

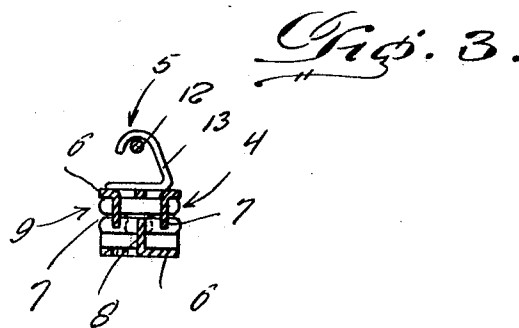
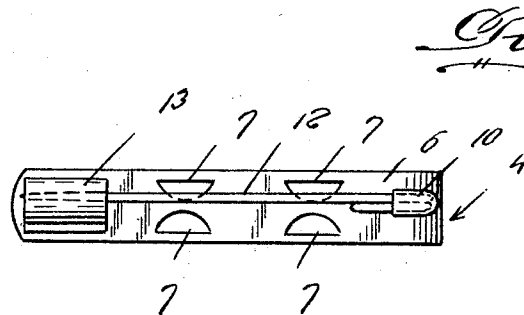
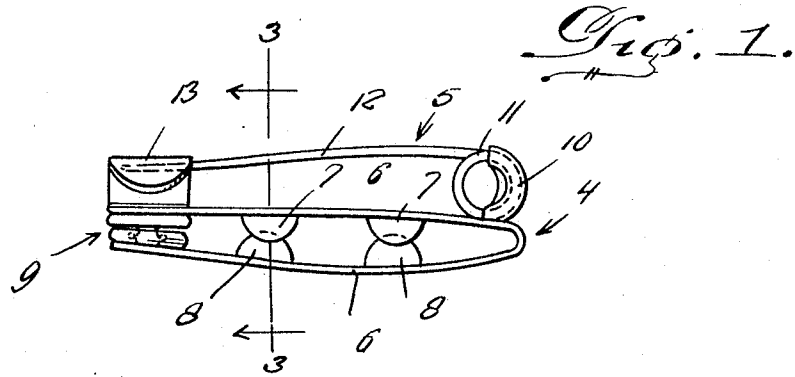
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This invention relates to an improved fastener in the form of a duplex retainer, the same being particularly adapted for use in connection with wearing apparel and lingerie, thereby permitting it to be conveniently entitled a lingerie clasp.

Briefly, the improved article comprises a particularly designed resilient clasp for lingerie straps including a snap fastener, together with a combined safety pin.

Our principal object is to generally improve upon articles of this class by providing one of simplicity which may be easily manufactured and which is such in construction as to render it inexpensive to both manufacturer and user, and highly efficient as a supporting and retaining device for wearing apparel.

In the drawing:—

Figure 1 is a side elevation of the complete clasp.

Figure 2 is a top plan view of the same, and

Figure 3 is a section taken approximately upon the plane of the line 3—3 of Figure 1.

In carrying out the invention we provide a structure which is characterized by two parts; namely, a clasp 4 and a safety pin 5, the two being made into one unit. The clasp is formed of a strip of resilient metal bent upon itself to provide spaced arms 6 adapted to embrace one or more lingerie straps. Portions of the metal forming the arm are struck inwardly to provide substantially semi-circular clips or tongues 7 and 8 respectively. The tongues 7 are on one arm and are struck out in pairs as shown better in Figure 3 and the tongues 8 are on the lower arm and are struck out at their center so as to dispose them between the tongues 7. A pair of complementary parts forming a snap fastener 9 is disposed between the free end portions of the arms and serve to removably hold a clasp in place.

The safety pin 5 is formed rigidly upon one of the arms 9. In doing this we provide

a bracket 10 which is fastened to a spring coil 11 providing the desired spring tension for the pin 12. The free end of the pin 12 is cooperable with a keeper 13 fastened to the opposite end of the same arm of the clasp.

In practice the clasp 4 is placed upon a lingerie strap or shoulder straps, thus holding them together, the snap fastener being snapped closed, and the clips or tongues 7 and 8 serving to grasp the straps firmly. Then the safety pin is fastened to the outer garment in an obvious manner. This provides a dependable and reliable fastener for wearing apparel.

The simplicity of the device is such as to render a more detailed description unnecessary.

Minor changes in the size, shape and arrangement of parts and materials, coming within the scope of the invention claimed may be resorted to if desired.

Having thus described the invention, what we claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:—

As a new product of manufacture, a fastener of the class described, comprising a clasp formed from a strip of resilient metal bent upon itself to provide spaced arms adapted to normally spring apart, the intermediate portions of the arms having retaining tongues struck out therefrom and into cooperative relationship, a snap fastener carried by the free end portions of said arms, a safety pin comprising a pin portion and retention coil, said coil being disposed adjacent one end of said clasp, a bracket carried by said one end and connected with said coil, and a keeper carried by the opposite end of the clasp cooperable with the pointed end of the pin.

In testimony whereof we affix our signatures.

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