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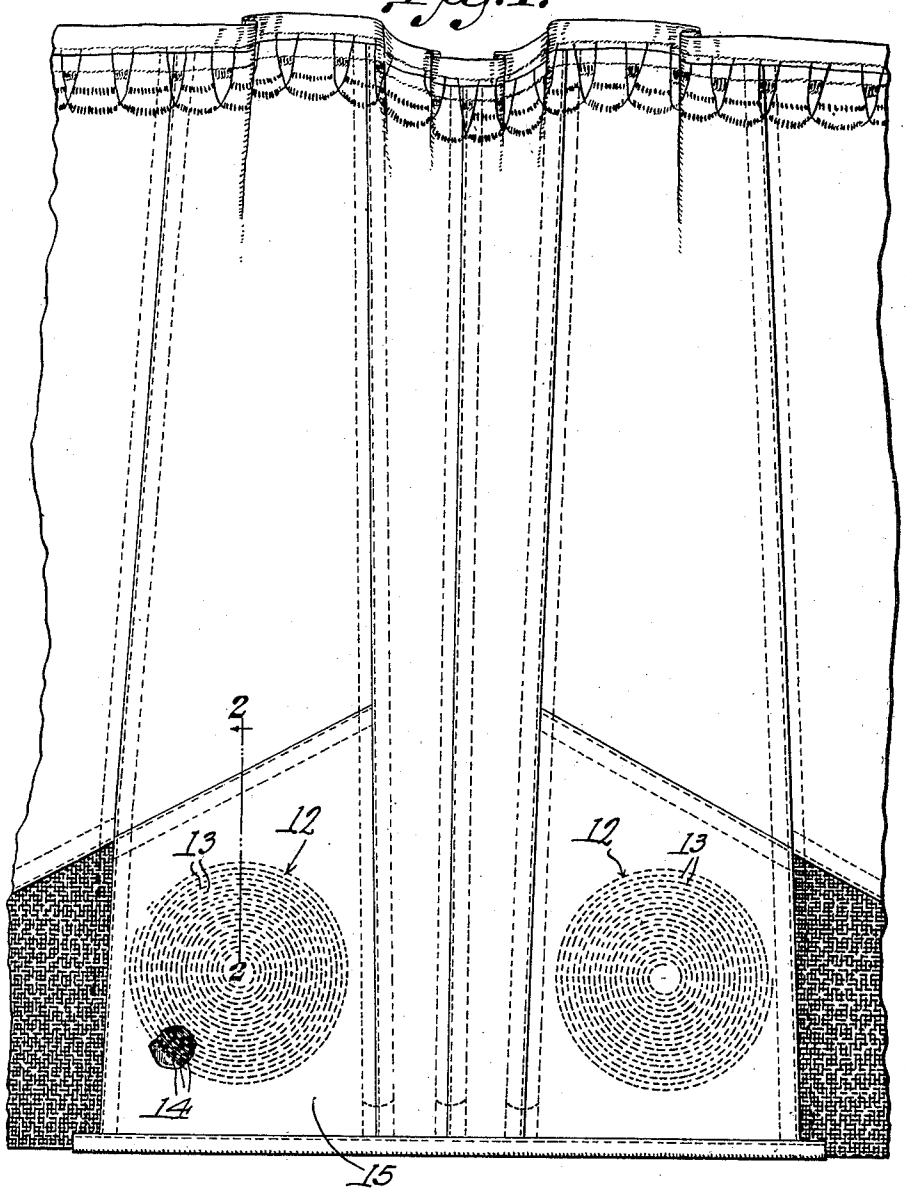
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Fig. 1.



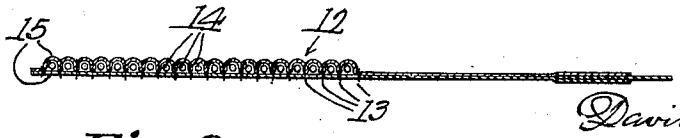


Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, DAVID H. FANNING, a citizen of the United States, residing at Worcester, in the county of Worcester and State of Massachusetts, have invented or discovered certain new and useful Improvements in Articles of Personal Wear, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawing.

This invention has for its object to provide ornamental stiffened sections for corsets or other articles of personal wear, as brassières, bandeaux, belts, or the like, such ornamental stiffened sections comprising layers of fabric joined together by spiral stitching of considerable extent forming what may be termed medallions, a stiffening cord or fine wire being preferably laid between the layers of fabric and the rows of spiral stitching to stiffen the medallions to an extent greater than would result from the spiral stitching alone.

In the accompanying drawing Fig. 1 represents a part of the back portion of a corset embodying the present invention, and Fig. 2 is an enlarged diagrammatic section on line 2—2, of Fig. 1.

Referring to the drawing, 12 denotes a flat medallion at each side of the central part of the corset back, said medallion being formed by closely arranged rows of spiral stitching 13, preferably done by a sewing machine having a suitable attachment. These medallions afford ornamental and stiffened portions of the corset. To further stiffen the ornamental medallions a cord or fine wire 14 is preferably spirally disposed between the fabric layers 15 and the spiral stitching 13.

While the drawing shows the spirally formed medallion sections as being applied to the lower back part of the corset, it will be understood that this is merely a preferable arrangement of the ornamental medallions and that they may be differently applied, as to the sides or the front of the corset, and may be embodied in other articles of personal wear than corsets, as hereinbefore indicated.

Having thus described my invention, I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent:

1. An article of personal wear having a flat ornamental medallion comprising layers of fabric joined together and stiffened by closely arranged rows of spiral stitching, with a spirally disposed stiffening member between the layers of fabric and the spiral stitching.

2. An article of personal wear having a flat ornamental medallion comprising layers of fabric joined together and stiffened by closely arranged rows of spiral stitching, with a spirally disposed stiffening wire between the layers of fabric and the spiral stitching.

3. A corset having a flat ornamental medallion comprising layers of fabric joined together and stiffened by closely arranged rows of spiral stitching, with a spirally disposed stiffening member between the layers of fabric and the spiral stitching.

4. A corset having a flat ornamental medallion comprising layers of fabric joined together and stiffened by closely arranged rows of spiral stitching, with a spirally disposed stiffening wire between the layers of fabric and the spiral stitching.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

DAVID H. FANNING.