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SWIMMING-SUIT.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FREDERICK B. MASLEN, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Moberly, in the county of Randolph and State of Missouri, have invented new and useful Improvements in Swimming-Suits, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to swimming suits, and one of the principal objects of the same is to provide a suit which will remain upon the wearer without exposing any part of the wearer under any conditions.

Another object of the invention is to provide a swimming suit in which the trunks will be secured between an inner and an outer layer of the shirt so that if the outer layer should be turned up there would be no gap between the shirt and the trunks.

These and other objects may be attained by means of the construction illustrated in the accompanying drawing which is a front elevation and partial section of a swimming suit made in accordance with my invention.

Referring to the drawing, the numeral 1 designates the shirt portion of the swimming suit, and 2 are the trunks. At a point near the waist line inside of the shirt is a depending skirt portion 3 connected inside the shirt by a line of stitches 4 extending entirely around inside the shirt. This skirt portion 3 extends down to a point somewhat above the lower edge of the shirt.

In use the shirt 1 is placed upon the wearer, and the lower edge 5 of the shirt is thrown up under the arms, and the trunks 2 are then

put on. The waist band of the trunks is brought up to a line immediately under the seam 4 of the inner skirt 3, and after having been secured in place, the outer portion 5 of the shirt is pulled down to the condition shown in the drawing.

A swimmer or bather wearing a swimming suit made in accordance with my invention cannot expose any part of his person, owing to the fact that the inner portion 3 of the shirt extends within the trunks while the outer portion 5 of the shirt extends over the trunks. Moreover, on account of the portion 5 covering the upper portion of the trunks, there is not such a tendency to separate the two garments.

My invention is simple in construction, can be manufactured at low cost, is very efficient for its purpose and can be readily put on and taken off.

I claim:—

The herein described swimming suit comprising a shirt having secured on the inside thereof near the waist line a supplemental skirt extending to a point near the bottom of the shirt, in combination with a pair of trunks secured between the inner skirt and the outer portion of the shirt at a point near the seam which connects the inner skirt to the shirt.

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

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