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Corset.

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Fig. 1.

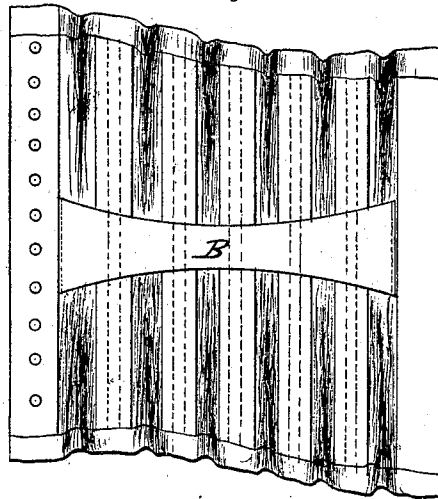


Fig. 2.

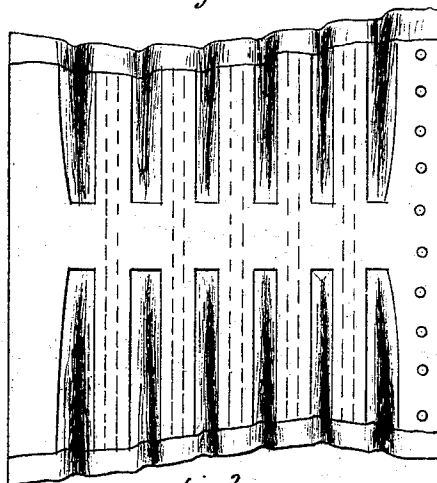
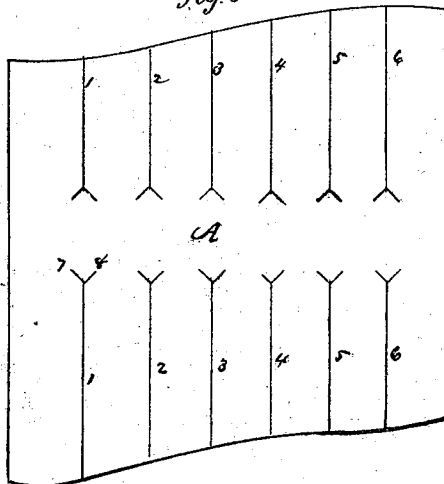


Fig. 3.



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IMPROVEMENT IN CORSETS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MORRIS P. BRAY, of Birmingham, in the county of New Haven and State of Connecticut, have invented a new Improvement in Corsets; and I do hereby declare the following, when taken in connection with the accompanying drawing, and the letters of reference marked thereon, to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, and which said drawing constitutes part of this specification, and represents, in—

Figure 1, an outside view of one-half of a corset; Fig. 2, an inside view of the same; and in Fig. 3, the blank as cut from the fabric.

This invention relates to an improvement in cutting corsets, the object being a saving of material and the construction of a light or open corset; and consists in cutting from a single piece of fabric of the length required and of an equal width, then slitting both ways from the center out in a line between the position in which the bones are to be placed, leaving a portion at the center uncut.

From a piece of fabric suitable for making the corset, I cut of the form substantially as seen in Fig. 3, and slit from a point near the center both ways, as denoted by the lines 1 2 3 4 5 6, leaving a space, A, in the center un-

cut. At the inner end of each slit I make other diagonal slits, 7 8. The blank is then ready for the formation of the corset. The bones are laid in the position denoted in broken lines, Fig. 2, and the edge of each part at the slit turned over.

The corset is made from two such blanks, laid one upon the other, and the slits upon the edges turned inward and stitched down, leaving spaces at each slit, as denoted in Fig. 2; the bones inserted into the pockets formed by stitching in the usual manner, and over each end a binding or connection is attached of the required length to allow the edge to stretch or spread into form.

If desirable, the spaces may be filled with any suitable material, thick or thin, as denoted in Figs. 1 and 2, or may be left open.

To strengthen the corset I attach a zone, B, upon the outside, extending from the eyelet to the steel edge.

I claim as my invention—

As an article of manufacture, a corset cut and formed substantially as herein described.

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