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Fig. 1.

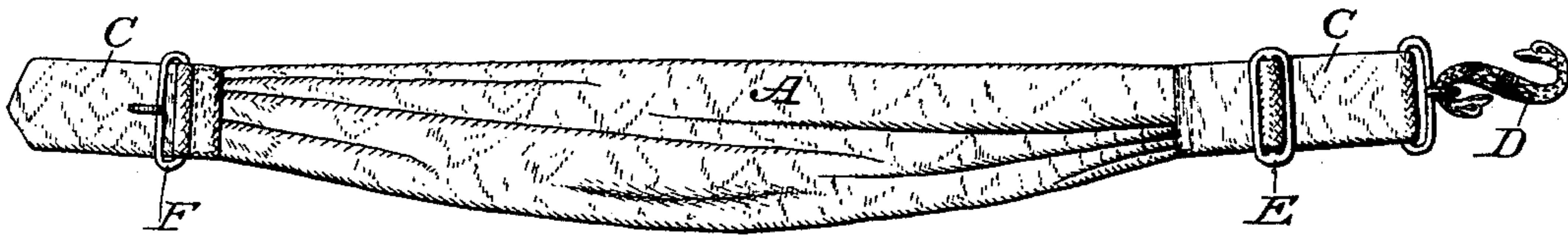
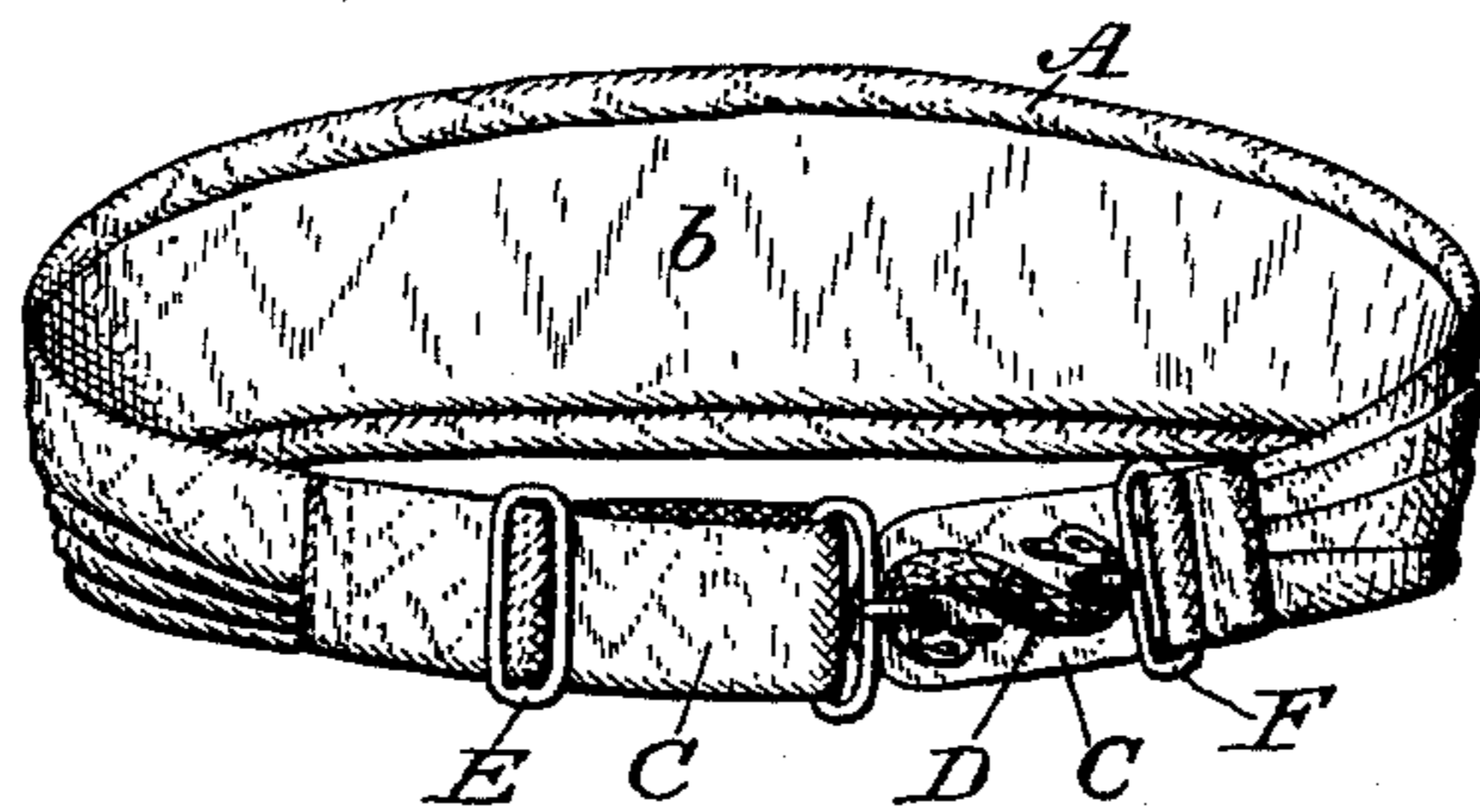


