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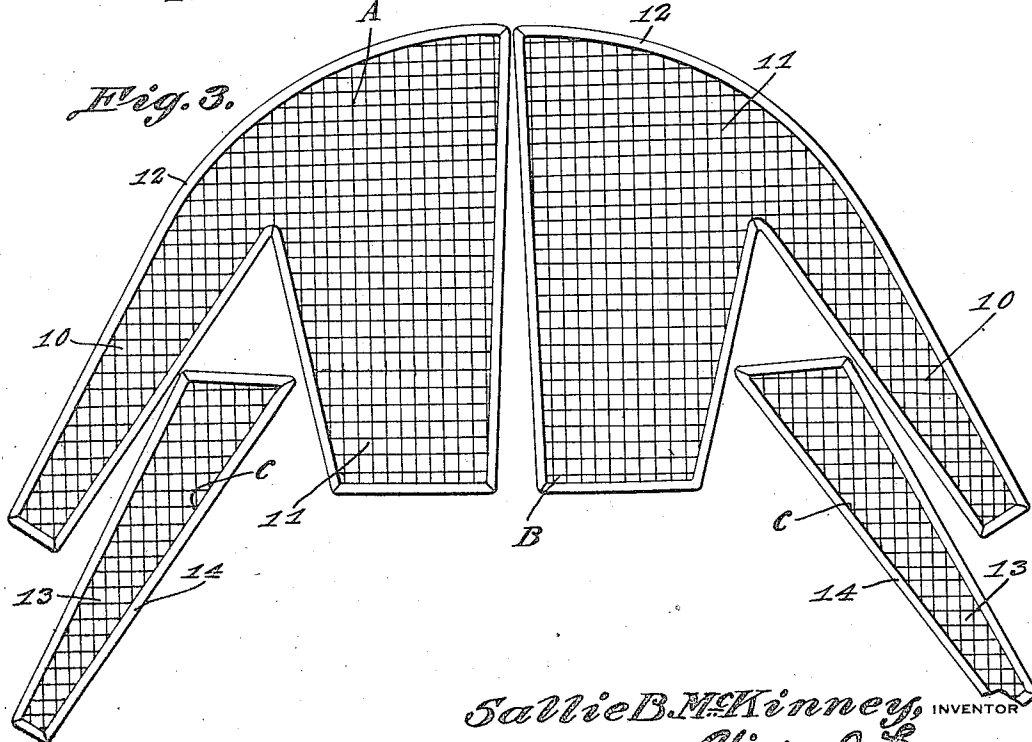
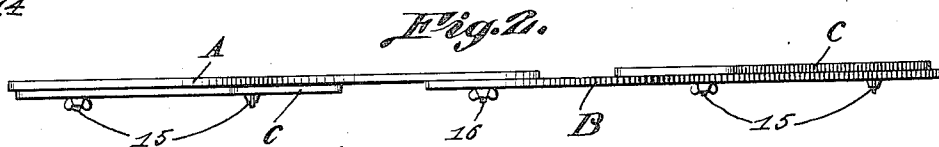
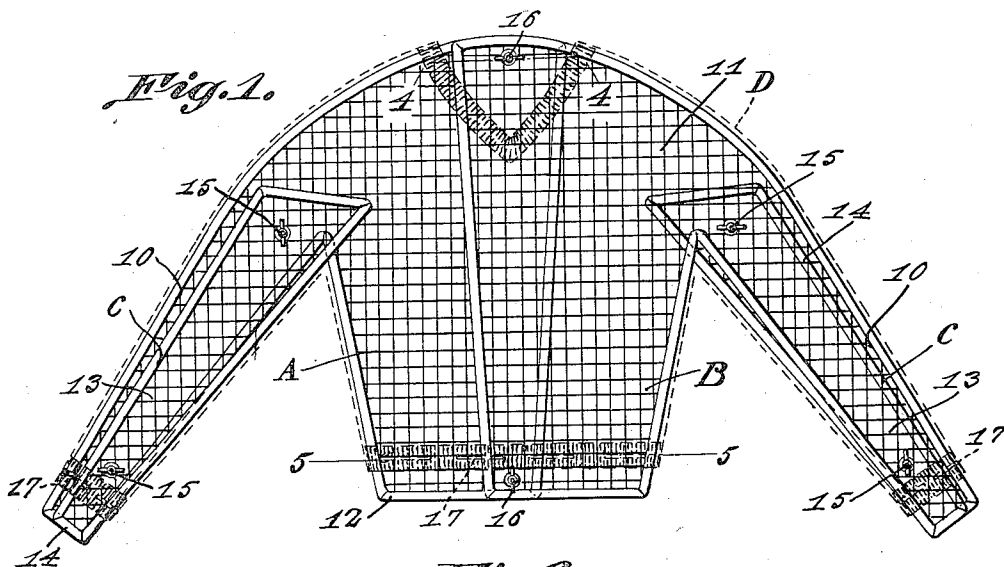
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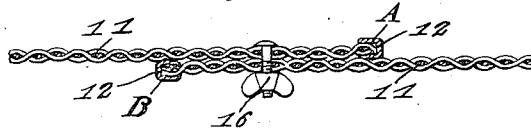


