

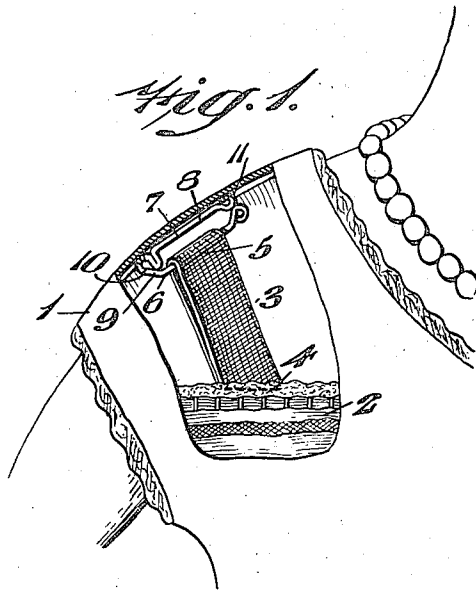
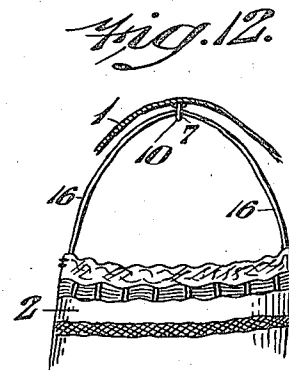
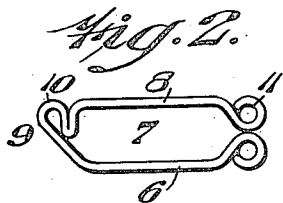
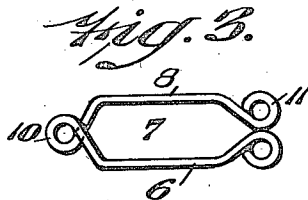
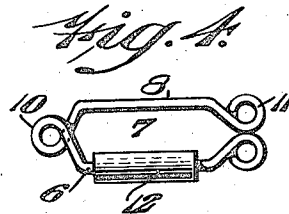
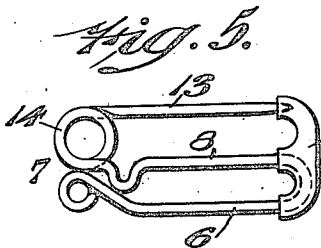
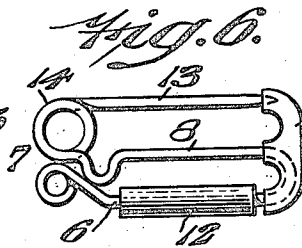
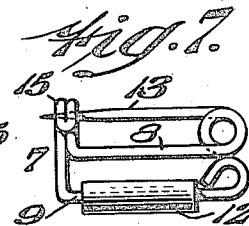
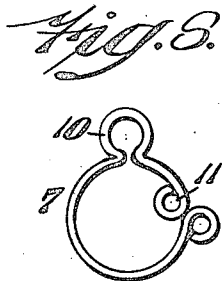
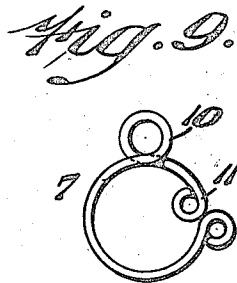
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE B. MERSHON, Jr., a citizen of the United States, residing in the city and county of Philadelphia, State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Supporter for an Inner Garment of Female Wear, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to a supporter for an undergarment of female wear, the same being attachable by a straplike member on the body of said outergarment to a device which is permanently secured to an outergarment whereby said inner garment is supported and said member prevented from slipping from the shoulder of the wearer.

It consists also in providing said device with means for causing the same to remain in proper alignment on the outergarment and so prevented from turning or twisting sideways thereon.

The invention is satisfactorily illustrated in the accompanying drawing, but the important instrumentalities thereof may be varied, and so it is to be understood that the invention is not limited to the specific details shown and described, as long as they are within the scope of the claims.

Figure 1 represents a front elevation of a garment supporter in position embodying my invention.

Figure 2 represents an elevation of the same detached.

Figures 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 and 11 represent elevations of modifications thereof.

Figure 12 represents a side elevation of another embodiment of the invention.

Similar numerals of reference indicate corresponding parts in the figures.

Referring to the drawings.

