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Fig. 1.

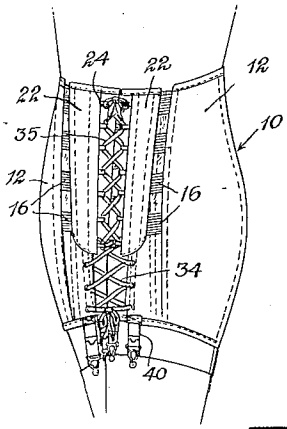


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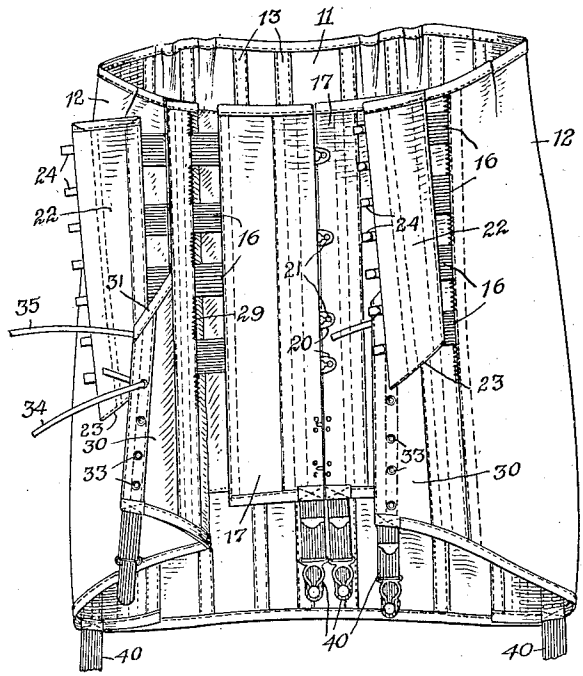


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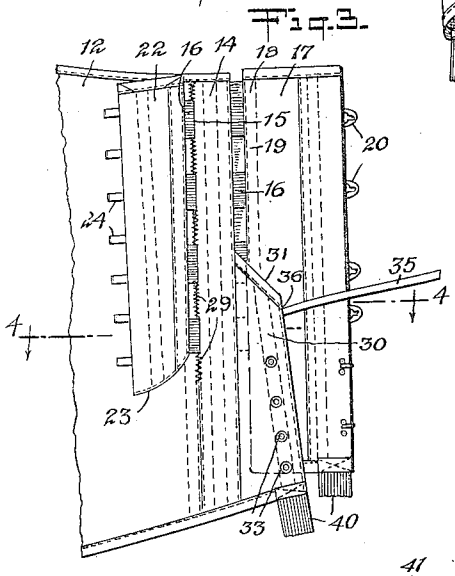
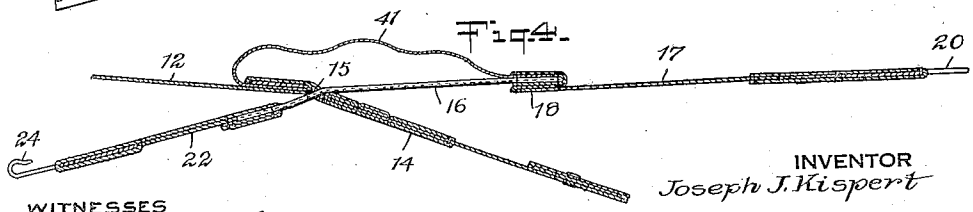


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This invention relates to corsets, and more particularly to corsets having adjustable closure members adapted to support the abdomen and to position the organs.

A further object is to provide a garment which will have adjustable closure sections for the upper and lower portion of the garment and which, while cooperating with each other, may be separately adjusted.

A still further object is to provide a garment of the type described, which is designed without the use of rubber or elastic and yet maintains all the adjustments necessary in all positions.

A still further object is to provide a garment in which, once the adjustments have been made, the support is maintained so that the whole body is better controlled.

With these and other objects in view, reference is had to the accompanying drawing in which—

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of my improved garment on the body;

Fig. 2 is an enlarged view having one side of the lacing adjustment thrown back to show the structure;

Fig. 3 is an enlarged detail view of one side of the closure members;

Fig. 4 is a cross-sectional view on the line 4—4 of Fig. 3.

