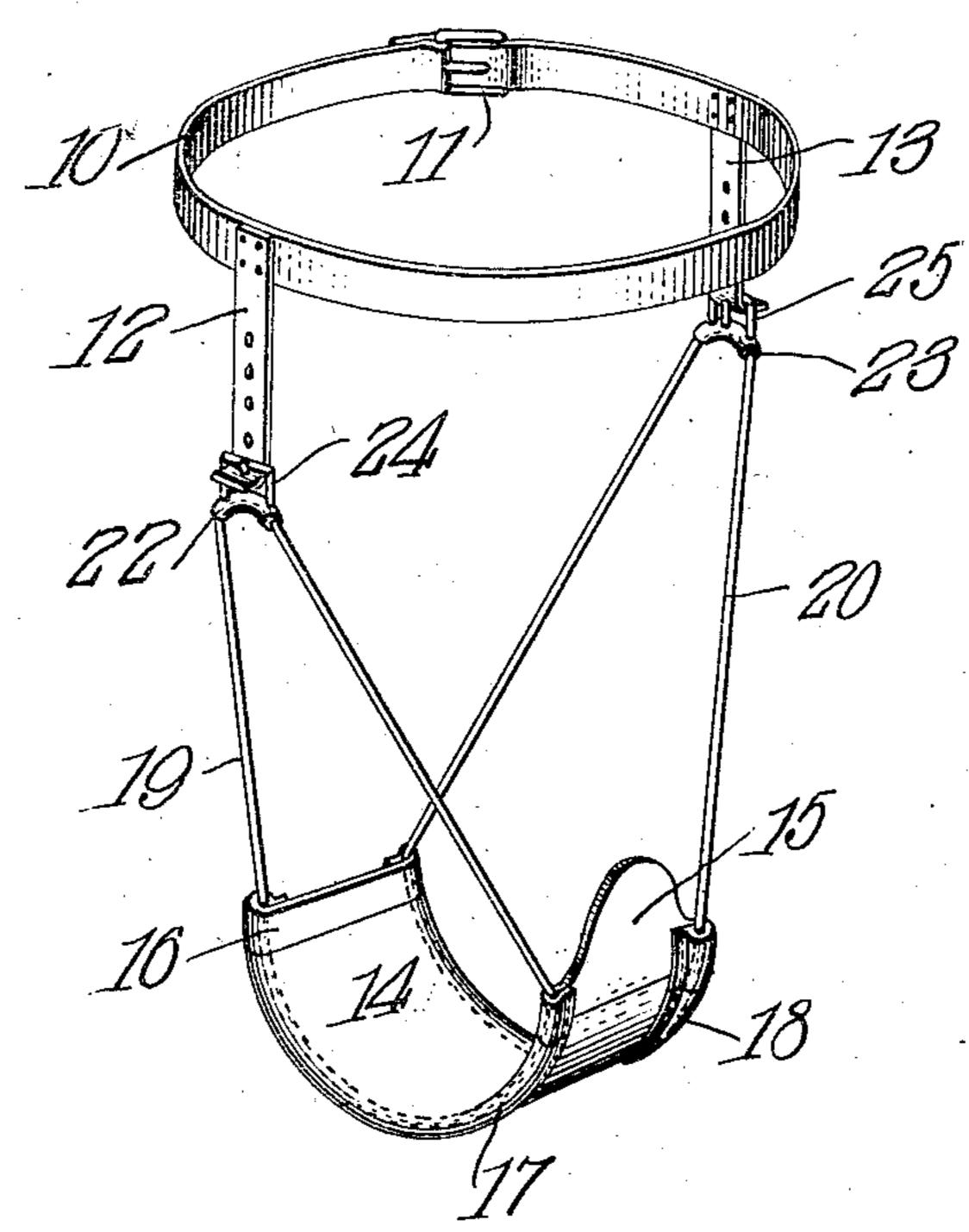
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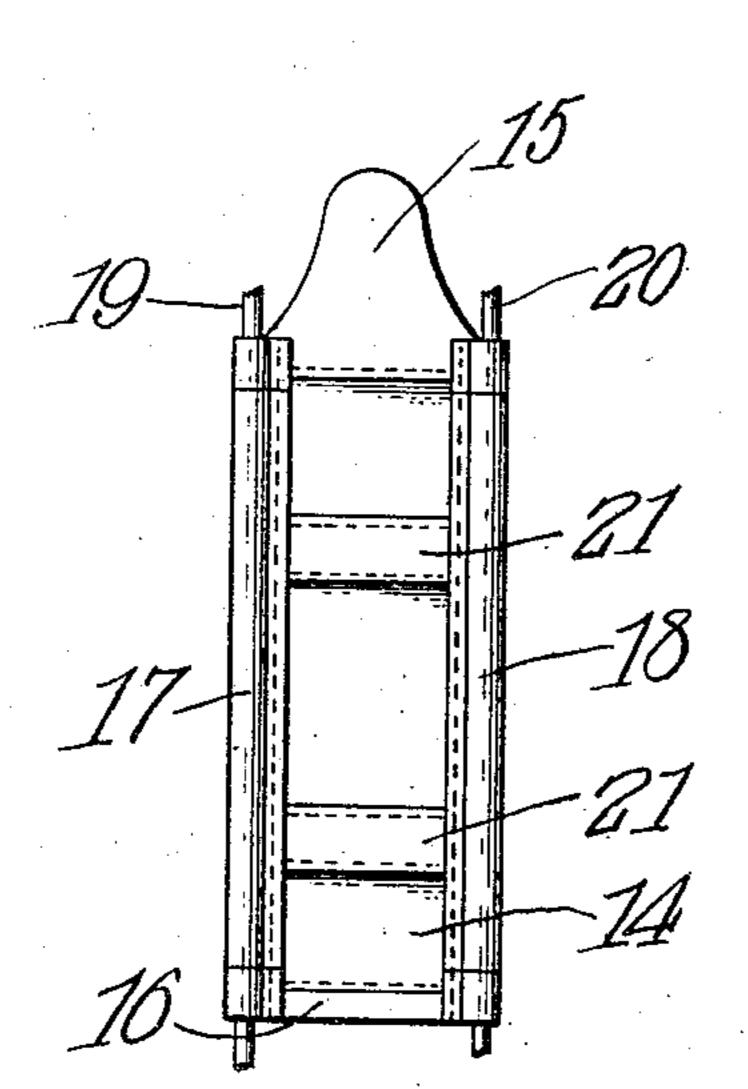
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Isabel La Bonta Plamondon, a citizen of the United States, residing at Provement, in the county of 5 Leelanau, State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Catamenial Bandages; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as 10 will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to sanitary belts, and has for one of its objects to improve the construction and increase the utility and