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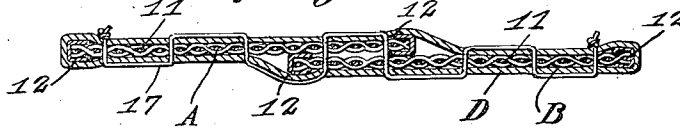


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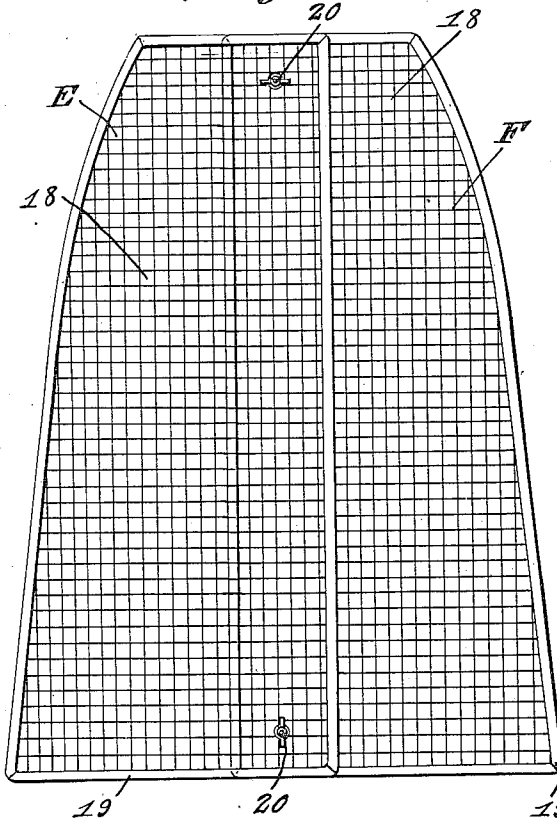
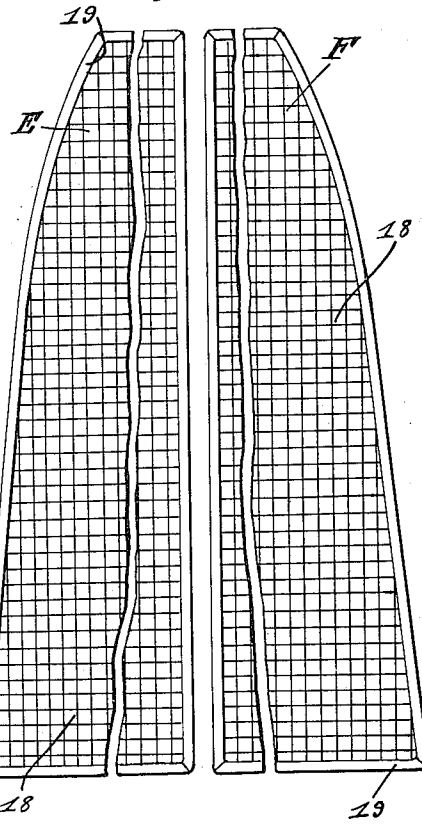


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ADJUSTABLE DRIER AND STRETCHER
FORM

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The invention relates to adjustable forms and more especially to a kind for the stretching, blocking and drying of knit and crocheted dresses, sweaters or garments of similar nature.

