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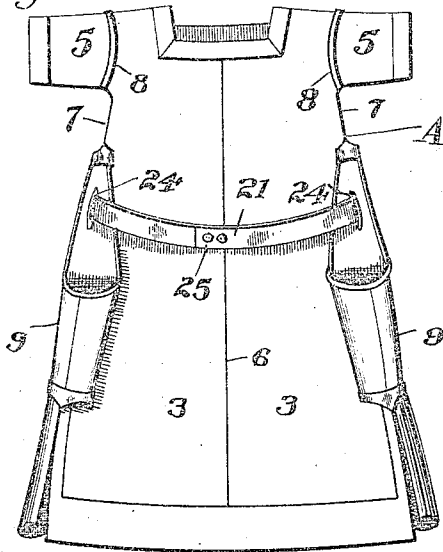


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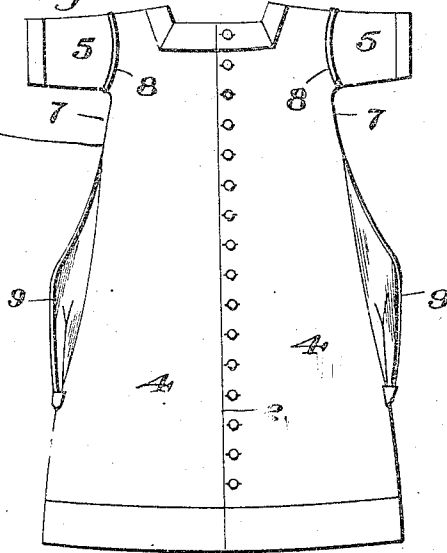


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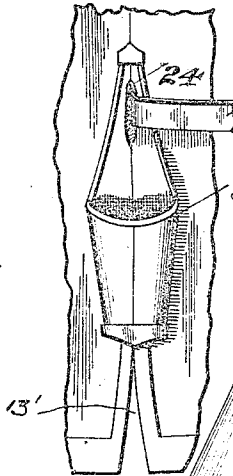
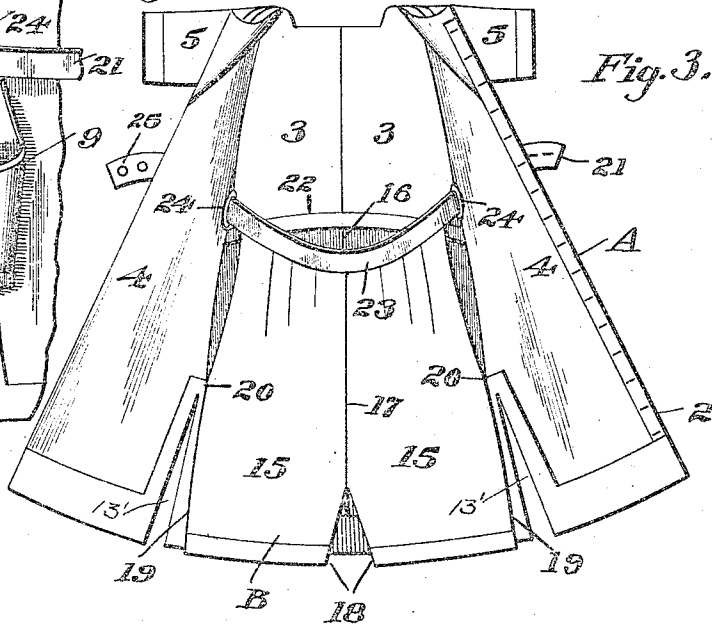


Fig. 3.



