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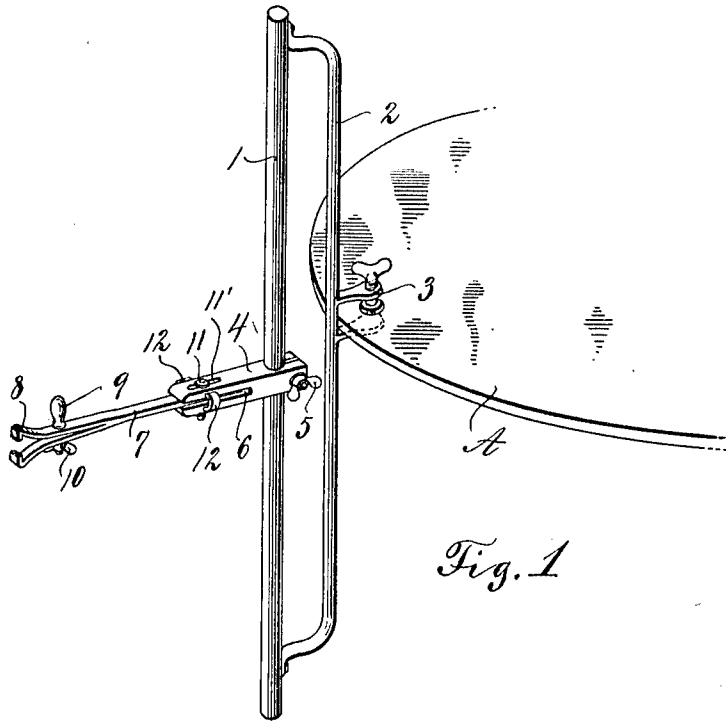


Fig. 1

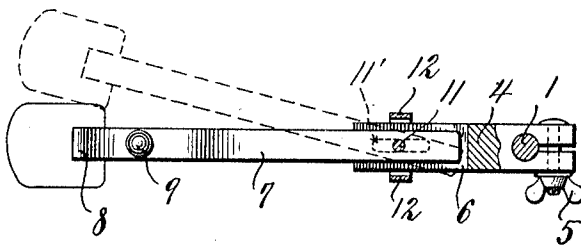


Fig. 2

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SYBELLA K. WILSON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Ladysmith, in the county of Rusk and State of Wisconsin, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Skirt-Gages, of which the following is a specification.

The present invention consists of a very simple device, particularly for ladies' use in dress-making operations for facilitating proper gaging of the length of skirts. Primarily speaking, the invention comprises a support carrying the adjustable arm, and upon the arm is mounted a movable marker so arranged that it may be readily operated by the person trying on a skirt without the assistance of a helper.

For a full understanding of the present invention, reference is to be had to the following description and to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view showing a skirt gage in position for actual use, and embodying the invention; Fig. 2 is a horizontal sectional view through the device, bringing out more clearly the form of certain parts.

Throughout the following detail description and on the several figures of the drawings, similar parts are referred to by like reference characters.

Describing the invention specifically, and referring to the drawings, 1 denotes a vertical guide member, to a side of which is secured a vertical elongated bracket 2, having the clamp 3 by which it may be securely attached to a table A, or any analogous support. The guide 1 has mounted thereon a vertically movable arm 4, having a vertical aperture through which the member 1 passes, the end of the arm adjacent to said aperture being slotted to provide spring elements secured together by means of a suitable fastening 5, the latter being adapted to be tightened or loosened so as to hold the arm 4 at a predetermined adjustment, or prompt movement thereof on the guide 1, respectively, as found desirable in the use of the device.

The outer or free end portion of the arm 4 has a horizontal slot 6 receiving therein the inner end portion of a movable marker

7, a pivotal fastening 11 passing vertically through the slotted portion 6 of the arm to connect the parts 4 and 7.

At its outer end the marker 7 is bifurcated to form spaced spring members 8 which directly engage and hold the marking chalk. The clamping action of the members 8 against the chalk is obtained by means of a bolt 9 and thumb nut 10 screwed on its larger end. The head of the bolt 9 is enlarged to provide a knob adapted to be grasped by the operator in order to move the marker 7 back and forth in making a mark on the skirt at the proper point according to the adjustment of the arm 4.

Spanning the slot 6 of the arm 4 at opposite sides thereof are the U-shaped stops 12 which limit the lateral movement of the marker 7 in a horizontal plane.

The present invention is an exceedingly simple device which may be cheaply produced and placed on the market so as to be within the means of the ordinary dress-maker or woman having use for the invention in sewing operations.

The arm 4 has a vertical slot 11 through which the pivot 11 passes, whereby movement of the member 7, longitudinally of the arm 4, in manipulating the marker, is permitted.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new is:

In a skirt gage, the combination of a vertical guide, an arm adjustably secured at one end to said guide, and having its outer end provided with a horizontal slot, a marker having an end received in said slot, a pivotal connection between the marker and the arm, U-shaped stops spanning the slot of the arm at opposite sides thereof and adapted to engage the marker, and limit its movement in a horizontal plane, and spring members at the outer end of the marker for holding chalk, and means for drawing said spring members together comprising a knob to be grasped in order to actuate the marker.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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