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Apron-Supporters and Pages.

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Fig. 1.

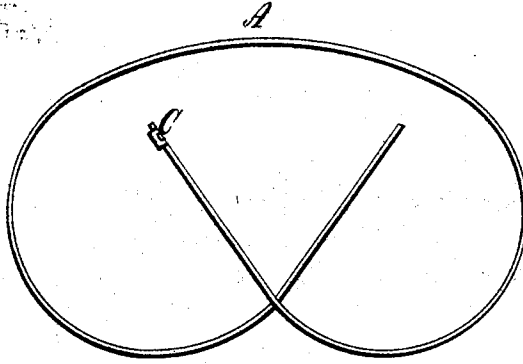
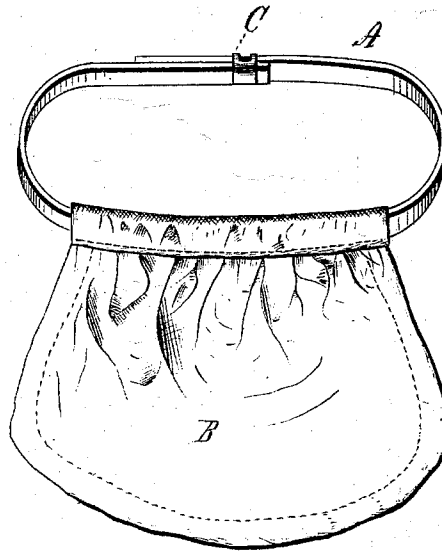


Fig. 2.



WITNESSES.

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IMPROVEMENT IN APRON-SUPPORTERS AND PAGES.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM H. CHIPLEY, of New Midway, in the county of Frederick and State of Maryland, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Apron-Supporter and Lady's Page; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it pertains to make and use it, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form part of this specification.

My invention relates to an improvement in a combined apron-supporter and lady's page.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a plan view of my spring-zone, showing its shape when relieved from tension; and Fig. 2 is a perspective view of my invention.

My invention consists in the combinations and parts as hereinafter specified and claimed, wherein A is the belt or zone, formed of spring-steel or other suitable material. Upon this zone is hung the apron B, which may be slid off or on the zone A. To one extremity of zone A is attached the clutch C, through which slides the other end of the zone A.

I do not limit myself narrowly to the clutch C, as any suitable means may be employed for securing the ends of the zone when in use.

Any apron, shield, or other desired garment is attached to the zone A in such a way that it may be readily slid off or upon said zone, as indicated in the drawings. The zone is then

placed around the waist and clutched. Its natural spring keeps it in proper contact with the person, not allowing it to be too tight or too loose. When desired to be used as a page, all that it is necessary to do is to tuck the garment between the zone and the body of the person wearing it.

The advantages that I claim for my invention are: First, the zone A is cheap, durable, and effective in its action, and will answer for any number of aprons; second, if desired, the apron may be moved around so as to be out of the way, from the front of the person, and can be readily brought into place again; third, its use as a lady's page is sufficiently evident not to need remark.

The zone A may be either plain and unornamented, or it may be painted or enameled to imitate leather or fabric of any desired description.

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

The combination of the zone A, apron or garment B, and clutch C, or its equivalent, substantially as and for the purposes set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand this 8th day of January, 1874.

WM. H. CHIPLEY.

Witnesses:

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