15 efficiency of devices of this character.

Another object of the invention is to provide a simply constructed device of this character which is readily adjustable to the person of the wearer, can be readily discon-20 nected for the removal of the renewable portions, and which automatically adjusts itself to the movements of the wearer.

With these and other objects in view, the invention consists in certain novel features 25 of construction as hereafter shown and described and then specifically pointed out in the claim, and in the drawings employed for illustrating the preferred embodiment of the invention and in which corresponding 30 parts are denoted by like reference characters.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the improved device. Fig. 2 is a view of the pad

portion of the device from the lower side. 35 The improved device comprises a belt 10 of suitable material for passing around the waist of the wearer and provided with a buckle 11 to enable it to be adjusted. Attached to the belt 10 at each side by sewing 40 or otherwise are straps 12-13, which extend

over the hips of the wearer.

The pad portion of the device is formed from a strip of material 14 preferably rubber cloth, having cloth portions 15-16 se-45 cured to the ends and stitched thereto, to | ture, in presence of two witnesses. strengthen the pad, while the side edges of the pad are formed with hems 17—18 through which elastic cords 19-20 are passed, as shown, and in which they are se-50 cured by stitching, as shown. The pad 14 may also be further strengthened by cross | strips 21, if preferred.

The cords 19—20 are made endless by disposing the ends within the hems 17—18 and the "bights" of the cords pass through 55 curved tubular guides 22—23 connected to buckles 24-25, the latter engaged by the hip straps 12—13. The cords 19—20 form loops which pass around the thighs of the wearer and may be adjusted to any required 60 extent to bring the pad into the proper position, and the cords being of elastic material will yield to the movements of the wearer and thus prevent the displacement of the pad by such movements.

The "bights" of the cords by running freely through the curved guides 22-23, it is obvious that the pad will automatically adjust itself to the wearer, and prevent unequal strains upon the parts.

The material employed will be that gen-

erally used in devices of this class.

The device is simple in construction, can _ be inexpensively manufactured, and of various sizes.

The pad portion together with the endless cords and buckles may be readily removed by simply detaching the buckles, leaving the belt and hip straps upon the person, and after the worn compress is replaced by an- 80 other, the pad can be readily restored.

What is claimed is—

A device of the class described comprising a body folded over at the sides and secured at the edges to the body whereby tubular por- 85 tions are formed at the sides of the body and open at the ends to receive suspending cords, reinforcing strips extending transversely of the body at the ends thereof and secured thereto and intermediate reinforcing strips 90 bearing upon the body and extending at the ends between the folded edges of the tubular side portions, and means for securing the reinforcing strips beneath the folded edges of the body.

In testimony whereof, I affix my signa-

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