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Equipoise Waists,

FOR

LADIES, MISSES, CHILDREN, AND INFANTS.

A full line in all the different sizes, grades and styles.

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Ladies' and Misses' Waists, Style No. 1, without Bones;

Style No. 2, with Slender Bones.

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Girls' Waists, with either Plain or Full Fronts.

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EQUIPOISE WAISTS.

It is the belief of physicians, and others capable of judging, that the support of the clothing should be mainly from the shoulders; and, in accordance with this theory, many forms of support have been devised and adopted without perfect success. In children's waists, especially, sufficient regard has not been given to the width and adjustment of the shoulder-bands to keep them in place, nor to the adaption of the waists, the development of the figure, nor to the attachment of straps for the support of the stockings. Generally they are attached at or near the waist line, which is much too high for equalized tension, and proves very injurious. *In the Equipoise Waists, these defects have been overcome.* The great advantage of the



BOY'S.



INFANT'S.



GIRL'S.

CHILDREN'S AND INFANTS' WAISTS

is, that the shoulder-band is so adjusted that it cannot slip off and bind the arm, or in any way occasion discomfort; and the lower part of the waist, being longer than usual, affords more protection, more support for the clothing, and is in every way more comfortable.

On the Boy's Waist the buttons marked (A) are for the support of the pants; (B) drawers; (C) hose.

On the Girl's Waist the buttons marked (A) are for the support of the skirts; (B) drawers; (C) stockings.

THE INFANT'S WAIST

is made of fine twill, finished with pearl buttons and Hamburg trimming.

THE BOY'S WAIST

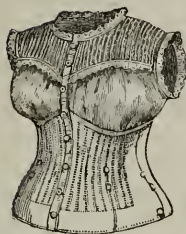
is made high in the neck, that the collar may be buttoned to the binding, or low if desired, and on the sub-waist the buttons are arranged for the support of all the clothing and the hose.



THE WAISTS FOR SCHOOL-GIRLS

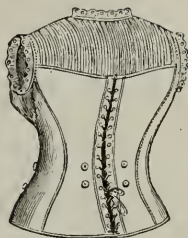
are made with special care to the development of the figure, and are successful in meeting a want long felt by mothers anxious for a reform in this direction. When needed, a few slender bones are introduced in front, giving a little support and relief from the fatigue of bending over the studies.

THE WAISTS FOR LADIES AND MISSES



Ladies' Boned
Waists.

Front and Back
Views.

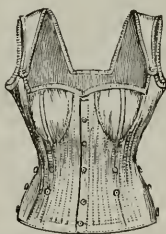


are adapted to take the place of corsets, and are invaluable to invalids and those who find the confinement and pressure of the corset injurious or uncomfortable. They are made without steels; but several bones in front extend in a plain gored piece under the full bosom-piece, giving to the figure all the support and neat appearance of the corset. If desired, the waists are made with lacings in the back, to admit of adjustment to the figure. The same styles are made without bones.

In adopting these Waists, no change of other parts of the clothing is necessary; the bands of the skirt are worn the same size; but it is very important that buttonholes should be made, to fasten the skirts securely to the waists, to insure the comfort and support they are expected to give.

If ladies wish their clothing arranged lower on the waist, it can be done by placing the buttons lower, and having larger, well-fitted waist-bands.

The bones are arranged to be easily taken out for washing.



CORSET WAIST.

In stock the waists are made high neck, but any one wishing them low can have them at the same price if no other change is needed.

When made with tucked yoke and Hamburg trimming, they are as tasteful and elegant as can be desired.

The best materials are used, the work is carefully finished, the buttonholes are made by hand, and the buttons strongly sewed on, which is considered a leading point of excellence.

This admirable article of clothing, which has for the past few years been steadily and surely growing in favor, gives entire satisfaction. The reputation which it has, not only in our own country, but in England and other foreign countries, has been gained entirely by its own merits, as it has not heretofore been advertised, or been in the hands of canvassers.

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TESTIMONIALS.

We have been selling for four years the EQUIPOISE UNDER-WAISTS, for Ladies, Misses and Children, and the demand for them has steadily increased. They give great satisfaction to our customers, and are highly recommended by physicians in this city in whose families they are used.

C. F. HOVEY & CO.

BOSTON, December 14th, 1880.

We have sold the EQUIPOISE WAISTS, for Misses and Children, for some five years, and have yet to hear the first complaint from any that have been in use. We consider the Infants' and Children's Waists the best adapted to fit, comfort, and use (as our increasing sales will testify) to anything of the kind yet introduced, and have the same confidence in recommending them to the public as in our previous testimonial.

R. H. STEARNS & CO.

BOSTON, December 27th, 1880.

We have been selling for about four years the EQUIPOISE UNDER-WAISTS, with bones, for Ladies and Misses; also the EQUIPOISE UNDER-WAISTS without bones, for Ladies, Misses' Children and Infants. They have been constantly increasing in favor, give our customers entire satisfaction, and are selling very rapidly.

MRS. JOHN G. FORD.

BOSTON, December 16th, 1880.