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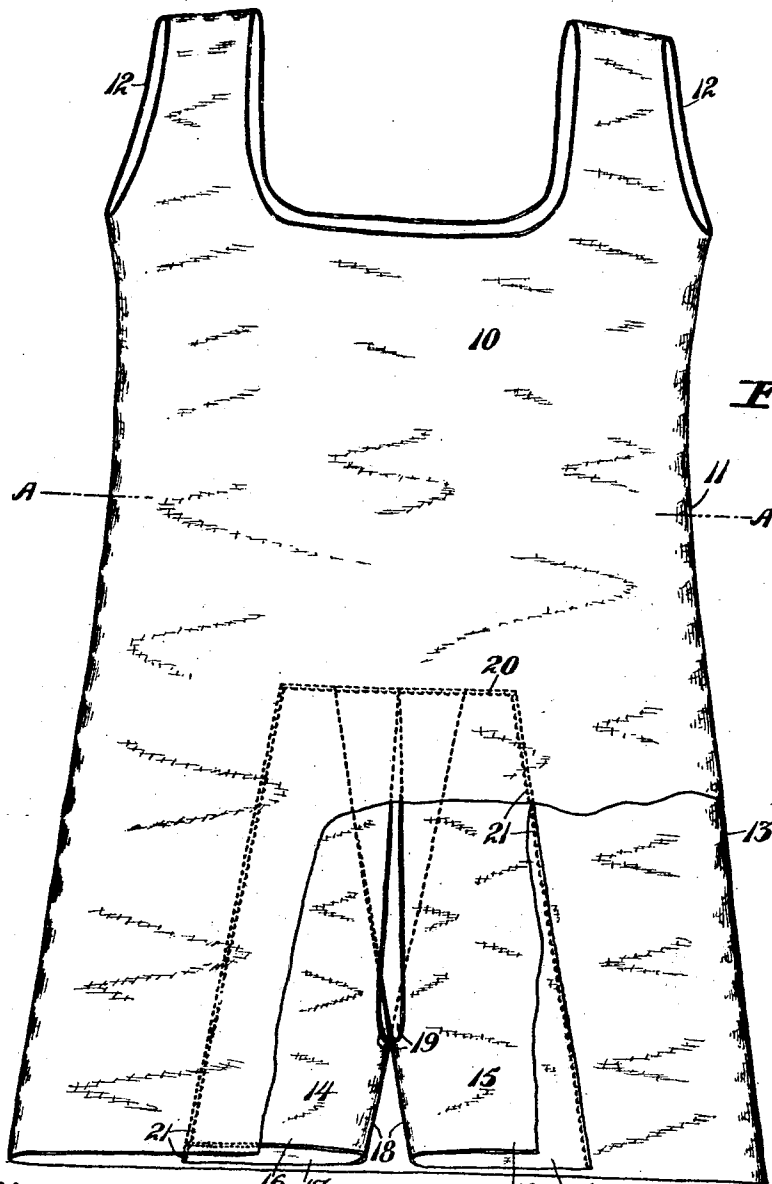


Fig. 1.

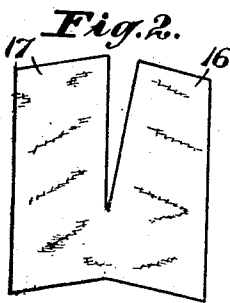


Fig. 2.

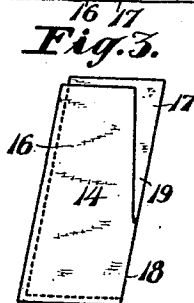


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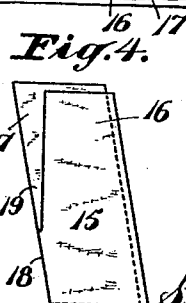


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, UINTAH RUPLE BOYD, a citizen of the United States, residing in the city and county of San Francisco and State of California, have invented new and useful Improvements in Ladies' Undergarments, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to an article of wearing apparel, and particularly pertains to a union garment for ladies and misses.

At the present time, it is quite desirable to provide an undergarment which does not possess seams and unsightly folds which would tend to show through the outer garment and have an objectionable appearance. It is desirable, therefore, to combine the function of a chemise and a pair of drawers in providing such a garment and it is the object of the present invention to provide an undergarment which will perform the service of the regular chemise and at the same time will be formed with sufficient leg inclosures to keep the body of the wearer warm without allowing objectionable folds of material to occur around the waist and over the hips of the wearer.

