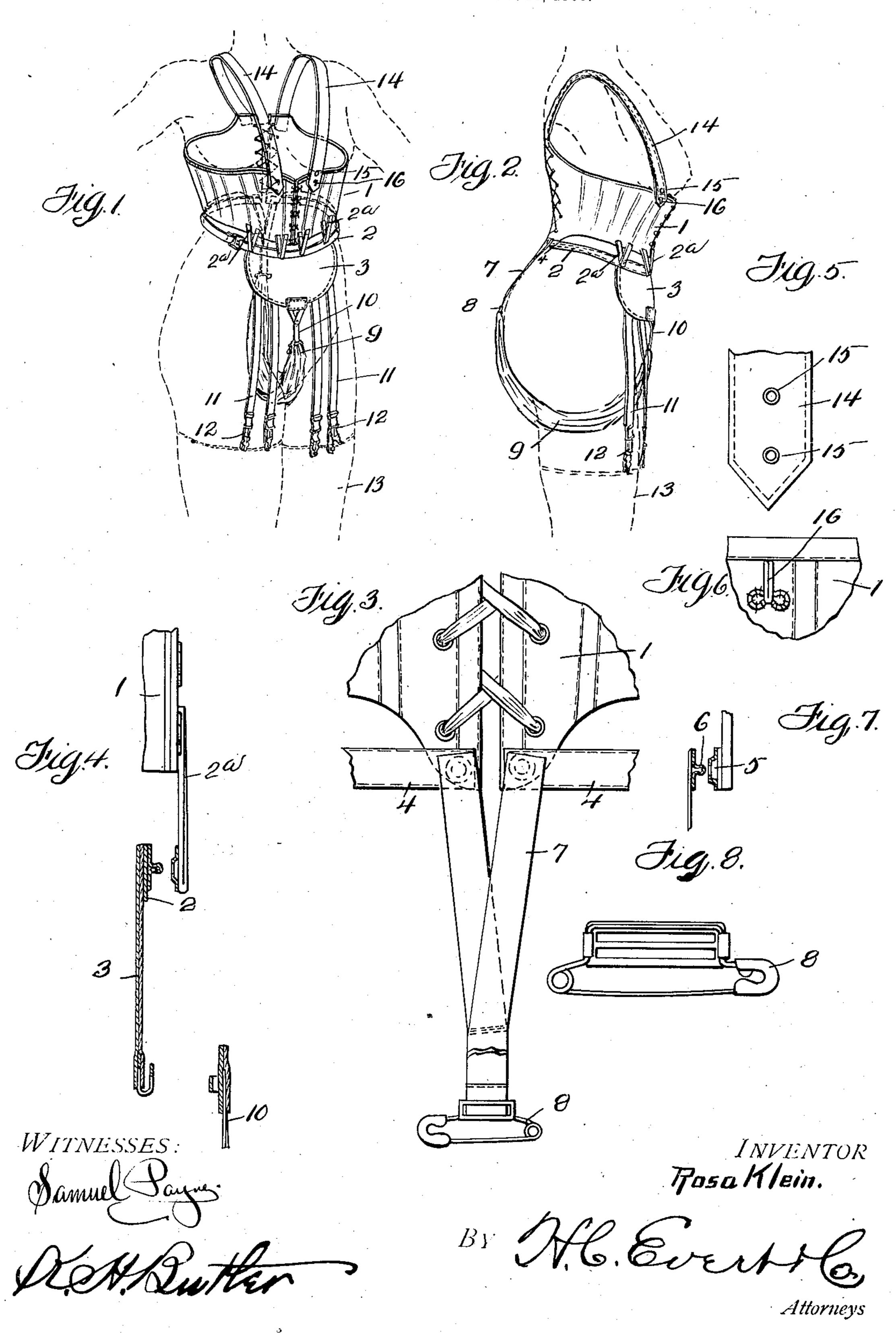
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## GARMENT-SUPPORT.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Rosa Klein, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Pittsburg, in the county of Allegheny and 5 State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Garment-Supports, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawing.