The garment 10 has the usual back portion 11 and side members 12, which may be provided with customary stays 13 of any desired number and strength. The front edge 14 of the side member 12 is reinforced and is provided with openings 15. Between the openings 15 the edge 14 is connected to the side member 12 by zigzagged over and under stitching to prevent the spreading of the openings 15 and to hold the garment flat against the body.

Extending through the openings 15 are flat tapes 16 free to move therein. One end of the tape 16 is connected to the inner vest member 17 which is reinforced at 18 by a stay or other reinforcement and by the stitches 19 which engage the end of the tape 16. The inner vest 17 is provided with fastening members 20 adapted to cooperate with corresponding fastening members 21 on the corresponding vest section. The other end of the tape 16 engages an outer flap 22 which extends from the top of the garment as far as the groin line to the pubic bone and is curved at 23 to correspond with the groin line. Lacing hooks 24 are provided on each outer flap.

While I have shown four tapes 16, it will be appreciated that a greater or less number varying in width may be used. However, I have found 1⅛ inch surgical tape to be most satisfactory.

A lower lacing section 30 is provided and is stitched to the reinforced edge 14 of the side 12. The section 30 extends from above the lower end of the outer flap 22 to the bottom of the garment and is sloped at its upper end 31 to coincide with the line of the trochanter. Eyelets 33 are provided to engage laces 34.

A lace 35 is stitched at 36 to the upper portion of the lacing section 30 and the lace 35 is adapted to engage lacing hooks 24 on the outer flap 22. Conventional garters 40 are provided and a section of light material 41 running from the inner vest member 17 to the side panel 12 is likewise provided to prevent the possibility of pinching or discomfort.

When the garment is placed upon the body the inner vest member 17 is fastened and the lower lacing sections adjusted to give proper control of the pubic bone and pelvic basin. The lacing 35 is then engaged in the hooks 24 to control and support the abdomen and position the organs. It will be noted that the lace 35 is stitched to the lower lacing member 30 so that double support over the pubic bone and pelvic basin is provided and the possibility of any separation of both sections is eliminated. It will be appreciated that the combined controls not only support the abdomen and pelvic basin but provide adjustable support across the hips and thighs.

I claim:

1. A corset including a body open at the front having a reinforced member at the edge of said front, being provided with a plurality of spaced apertures behind said reinforced section, a plurality of tapes slidable in said apertures, vest members fastened to said tapes, lower front flaps extending from the bottom of said corset to a point at approximately the middle thereof, eyelets in said flaps, a lace for adjusting said flaps, a second pair of front flaps engaging said tapes extending from the top of said corset to a point below the top of said lower front flaps, lacing hooks on said upper front flaps, and laces on said lower front flaps for engaging the lacing hooks on said upper front flaps for adjusting said flaps and the vest members thereunder.

2. A corset including a body open at the front and provided with a reinforcing section adjacent the front thereof, said corset being provided with a series of spaced apertures running from the groin line of the wearer upwardly to the top of said garment, slidable tapes positioned in

said apertures, a vest section attached at its upper portion to said tapes, two pairs of front flaps, one of said pair of front flaps extending from the bottom of said garment to a point beyond the middle thereof, a lacing for adjusting said pair of front flaps, the second pair of front flaps extending from the top of the garment to approximately the groin line of the wearer, said second pair of flaps being fastened to said slidable tapes, lacing hooks on said flaps, and a lace mounted on the first pair of said flaps adapted to engage said lacing hooks to adjust said flaps and said vest section.

3. A corset including a body open at the front, an inner vest section for closing said opening, a plurality of tapes engaging the upper portion of said inner vest section and extending through apertures in the front of the garment and engaging an upper outer flap section extending from approximately the top of the garment to the groin line, a lower outer flap section extending from approximately the middle of the garment to the bottom thereof, lacing for said lower outer flap section, said upper flap sections having lacing hooks, and laces mounted on the lower flap sections for adjusting the upper flaps and the vest section.

4. In a corset of the class described, including a body open at the front, a vest section, tapes engaging said vest section extending through said front section, an outer flap engaging said tapes and extending from the top of said garment to approximately the groin line of the wearer, lacing hooks on said outer flap section and a second outer flap section extending from the bottom of the garment to approximately the center thereof, said second outer flap section being adapted to underlie the first outer flap section, adjustable fastening means for said second mentioned outer flap section, and laces mounted on said second outer flap section adapted to engage the lacing hooks on said first mentioned outer flap section to adjustably position said outer flaps and said vest section.

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