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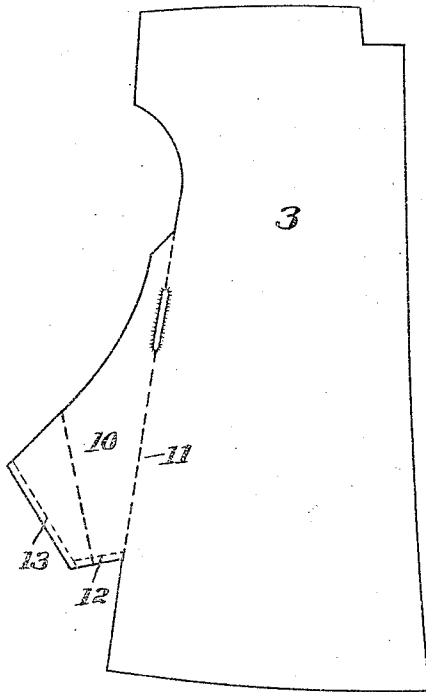


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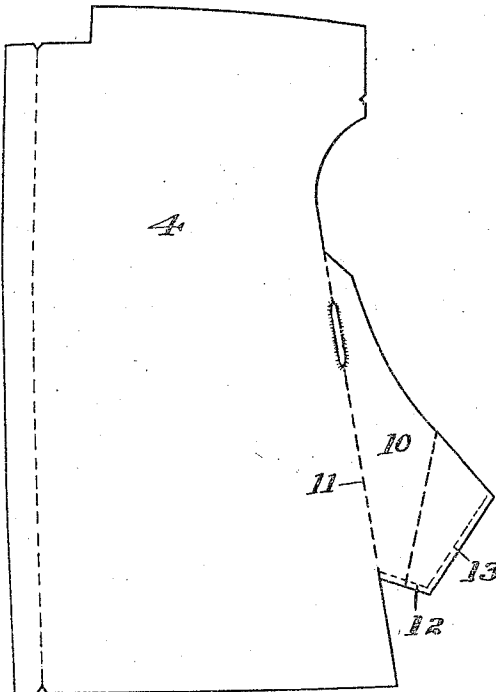


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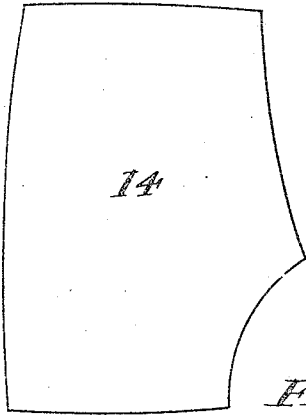


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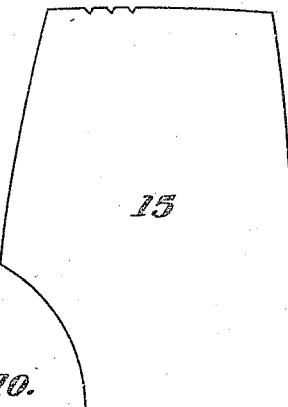
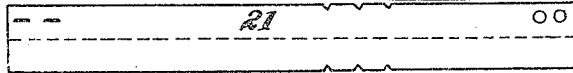


Fig. 10.



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, GWENDOLIN WHITTINGHAM, a citizen of the United States, residing at Saratoga, in the county of Santa Clara and State of California, have invented new and useful Improvements in Combination-Garments, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to a combination garment.

One of the objects of the present invention is to provide a garment suitable for girls between the ages of two and twelve, constructed to form a one-piece garment comprising a combination dress and bloomers which are arranged to permit perfect freedom and will be suitable both for dress occasions and play. Another object of the invention is to provide a sectional belt for holding up the bloomers and to give finish to the whole garment; the two ends of the belt being secured to a flap forming a part of the bloomers, while the opposite ends are passed through openings formed between the under arm seams to permit fastening around the waist exteriorly of the garment. Another object of the invention is to provide a novel form of pocket construction which will hereinafter be more fully described.

The invention consists of the parts and the construction and combination of parts as hereinafter more fully described and claimed, having reference to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a front view of the garment.

Fig. 2 is a rear view of same.

Fig. 3 is another rear view, showing the garment partly opened.

Fig. 4 is a detail view, in side elevation, showing the construction of one of the pockets.

Fig. 5 is a view of the pattern from which one of the front half sections of the dress is cut.

Fig. 6 is a view of the pattern from which one of the back half sections of the dress is cut.

Fig. 7 is a view of the pattern from which one of the front half sections of the bloomers is cut.

Fig. 8 is a similar view of the pattern from which one of the back half sections of the bloomers is cut.