Fig. 2.



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COMBINED SASH AND BELT.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THOMAS J. FLAGG, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Combined Sash and Belt for Men's Wear, which I have designated as the "Gordon Sash;" and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, making a part of this specification.

This invention relates to an improved device for use as a girdle for men's wear, to cover and conceal the waistband of the pantaloons.

It has been found by gentlemen very comfortable in the summer season to wear as a negligé costume simply a suitable shirt and pantaloons, without coat or other outer garment. This costume in itself lacks neatness, because of the unfinished appearance of the waistband of the pantaloons fitted as is customary with suspender-buttons and with an adjusting-strap and buckle. It has been sought to improve the costume by wearing a sash, folded and tied about the waist; but this has been found uncomfortable and otherwise objectionable because of the amplitude of an ordinary sash and the requirement of a knot or bow to secure it.

The object of my invention is to provide a device which shall combine all the desirable features of a sash in concealing the waistband and its attachments, with the neatness, ease of attachment, and the support furnished by a belt girdled about the waist; and it consists in the combination, substantially as hereinafter described and claimed, of a short sash or girdle of comparatively wide material gathered at its ends to form longitudinal folds, with narrower end pieces severally fashioned as a belt and provided with any of the approved adjusting and fastening devices used with belts.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 represents my improved Gordon sash or combined sash and belt opened out; and Fig. 2, a perspective view of the same with its ends united, as when in position about the waist of the wearer.

A represents the front of the device constructed of a broad strip of suitable material gathered at each end to cause it to form longitudinal folds extending from each end toward the center in such a manner as good taste may dictate. These folds allow the middle portion to remain wide and loose, as shown in Fig. 1, for the purpose of forming a broad graceful section of a band or girdle in the form of a sash to cover the front portion of the waist. The band or sash, with its gathered ends, is lined with a facing *b*, of suitable material, left plain, preferably without gathers or folds, and which covers its entire inner side. This lining serves to bear and resist the tension or longitudinal strain upon the sash, so that its folds will not be pulled out of shape. This sash portion A of the device is preferably made of sufficient length to cover the entire front of the waist and extend back over the hips of the wearer far enough, so that its ends shall not appear at the front.

The made-up lined sash or band A is secured neatly at each end to a comparatively narrow strip or piece of belting C. These pieces of belting may be of woven material of the character used in belts for men's wear, and of a color and quality to match the sash or band A; or may be specially manufactured with a facing of the same material as the sash, folded over and secured upon a suitable strong interlining to constitute the belt and receive the strain or tension to which it is subjected when buckled about the person of the wearer.

Preferably the strip or belt-piece at one end is doubled upon itself through the loop of a hook D, and is attached to a suitable slide E, so as to permit of a ready adjustment of its length in manner as is usual in the ordinary forms of belts, the customary eye F for the the hook being in such case attached to the strip or belt-piece at the opposite end of the sash. I contemplate, however, the employment of any of the well-known devices used for securing a belt about the waist, in providing for adjusting and making fast this combined sash and belt.

The sash may be made of rich materials,

and with its belt ends and ornamental fastening devices presents a neat, dressy, and finished appearance in connection with a suitable shirt and pants.

5 I claim as my invention—

1. As a new article of manufacture, the combined sash and belt constructed substantially as described, of a central sash gathered and secured at its ends to comparatively narrow strips, serving as a continuation thereof
10 and having suitable detachable fastening devices to unite them.

2. The combination, with the end belt-pieces C C, formed of comparatively narrow

strips and provided with detachable devices 15 for uniting them, of the interposed wide sash-piece A, left free and full in the middle and gathered in folds at each end for attachment to said narrower belt-pieces C C, substantially in the manner and for the purpose herein set 20 forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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