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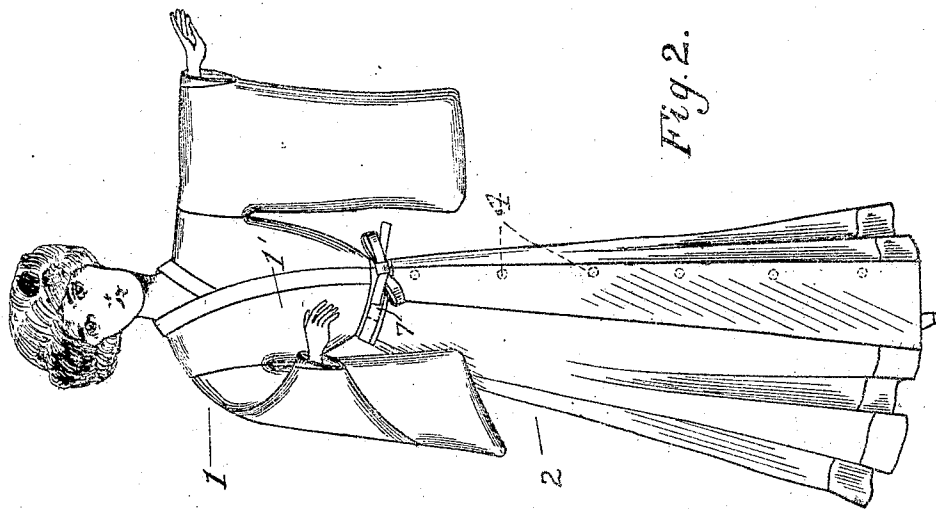


Fig. 2.

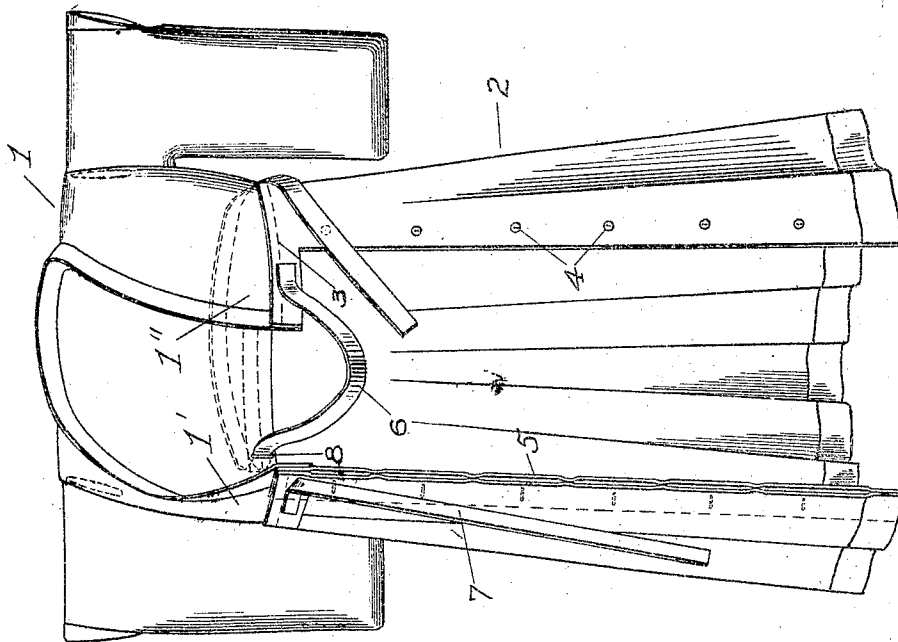


Fig. 1.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, RYUJI SATO, a subject of the Emperor of Japan, and a resident of the city of Seattle, in the county of King and State of Washington, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Garments, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to wearing apparel, and has for its object the provision of an outer garment consisting of waist and skirt sections so united and combined that while insuring comfort and security to the wearer, it presents a neat appearance.

The invention relates essentially to the combination of a waist section of a loose or negligée character, with a skirt section of the common "walking skirt" type, the two sections being connected at the waist and so constructed that the garment can be put on as an ordinary house gown, kimono, or the like, and then be fastened by means of improved construction and arrangement, thereby providing a garment, which while primarily adapted as a substitute for ordinary house gowns, can be worn equally well on the street.

With these objects in view, my invention resides in the features of construction and arrangements of parts, all as hereinafter fully described and particularly pointed out in the appended claim.

Referring to the accompanying drawing, wherein like numerals of reference indicate like parts throughout: Figure 1 is a perspective of a garment embodying the features of my invention, and Fig. 2 illustrates the same as in use.

Referring to the drawing by numerals of reference, 1 indicates a negligée waist section which is illustrated as being of the kimono type, and 2 a skirt section, these sections being secured together at the waist line, as by being sewed, as indicated at 3, and each being open for its entire length at the front to facilitate the positioning and removal thereof, as will be readily understood. For holding skirt section 2 closed,

I provide a vertical row of buttons 4 on one free vertical edge portion, the same cooperating with the button hole flap 5 and being arranged to the side of the front thereof, so that the top button will be positioned for also holding the outer or overlapping closure portion 1' of section 1 in proper position.

Reference numerals 6 and 7 indicate tie cords, the former being secured to the inner or overlapped part 1'' of section 1 and passing through an opening 8 in the rear portion of the garment and thence around to the front where it is made fast with cord 7, as shown, after the latter has been passed around the waist in the reverse direction to form a belt. By this arrangement of cord 6, the overlapped part 1'' is held in close fitting relation to the body.

A garment constructed as described, used as a house gown affords the desired degree of comfort, and yet is of such appearance and construction that it can be worn out of doors without the addition of other or covering garments, as contradistinguished from the use of ordinary loose house gowns, this being particularly true of kimonos which, as worn out of doors by the Japanese, are covered by skirts of ordinary construction.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States of America, is:

A garment comprising a negligée waist section closed at the front by portions thereof arranged in overlapping relation and provided in its rear portion with an opening, a tie cord secured to the inner of said portions and normally extending through the opening of said waist section and thence around to the front, a second cord secured to the front portion of said waist section and normally extending around the same in the reverse direction to said first cord and secured to the free end portion of said first cord, a skirt section secured to said waist section, said skirt section being open at the

front and having one free vertical edge portion secured to the outer of the overlapping front portions of said waist section and extending to the free vertical edge thereof, the inner of said overlapping front portions of said waist section extending beyond the other free vertical edge portions of said skirt section, and securing means engaged

with the said free vertical edge portions of said skirt section.

Signed at Seattle, Washington this 20th day of January 1910.

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