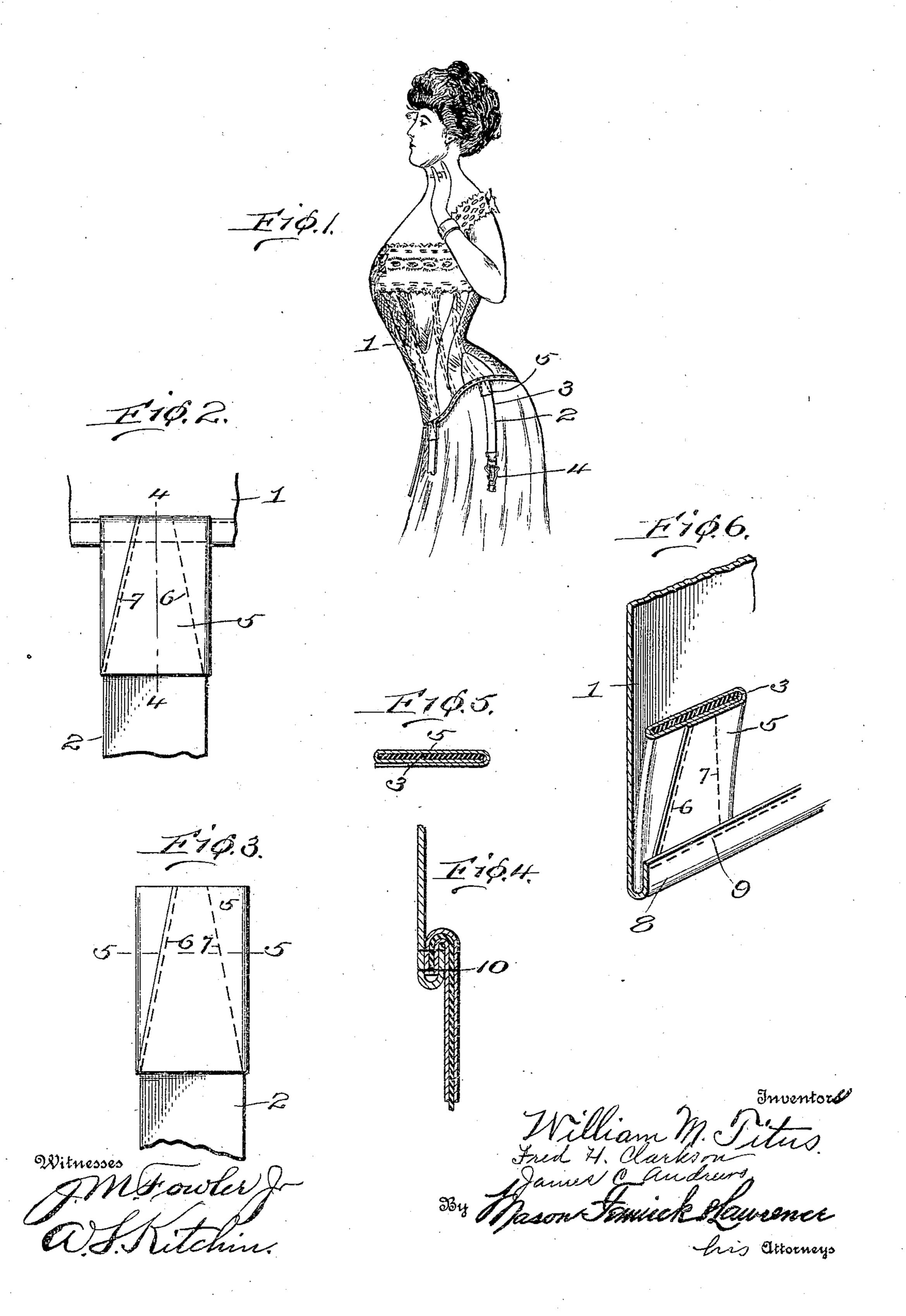
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, William M. Titus, Fred H. Clarkson, and James C. Andrews, citizens of the United States, residing at Springfield, in the county of Hampden and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hose-Supporters; and we do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to improvements in hose supporters, and particularly to hose supporters having improved means for securing the same to a supporting article, and has for an object the provision of a reinforcing strip positioned at one end of the supporter and secured thereto previous to the securing of the supporter in position upon the article to which it is to be attached.

Another object in view is the provision of a hose supporter arranged with a piece of inelastic material folded around the end of an elastic strip of a hose supporter which serves as reinforcing means for keeping the elastic from stretching at the place where the hose is secured to the supporting garment.

With these and other objects in view the invention comprises certain novel constructions, combinations and arrangement of parts as will be hereinafter more fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings: Figure 1 35 is a view of a corset shown applied, and having secured thereto a hose supporter embodying the features of the invention. Fig. 2 is an enlarged fragmentary view of the lower edge of the corset showing the upper edge 40 of the supporter secured thereto. Fig. 3 is an enlarged view of the upper end of the supporter. Fig. 4 is a section through Fig. 2, approximately on line 4—4. Fig. 5 is a section through Fig. 3, approximately on 45 line 5—5. Fig. 6 is an enlarged detail fragmentary perspective view of the lower end of the corset showing the end of the supporter, the same being only partially applied.

In order that the invention may be clearly understood an embodiment of the same is shown in the accompanying drawings in which—

1 indicates a corset of any desired kind 55 to which is secured a supporter 2. The supporter 2 is formed with an elastic 3 of any usual or preferred kind which has secured to the lower end thereof a clamping or securing means 4 for engaging the hose. At the upper end of the elastic 3 is secured 60 a strip of cloth 5 that is wrapped entirely around the upper end of the elastic and is held in position by preferably two lines of threads or seams 6 and 7 run from the outer or lower corners of the fabric or cloth 5 65 to the upper edge of the cloth or fabric. The line of stitching is inclined so that the upper end will be positioned about one-third of the distance from the upper corners.

The hose supporter may be applied to any garment, but for the purpose of illustration, the same is shown in connection with a corset, and in applying the same to a corset the lower hem 8 of the corset is opened and 75 the upper end of the supporter 2 carrying cloth 5 is inserted into the hem as clearly seen in Fig. 6. After the supporter has been thus inserted into the hem 8 the upper row of stitches 9 is replaced and the supporter 80 bent over to the position shown in Fig. 6, and then the lower row of stitches 10 inserted. By thus placing the supporter in position the stitches 9 may be easily replaced and will hold the supporter correctly in 85 position while the same is being bent over, and stitches 10 placed in position. This forms a firm securing means for the supporter as a hook shaped formation is presented which, together with the reinforcing 90 strip of cloth 5 and the various stitching for holding the same in position will firmly hold the supporter in position without any tendency to tear either the supporter or the garment to which it is secured. It will also 95 be observed that by the arrangement of stitching and the reinforcing cloth the life of the supporter is greatly lengthened. What we claim is:

1. The combination with an article hav- 100 ing an upturned hem, an elastic, a strip of cloth enveloping one end of said elastic and secured to the same by means of stitching passing therethrough, the cloth and elastic inserted under the upturned hem of the 105 article, and stitching passing through the hem the cloth and elastic to secure the same together.

2. The combination with an article having an upturned hem, an elastic, a strip of cloth 110

enveloping one end of said elastic and folded with an overlapping end, a plurality of rows of stitching for securing said strip of cloth to said elastic, the end of the elastic and cloth being inserted under the upstanding hem and a row of stitching passing through said elastic, said hem and said cloth for securing the elastic and strip of cloth to said article.

In testimony whereof we affix out signa- 10 tures in presence of two witnesses.

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