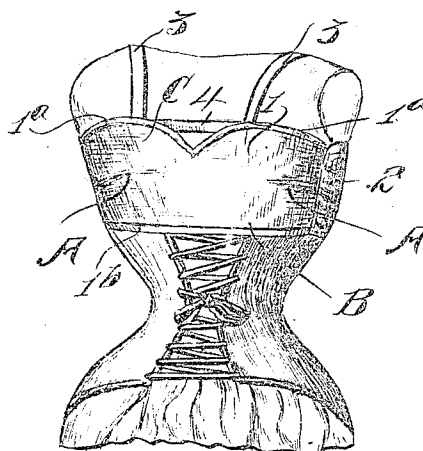
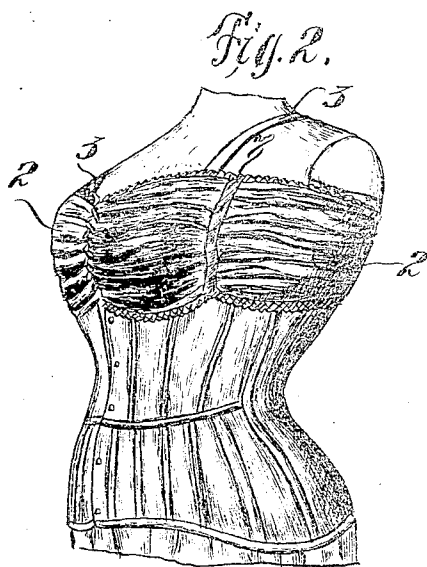
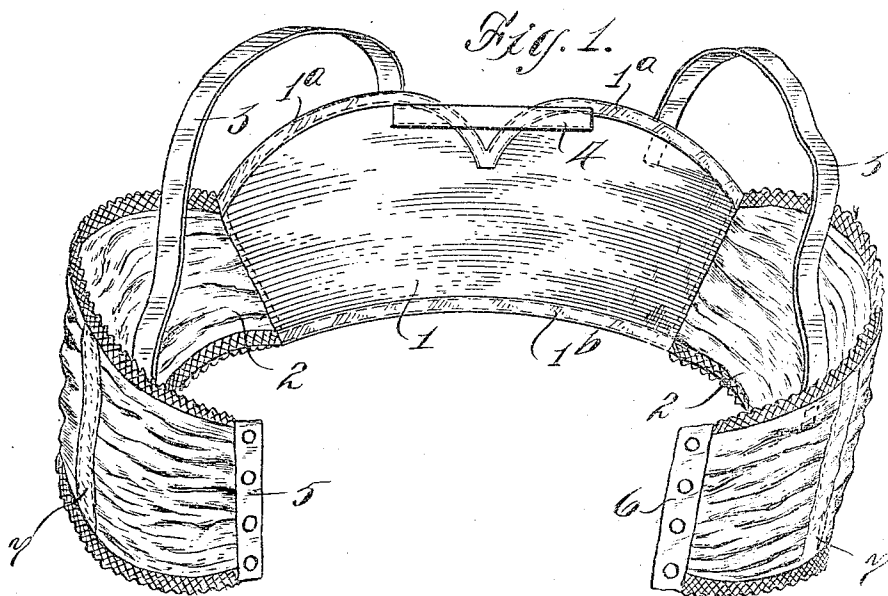


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To all whom it may concern:—

Be it known that I, SOPHIE MEYER, a resident of New York city, borough of Manhattan, county and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Back and Bust Supporters, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to an improved back and bust supporter adapted for use in connection with ordinary corsets, and has for its object to provide a device of this character which will be simple and inexpensive, and which will effectively perform the functions required in devices of this kind.

To these ends the invention comprises the novel features of improvement and details of construction, which will be hereinafter described, and finally set forth in the claims.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, wherein—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a back and bust supporter embodying my improvements. Fig. 2 is a perspective view thereof as seen from the front, and Fig. 3 is a perspective view thereof as seen from the rear.

Referring to the drawings, 1 indicates the flexible or yieldable back-supporter, the same being preferably made of elastic webbing. Attached thereto are bust-supporters 2 2, the same being made of any suitable fabric, but non-elastic as compared with the back-supporter. The top edge of the back-supporter is provided with a non-elastic binding 1^a, and the lower edge thereof is provided with a slightly-yielding binding 1^b. To the said supporters I attach shoulder-straps 3 3, it being obvious that the same aid materially in keeping the supporters in position.

One of the main objects of this invention is to prevent the flesh from protruding over the upper edge of the corset. The protrusion of the flesh over the top edge of the corset is an unavoidable occurrence, particularly with stout people, especially when the corset is tightly laced. My supporter when applied, as shown, tends to overcome this objection, and in order to assist in accomplishing this I attach to the top portion of the supporter 1 a strip or tape 4, the same being preferably non-yieldable. The object of the tape 4 is to assist in preventing the top portions of the

back-supporter 1 from yielding, and, as will be seen from Fig. 3, the top of the corset will be at about the position A. When the supporter as a whole is clasped to the body in proper position, either by lacing or clasps at the ends 5 and 6, the lower portion B of the back-supporter 1 is yieldable to a limited extent to permit of lung expansion, while the top portion C, being comparatively non-yielding by reason of the non-elastic binding 1^a and tape 4, will tend to force the flesh back and away from the edge of the corset. The bust-supporters 2 2 perform their usual function at the front. In order to assist the bust-supporters 2 in maintaining their shape and to aid them in their function, I provide the said supporters 2 2 with a flexible rib or stay 7, which I sew into them. The supporter also acts as a corset-cover and prevents the corset from showing through the outer garment.

Having now described my invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A back and bust supporter, comprising a back-supporter formed of an elastic strip, means for rendering said strip non-elastic at its upper edge, bust-supporters secured to said back-supporter and means for securing said supporter as a whole about the body.

2. A back and bust supporter, comprising a back-supporter formed of an elastic strip, a non-yieldable binding secured along the upper edge of the strip whereby same is rendered non-elastic at its top, bust-supporters secured to said back-supporter and means for securing said supporter as a whole about the body.

3. A back and bust supporter, comprising a back-supporter formed of an elastic strip having its upper portion formed of a pair of segments meeting centrally of the strip and provided along their edges with a non-yieldable binding whereby the upper portion of the elastic strip is rendered substantially non-yieldable, bust-supporters secured to said back-supporter and means for securing said support as a whole about the body.

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