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Fig. 1.

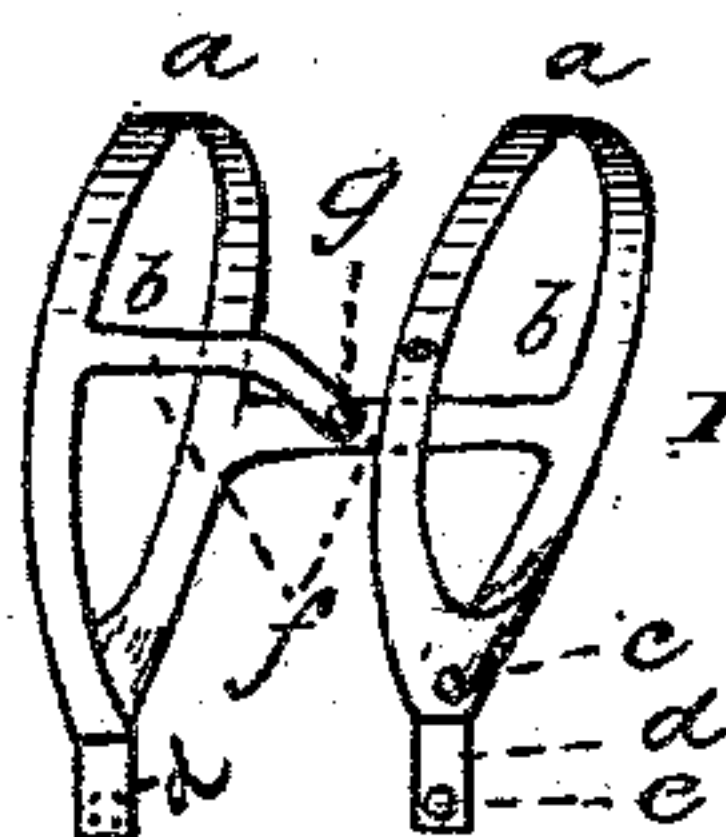


Fig. 2.

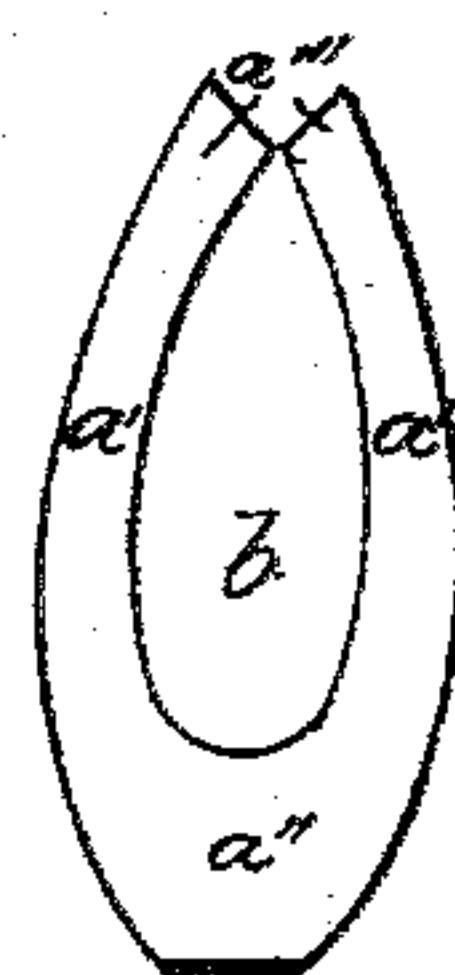


Fig. 3.

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## WAIST, DRAWERS, AND STOCKING SUPPORTER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, MARION CODDINGTON, a citizen of the United States, residing at Rahway, in the county of Union and State of New Jersey, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Waist, Drawers, and Stocking Supporters Combined; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

The object of this invention is to provide a more simple, durable, comfortable, readily adjustable, and otherwise an efficient support or brace for children's stockings and lower garments; and it consists in the arrangements and combinations of parts, substantially as will be hereinafter set forth, and finally embodied in the claim.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, in which similar letters of reference indicate like parts in each of the several figures, Figure 1 represents my improved device as arranged upon the wearer. Fig. 2 is a view of the device detached from said wearer, and Fig. 3 shows a blank supporting strap or piece as cut from appropriate material, preferably jean.

In carrying out my invention I cut the said supporting-pieces *a a* from suitable fabric—such as jean—in the form shown in Fig. 3, *a'* being arms, tongues, or straps of a shoulder-piece, which unite at *a''*, and from thence pass upward and terminate in cross-cut edges *a'''*, which edges, when properly lapped, are sewed together, to form a seam, an arm or shoulder aperture, *b*, being formed, and the fabric being thus adapted to lie smoothly on the hip, the front and back, and the shoulder of the child. By this construction but one seam is formed in the supporting-piece, excepting such others as may be formed by making the said piece of more than one thickness of material. The tongues *a' a'*, where they are integrally

joined at the bottom, form the broadened hip piece *a''*, which lies over the hip and causes the pressure thereupon to be evenly distributed over the large space covered by the said broadened portion *a''*, and prevents all cutting and pain, which are frequently occasioned by narrow bands or straps.

Upon the hip portions *a''*, which are integral with the tongues or straps *a'*, are arranged buttons *c*, or other suitable devices, to hold the waistband of the pants, drawers, or other lower garments. Depending from said hip portions are secured straps *d*, adapted to engage with the stocking, to hold the same. The said straps may be duplicated or doubled, to engage with the stocking on opposite sides of the leg. The lower extremities of the straps are provided with suitable means to engage with the stocking, such as the button *e*.

The supporting-pieces are connected by bands *f*, which pass across the front and back of the wearer and hold said supporting-piece in proper position upon the body, the front band being permanently secured at one end but detachable at the other, to enable the device to be removed. Said front band is provided with a button, *g*, or other attaching device.

The back-band is preferably secured permanently at both its extremities; but it may also be made detachable.

What I claim as new is—

The herein-described supporting device for body-wear, consisting of the straps *a' a'*, made of a single piece of material having a broadened portion, *a''*, at the bottom thereof, and provided with connecting-bands *f* and strap *d*, substantially as set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing have hereunto set my hand this 16th day of July, 1883.

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