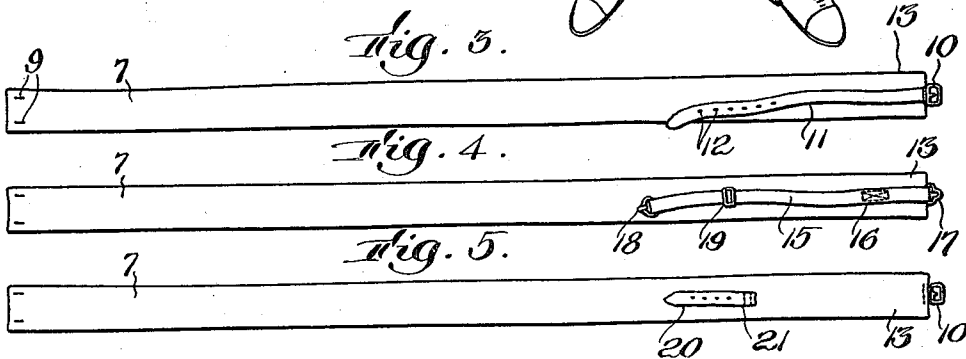
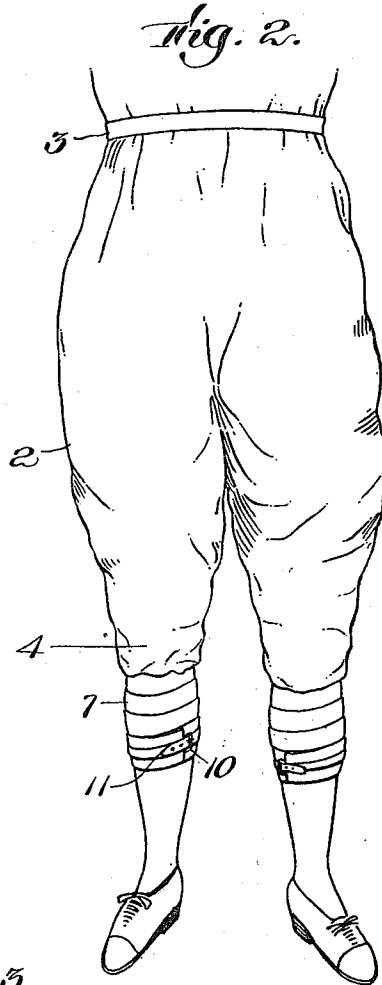
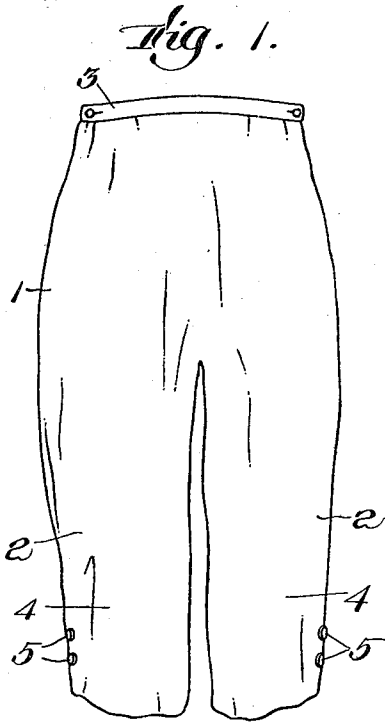


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MARJORIE T. GREGG, citizen of the United States of America, and resident of Boston, in the county of Suffolk and State of Massachusetts, have invented new and useful Improvements in Nethergarments, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to small clothes or trousers of simple and cheap construction adapted to be worn by either sex as working or sport garments.

Principal objects of the invention are to provide an effective garment of the class shown and described in my application for Letters Patent of the United States Serial No. 191,621, filed September 15, 1917, having a simplified and cheapened construction which shall be adapted to be readily laundered and which will provide a readily adjustable protection and closure below the knee of the wearer of neat appearance and adapted to stand strains of hard usage and remain in adjusted position during strenuous movement of the wearer. A subordinate object is to provide such a garment with an improved closure adapted to be provided in one fixed size for wearers of various size.

