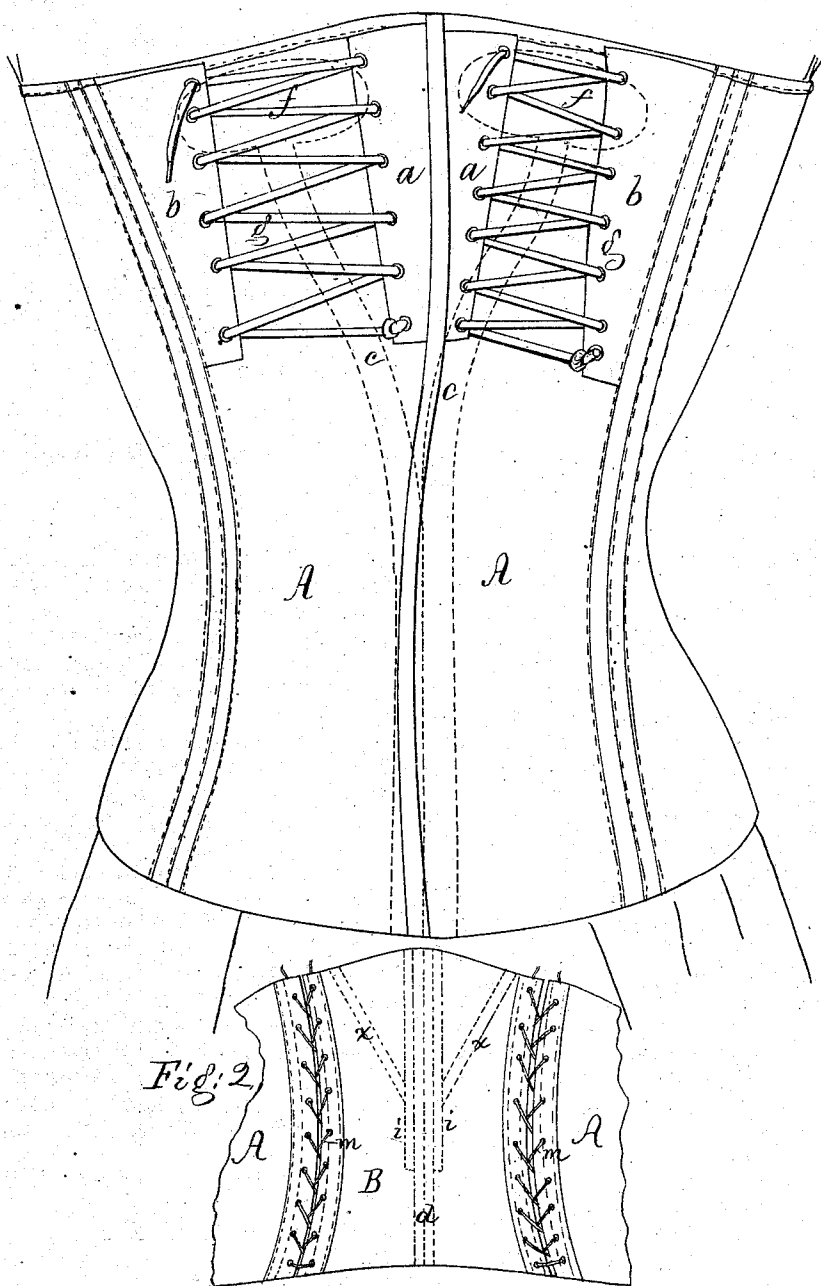


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Fig. 1.



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IMPROVEMENT IN CORSETS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SUSANNA E. BURNS, of Eastport, in the county of Washington, State of Maine, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Corsets, of which the following is a description sufficiently full, clear, and exact to enable any person skilled in the art or science to which my invention appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing forming a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a front view, and Fig. 2 a rear view, showing my improvement.

Like letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the different figures of the drawing.

My invention relates more especially to that class of corsets which are provided with trusses or supports; and consists in a novel construction and arrangement of the parts, as hereinafter more fully set forth and claimed, by which a better fitting and more effective article of this character is provided than is now in common use.

In Fig. 1 of the drawing, A A is the body; *a b*, the flaps or flaps arranged on the outside of the corsets; *g g*, the lacings; and *c c*, the front stays.

In Fig. 2, B is a support forming the back of the corset, and *m m* lacings by which it is attached to the body A A.

The stays *c c* are curved laterally, as shown by the dotted lines, and are provided with oblong pads *f f*, which act as trusses for supporting the bosom of the wearer, the flaps or flaps *a b* and lacings *g* being for the purpose of adjusting the corset to this part of the form. The part B is intended to act as a truss to support the back of the wearer, and for that purpose is provided with the stays *x d i*, and is rendered vertically adjustable in the corset by means of the lacings *m m*.

Having thus described my invention, which, from the foregoing, will be readily understood by all conversant with such matters, what I claim is—

1. In a corset, the curved front stays *c c*, provided with the pads *f f*, arranged substantially as and for the purpose specified.

2. In a corset, the flaps *a b* and lacings *g*, arranged substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

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