Fig. 9 is a view of the sleeve pattern.

Fig. 10 is a view of the belt pattern.

Referring to the drawings in detail, and particularly to Figs. 1, 2 and 3, it will be seen that the garment as a whole comprises a dress, generally indicated at A, and a pair of attached bloomers B. The dress is designed to button up the back, as at 2, and is constructed of six sections, to-wit, two front sections 3, cut from the pattern shown in Fig. 5; two back sections 4, cut from the pattern shown in Fig. 6; and two sleeves 5, cut from the pattern shown in Fig. 9. The front sections are secured together by a front seam 6; the back sections are then attached by the under-arm seams 7; and the sleeves are in turn attached both to the front and back sections by the seams 8.

The pockets, indicated at 9, are cut in one piece with the front and back sections, as shown at 10 in Figs. 5 and 6, and are completed by running the under-arm seam 7 along the dotted lines indicated at 11, 12 and 13. The seam securing the front and back sections together along line 11 extends only to the bottom of the pockets, leaving said sections separated below the pockets by slits as indicated at 13.

The bloomers proper are made of four sections, to-wit, two front sections 14, cut from the pattern shown in Fig. 7, and two back sections 15, cut from the pattern shown in Fig. 8. The two front sections are secured together by a front seam 16 and the two back sections by the back seam 17. The front and back sections are then secured together by the in-seams 18 and the side seams 19. The side seams are, however, run only part way up or to the point indicated at 20 above the upper end of the separation 13' to permit the formation of a flap which is normally held in position by means of a belt 21. The front sections 14 of the bloomers, as previously described, are secured together by a front seam 16 and they are also secured to the front sections of the garment proper anteriorly thereof by means of a seam 22.

The belt is made of two sections, the inner ends of which are attached to the flap section of the bloomers, as at 23, while the outer ends are passed through openings 24 formed between the under-arm seams to permit fastening exteriorly of the garment by buttons 25 or any other suitable means.

The garment as a whole is cut for a loose fit and the weight is supported entirely from the shoulders. The bloomers do away with the needless petticoats and as the under-arm

seams are carried around the pocket sections, as indicated at 11, 12 and 13, it can be seen that the dress section will be opened on each side from the hem up to the pockets, thus allowing perfect freedom of action. The front and back sections may be cut long or short to extend above or below the bloomers and the dress and bloomers may be trimmed with a contrasting material to give any artistic effect desired.

The opening of the garment from the hem to the neck, in back, and the buttons provided permit the garment to be easily gotten into or removed and also permit it to be easily washed and ironed. The slits 13' permit freedom of movement of the legs of the wearer with the dress buttoned up and fitting properly. As the flap 23 of the bloomers is above the slits 13', nothing but the bloomers may be seen through said slits. The garment may be made of any suitable material, either light or heavy weight, and I wish it understood that minor changes in the construction and design may be made such as the experience and judgment of the manufacturer may dictate.

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

1. A garment comprising a combination dress and bloomers, said dress comprising a front and a back, pocket members cut in one piece with the front and back, said front and back being sewed together and the pocket members of said front and said back being sewed together to form the pockets, and a pair of bloomers secured to the dress within the same.

2. A dress comprising a front and a back, and pocket members cut in one piece with

the front and back, said front and back being sewed together and the front and back pocket members being also sewed together to form pockets.

3. In a garment, a front and a back each having integral projections at each side thereof, said front and back being sewed together at their side edges and said projections being sewed together along their outer and lower sides to form pockets, said projections having upward extensions and the seams which join the front and back being formed with openings, which latter extend in part in said projections, and a belt passed through the openings.

4. A garment including a front composed of two parts, a back composed of two parts secured to the sides of the front parts, so as to leave the lower portions of the back parts separated from the front parts, bloomers the backs of which are secured to the front parts at points only along the separated portions of the front parts, said bloomers having a flap extending above said separated portions, said front and back having an integral pocket piece on each outer side thereof, said pieces being sewed together and formed with integral upward extensions, the seams which join the front and back being formed with openings which latter extend in part in said extensions, and a belt secured to said flap and passed through said openings.

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

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