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Fig. 1.

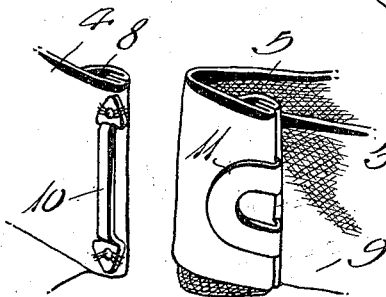
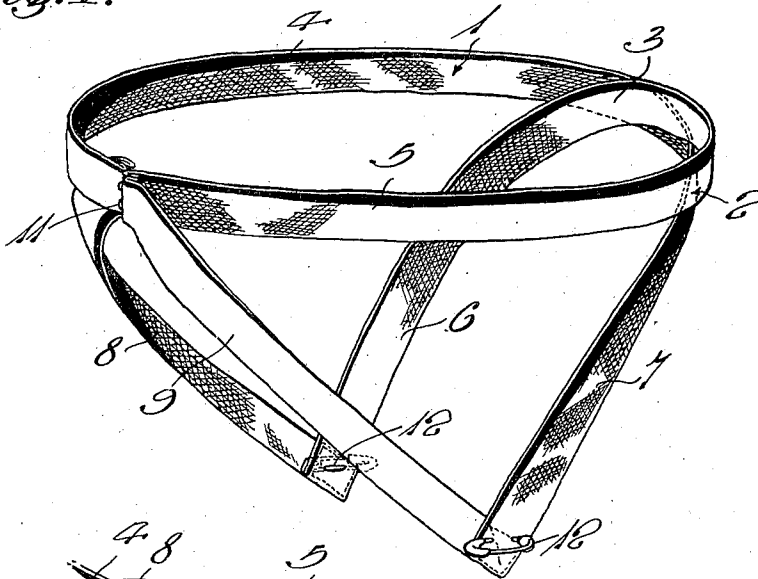
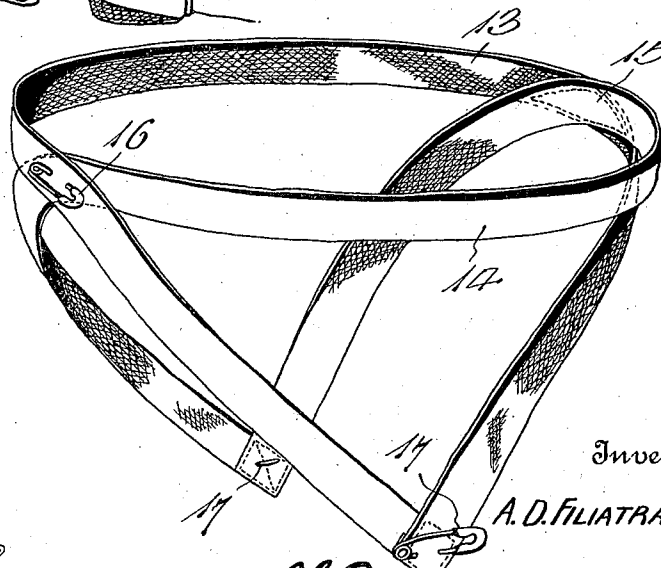


Fig. 2.

Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALBERTINE DELORIS FILIATRAULT, a citizen of the United States, residing at Spokane, in the county of Spokane and State of Washington, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Catamenial Belts; and I do 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 appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to an improved catamenial belt for supporting a sanitary napkin and one object of the invention is to provide a belt of the character described which is so constructed that it may be light in weight and fit comfortably in place and to further so construct this belt that it may be formed from strips of material sewed together and providing a belt having the desired shape and permitted to fit snugly in place when in use.

Another object of the invention is to so construct this belt that it may accommodate itself to the size of the waist and at all times have the depending portions assume the proper shape.

Another object of the invention is to so construct this device that it can be very easily put in place and secured about the waist with the depending portions extending beneath the waist encircling portion at the front and back.

This invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawings, wherein:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of one form of the belt.

Figure 2 is a perspective view showing the means for connecting the ends of the waist encircling portion at one side of the device shown in Fig. 1.

Figure 3 is a perspective view of a modified form of the device.

The belt may be constructed as shown in Fig. 1 or it may be constructed as shown in Fig. 3. In each form, there is provided a waist encircling portion and depending strips which extend from the sides of the waist encircling portion in converging relation and have their end portions secured by stitches so that there will be provided V-shaped napkin-engaging portions which extend beneath the front and rear portions of the waist encircling portion.

In the form shown in Fig. 1, the belt is

formed from strips which are sewed together as shown. The strips 1 and 2 extend in crossed relation as shown at 3 and are sewed so that the strips 1 and 2 will be provided with waist encircling portions 4 and 5 and depending end portions 6 and 7. A depending strip 8 connects the end of the waist encircling portion 4 with the depending end portion 6 and a similar depending strip 9 connects the waist encircling portion 5 with the depending end portion 7. It will thus be seen that this belt will be formed entirely of strips of material which may be bought in rolls and will be cut the desired length and sewed together. At the end of the waist encircling portion 4 of the strip 1, there will be provided an eye or bar 10 and at the end of the waist encircling portion 5 of the strip 2, there will be provided a hook 11 for engaging the bar 10 and thus releasably connecting the waist encircling portions 4 and 5. The device can thus be placed about the waist and the end portions 4 and 5 releasably connected. The depending V-shaped portions formed by the strips 8 and 9 and end portions 6 and 7 will extend in front and at the back so that the end portions of a napkin can be connected with these depending sections by means of pins 12.

In the form shown in Fig. 3, the belt will be formed from two loops 13 and 14 each of which is formed from a strip having its end portions sewed together. These loops are positioned in overlapping relation as clearly shown in this figure and are sewed together as shown at 15 thus providing a waist encircling portion and depending V-shaped napkin-engaging portions. The loops are only connected by sewing at one side as shown at 15 and therefore when the device is to be worn, it can be slipped over the head and arms and drawn down about the waist. The crossed portions of the strips 13 and 14 at the opposite side from the sewed connection 15 can then be brought into proper crossed relation to secure the device about the waist and a safety pin 16 then put in place so that the device will fit snugly. The device will then have the same general appearance of that disclosed in Fig. 1 and the end portions of the napkin can be connected with the depending V-shaped portions by means of safety pins 17. By hav-

ing this device formed of loops which are
sewed together at one side and pinned
together at the opposite side, the device
can accommodate itself to the size of the
5 waist and therefore a certain amount of
adjustment will be permitted to permit of
the device accommodating itself to the size
of waist about which it is secured. In
each form, the pull will be evenly distrib-
10 uted and the device will be light and du-
rable and will be very comfortable when
in use.

I claim:

1. A catamenial bandage support formed
15 of connected strips providing a waist en-
circling portion and depending protector
engaging members positioned beneath the
forward and rear portions of the waist en-
circling portion, the portions of the strips

forming the waist encircling portion being 20
permanently connected at one side and re-
leasably connected at the other side.

2. A catamenial bandage support formed
of separate loops each tapered towards one
point, the loops being positioned in crossed 25
relation one within the other with their
tapered end portions extending in opposite
directions to provide opposed depending
article-engaging elements and their upper
portions co-operating to provide a waist- 30
encircling portion, said loops being per-
manently connected at one point of crossing
and releasably connected at the other point
of crossing.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto 35
set my hand.

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