5 The primary object of the invention is the provision of a form wherein the body thereof is in sections, these being adjustably connected to each other so that a knit or crocheted garment can be placed thereon and the sections adjusted, 10 so that the garment, after washing or cleaning thereof, can be stretched, blocked or dried, retaining the required shape and size, thereby eliminating the necessity of pressing or ironing such garment, the latter deteriorating the appearance 15 by reason of the character of the material of such garment.

Another object of the invention is the provision of a form of this character, wherein the range of adjustment thereof is such as to take care of 20 children's and adult's garments of the knitted or crocheted kind, since it is necessary to wet the garment to shrink or stretch the same to proper size and shape and in the drying thereof this must be maintained, the drying of the garment 25 being had with rapidity resultant from the make-up of the form.

A further object of the invention is the provision of a form of this character which is extremely 30 simple in construction, thoroughly reliable and efficient in its purposes, strong, durable, and inexpensive to manufacture.

With these and other objects in view, the invention consists in the features of construction, combination and arrangement of parts as will be 35 hereinafter more fully described in detail, illustrated in the accompanying drawings, which disclose the preferred embodiment of the invention, and pointed out in the claim hereunto appended.

In the accompanying drawings:

40 Figure 1 is an elevation of a form constructed in accordance with the invention, the same being shown by full lines, while by dotted lines is illustrated a garment placed upon the form.

45 Figure 2 is a top edge view of the form.

Figure 3 is an exploded plan view of the form.

Figure 4 is a sectional view on the line 4—4 of Figure 1.

50 Figure 5 is a sectional view on the line 5—5 of Figure 1.

Figure 6 is an elevation of another form for the mounting of a skirt or the like.

Figure 7 is an exploded plan view of the form shown in Figure 6, the section thereof being partly 55 broken away.

Similar reference characters indicate corresponding parts throughout the several views in the drawings.

Referring to the drawings in detail, particularly Figures 1 to 5, the adjustable form comprises 5 in this instance, the sections A, B, and C, respectively. These sections A and B when together have the marginal contour of a body garment, such as a waist, sweater or the like, including the arm sleeve extensions 10, and each 10 is formed from a wire mesh fabric 11 known as hardware cloth having an edge binding 12 made from metal strips, the meeting ends of which are suitably joined by solder or otherwise. The sections C include the wire mesh fabric 13 and edge 15 binding 14, these being alike to the material constituting the sections A and B. The sections C are superimposed upon the extensions 10 and are adjustable thereon by winged nut-carrying bolts 15 so that these extensions 10 can be increased 20 in width, the extensions 10 and said sections C being outwardly tapered. The sections A and B are adapted to be overlapped and are fastened in adjusted relation to each other by winged nut-carrying bolts 16, these being passed through in- 25 terstices of the fabric 11 and likewise the bolts 15 are passed through interstices of the fabric 13 of the sections C, as will be obvious. Thus it will be apparent that by varying the adjustment of the sections A and B with respect to each 30 other, the size of the body portion of the form can be correspondingly varied so that this form, when set up, can be sized with respect to a garment D of the knitted or crocheted kind. The garment D, when upon the form, is made fast 35 thereto by a thread 17 which is sewed through the said garment and the said sections A and B, as clearly shown in Figures 1 and 5 of the drawings.

When the garment is worn by the form it can be properly stretched, blocked and dried, the lat- 40 ter being effected with rapidity due to the make-up of the form.

In Figures 6 and 7 of the drawings there is shown a form including the sections E and F, respectively, marginally outlined or shaped for 45 the wearing of a skirt garment, and each section is made from a wire mesh fabric 18 having a binding 19 of metal strips, these being joined at their meeting ends in any suitable manner, such as solder, and in the use of these sections E and 50 F they are overlapped and adjustably secured together by the winged nut-carrying bolts 20.

It is possible to join the two forms as above described in detail, so that a full body garment can be worn thereby. 55

What is claimed is:

A device of the character described comprising a form constructed of wire mesh fabric having the contour of wearing apparel, said form being
5 of sectional construction throughout the extent of said apparel with its sections overlapped for extending or contracting the form, the wire mesh

in the sections providing openings and fasteners extending through the openings for adjustably and detachably connecting the same, said sections being flat throughout their extent, and a rigid binding extending marginally throughout the sec- 5 tions of said form.

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