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FIG. 1.

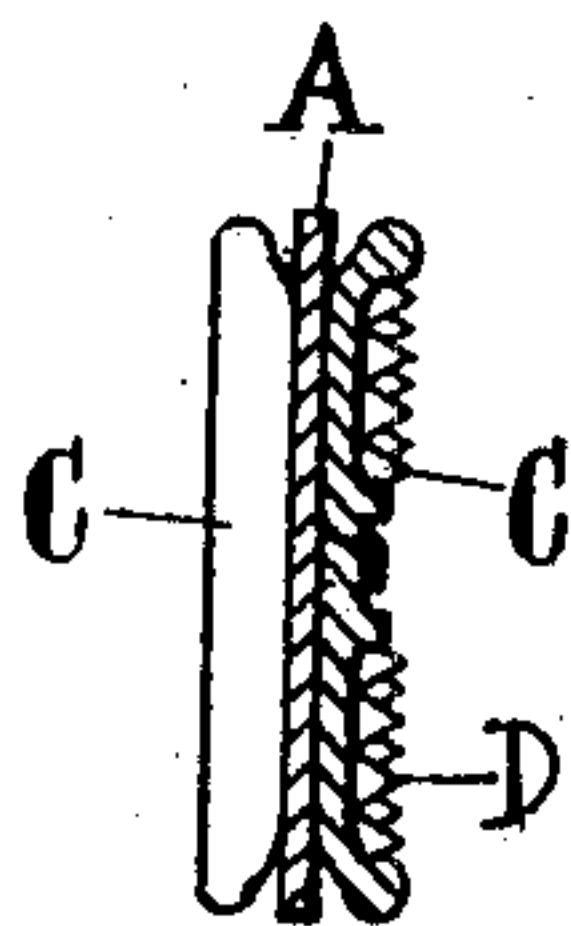
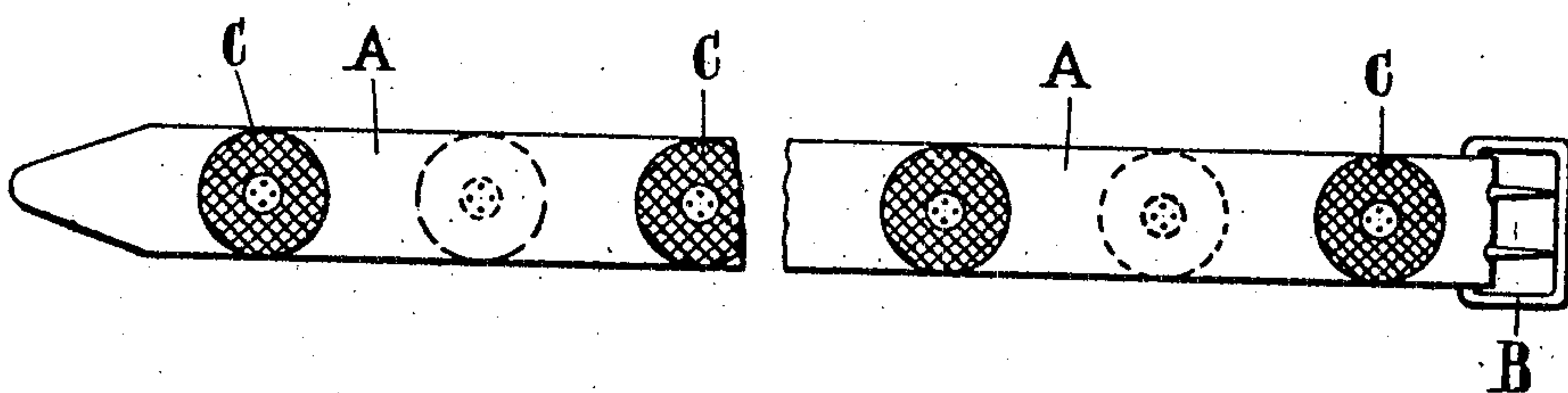


FIG. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, REGINALD LESLIE GOODING, a subject of the King of Great Britain, and a resident of Bridgetown, Barbadoes, British West Indies, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Waistbands, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to that class of devices designed to retain in inseparable contact the waistbands of skirts and bodices or blouses when adjusted on the person wearing them.

Devices for the purpose have heretofore been provided, but have comprised in their construction metallic points or hooks intended to perforate or fasten to the bands, or rubber facings, or a combination of hooks or like fastenings and rubber facings. Both of said constructions are, however, imperfect inasmuch as when hooks and the like have been employed they tear, wear out, or otherwise injure the band or bands, and when rubber alone or in combination with hooks or fastenings has been used it has only been applied to one side of a skirt or bodice band or belt and is capable of supporting one of the garments only. Moreover, when rubber facings have been employed for the purpose it has been deemed essential to corrugate the face of the rubber horizontally in order that it may impinge tightly upon and squeeze the material of the bodice or skirt or like garments into corresponding corrugations in corresponding sets or pads applied thereto.

The object of my invention is to provide a skirt and bodice or blouse band holder of particularly light construction which will impinge upon the surfaces of both the skirt-band and the blouse or bodice band, not only by reason of the nature of the material or substance employed, but also because of the arrangement of the pieces of said substance on one side of the belt being intermittent those on the other side.

By my improvement the impinging material is applied to both sides of a belt, so that both skirt and blouse band will be held with-

out additional devices—such as, for instance, the pads before mentioned. Moreover, by the use of my device not the slightest injury will be imparted to the skirt or blouse band, while they will be effectively prevented from derangement due to the weight of the skirt or movement of the body, and, finally, the device is capable of being easily applied.

It is to be understood that my improved belt is to be worn between the skirt and bodice bands and that independent movement of the said bands will be prevented by the frictional contact of the rubber buttons or disks therewith.

Reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, and in which like letters refer to similar parts throughout—

Figure 1 illustrates a belt constructed in accordance with my invention. Fig. 2 is a transverse section, enlarged, of the belt.

The invention comprises the belt A, constructed of canvas or suitable fabric or material and provided with a buckle or suitable fastening device B. Buttons or disks of rubber C are secured to opposite sides of the belt A by stitching or in any other manner—as, for instance, by metallic fastenings. The buttons are preferably arranged in such manner that the buttons on one side are alternately arranged with the buttons on the other side. By such an arrangement the belt will lie flatter around the waist, for the reason that the buttons on one side will be pressed by the outer bodice or skirt band substantially into alinement with the buttons on the other side. Moreover, a certain degree of elasticity is imparted to the belt, because when it is drawn tightly around the waist the canvas straightens and the buttons on one side are forced outwardly out of alinement with those on the other side, but are again pressed substantially into alinement when the outermost band of the skirt or bodice is drawn taut, and by such action the belt A is additionally tightened and the impingement of the disks increased. If desired, the frictional contact may be enhanced

by roughening the surface of the buttons, as illustrated at D in Fig. 2.

Having now described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

5 A belt of canvas or similar material having rubber buttons secured to both sides thereof, the buttons on one side of the belt being alternately arranged with those on the other

side and the whole outer surface of the buttons being roughened.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in presence of two witnesses.

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