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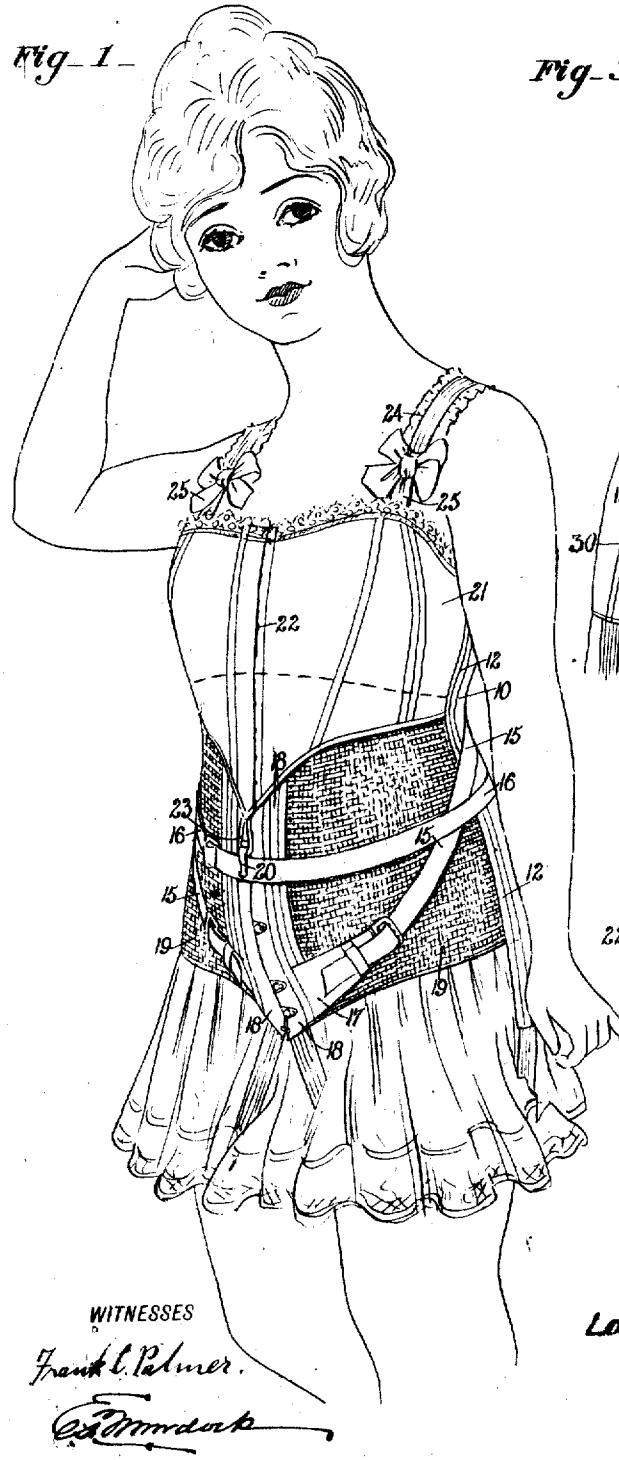


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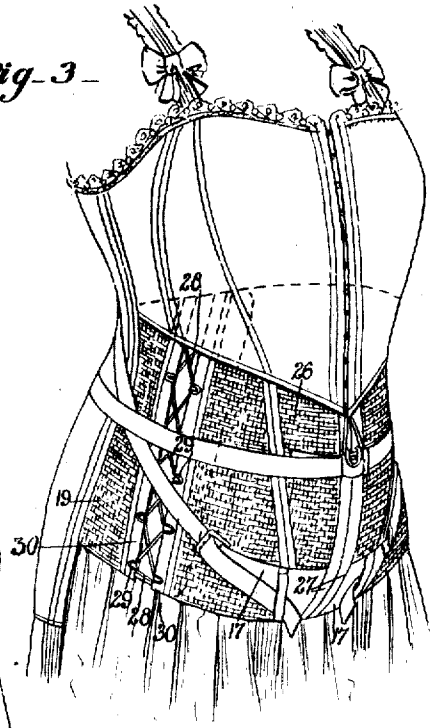
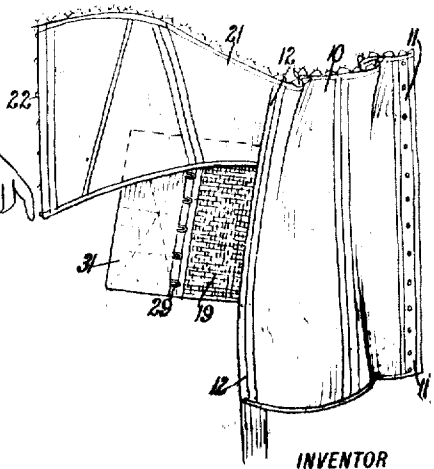


