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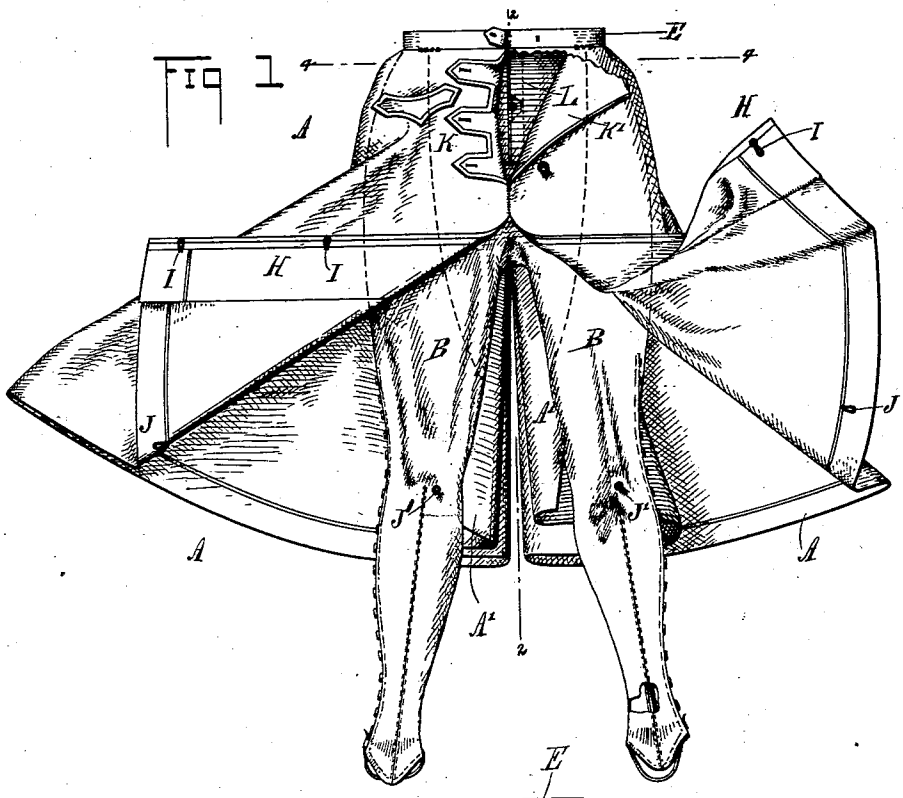
FIG 1



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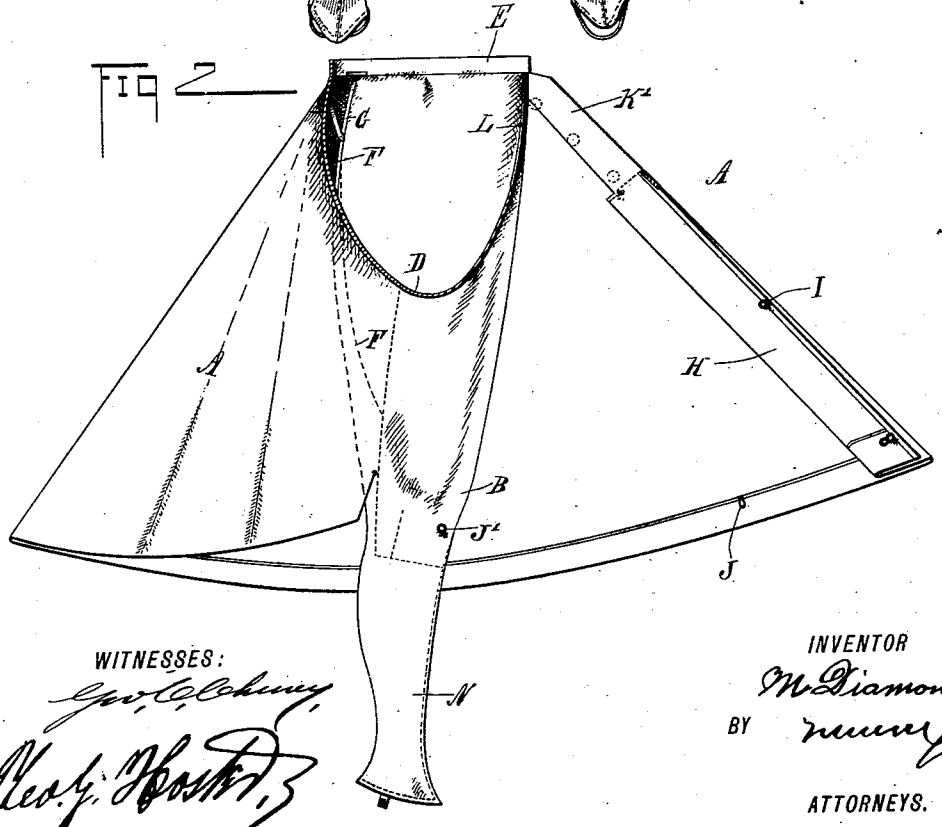