1 designates a portion of a lady's outergarment, and 2 designates a portion of a lady's innergarment such as an underbody. 3 designates a strap or band of suitable material which is of the form of a loop whose terminals 4 are stitched or otherwise secured to the front of the upper portion of the innergarment 2. The bend 5 of said loop is passed over the lower member 6 of the device 7 which is adapted to support the strap 3, said device being connected with the shoulder of the outer garment 1, and consisting of the cupped longitudinally extending bar 8, and a longitudinally extending bar comprising the member 6 as aforesaid, said bars being connected by the bend 9, thus imparting

resiliency to the two bars which may be separated at the ends opposite to said bend 9 whereby the bend of the strap 3 may be slipped over the bar 6 and supported thereon, and as the device 7 is connected with the shoulder of the outergarment the strap 3 is connected with the latter and so supports the innergarment from the shoulder of the outergarment and consequently from the shoulder of the wearer preventing said strap from slipping off of the shoulder of the wearer, it being evident that when the bars 6 and 8 are in closed position the bend of the strap is prevented from lateral displacement therefrom.

A device 7 and strap 3 will be applied to each side of the respective garments so as to uniformly sustain the right and left portions of the inner garment.

The device 7 is intended to be a permanent fixture of the outer garment for which purpose the bend 9 of the bars 6 and 8 is converted into the eye 10, while the end of the bar 8 opposite to said bend is formed with the eye 11. By these plurality of eyes both ends of the device may be stitched or otherwise secured to the outergarment at different places thereon, thus preventing the device from turning or twisting on said garment while, however, permitting the bar 6 to preserve its resiliency and open and close as above stated.

In Figures 3, 4, 10 and 11 the device 7 is similar to that shown in Figures 1 and 2 with slight modifications in the construction of the eyes and bends.

In Figure 4, the lower member or bar 6 of the device has thereon the friction roller 12 on which the bend portion 5 of the strap 3 is adapted to roll so as to ease the motion of said portion on said roller and cause the strap to conform to the movements of the body of the wearer.

Figures 5, 6 and 7 show devices each of which has an attaching pin 13 which is continuous of the eye 14, the latter providing resiliency for said pin. The point of the latter is adapted to engage the guard 15 for evident purposes. Owing to the pin 13 and the eye 14, the device is doubly attachable to the outergarment and so prevented from turning or twisting thereon. In Figures 6 and 7, the lower member or bar 6 has thereon a friction roller similar to that in Figure 4.

In Figures 8 and 9 the device is of circu-

lar form each having an eye 10 in the length thereof and an eye 11 on a terminal thereof and thus said terminals are adapted to be opened and closed.

5 In Figure 12 I show a single strap which is bent over the member 6 of the supporting device and its two lengths 16 extend therefrom respectively to the front and rear portions of the inner garment so that the latter
10 is supported at said portions and so prevented from dropping while said strap controlled by the device 7 remains on the shoulder of the wearer without liability of slipping from the same.

15 Having thus described my invention what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is:—

1. A lingerie clasp comprising a member of wire bent in the middle to form an eye
20 adapted to be sewn to an outer garment, the branches of said member being extended in parallelism and in spaced relation for a portion of their extent with their ends converged to abutting, tensioned relation, the
25 converging ends each being bent outwardly and inwardly to form eyes of which one is adapted to be sewn to an outer garment, said abutting ends being separable for lingerie strap insertion.

30 2. In a device for holding in place upon the shoulder of a wearer the strap of an undergarment, a member of wire bent in the middle to form an eye having branches

which are extended in parallelism and in spaced relation for a portion of their extent
35 with their ends converged to abutting tensioned relation the converging ends being bent outwardly and inwardly to form eyes, the first mentioned eye and one of the last mentioned eyes being adapted to be sewn to
40 an outer garment and said strap being insertible between said tensioned parts.

3. A supporter for an inner garment of female wear having thereon a supporting strap-like member extending therefrom to
45 the shoulder of an outer garment, an attaching device for said strap permanently affixed to said outer garment above said inner garment, said device having mounted on one of its constituents a roller on which said
50 strap-like member is adapted to play.

4. A lingerie clasp comprising a member of wire bent over upon itself intermediate its length and having branches extended therefrom in spaced relation for a portion
55 of their extent with their ends converged toward one another in resilient, abutting relation, at least one extremity of said abutting parts being bent outwardly and inwardly to form an eye, said abutting parts
60 being separable for lingerie strap insertion.

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