In the accompanying drawings,—

Figure 1 is a front elevation of the garment;

Fig. 2 is a similar view showing the garment as worn;

Fig. 3 is an elevation showing one form of protection strap and closure;

Figs. 4 and 5 are views similar to Fig. 3 illustrating modifications.

The hip and trunk section of the garment 1, the waistband 3 and the legs 2 may be of any desired or usual construction.

The leg portions 2 are provided with plain, preferably cylindrical, knee parts 4—4 which may be hemmed or finished straight tubes of the fabric continuous with the remainder of the garment, said knee portions having preferably at the usual outer longitudinal seam buttons or other fastening means 5 in the relative position shown in Fig. 1.

To provide a closure and protection or cuff securely holding and confining the leg ends of the garment but giving freedom to the wearer, a protection and closure strap 7 of a textile fabric, felt or leather having suitably finished edges is provided for attachment at one end to the buttons or other

fasteners 5 for each leg, ordinary button-holes 9 for instance being provided in the protection strap 7 to take over the buttons 5. The strap 7 is long enough to be wound several times around the leg below the knee to confine and secure the bottom ends of the leg portions below the knee of the wearer, and is preferably straight, but is sufficiently resilient so that the material thereof may yield to enable wrapping into a cuff or cover of a spiral form covering the lower end of the portion 4 of the garment, as shown in Fig. 2. The outer and lower end of the spiral protection and closure so formed is held in place by suitable fastening means. As shown in Fig. 3 for instance, the end 13 of the strap is provided with a buckle 10, attached to which buckle or the strap 7 near it, but otherwise free therefrom is a comparatively narrow fastener strap 11 having holes 12 to engage with the buckle tongue. The strap 11, when the protection strap 7 has been wound into place encircles the leg and is fastened at the buckle 10 so as to hold by friction the end 13 of the strap 7 from rotation, and therefore so as to hold the whole wound part of the protection or cuff formed by the strap 7 firmly in position.

Other structures for holding the end 13 of the strap 7 in place when the garment is worn may be employed. As shown in Fig. 4, for instance, an elastic-fabric strap 15 is fastened near the end 13 by sewing as at 16 and is provided with a suitable clasp such as the loop 17 to cooperate with a hook 18, the strap 15 if desired having adjustment means for one of the clasp-members such as the friction-eye 19 holding the returned end of the loop of strap 15 passed through an eye of hook 18. In use the elastic pressure of the fastener-strap 15 performs the function of holding the end 13 of the strap 7 in place.

Or, as shown in Fig. 5, a strap 7 having at its end 13 the buckle 10 may have attached thereto at 21, a suitable place nearer to the end 13 than to the other end of the strap, a short strap 20 adapted when the strap 7 is in place to be engaged with the buckle 10 to hold the end 13 in place by friction through the tension put upon the part of the strap 7 between the places 21 and the end 13.

It will be observed that the construction is such as to make the protection strap and garment-leg fit any size of leg, and so to adapt a ready-made standard size of gar-

ment for use and sale to any intending wearer without having to provide different stock sizes.

What I claim is:

5 1. A nether garment having a closure and protection for the leg comprising fastening means, a strap adapted to be fastened to said fastening means and to be wound several times around the leg of the wearer
10 thereby to cover and confine the lower end of the garment, and means adapted to encircle the leg of the wearer to hold the free end of the strap from unwinding.

2. A nether garment having a closure and
15 protection for the leg comprising fastening means, a strap adapted to be fastened to said fastening means and to be wound several times around the leg of the wearer thereby to cover and confine the lower end of the

garment, and means adapted to encircle the 20 free end of said strap and the leg of the wearer to hold by friction the free end of the strap from unwinding.

3. A nether garment having a closure and protection for the leg comprising fastening 25 means, a strap adapted to be fastened to said fastening means at one end and to be wound several times around the leg of the wearer thereby to cover and confine the lower end of the garment, and a fastener attached near 30 the free end of said strap and adapted to encircle the unfastened end of said strap and the leg of the wearer to hold said free end in place by friction against unwinding.

Signed by me at Boston, Massachusetts, 35 this twenty-ninth day of January, 1918.

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