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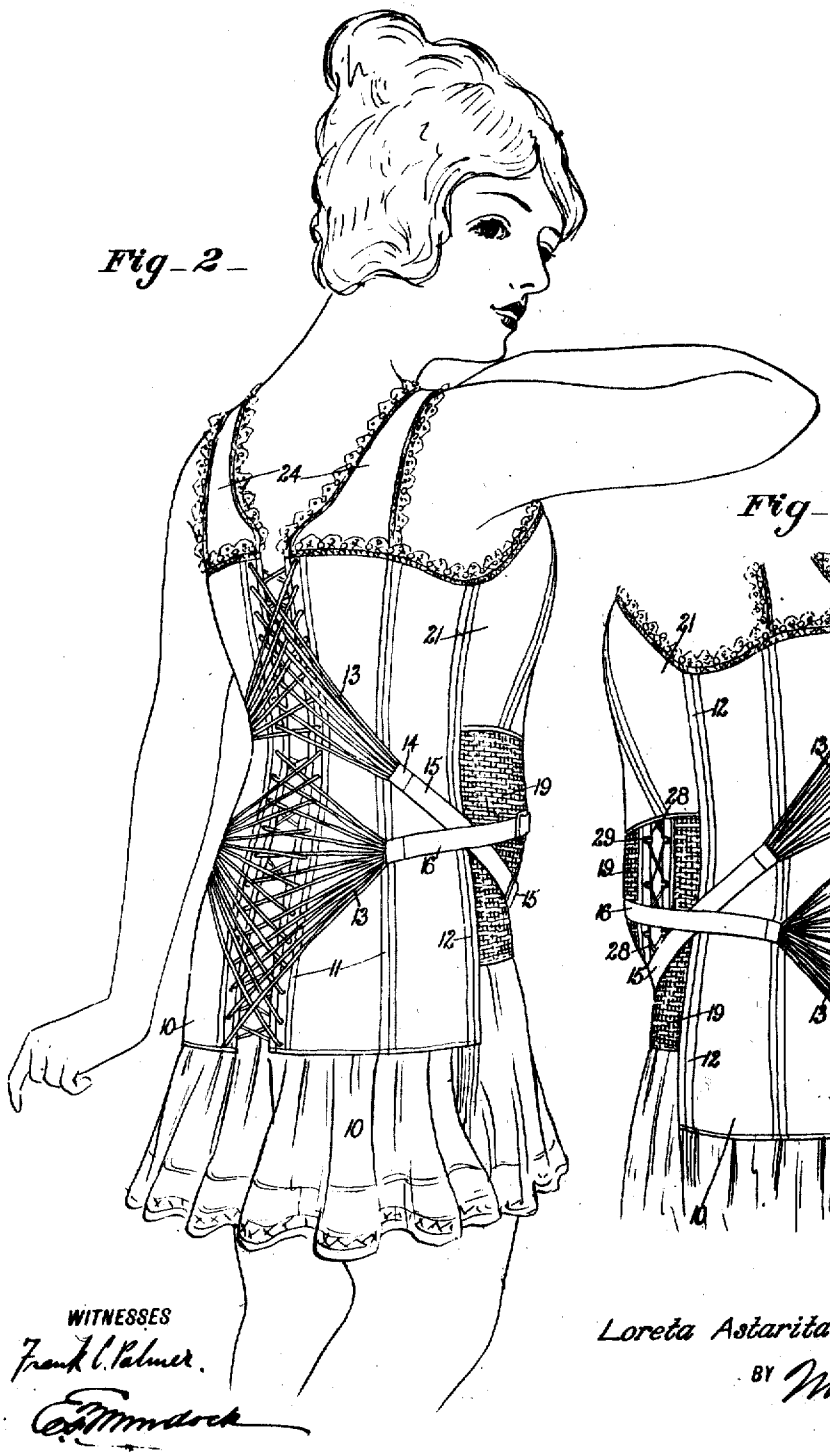


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LORETA ASTARITA CIRILLO, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of New York, borough of Manhattan, in the county and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Corset, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

Among the principal objects which the present invention has in view are: to permit greater freedom on the part of the wearer of the corset; to avoid rigid pressure on the legs when the wearer is in sitting posture; to avoid rigid pressures in the regions of the hip joints; and to provide an abdominal reducing section.

