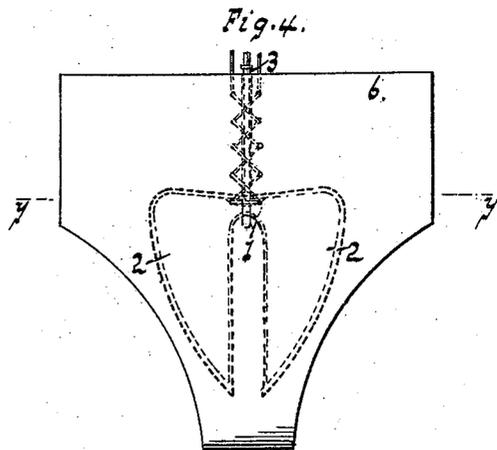
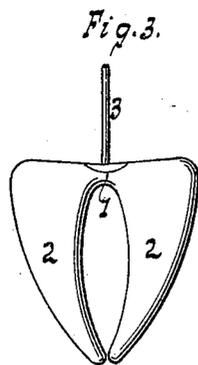
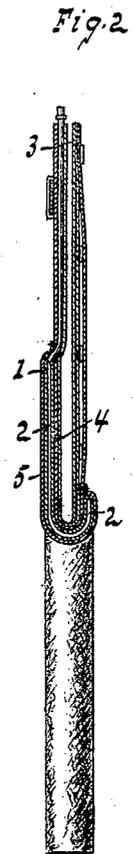
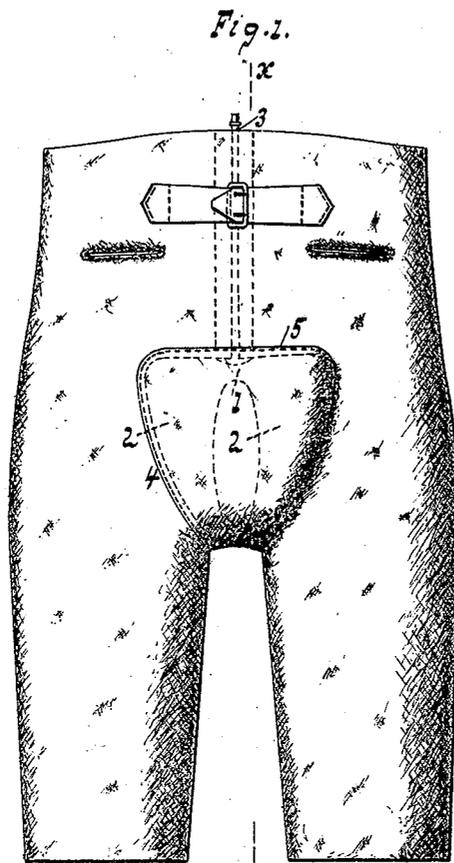


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## NETHER GARMENT.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, DAVID BASCH, a citizen of the United States, residing at New York, in the county and State of New York, have  
5 invented new and useful Improvements in Nether Garments, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to nether garments, as trousers or knickerbockers; and it has for  
10 its object to provide novel means for preventing the chafing, soreness, or irritation which is liable to occur, especially in such exercise or pursuits as riding a bicycle, a horse, or the like.

The invention consists in the features of construction hereinafter described and claimed, reference being had to the accompanying  
15 drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a rear elevation of a nether garment. Fig. 2 is a section along  $x x$ , Fig. 1.  
20 Fig. 3 is a detail view of a pad. Fig. 4 shows a modification. Fig. 5 is a section along  $y y$ , Fig. 4.

In the drawings is shown a nether garment having a pneumatic pad or seat. This  
25 pneumatic pad comprises the transverse portion 1 and the lateral portions or wings 2. A filling or access tube 3 enables the pad to be inflated or emptied, as desired.

The apparel—such, for example, as a pair  
30 of trousers or knickerbockers—has its seat portion 4 provided with a flap-piece 5 to form a pocket, the pad 1 2 being housed in this pocket. The tube 3, being secured along the  
35 rear of apparel and extending to the waist-band, can serve for the ready inflation or collapsing of the pad, and when the apparel is being worn this tube 3, extending along the rear, will not be in position to annoy or interfere  
40 with the wearer. The tube 3, as well known, should have a valve for closing the outlet when the pad is to be kept inflated.

The lateral portions 2 of the pad, extending  
45 about the crotch portion of the apparel, will keep the inner faces of the thighs from chafing against one another or against a saddle or other object.

If it should not be desired to apply the pad

to an outer garment, a supporter 6, Figs. 4  
and 5, in drawers or trunk form, can be pro-  
50 vided with the pad, and this supporter 6 can be put on before the outer apparel is put in place. Such a supporter 6 may be found useful with such a garment as a lady's skirt; but  
55 of course the supporter is not limited to use with a lady's skirt only. Neither is the application of the pad limited to use with trousers or knickerbockers, since it can be elsewhere applied—as, for example, in bloomers,  
60 jockeys' trousers, and other articles.

For jockeys, where at times for reducing the  
weight a light or thinly-padded saddle is employed, the improved wearing-apparel will be  
found very satisfactory, and it may even serve  
65 for comfortable riding without a saddle, or bareback, as also with light or thinly padded saddles, which are preferred in warm weather for relieving the rider as well as the mount.

The tube 3, while shown extended along the  
70 back, can, if found convenient, be extended along to any other desired point, as at the side, the front, or the crotch, or in some cases—as, for example, in permanent inflation—the tube can be omitted altogether and a valve  
75 applied directly to the pad.

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

1. A nether garment, provided at its seat  
portion with a pneumatic pad comprising a  
transverse portion and two lateral depending  
80 wing-portions, all constructed to fit the crotch-portion of the garment, substantially as described.

2. A nether garment, provided at its seat  
portion with a flap to form a pocket and a  
85 pneumatic pad comprising a transverse portion and two lateral depending wing portions contained in said pocket, substantially as described and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set  
90 my hand in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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