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Fig. 1.

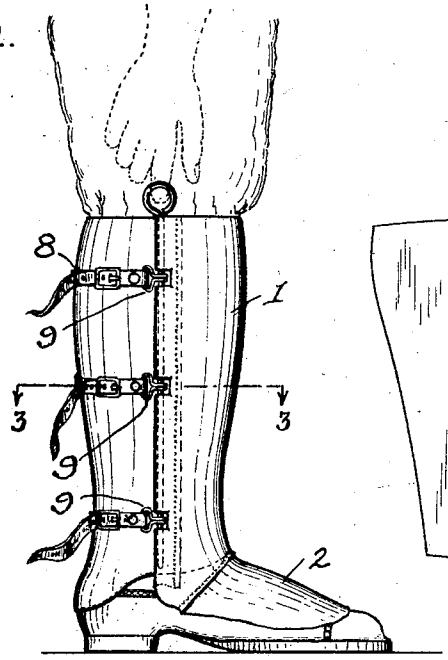


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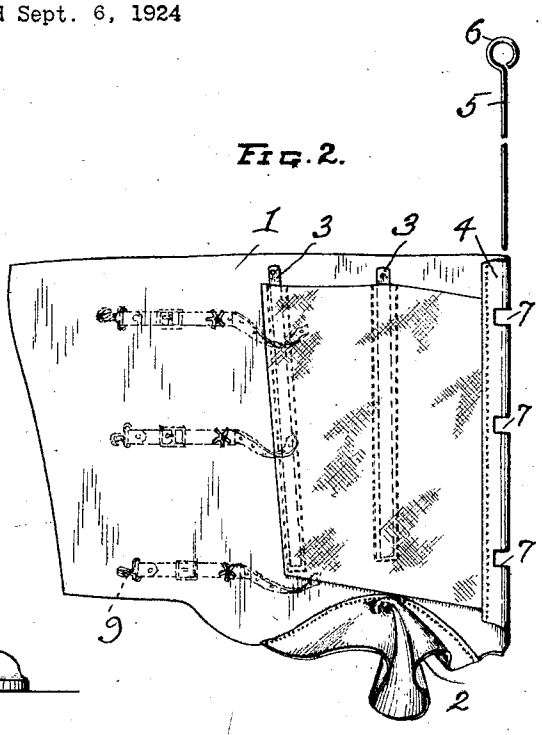
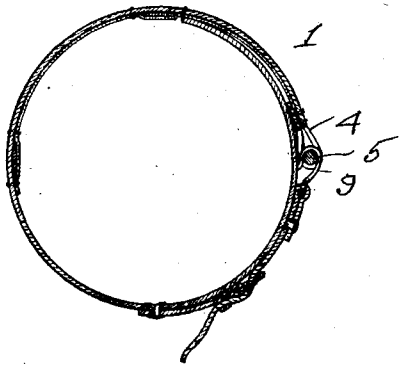


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The present invention relates to a legging which is particularly intended to be worn by persons working around hot metal or fires, for the purpose of protecting the lower limbs of the wearer against hot metal, hot cinders, or any other material which is likely to burn.

The object of the invention is to provide a legging for the purpose, which may be very quickly removed, as it is at times necessary to remove a legging with the greatest expediency.

Reference should be had to the accompanying drawings forming a part of this specification, in which Fig. 1 is an elevation of the legging as applied to the leg of a wearer; Fig. 2 is a plan view of the same; and Fig. 3 is a section upon the line 3—3 of Fig. 1.

The legging, itself, is formed of a piece of material, indicated at 1, which is flexible, and will be of sufficient width to wrap around the leg of a wearer, and of sufficient height to protect the leg from the foot to the knee, or possibly higher.

The material may be any that is suitable for the purpose, that is to say, pliable and resistant to fire or hot metal to the greatest possible extent, and for the purpose I have found that chrome leather is quite satisfactory.

The lower portion of the legging may be provided with a tongue 2, having sufficient flatness to go over the top of the shoe of the wearer.

A portion of the legging is preferably provided with stiffening members as indicated at 3, these members being attached to a portion of the member 1, as may be found most desirable and convenient.

At one end of the body portion 1 of the legging the material is folded back, as indicated at 4, and the edge of the material may be fastened, as by sewing, or in any other convenient manner. This structure provides a casing which is adapted to receive a long pin 5, which pin at the upper end is preferably provided with a hook or handle 6. The folded over portion 4, which has been described, is provided with a plurality of cut-outs or notches 7, so that when the pin 5 is inserted in the folded over portion 4, the portions of the pin which are opposite the notches 7 will be exposed.

Upon the outside surface of the body 1 of the legging there are secured a plurality of straps, as indicated at 8. These straps at one end are secured to the material of the legging, and at their opposite ends are provided with hooks 9, in the present instance three hooks being used. The length of the straps 8 is made adjustable by the use of a buckle, in a manner which will be very well understood, and needs no extended description.

The hooks 9 are adapted to engage with the pin 5 at the notched-out portions 7, when the legging is in use and worn. This attachment of the hooks to the pin serves to hold the legging upon the leg of the wearer.

As before stated, one of the objects of the invention is to permit the legging to be rapidly removed from the leg of a wearer in the event that necessity demands it, as may be the case when hot metal, for instance, burns through the body of the legging and it is desired to remove the legging so as to get at the limb of the wearer.

This may be accomplished by merely pulling the pin 5 from the folded over portion of the legging, and as the pin is pulled, the hooks 9 are released and the legging will immediately drop from the limb of the wearer.

The construction which has been described not only forms an efficient and satisfactory method of holding the legging when wrapped around the limb of a wearer, but, as will be seen, a rapid and satisfactory method of releasing the legging from the limb of the wearer.

Having described my invention, I claim

1. A legging comprising a flexible body portion adapted to encircle the limb of a wearer, vertically spaced horizontally disposed straps adjustably attached to the legging, fastening members attached to said straps, and a removable member carried by the legging along one edge thereof with which the fastening members are adapted to engage.

2. A legging adapted to be wrapped around the limb of a wearer, comprising a flexible body portion, vertically spaced fastening members attached to the legging and adjustable toward and from one edge thereof, and a slidable member extending along the opposite edge of the legging and adapted to co-operate with the fastening members.

3. A legging adapted to be worn on the limb of a wearer, comprising a flexible body

portion to be wrapped around the limb, vertically spaced fastening members carried by the legging and adjustable toward and from an edge thereof, and means carried by the legging adjacent the opposite edge thereof with which the fastening members co-operate, said means being removable to practically simultaneously release the fastening members.

4. A legging comprising a body portion of flexible material adapted to be wrapped around the limb of a wearer, a slidable pin mounted upon one edge portion of the legging, portions of said pin being exposed, and spaced hooks, each adjustably attached to another portion of the legging and engageable with the exposed portions of the pin to hold the legging in place, said pin when removed releasing the hooks.

5. A legging comprising a body portion of flexible material adapted to be wrapped around the limb of a wearer, a fold along one edge of said legging forming a casing, portions of said casing being notched out, a pin occupying said casing, and fastening members attached to said legging and adapted to co-operate with the pin at the notches in the casing, said pin being slidable to release the fastening members.

In testimony whereof, I hereunto affix my signature.

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