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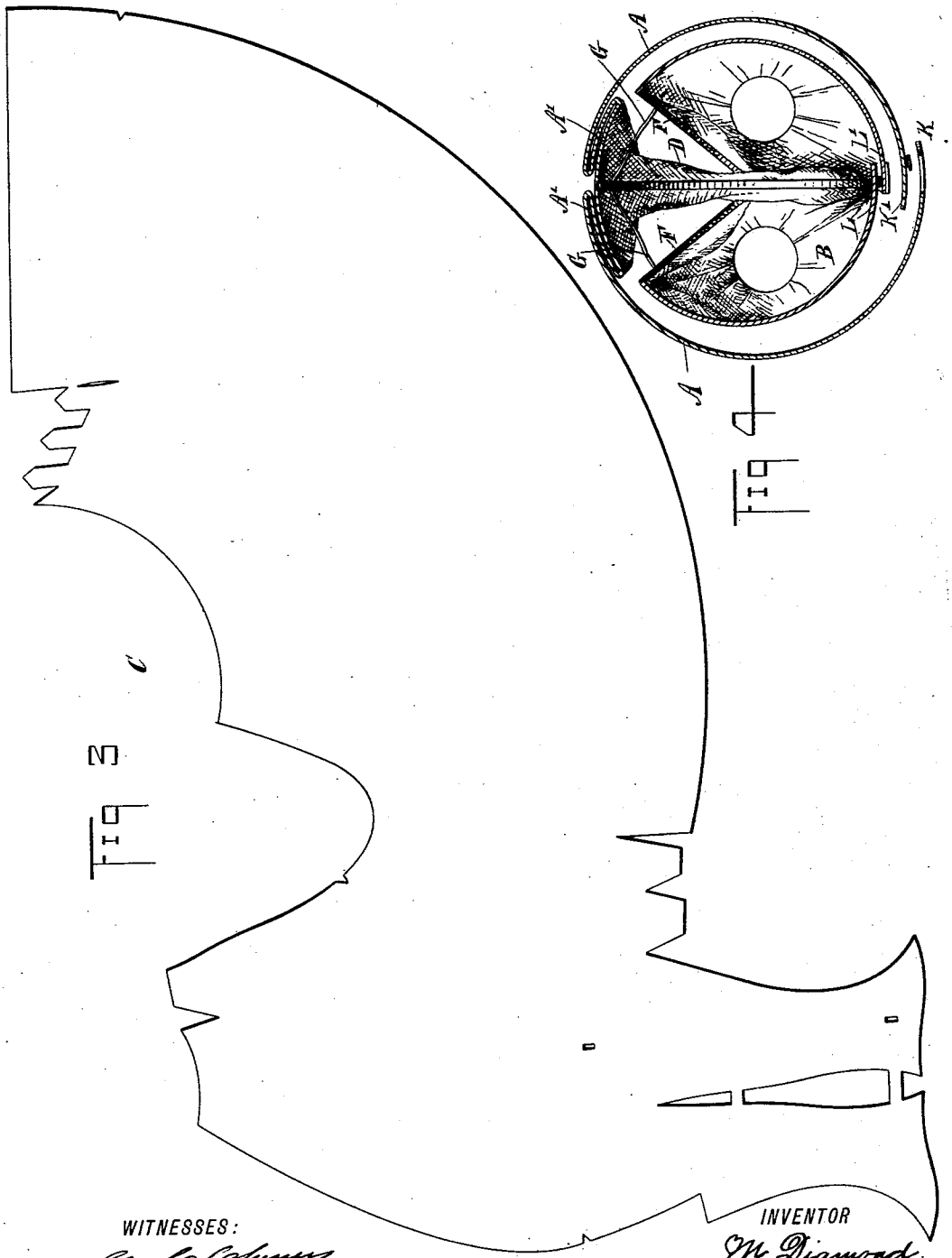
FIG. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MAX DIAMOND, of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Bicycle Riding-Habit, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The object of the invention is to provide a new and improved ladies' bicycle-habit, arranged to give the wearer all the necessary comfort and combining in a simple manner skirt, trousers, and leggings in one garment.

The invention consists of certain parts and details and combinations of the same, as will be fully described hereinafter, and then pointed out in the claims.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the views.

