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Fig. 1.

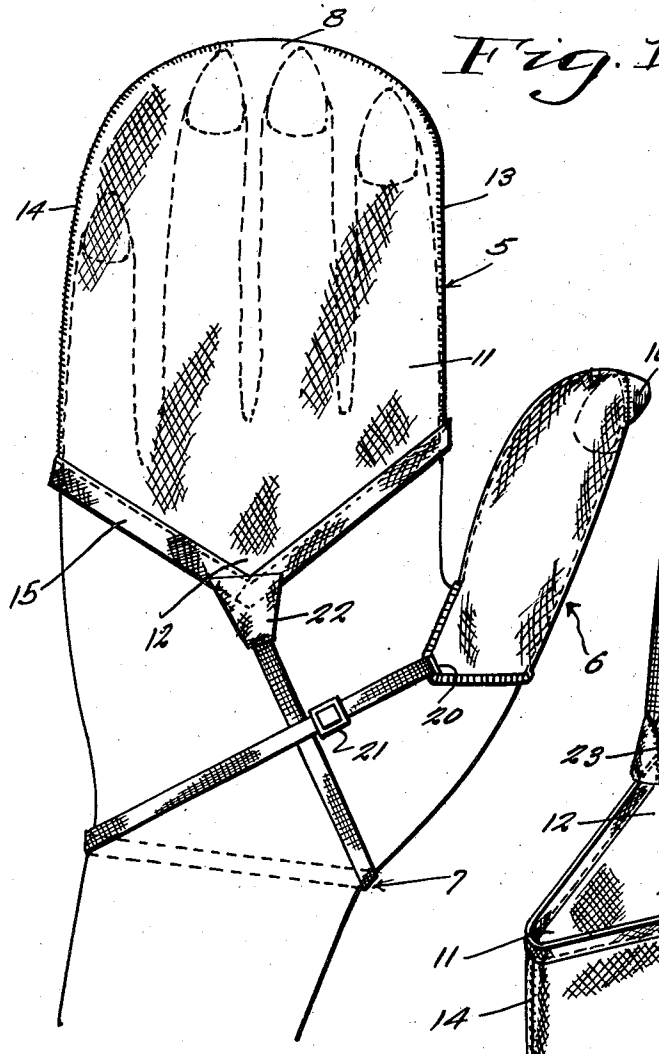


Fig. 2.

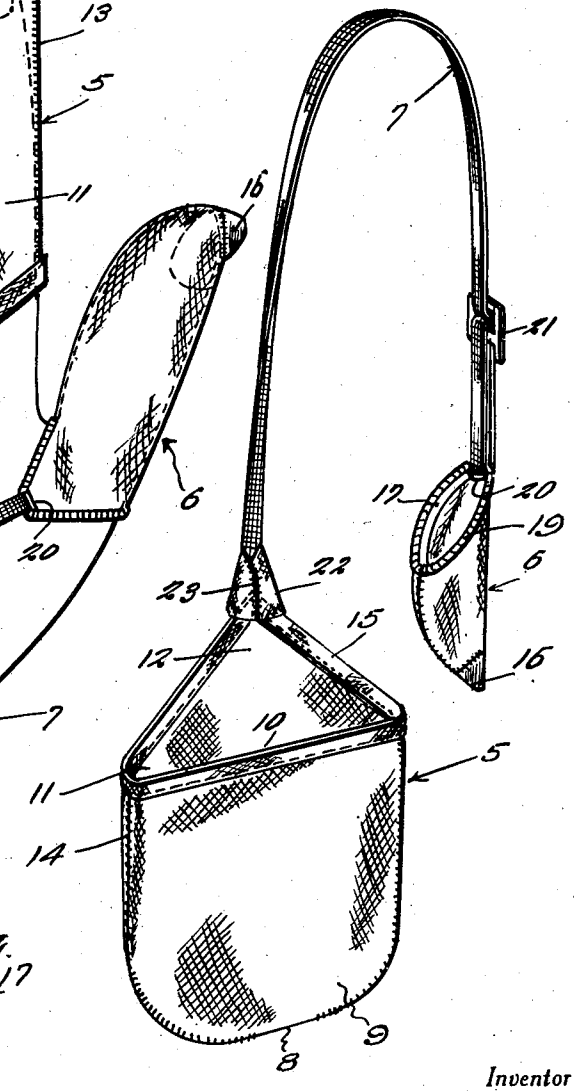


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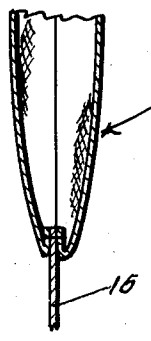
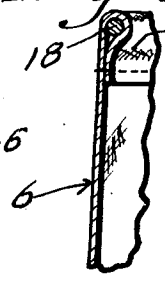


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The present invention relates to hose protectors particularly for women's silk hose and has for its primary object to provide in a manner as hereinafter set forth, a device of this character embodying a novel construction, combination and arrangement of parts through the medium of which the user of the same may put on, take off, or otherwise handle hose with a minimum of danger of causing a "run" in the same.

