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PROTECTOR FOR CORSETS.

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Fig. 1.

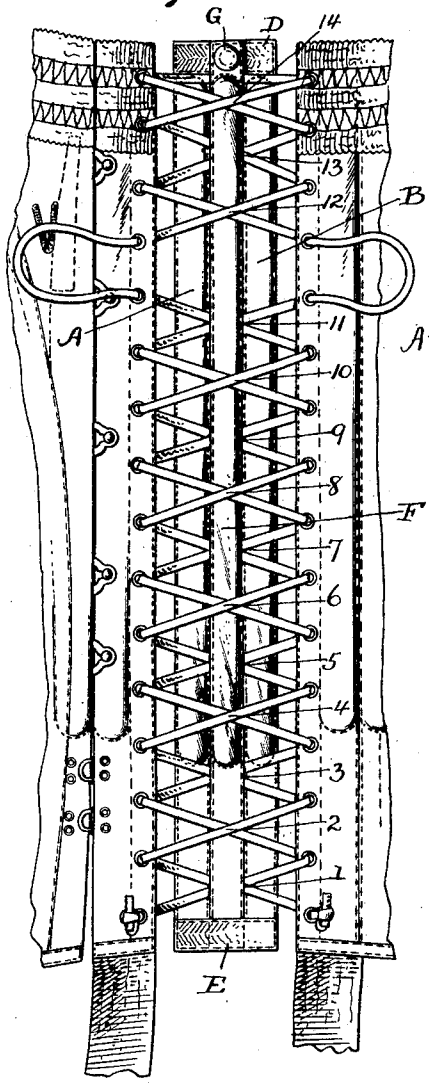


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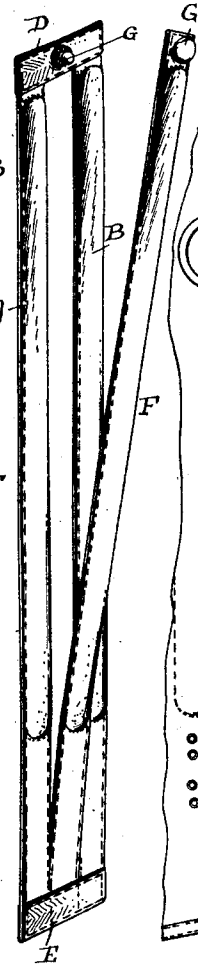


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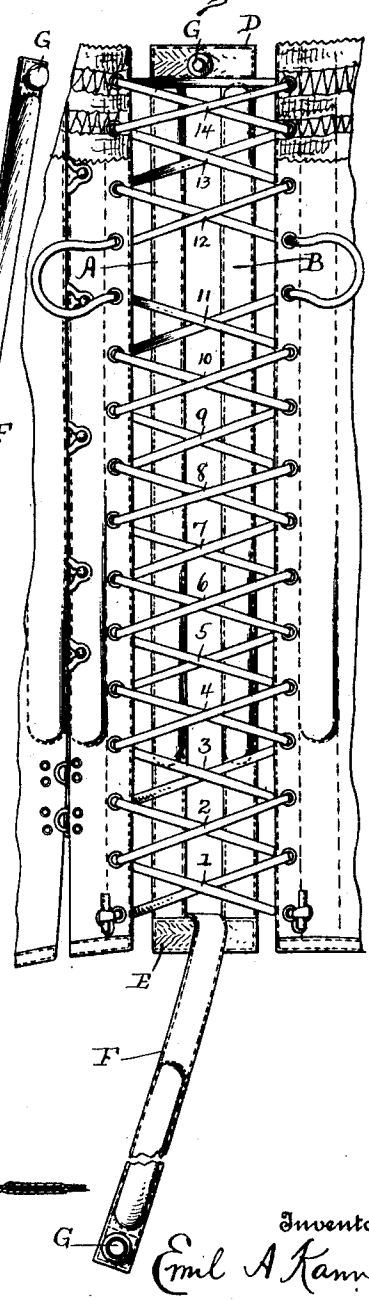
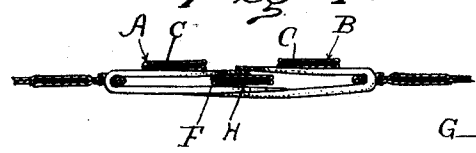


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EMIL A. KANN, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Protectors for Corsets, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in corsets and the object of the invention is to provide a protector to be located just behind the lacing, whether the lacing is at the front or the back of a corset, the protector being secured to the lacings of the corset in such a way as to permit the laces to be easily adjusted as occasion may require.

In the preferable embodiment of my invention, the protector consists of two main parts one of which comprises two members connected together at the top and bottom and spaced apart from each other, the second main part being secured at one end to the other main part and having its opposite end detachably secured to the other end of the first part so that the two part member may be located behind the lacings and the single member threaded in and out of the lacings in a manner readily understood from my drawings.

In the drawings accompanying and forming part hereof: Figure 1 is a side elevation of part of a corset having my invention secured thereto. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the protector detached. Fig. 3 is a view like Fig. 1 except that the single member of the protector is not in place so that the position of the protector may be more readily seen. Fig. 4 is a cross section.

Referring now to the details of the drawings by numerals, the letters A and B designate two parallel members forming the main part of my protector, these two members being spaced apart for their length and each preferably having a stay or stiffener C located therein. The two members are connected together at their upper and lower ends by means of fabric D and E. A second or single member F is secured at its lower end to the fabric E connecting the two parts of the main member, and its upper end is secured to the fabric D by means of a separable fastener G or any other desirable connection. This member F may also be stiffened by a suitable stay H as indicated in the drawing.

In use, the double member A—B is located behind the lacings of the corset while the single member F is laced in and out of the lacings as clearly seen in Fig. 1. Thus the single member passes over each of the lacings marked with odd numbers as 1, 3, 5, etc., while it passes under the lacings marked with the even numbers, 2, 4, 6, etc. This leaves every other crossing of the lacings free so that the user of the corset may readily draw on the lacings 2, 4, 6, etc. and not be interfered with in the slightest extent by the protector.

From the foregoing and accompanying drawings, it will be seen that the protector can be easily attached to any corset, whether front or back laced, either before or after the garment is put on. The protector does not have to be fitted to any particular corset except that it should be the same length as the laced part of the corset. Should the edges of the corset, in lacing, come closer together than the width of the protector the edges of the protector will easily slip under the eyelets of the corset and will therefore not interfere in any way with the closing of the corset. It will be evident that the protector may be sold with the corsets or separately as preferred.

What I claim as my invention is:

1. A protector for corsets comprising a double member having two parts substantially parallel to each other and connected at top and bottom, and a single member having its ends attached to the double member, one of said ends being detachable whereby the single member may be detached and threaded through the lacings of a corset, substantially as described.

2. A protector for corsets having a double member having two parts spaced from each other and substantially parallel to each other, said two parts having stays or stiffeners

therein and being connected at top and bottom, and a single member also having a stiffener therein and having one of its ends secured to the two part member at the bottom and its opposite end secured to the two part member by a separable fastener, whereby the single member may be detached and threaded through the lacings of a corset, the double member protecting the wearer, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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