Figure 1 is a front elevation of the improvement with parts in section and portions spread apart. Fig. 2 is a transverse section of the same on the line 2 2 of Fig. 1 and with the front and rear plaits spread apart. Fig. 3 is a face view of the blank from which one-half of the habit is made, and Fig. 4 is a sectional plan view of the improvement on the line 4 4 of Fig. 1.

The improved habit is provided with a skirt A and trousers B, made from two half-blanks C, (shown in Fig. 3,) with the blanks united at the seat D of the trousers, as plainly indicated in Fig. 4. The skirt and trousers are provided at their upper ends with a common waistband E, open at the front and provided with the usual fastening means for uniting the ends. The skirt A is divided at the rear and is formed at this point with plaits A', the plaits extending from the waistband E to the lower end of the skirt, and the inner edges of the plaits form an integral part of the seat of the trousers, as will be readily understood by reference to Figs. 2 and 4.

The trousers-body is divided at the rear, and the rear edges of the body extend from below the crotch upwardly to connect with the skirt at the sides thereof and at the waistband E, it being understood that by this arrangement openings are formed between the rear portion of the seat of the trousers and the sides of the body of the trousers, as plainly indicated in Fig. 4.

In order to prevent the side edges F from becoming displaced, I attach to the side edges pads for the bands G, extending to the rear seam a short distance below the waistband, to be connected to the skirt, as plainly shown in Figs. 2 and 4.

The front of the skirt A is divided about two-thirds from the lower end upward, and the divided parts are formed with plaits H, having fastening devices I for connecting the two divided edges with each other.

On the skirt A and at or near the sides thereof and near the lower edge are arranged loops J, adapted to engage buttons J', held on the legs of the trousers B, to prevent the skirt from being blown upward by heavy winds. The upper portions of the skirt A and the trousers B are formed with independent front flaps K K' and L L', adapted to be opened and closed in the usual manner, the said flaps serving when open to permit of conveniently donning the garment. Both sides of the flaps K K' and L L' are united at their upper ends to the waistband E. The lower ends of the trousers B are preferably formed with integral leggings and adapted to be opened and closed on the sides by buttons or other fastening devices.

Now it will be seen that by the arrangement described the habit is not bulky at the rear or seat part, and, on account of being divided at the rear ends, permits the wearer to readily mount and dismount the bicycle. It will further be seen that the skirt does not obstruct or hinder in any form whatever the free movement of the legs of the rider, as the legs of the trousers B are formed integrally with the rear divided plait portions of the skirt. It will further be seen that by the arrangement described the garment hangs very gracefully when used as an ordinary walking-skirt, and it can be used both on a bicycle with the ordinary low frame or the diamond frame on which the legs straddle the sides thereof. It is also evident that the whole garment can be cut out of one piece of material, provided the latter is sufficiently wide.

Having thus described my invention, I

claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

1. A bicycle riding-habit, comprising a skirt and trousers connected thereto at the waistband and provided with a body which is divided at the rear, the rear edges of said divided trousers-body extending from the crotch upwardly and being connected with the skirt at the side thereof, forming openings between the rear portion of the seat of the trousers and the side of the trousers-body, substantially as described.

2. A bicycle riding-habit, comprising a skirt, trousers connected thereto at the waistband, the trousers-body being divided at the rear and the rear edges thereof extending from the crotch upwardly and being connected with the skirt at the side thereof, forming openings between the rear portion of the seat of the trousers and the sides of the trousers-body, and bands extending from the side edges of the trousers to the rear seam of the skirt, substantially as described.

3. A bicycle riding-habit, comprising a skirt divided at the back and formed with vertical plaits along the division and trousers connected to the skirt at the waistband and also along the inner edges with said plaits, the trousers-body being divided at the rear, and the rear edges thereof diverging from the crotch upwardly and being connected with the skirt at the side thereof, forming openings between the rear portion of the seat of the trousers and the side of the trousers-body, substantially as described.

4. A bicycle riding-habit, comprising a skirt divided at the rear and having integral plaits at the rear, the plaits extending from the top to the bottom of the skirt, and trousers having a seat extending to and forming an integral part of the inner edges of the plaits, the rear or the trousers-body being divided, with the rear edges of the divided portion extending from below the crotch upwardly to connect with the skirt at the sides thereof, substantially as described.

5. A bicycle riding-habit, comprising a skirt divided at the rear and having integral plaits at the rear, the plaits extending from the top to the bottom of the skirt, and trousers having a seat extending to and forming an integral part of the inner edges of the plaits, the rear or the trousers-body being divided, with the rear edges of the divided portion extending from below the crotch upwardly to connect with the skirt at the sides thereof, and a waistband held on the said skirt and to which are united the upper edges of the sides of the divided trousers-body, substantially as described.

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