, and a band or the like threaded into and through said registering openings for attaching the camisole to said brassière along said marginal edge-portions, said band or the like being removably disposed in said registering openings to permit separation of the camisole and brassière for laundrying the same separately.

4. A combination garment comprising a camisole and a brassière entirely concealed therein, said camisole and brassière being provided along their upper edge-portions with registering receiving openings, and a band or the like threaded into and through said registering openings for attaching the camisole to said brassière along said marginal edge-portions, said band or the like being removably disposed in said registering openings to permit separation of the camisole and brassière for laundrying the same separately, combined with single shoulder-straps attached to the upper edge-portion of the combined garment.

In testimony that I claim the invention set forth above I have hereunto set my hand this 26th day of February, 1920.

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