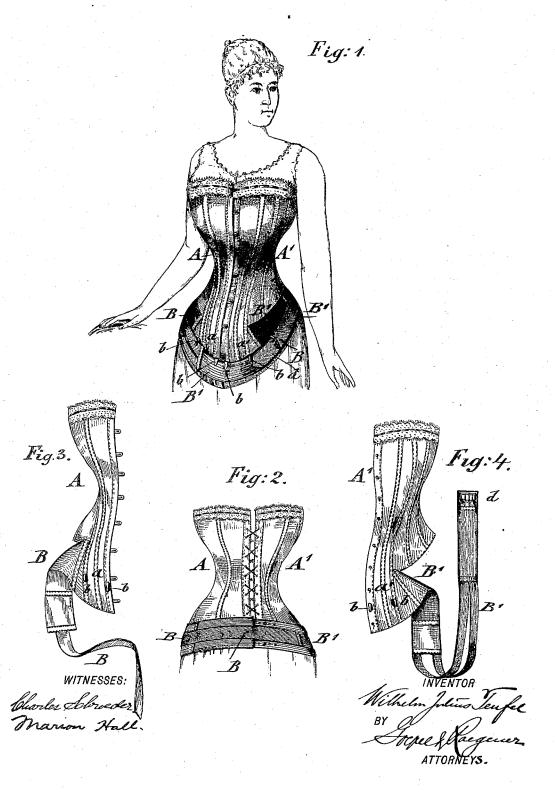
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILHELM JULIUS TEUFEL, a citizen of the Empire of Germany, and a resident of the city of Stuttgart, in the Kingdom of Würtemberg and Empire of Germany, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Abdominal Corsets, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to certain improvements in abdominal corsets, by which the weight of the abdomen is supported in an effective and comfortable manner from the hips of the person: and the invention consists of a corset, the sections of which are provided at their lower front parts with abdominal-extensions, to the sides of which are attached hipstraps that are extended over the hips and back and connected with each other. The hip-straps cross each other at the back and are retained at the lower front part of the corset by hooks attached to said extensions, as will be fully described hereinafter and finally pointed out in the claim.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1
25 represents a perspective-view of my improved abdominal corset, shown as applied to a female. Fig. 2 is a rear-view of the corset, and Figs. 3 and 4 are perspective-views of both sections of the corset, showing the hip-straps 30 of the same.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

Referring to the drawings, A A' represent the sections of a corset, which are extended at their front-parts in downward direction for a sufficient length to extend over the abdomen. The sections A A' are provided with busks and stays in the usual manner, the busks being connected by clasps of any approved construction. To the abdominal extensions a a of the sections A A' are attached the wider ends of hip-straps B B', which are extended over the hips, around at the back, as shown in Fig. 2 and buckled to each other at the lower parts of the extensions a a, they

being retained on the same by hooks b, which serve to hold the front-ends of the hipstraps B B' in position at the lower ends of the extensions a a. The hip-strap B' is divided into two parts or bands, while the hip- 50 strap B is formed of one tapering-band, which latter is passed through between the bands of the hip-strap B', after both straps are passed around the hips, so that the straps BB' interlace at the back, as shown in Fig. 2, they 55 being then brought down in front over the lower part of the extensions of the corset, passed under the retaining-hooks bb and connected with each other by means of a buckle d or other fastening device, as shown in Fig. 60 1. By the arrangement of the hip-straps the abdomen is firmly supported and the weight of the same transferred to the hips and back, so that a very comfortable and closely fitting abdominal support is obtained in connection 65 with the corset.

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

An abdominal-corset, composed of two sections, which are provided at their lower front-parts with abdominal extensions, retaining-hooks on said extensions, and hip-straps attached to the sides of said extensions, one strap being divided into two bands, while 75 the other strap is made tapering so as to pass through the bands of the first strap, said hip-straps intercrossing and extending in upward direction over the hips and back to the lower front parts of the abdominal extensions where 80 they are connected with each other and retained by the front-hooks, substantially as set fouth

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention I have signed my name in pres- 85 ence of two subscribing witnesses.

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