Other objects of the invention are to provide a hose protector of the aforementioned character which will be comparatively simple in construction, highly efficient and reliable in use, and which may be manufactured at low cost.

All of the foregoing and still further objects and advantages of the invention will become apparent from a study of the following specification, taken in connection with the accompanying drawing wherein like characters of reference designate corresponding parts throughout the several views, and wherein:

Figure 1 is a plan view of my invention, shown mounted for use.

Figure 2 is a perspective view of the invention.

Figure 3 is a fragmentary view of the thumb stall shown in longitudinal transverse section, and

Figure 4 is an enlarged fragmentary transverse sectional view of the hem portion of the thumb stall.

Referring now to the drawing in detail, it will be seen that the reference numeral 5 designates a finger pocket which is secured to a thumb stall 6 through the medium of a suitable length of strap elastic 7.

The finger pocket 5 is constructed from a single piece of oiled silk fabric or other suitable material, and is folded at the portion 8 to provide a front or palm portion 9 the end 10 of which is substantially straight. The back portion 11 is cut to form a point 12. The front or palm portion 9 and back portion 11 are secured together, to form the pocket 5, through the medium of rows of stitching, or other suitable means, 13 and 14, beginning at the opposite ends of the portion 8 and extending down the sides of the pocket 5 to the edge 10. A length of suitable binding material 15 is sewed around the open end of the pocket 5 to reinforce the same and prevent fraying.

The thumb stall 6 is constructed of oiled silk fabric and is shaped to substantially conform with the shape of a thumb, as shown in Fig. 1 of the drawing and has a finger grip or tab 16 sewed to or otherwise secured to its outer end portion for removing the same from the thumb. The inner or open end portion of the thumb stall 6 is turned inward of the same to provide a hem 17 in which is secured a length of cord or other suitable reinforcing means 18, by means of stitching as shown at 19 in Fig. 4 of the drawing.

The strap elastic 7 is secured at one end portion to the back portion 11 of the pocket 5 at the point 12 while its other end portion passes through an opening 20 in the thumb stall 6 and is secured to an adjustable slide fastener 21 which is mounted on the strap 7 as shown in Fig. 2 of the drawing.

To insure a smooth surface for contact with a hose when the device is in use a tapered sleeve 22 of oiled silk fabric, or other suitable material, is fitted over and sewed as at 23 or otherwise secured to the strap elastic 7 and back portion 11 at the point 12 as shown in Figs. 1 and 2 of the drawing.

When the device is used the finger pocket is placed over the fingers with the strap elastic 7 extending around the wrist on the inside and then across the back of the hand to hold the thumb stall 6 on the thumb as shown in Figure 1 of the drawing. When a pair is mounted on the hands in this manner the user may put on and take off hose, wash them or otherwise handle them without fear of damage resulting from sharp finger nails or other obstructions on the hands.

Although I have shown and described herein a preferred embodiment of my invention, it is to be definitely understood that I do not desire to limit the application of the invention thereto and any change or changes may be made in the materials and in the structure and arrangement of parts, within the spirit of the invention as claimed.

What is claimed is:

1. In a device of the character described, a hand covering including a finger housing pocket and a thumb housing member, said thumb housing member including a sheet of material folded longitudinally upon itself and stitched at the side edge portions opposite said fold to form a stall having a biased open end portion and a side wall opening in said biased open end portion, a tab secured to and between said side edge portions of said stall at its other end portion, a strap secured at one end portion to said finger housing pocket with its other end portion extended through the side wall opening in said biased open end portion of thumb stall, and a slide fastener adjustably mounted on said strap between said

thumb stall and said finger housing pocket with the other end portion of the strap secured thereto.

2. In a device of the class described, a hand covering including a mitten-type finger stall, and a thumb housing member including a sheet of material folded longitudinally upon itself and stitched together along its side edges to form a stall, a pull tab for the thumb housing member secured to and between said side edges at the outer end of the thumb housing member, and a strap secured at one end to said finger stall and slidably looped through an inner end portion of the thumb housing member with its other end slidably connected to an intermediate portion of the strap.

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