

(Model.)

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fig. 1

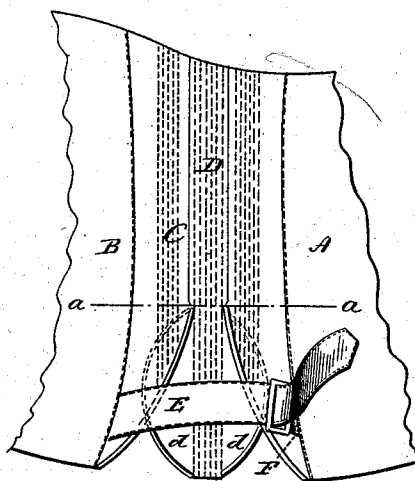


fig. 2

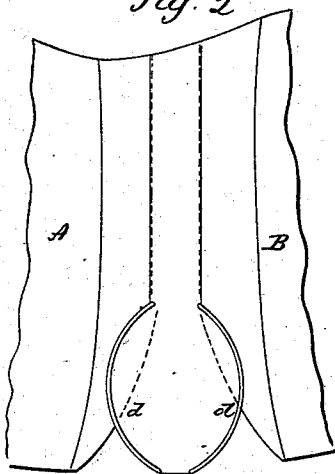
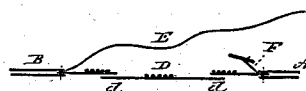


fig. 3



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MAX ADLER, of New Haven, in the county of New Haven and State of Connecticut, have invented new Improvements in Corsets; and I do hereby declare the following, when taken in connection with accompanying drawings and the letters of reference marked thereon, to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, and which said drawings constitute part of this specification, and represent, in—

Figure 1, an outside view; Fig. 2, an inside view; Fig. 3, a transverse section.

This invention relates to an improvement in corsets, with special reference to the side or hip section, the object being to make practically an open or expansible hip, but provide a cover for the opening which shall, in whatever position the parts may be, form, when on the person, a part of the corset over the opening, substantially as if the opening were filled, the object being to overcome difficulties which exist in open-sided corsets, producing discomfort to the wearer as well as defects in the shape; and the invention consists in the construction of the corset, as more fully hereinafter described.

A represents the front portion, and B the rear portion, of the side of the corset; C, the central portion, which starts from under the arm and runs downward over the hip. From about the waist-line *a a* the side portions, A B, are cut away respectively to the front and rear, and detached from the central portion, so as to be free to expand or contract, according to the shape of the hip of the wearer. The central part, C, extends down below the waist-line *a* to the bottom, and at the line *a* extends so as to underlie or overlie the two parts A B and practically close the opening between the two parts A B. This part C has stays D running from the top directly down substantially throughout its length, so as to cause it to conform to the shape of the body of the wearer. The two parts A B are provided with straps E F, or other suitable device for adjustably attaching them over the hip, to bring the parts of the corset into the proper shape on the hip,

and when so drawn together and on the person the lower or wider part, *d d*, of the central portion fills the opening, and on the person has substantially the same effect as if the parts were stitched together, and, in fact, no side opening.

By this construction an expansible hip-corset is produced, which permits it to be adjusted to the peculiar shape of the hips of the wearer, but when once adjusted to be substantially, so far as the wearer is concerned, a close hip.

It is better and I prefer that the lower or broader part of the central portion, C, should lie upon the inside, yet it may be upon the outside.

The broader part, or "wings," as they may be called, may also be stayed, if desired.

If preferred, the central part, C, above the waist-line may be cut with the two portions A B, and the lapping wings attached to the central part below the waist-line. I therefore by the term "portions A B C" do not wish to be understood as limiting them to detached separate pieces, it only being essential that the front and rear parts of the hip-section shall be cut away from about the waist-line to form the opening, with the intermediate or central part expanded down between the cut-away edges, and so as to lap upon the two sides of the opening, and stays extending from beneath the arm between the front and rear portions down over the central or hip part.

I claim—

A corset constructed with the two side portions A B, cut away respectively to the front and rear from the waist-line downward, combined with the central portion, C, between the said two portions A B, detached from them below the waist-line, expanded to lap upon the two parts A B, with a series of stays on the central part, C, extending from under the arm down over the hip, and an adjustable device to connect the two parts A B over the hip, substantially as described.

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