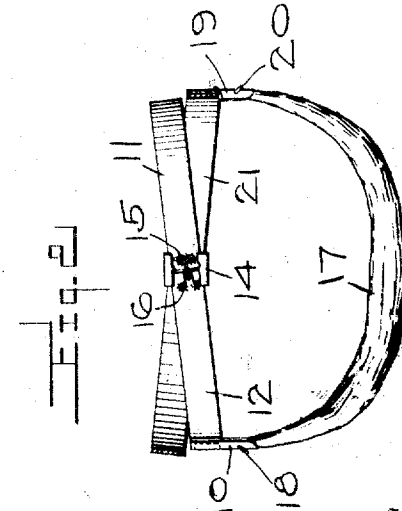
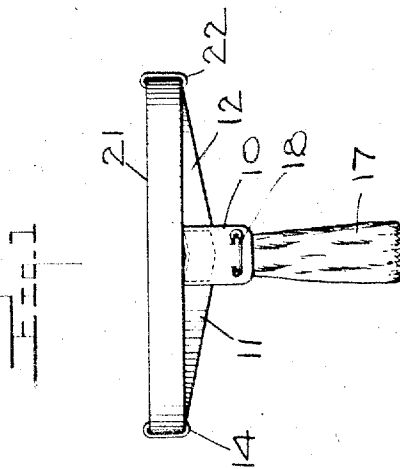
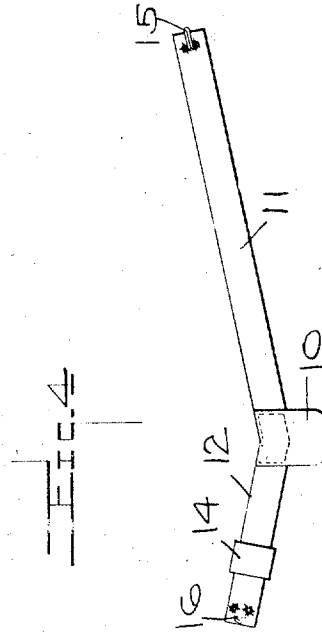
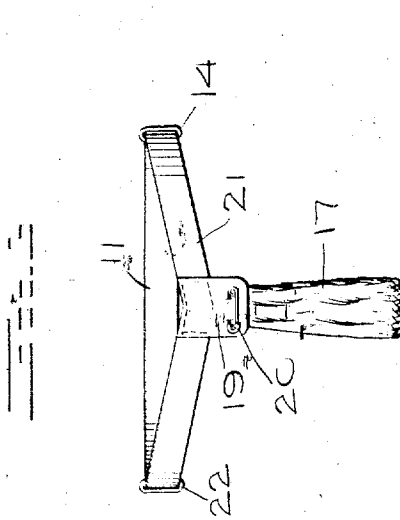


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MABEL E. WILLIAMS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Fresno, in the county of Fresno and State of California, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Supporting-Belts, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to supporters especially adapted to encircle the waist and support a catamenial sack.

An object is to produce a resilient belt of this character that will combine with the resiliency of the sack in effecting the proper support for the same as well as the comfort of the wearer.

A further object is to combine simplicity and durability in the structure without sacrificing any advantages of the invention.

Other objects and advantages will be apparent from the following description, and it will be understood that changes in the specific structure shown and described may be made within the scope of the claims and that any suitable materials may be used without departing from the spirit of the invention.

In the drawings forming a portion of this specification, and in which like numerals of reference indicate similar parts in the several views, Figure 1 is a front elevation of the supporter showing the sack attached, Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the supporter showing a fastening means therefor and the outer belt shown in section, Fig. 3 is a rear elevation of the belt and sack, Fig. 4 is a view of one of the belts as opened out in flattened position.

Referring now more particularly to the drawings, 10 designates a tab preferably formed in the shape of a shield although the shape of the tab 10 does not materially alter the construction of the belt. To the back of the tab 10 are secured two laterally extending and oppositely disposed strips 11 and 12 which incline upwardly and which form the belt. The tab 10 is preferably formed of linen, duck, or a like strong material which will admit of the attaching of the catamenial sack. The strips 11 and 12

are preferably made of elastic material. The strip 12 extends from the front to the side only and carries upon its end an eye 16 fastening the belt. The strip 11 extends from the front backwardly encircling the waist and has a hook 15 carried thereby engaging the eye 16 carried by the strip 12. The strip 11 can be made of any desired length for the adjustment of the belts to waists of various dimensions. A sleeve 14 is carried upon the strip 12 for the reception of the disengaged end to the strip 11 when the same is drawn taut and clasped in the buckle 13. When the hook 15 and the eye 16 are brought into engagement with each other the sleeve 14 is then drawn over the meeting edges of the two strips 11 and 12. The sack 17 is secured to the tab 10 by means of the pin 18 which is of the usual safety type, and is inserted in the tab 10 and secured thereto in the ordinary manner. The tab 10 is supported at the front of the waist to carry the front end of the catamenial sack 17 and a second tab 19 carrying a pin 20 is employed to support the rear end of the sack 17. The tab 19 is secured in position by a second belt 21 which is placed about the strips 11 and 12 and through the sleeve 14, which is provided with a sleeve 22 through which the strip 11 is passed. These sleeves 14 and 22 serve to keep the belts in proper position while in operation. The belt 21 is secured by the above described fastening means.

In application of the belt, the ends of the strips 11 and 12 which carry the hook 15 and the eye 16 are brought together and clasped. The sleeve 14 is then slipped along the strips until it covers the clasped ends of the strips 11 and 12, the hooks 15 and the eye 16 securing the same. The second belt 21 is then secured about the waist over the strips 11 and 12 and fastened thereon. The sleeves 14 and 22 are then adjusted to their proper positions and the sack 17 is secured to the tabs 10 and 19 by means of the pins 18 and 20.

What is claimed is:

1. A catamenial sack supporter comprising two belts, tabs on said belts, said tabs

on said belts being adapted to be oppositely disposed, sleeves about said belts for holding the same in position, and fasteners for said belts.

- 5 2. A catamenial sack comprising two belts adapted to be oppositely disposed, tabs on said belts, pins on said tabs for supporting said sack, fasteners on said belts, and sleeves

on said belts for engagement over said fasteners.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature, 10
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