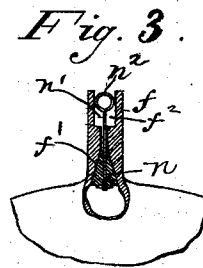
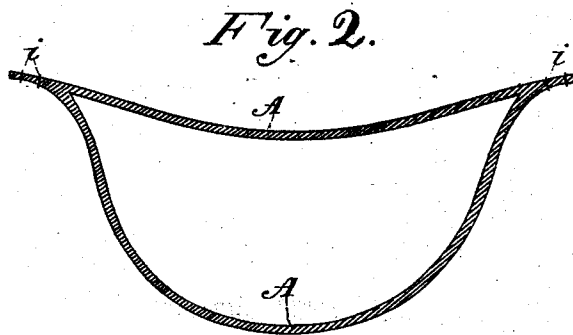
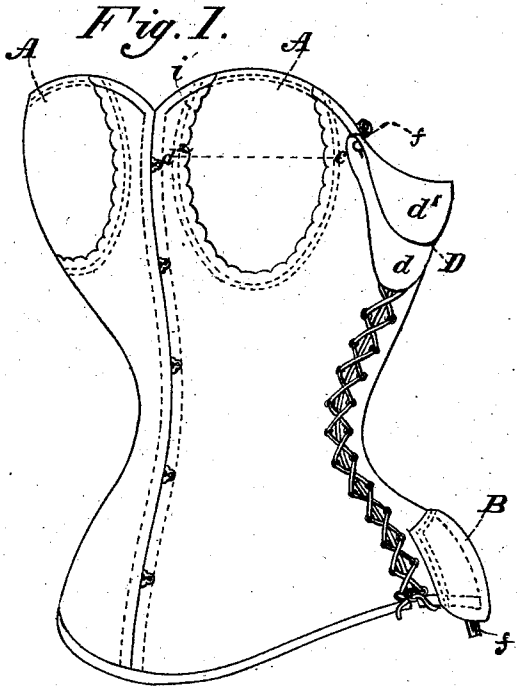


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ZENONE LEDOCHOWSKI, a citizen of the United States, residing at La Salle, in the county of La Salle and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Corset-Pads; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to letters or figures of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

My invention relates to improvements in pads intended especially for use in connection with corsets; and it consists in the construction, combination, and arrangement of the several parts, as will be hereinafter described and claimed.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a corset provided with my improved pads. Fig. 2 is a transverse section of one of the pads on about line $d^2 c$, Fig. 1; and Fig. 3 is a detached sectional view, illustrating the valve, which will be presently described.

The inflatable pads A B are made preferably of rubber, and are molded or otherwise formed in a single piece or bag having the lateral flange i formed entirely around them. The pads A B are formed to respectively serve the purposes of breast-pads and bustles, and are secured in proper place on the corset. I secure these pads in place by stitching through the flange i , thereby avoiding stitching through the body of the pad, as will be readily understood. The pads are provided with a tube, f , extended out in suitable position to enable the operation of the valve hereinafter described. This filling-tube f is formed at its inner end within the pad with a valve-seat, f' , and has a socket, f^2 , formed in its outer end, as most

clearly shown in Fig. 3. The valve n is made to conform to the valve-seat f' , against which it is held by air-pressure when the pad is inflated. This valve n is provided with a stem, n' , which is extended through tube f , and has its outer end or hand-hold n^2 incased in socket f^2 . This socket f^2 is sufficiently long to completely incase the valve-stem, whether the valve be on its seat or pushed down away therefrom, as in the act of inflating. By so incasing the valve-stem I avoid the danger of its coming in contact with the person or clothing of the wearer, and being thereby lifted off its seat, permitting the air to escape.

In Fig. 1 I have shown the corset as supplied with a sleeve-protector, D, having wings or flaps $d d'$.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. In a corset, the combination of the inflatable pad having tube f , constructed with the inner valve-seat, f' , and the outer socket, f^2 , and the valve n , movable to and from the seat f' , and having its stem n' extended through the tube f , with its outer end or hand-hold, n^2 , incased in socket f^2 , substantially as described and shown, and for the purposes specified.

2. In a corset, the inflatable pad, substantially as described and shown, molded in one piece, and provided with the lateral flange i and the tube f , formed with valve-seat f' at its inner end, and socket f^2 , incasing the hand-hold n^2 of the stem n' at its outer end, as and for the purposes specified.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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