This invention relates to garment supports, and its primary object is to provide a device of this character which will serve as a support for stockings, and also as a suspen-

sory for a catamenial bandage.

A further object of the invention is to provide a combination corset and garment support adapted to serve both as a hose supporter and a suspending means for a bandage.

The construction of the improvement will 25 be fully described hereinafter in connection with the accompanying drawing, which forms a part of this specification, and its novel features will be defined in the ap-

pended claims.

25 In the drawing, Figure 1 is a view in perspective of a combination corset and garment support embodying the invention, Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the same, Fig. 3 is a fragmentary rear elevation on an enlarged 30 scale, Fig. 4 is a fragmentary central longitudinal section of the apron and parts to be connected thereto, Fig. 5 is a front elevation on an enlarged scale of one end of one of the corset shoulder straps, Fig. 6 is a detail front 35 elevation of a portion of the corset, Fig. 7 is a detail vertical section showing the manner of securing the rear suspensory to the waistband, Fig. 8 is an enlarged elevation of the safety pins employed.

The reference numeral 1 designates a corset provided with a waist band 2 detachably suspended from the front of the corset by straps 2a. From the front of the band 2 depends an apron 3, and said waist band 2 is 45 continuous in front, relatively speaking, it having permanently separated ends located at the rear, which ends are adapted to be mounted on the opposing side edges of the corset at the rear or lacing portion of the 50 corset. The band, intermediate the apron 3 and the end of the band is divided, the endportions at the point of division being secured by a buckle. This construction permits of the use of the full equivalent of a 55 complete band, but the securing of the ends, whether detachably or permanently, to the

corset, without affecting the ability to adjust the size of the corset through the lacing, provides a construction in which the position of the waist band will be maintained at the 60 same point, and eliminates the liability of the waist band riding upwardly or moving laterally when tightening the band or under the movements of the wearer. Furthermore, when the band is used without the 65 bandage hereinafter described, the unfastening of the buckle will permit of the bandage being taken off with the corset, while when the bandage is used, the unloosening of the bandage in front (as is required when a 70 separate band is used) and the unfastening of the buckle, permits of the removal of the corset and band and bandage at the same time. Each of the ends of the band 2 is provided with a resilient socket 5 to receive 75 a headed fastener 6, projecting from one of the upper ends of a two-part suspensory 7 carrying a safety pin 8 at its lower end for its attachment to a bandage 9, the front end of which it attached to a suspending strap 10 80 secured centrally to the apron 3.

From the apron on opposite sides of the strap 10 depend straps 11 provided at their lower ends with suitable fasteners 12 for attaching said straps 11 to the stockings 13. 85

The corset as shown, is provided with shoulder straps 14, and with the usual lacing at the back and hook and eye structure at the front. The straps 14 are provided with eyelets 15 at their front ends to adapt them 90 to engage hooks 16 sewed to the front of the corset adjacent to its upper edge.

The utility and advantages of the improvement will be readily understood from the foregoing description in connection with 95 the drawing, as it is obvious that the device affords an inexpensive, comfortable, and

effective article of apparel.

What I claim and desire to secure by Let-

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ters Patent, is:— The combination with a corset and shoulder straps for suspending the same, of a waist band so disposed with respect to the corset as to provide a continuous portion at the front of the corset, said band having 105 separated end portions, means for detachably connecting the ends of the band to the bottom of the rear of the lacing edges of the corset, a plurality of V-shaped strips secured to and depending from the front of the corset 110 and surrounding the front portion of the band for detachably suspending the same,

an apron secured to and depending from the front edge of the forward portion of the band, stocking supporters secured to the lower edge of the apron, a two part bandage having its rear end detachably secured to the rear ends of said band, a suspension device depending from the apron, and a safety pin carried by the front end of the bandage for

detachably securing the forward end of the bandage to the suspension device.

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

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