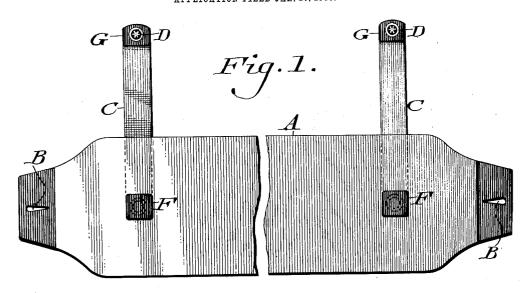
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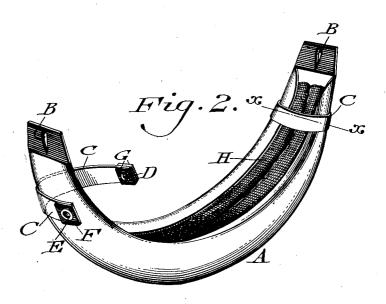


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, DAVID A. POWDER-MAKER, a citizen of the United States, residing in the city and county of Philadelphia, 5 State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Catamenial Sack, of which the following is a specification.

My invention consists of a catamenial sack composed of parts, as will be hereinafter

10 pointed out in the claims.

Figure 1 represents a plan view of a catamenial sack embodying my invention in normal condition. Fig. 2 represents a perspective view thereof in comparatively operative condition. Fig. 3 represents a transverse section on line x x, Fig. 2.

Similar letters of reference indicate corre-

sponding parts in the figures.

Referring to the drawings, A designates a band formed of a sheet of soft rubber, which may be readily folded into the form of a channel or sack, of light weight, is easy while worn, and so kept clean. At the ends of the band are buttonholes B, whereby the band 25 may be readily secured in position on the body of the wearer.

 ${\operatorname{CC}}$ designate transversely-extending straps each of which has one end connected with the under side of the band and has its other end 30 provided with a fastening member D of the order of a snap, it being noticed that the under side of the strap at its place of connection with the band has a fastening member E of the order of a snap the counterpart of the

35 fastening D.

In order to provide for the strong connection of the ends of the straps with the band, said ends and contiguous portion of the band have reinforcing-patches F connected therewith, the fastenings E being also secured thereto, so as to firmly retain their places. The outer ends of the straps have reinforcingpatches G connected therewith, the fastening members D being also attached to said 45 patches, thus strengthening said ends and firmly retaining said members D in position.

.When the band is in the condition Fig. 1, it is folded into channel or sack form, as shown in Fig. 2. A napkin, such as H or other suit-50 able absorbent material, preferably folded, is then placed in the sack and the straps are l

brought up around one side of the band over the napkin, then down around the other side and under the band, when the ends of each strap meet and the fastening members are 55 connected, thus preventing opening of the straps and retaining the napkin in position, it being noticed that the upper exposed portions of the straps are flat and smooth and the fastening members are on the under side 60 of the band, in which condition of parts the sack may be worn with ease and comfort and serves admirably for the purpose intended.

The straps may be disconnected, the napkin removed, and the band washed, the ad- 65 vantages of which are evident. The band may then resume an original flat shape and so occupy but small space, while, if desired, it may be conveniently rolled or otherwise made into a compact bundle. The straps C 70 may also be elastic, so as to be stretched taut, and so rest flat on the contiguous parts and hold tightly thereagainst while also assisting to prevent shifting of the napkin or absorbent material employed.

Having thus described my invention, what

I claim as new, and desire to secure by Let-

ters Patent, is-

1. A catamenial sack composed of a band of pliable material, a strap connected at its in- 80 ner end with said band and extending transversely therefrom, its outer end being free, a fastening member on one end of said strap and a counter fastening member on the other end thereof, said strap being adapted to pass 85 around said band and its ends meet at said fastening members.

2. A catamenial sack consisting of a band of pliable material, a transversely-extending strap adapted to be passed entirely around 90 said band, one end of said strap being secured to the under side of said band, a reinforcing-piece on the band at the place of connection of said end, a reinforcing-piece on the free end of said strap, and fastening members 95 connected respectively with the said band and opposite ends of said strap and the reinforcing-pieces on said parts.

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