

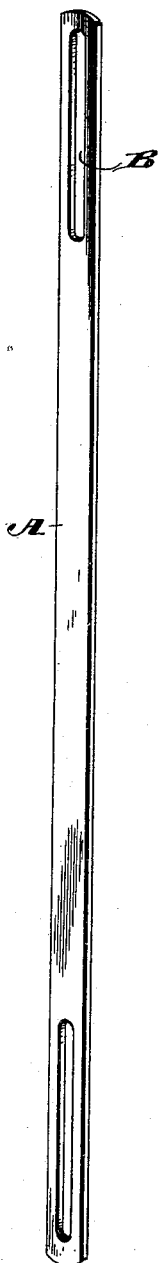
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HERMAN MOSCHCOWITZ, a citizen of the United States, residing at New York, in the county and State of New York, have invented new and useful Improvements in Stays for Garments, of which the following is a specification.

This invention has for its object to provide a novel spring-stay for garments; and it consists in a stay composed of a single thickness of spring material having a solid unbroken central or middle portion, and its ends formed with elongated slots, the end walls of said slots being curved or rounded to prevent the securing-threads from being cut by angular corners.

The invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawing, in which the figure is a perspective view of the improved stay.

In order to enable those skilled in the art to make and use my invention, I will now describe the same in detail, reference being made to the drawing, in which the letter A indicates the stay, which is formed by cutting, stamping, or otherwise producing it by means of suitable dies, cutters, or other tools, from thin spring-steel or other similar material. The stay is formed at each end with an elongated slot, B, which slots extend in the direction of the length of the stay. These elongated slots reduce the body of the stay at opposite ends, so that as a consequence the stay will be rendered more pliable or flexible at the ends than at other points without detracting from the desired firmness of the middle portion, which is left solid or unbroken. The slots serve for the

passage of threads by which to stitch the stay to the garment, and also to permit the stay to be shifted or adjusted lengthwise, if necessary. The end walls of the slot are curved or rounded, for the purpose of preventing the attaching or securing threads from being cut, which would occur if there were present angular corners. If the stay were of a uniform thickness throughout, and of sufficient firmness to give the required support at the waist, it would pierce the garment in which it might be used and seek a straight attitude, and consequently destroy or detract from the form of the bust desired to be retained; but by my construction the stay is rendered more pliable or flexible at the ends than at other points, while the slots serve to stitch the stay to the garment, and the rounded or curved end walls of the slots prevent the threads from being cut.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim is—

A stay for garments, composed of a single thickness of spring material having a solid unbroken middle portion and its ends formed with elongated slots, the end walls of said slots being curved to prevent the securing-threads from being cut by angular corners, substantially as described.

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

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