The present invention contemplates the use of a chemise which consists of a one-piece waist and skirt fitted with inner members adapted to combine with the lower portion of the chemise skirt to form leg enveloping members and thus accomplish the function performed by an ordinary pair of drawers without causing any folds or seams to occur along the outside of the chemise or to protrude from beneath the chemise, waist or skirt.

The invention is illustrated by way of example in the accompanying drawings, in which:—

Figure 1 is a view in front elevation showing the undergarment with which the present invention is concerned and having parts broken away to more clearly disclose the formation of the drawer members.

Fig. 2 is a view showing the formation of one of the drawer members before it is folded.

Figs. 3 and 4 are views showing the right and left hand drawer members as folded.

Referring more particularly to the drawings, 10 indicates a chemise; this garment is formed as usual with a waist portion 11 having shoulder straps 12. The waist portion is continued downwardly to form a skirt portion 13. It will be understood that the

neck and arm holes of the waist may be trimmed if desired and, if required, drawstrings may be threaded around the marginal edges of the neck and arms. Sewed within the skirt portion 13 of the garment are drawer pieces 14 and 15. Attention is particularly directed to the fact that these members do not form a complete drawer leg but combine with the skirt portion to form a leg enveloping member which begins along a line considerably below the waist line of the chemise and terminates with the lower marginal edge of the skirt. As more clearly shown in Figs. 2 to 4 inclusive, the drawer members are made of a single piece of material, having a front panel 16 and a rear panel 17. These panels are separated as shown in Fig. 2 and when folded over will make a closed seam 18 along the inner side of the leg while forming an opened crotch portion 19 extending from the top of the closed portion to the point at which the drawer member is fastened to the skirt. It is preferable that the rear panels 17 of the drawer members are of wider width at their top than the front panels and will thus overlap each other as shown in Fig. 1. The front panels are so placed as to cause their marginal edges to meet and thus provide an open crotch at the front of the garment and beneath the front portion of the chemise skirt. The sides of the drawer members are parallel to each other and are substantially parallel to the folded seam 18 and to the side of the skirt 13, thus making a complete drawer leg by combining the outer enveloping portion of the skirt with the inner enveloping portion of the drawer members. It will be evident that with this construction the outside of the waist and skirt will be free from undergarments which would bulge and present an unsightly appearance. This is, especially true, in view of the fact that the waist line of the garment is, as indicated at A—A in Fig. 1, and the upper seam 20 is along a line considerably below this waist line, while the front and rear seams 21 are spaced quite a distance from the sides of the garment and thus make only one thickness of material around the waist of the wearer over the hips and down the sides of the legs, while this is true for the outer portion of the legs and drawer members 14 and 15 provide desirable protection for the inner portion of the legs and counteract the effect of cold thereon.

It will thus be seen that in the present invention is provided a suitable chemise of common construction and appearance embodying protecting members in the form of
5 drawer portions enveloping the inner side of the legs and cooperating with the lower part of the skirt to form drawer legs without adding additional thicknesses of material around the waist and hips.

10 While I have shown the preferred form of my invention, as now known to me, it will be understood that various changes in the combination, construction and arrangements of parts may be made by those skilled in the
15 art without departing from the spirit of the invention, as claimed.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:—

20 1. A union garment comprising a chemise, separate drawer members formed of two folds, the rear fold being stitched to the back of the chemise along a line considerably below the waist line of the garment and the
25 front folds being stitched to the front of the chemise along a similar line, the outer vertical edges of the members being stitched to the front and back of the chemise to combine with the skirt thereof to form leg en-

veloping portions while the inner vertical 30 edges remain free to provide a crotch opening.

2. A union garment comprising a chemise having a waist and skirt formed of a continuous piece of material and drawer mem- 35 bers consisting of separate pieces of material providing front and back panels folded so that a closed seam will be formed along their inner edges and near the bottoms thereof and a crotch portion formed as 40 a continuation thereof and furthermore, being stitched along their upper edges to the front and back of the skirt portion of the chemise at a point considerably below the waist line of the garment and stitched to the 45 front and back of the skirt portion along their vertical edges at points intermediate the outer edges of the skirt and the folds of the drawer legs whereby the skirt and drawer portions will combine to form leg 50 enveloping members having an open crotch.

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

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