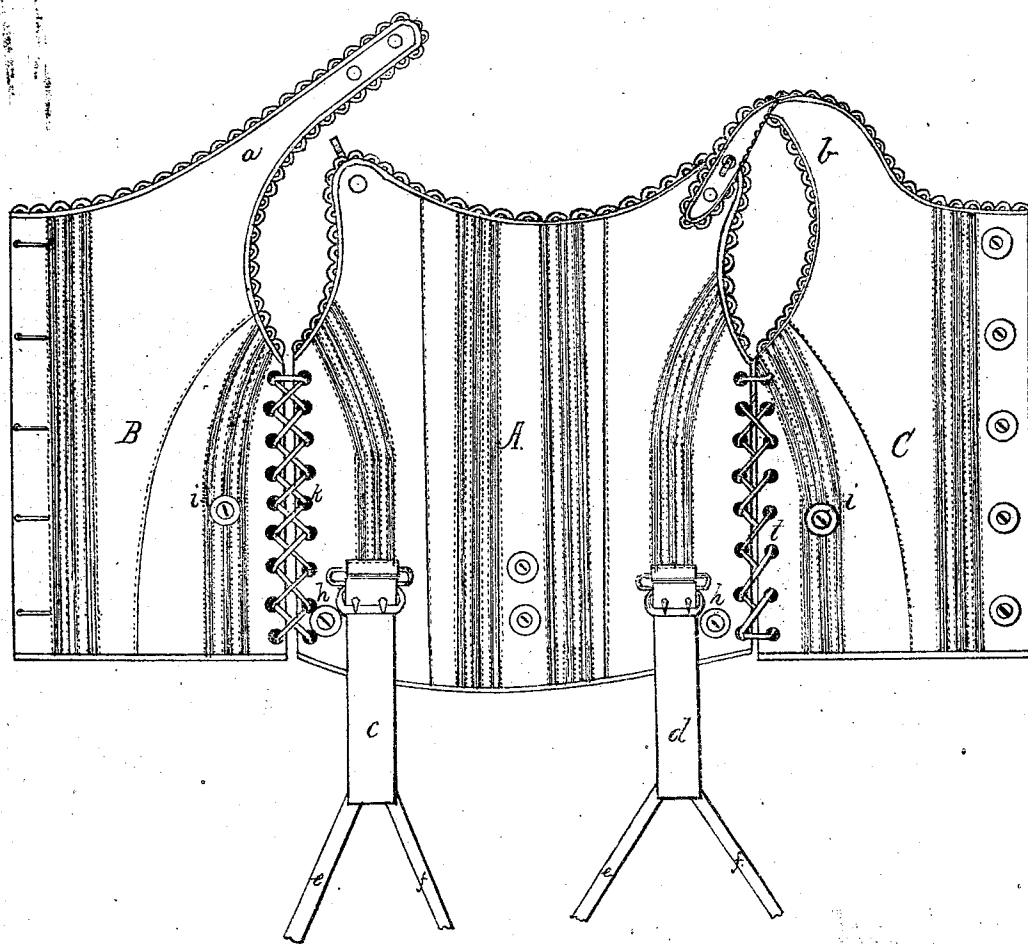


# Linda Spigelmyer, Improvement in Corsets.

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## IMPROVEMENT IN COMBINED CORSET AND SKIRT SUPPORTERS.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 121,210, dated November 21, 1871.

*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, LINDA SPIGELMYER, of Easton, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, have invented a new and useful Combined Corset and Skirt Supporter, of which the following is a specification:

This invention consists of the combination and arrangement of several well-known parts in order to produce an adjustable and combined waist, skirt, drawers, and stocking supporter, the construction and joint operation of which will now be set forth in detail.

The corset, which I term the waist, is constructed as follows: A designates the front piece, which is made in the form shown, and corded in the center and at the sides to give it stiffness. B and C are the sides, also corded, and provided with buttons and button-holes, hooks and eyes, or some other such fastening, and are extended at *a* and *b* to form straps, which pass over the shoulders and are fastened by hooks and eyes to the top of the front piece A, and thus form sleeves. Strips of elastic material *c d* are secured by buckles to the lower end of the front piece, and pieces of tape *e f* are secured to the ends of the straps *c d*, and have loops on their lower ends, which are attached upon the stockings and constitute stocking-supporters. Upon the lower edge of the waist are arranged buttons *h h*, to which the drawers are attached and by which they are supported; and the skirts are likewise attached to the waist by engaging with buttons *i i* arranged thereon. Thus, by means of the elastic material *c d* and the tape *e f* hav-

ing the loops on their lower ends to button on the stockings, the latter are adjustably supported, and by means of the buttons *h h* and *i i* the drawers and skirt are supported.

This arrangement of parts enables me to support by the waist the skirts, drawers, and stockings and place the weight of all under garments upon the shoulders, thus obviating the unpleasant and unhealthy consequences of impeding the circulation by binding the loins, hips, and limbs with bands of elastic or other like material.

The sides composing the waist are secured to the front by means of lacings *k l*, which are passed through eyelets properly arranged on the edges of the parts; and the waist is so constructed that these lacings can be loosened or tightened to allow it to conform to the body of the wearer. It will thus be seen that the several parts are adjustable so as to be adapted to the size and length desired of the wearer.

The within is intended as an improvement upon my Letters Patent granted April 12, 1870, No. 101,934.

What I claim is—

As a new article of manufacture, a combined adjustable waist, skirt, drawers, and stocking supporter, constructed and arranged as herein shown and described.

To the above specification I have signed my name this 16th day of March, A. D. 1871.

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