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Fig. 1.

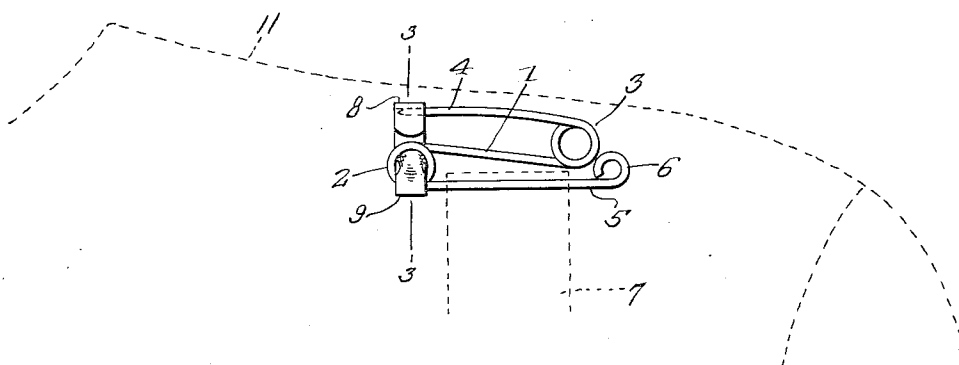
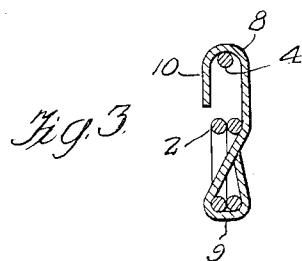
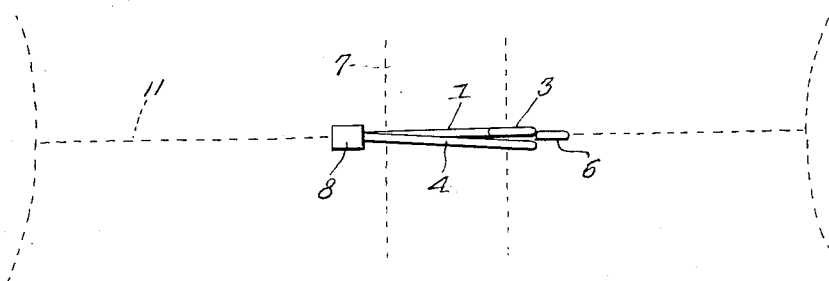


Fig. 2.



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The present invention relates to new and useful improvements in lingerie shoulder strap holders and it is an important object of the invention to provide, in a manner as hereinafter set forth, an article of this character which is adapted to be secured beneath the shoulder seam of a dress or other outer garment and which includes novel means operatively engageable with a shoulder strap for preventing said strap from slipping down off the shoulder.

Other objects of the invention are to provide, in a manner as hereinafter set forth, a shoulder strap holder of the aforementioned character which will be simple in construction, strong, durable, highly efficient and reliable in use, compact, inconspicuous, and which may be manufactured at low cost.

All of the foregoing and still further objects and advantages of the invention will become apparent from a study of the following specification, taken in connection with the accompanying drawing wherein like characters of reference designate corresponding parts throughout the several views, and wherein:—

Figure 1 is a view in elevation, showing a shoulder strap holder constructed in accordance with the present invention.

Figure 2 is a top plan view thereof.

Figure 3 is a vertical transverse sectional view, taken approximately on the line 3—3 of Figure 1.

Referring now to the drawing in detail, it will be seen that the embodiment of the present invention which has been illustrated comprises a length of resilient wire 1 which is formed, at spaced points, to provide coils 2 and 3. The free end portion of the wire 1 which projects from the coil 3 is pointed and provides a pin 4.

The free end portion of the wire 1 which projects from the coil 2 provides a resilient shoulder strap engaging and retaining arm 5 which terminates in a loop 6 which is slightly beyond the coil 3 and closely adjacent to, or engaged with, said coil. The resilient arm 4 is insertable beneath the shoulder strap, said shoulder strap being indicated in broken lines and designated by the reference numeral 7. As is believed to be apparent, the loop 6 constitutes means for preventing the shoulder strap 7 from slipping off the resilient arm 4.

The reference numeral 8 designates a sheet metal guard which, as best seen in Figure 3 of the drawing, is inserted through the coil 2 and looped around the side portions of said coil which is remote from the free end portion of the pin 4, as at 9. The other end portion of the guard

8 is bent to provide a hook 10 with which the free end portion of the pin 4 is operatively engageable.

In use, the pin 4 is inserted in the shoulder seam of a dress or other garment, such as is indicated in broken lines and designated by the reference numeral 11. The shoulder strap 7 is then engaged over the resilient arm 5 by slipping said shoulder strap between the loop 6 and the coil 3. Of course, the resiliency of the arm 5 facilitates the attachment or disengagement of the shoulder strap therefrom.

It is believed that the many advantages of a shoulder strap holder constructed in accordance with the present invention will be readily understood, and although the preferred embodiment of the invention is as illustrated and described, it is to be understood, that changes in the details of construction and in the combination and arrangement of parts may be resorted to which will fall within the scope of the invention as claimed.

What is claimed is:—

1. A shoulder strap holder comprising a piece of wire, spaced coils within the ends of the wire, one end being directed toward the coil near the other end, a loop on said one end normally engaged with an outward portion of the said coil so as to support and hold a shoulder strap; the other end being sharpened and directed toward the remaining coil, and a hook engageable by the sharpened portion of said other end for holding the same closed, mounting means for the hook threaded through and secured on the remaining coil, said mounting means being so attached to the remaining coil as to be free to move thereon when not engaged by the sharpened end.

2. A shoulder strap holder comprising a wire formed with a pair of oppositely wound coils at spaced points within the ends thereof, one end portion of the wire being provided with an inwardly directed guard loop yieldingly held against an outside portion of one of the coils so that said end portion of the wire is spaced from that part of the piece of wire which lies between the coils and to provide an abutment for resisting lateral displacement of a shoulder strap supported on this end portion; and an S-shaped member having one end hooked through and over the remaining coil and extending laterally therefrom, the remaining end portion of the wire being provided to act as a pin and adapted to be held in closed position by hooking the remaining end of the S-shaped member thereover.

3. A shoulder strap holder comprising a wire

formed with a pair of oppositely wound coils at spaced points within the ends thereof, one end portion of the wire being provided with an inwardly directed guard loop yieldingly held against an outside portion of one of the coils so that said end portion of the wire is spaced from that part of the piece of wire which lies between the coils and to provide an abutment for resisting lateral displacement of a shoulder strap supported on this end portion; and an S-shaped member having one end hooked through and over the remaining coil and extending laterally therefrom, the remaining end portion of the wire being provided to act as a pin and adapted to be held in closed position by hooking the remaining end of the S-shaped member thereover, the first mentioned end portion of the wire being longer than the remaining end portion.

4. A shoulder strap holder comprising a wire formed with a pair of oppositely wound coils at spaced points within the ends thereof, one end

portion of the wire being provided with an inwardly directed guard loop yieldingly held against an outside portion of one of the coils so that said end portion of the wire is spaced from that part of the piece of wire which lies between the coils and to provide an abutment for resisting lateral displacement of a shoulder strap supported on this end portion; and an S-shaped member having one end hooked through and over the remaining coil and extending laterally therefrom, the remaining end portion of the wire being provided to act as a pin and adapted to be held in closed position by hooking the remaining end of the S-shaped member thereover, the first mentioned end portion of the wire being longer than the remaining end portion, the end of the first mentioned end portion of the wire being return bent to form said guard loop.

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