Drawings

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a corset constructed and arranged in accordance with the present invention, and showing in conjunction therewith, the figure of a person wearing the same, the view illustrating the front of the corset;

Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the corset and figure of the person wearing the same, the view showing the back of the corset;

Fig. 3 is a perspective view of a corset constructed and arranged in accordance with a modified form of the invention, the view showing the front of the corset;

Fig. 4 is a perspective view of the same, showing the back of the corset;

Fig. 5 is a perspective view showing a half body section of the corset constructed in accordance with the modified form.

Description.

As seen in the drawings, a corset constructed and arranged in accordance with the present invention and in accordance with the preferred form thereof, has two separable full side sections. Each side section has a fabric body 10, which is fully reinforced by stays 11 and 12. The stays 12 are disposed to rest on the human form when the corset is in service, at the rear of the hip bone. The stays 12 also mark the forward boundary of the body portion.

The two body portions 10 are united in service by grouped lacing loops 13. The ends of the loops 13 are joined at 14 to tightening straps 15 and 16. The straps 15, as shown best in Fig. 1 of the drawings, extend to the front of the body of the wearer and are buckled to tabs 17, which are permanently attached at the lower ends of the stay portions 18 of the resilient abdominal retaining sections 19. The straps 16 are secured to each other at the front of the wearer, one section of said straps passing below a keeper 20.

The front of the corset is preferably constructed of two woven rubber fabric abdominal sections. The meeting edges of said sections are provided with stay portions 18, preferably constructed of fabric to form pockets for the steels or other reinforcing members. The stays 18 have the usual fastening devices. The said sections are permanently attached to the fabric body sections at the portion having the stays 12.

The abdominal sections 19 are short, rarely extending above the waist line of the wearer. To restrain or support the breasts, the corset is provided with brassière sections 21. The brassière sections are permanently attached to the back or body sections of the corset and have opening edges 22 provided with the usual fasteners. The lower edges of the brassière sections rest on the abdominal sections 19 above the lower edge thereof. They are held in service position by a loop 23, which, as seen best in Fig. 1 of the drawings, is passed under and into the keeper 20. The brassière sections 21 may be constructed of any desired material and may be reinforced or shaped to suit the design of the manufacturer.

When it is desired to prevent the flesh at the back of the wearer extending over the top of the corset, shoulder straps 24 are employed. The straps 24 are temporarily secured to the backs of the corset by means of snap fasteners or other suitable devices. At the front, the straps 24 are secured by tying members 25 to the brassière sections. It is obvious that when desired, the straps 24 may be removed and dispensed with, leaving the shoulders and back above the corset free.

In Figs. 3, 4 and 5, the abdominal sections 19 are shown as narrow sections. Extending between these narrow sections and covering the middle front section of the abdomen, is a shaped supporting section 26. The section 26 is constructed of woven rubber fabric and is provided in the center thereof, with stays 27, which maintain the shape of the section 26, and provide means for anchoring the tabs 17. In this form of the corset, the section 26 is united temporarily to the sections 12, by lacings 28, which engage

hooks 29 on the stayed edges 30 of the sections 26 and 19. It is obvious that this form of a corset lends itself to the needs of a reducing corset or to a maternity corset, the pressure on the abdomen being varied by tightening or loosening the lacing 28.

Claims.

1. A corset comprising a plurality of non-elastic stiffened back-covering portions extending the full length of the corset, lacing means for extensibly uniting the same at the middle of the back, a plurality of elastic abdomen-covering portions, each permanently attached at one end thereof to one of said back portions; a plurality of non-elastic bust-covering brassière portions, each permanently attached to said back portions and arranged to overlie in unattached relation thereto the upper edge of said abdomen-covering portions when in service, and a plurality of straps for supporting said abdomen-covering portions, said straps being attached at the lower edge of said portions adjacent the median line thereof.

2. A corset comprising a plurality of non-elastic stiffened back-covering portions extending the full length of the corset, lacing means for extensibly uniting the same at the middle of the back, a plurality of elastic abdomen-covering portions, each permanently attached at one end thereof to one of said back-covering portions; a plurality of non-elastic bust-covering brassière portions, each permanently attached to said back-covering portions and arranged to overlie the upper edge of said abdomen-covering portions when in service, and means for maintaining the service relation of said brassière portions and abdomen-covering portions, said means embodying a tightening strap enfolding said back-covering and said abdomen-covering portions, and a keeper on said abdomen-covering portion for holding said straps.

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