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Fig. 1,

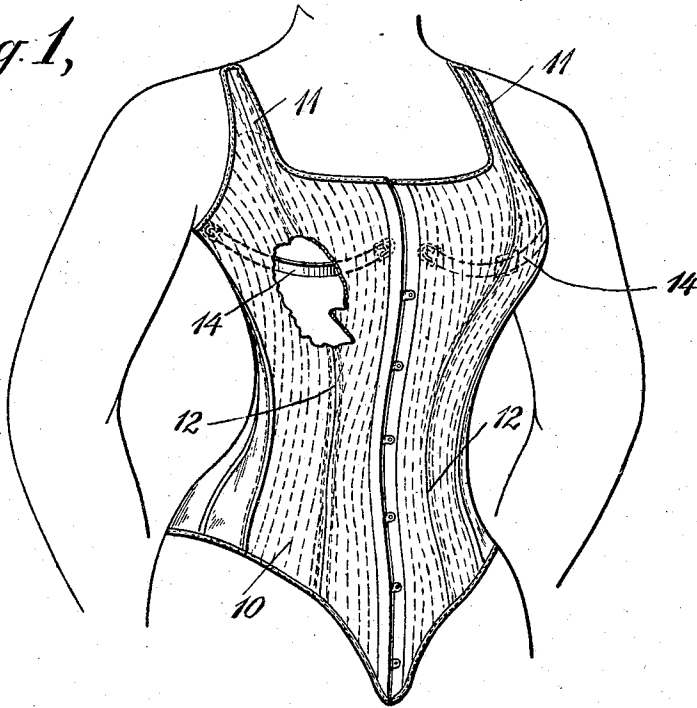


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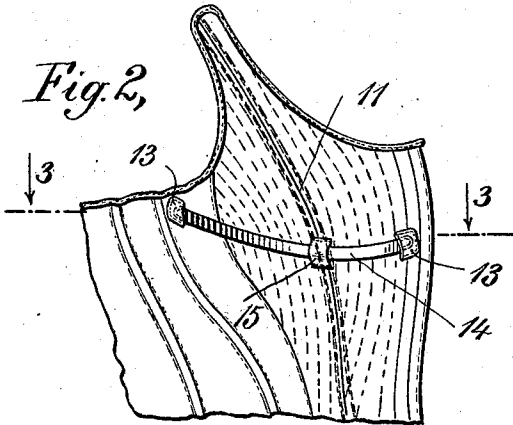


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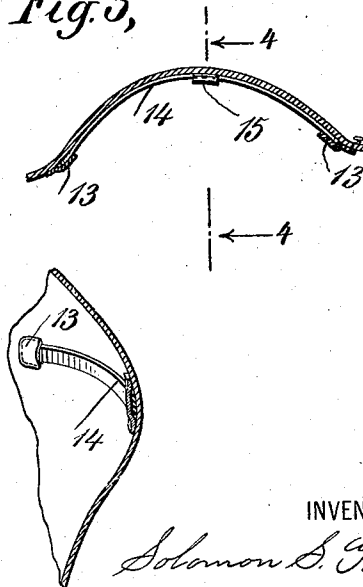
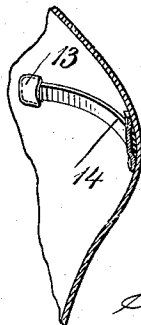


Fig. 4,



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## CORSET.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SOLOMON S. GAYLORD, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of Newark, in the county of Essex and State of New Jersey, United States of America, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Corsets, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to new and useful improvements in corsets and its object is to provide an article of this kind of a simple construction which has many advantages over those known in the art.

My invention consists in the construction and arrangement of parts which I will describe in the following specification and the novel features thereof I will set forth in claims.

Referring to the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a corset made according to my invention as it appears upon the body of a wearer. A portion of this figure is broken away to more clearly show a part of its construction. Fig. 2 is a side elevation of a portion of a corset, the view being taken from the inside of a garment and showing a removable bust distender which I have invented. Fig. 3 is a sectional plan view on the line 3—3 of Fig. 2, and Fig. 4 is a sectional side elevation on the line 4—4 of Fig. 3.

Like characters of reference designate corresponding parts in all of the figures.

10 designates the body portion of a corset which may be constructed of any desired material, suitably reinforced and stiffened in any of the well known manners. The corset is constructed of longitudinal tongues 11, 11 extending upwardly at either side of the neck opening. The busks or stiffening stays may be of spring steel, bone or equivalent material and extend longitudinally or in a substantially up-and-down direction through the garment. Some of these busks, such as 12, 12, extend through the bust portion of the corset and into the tongues 11. The other general features of construction may be according to any of the methods in common use.

Upon the inner side of the garment pockets 13, 13 are sewed or otherwise attached. These pockets are adapted to receive and support springs 14, 14 which run transversely across the corset. The springs are not permanently attached to the garment but may be slipped into or taken out of these pockets at will. They are of sufficient length to distend the bust portions of the corset, and to press outward the vertical busks or stays such as 12, 12, and to thus hold the parts in the desired form. If desired intermediate supporting pockets 15 may be placed on the inner surface of the corset at or near the point where the dis-

tending springs 14 intersect with the stiffening ribs or busks 12 to prevent the distending springs from slipping out of position.

The distending springs 14 are made removable so that they may be taken out of the garment when not in use so that the latter may be folded or rolled up along substantially vertical lines into a comparatively small parcel. This cannot be done while the distending springs are in position as they then hold the bust portion firmly in substantially a semi-spherical shape which prevents the garment from being conveniently packed.

The particular form or style of corset which I have shown is not a part of the present invention but has simply been arbitrarily selected for the purpose of illustrating my invention.

What I claim is.—

1. In a corset, a plurality of longitudinal busks so arranged as to allow the corset to be rolled up longitudinally, and a pair of transverse springs removably attached to the corset, said springs being arranged, when inserted, to distend the longitudinal busks.

2. In a corset, a plurality of longitudinal busks so arranged as to allow the corset to be rolled up longitudinally, a pair of transverse springs, and means for removably attaching said springs to the corset, said springs being arranged, when inserted, to distend the longitudinal busks.

3. In a corset, a plurality of longitudinal busks so arranged as to allow the corset to be rolled up longitudinally, a pair of transverse springs, and pockets attached to the corset and arranged to removably support said transverse springs upon the corset, said springs being arranged, when inserted and supported by the pockets, to distend the longitudinal busks.

4. In a corset comprising upwardly extending tongues and bust portions, longitudinal busks through said tongues and bust portions, said busks being so arranged as to allow the corset to be rolled up longitudinally, and transverse springs removably attached to the inner surface of the bust portions, said springs being arranged, when inserted, to distend the longitudinal busks over the bust portions.

5. In a corset comprising upwardly extending tongues and bust portions, longitudinal busks through said tongues and bust portions, said busks being so arranged as to allow the corset to be rolled up longitudinally, a pair of transverse springs, and pockets upon said corset arranged to removably hold said springs upon the inner surface of the bust portions, said springs being arranged, when inserted and held by the pockets, to distend the parts of the longitudinal busks which pass through the bust portions.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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