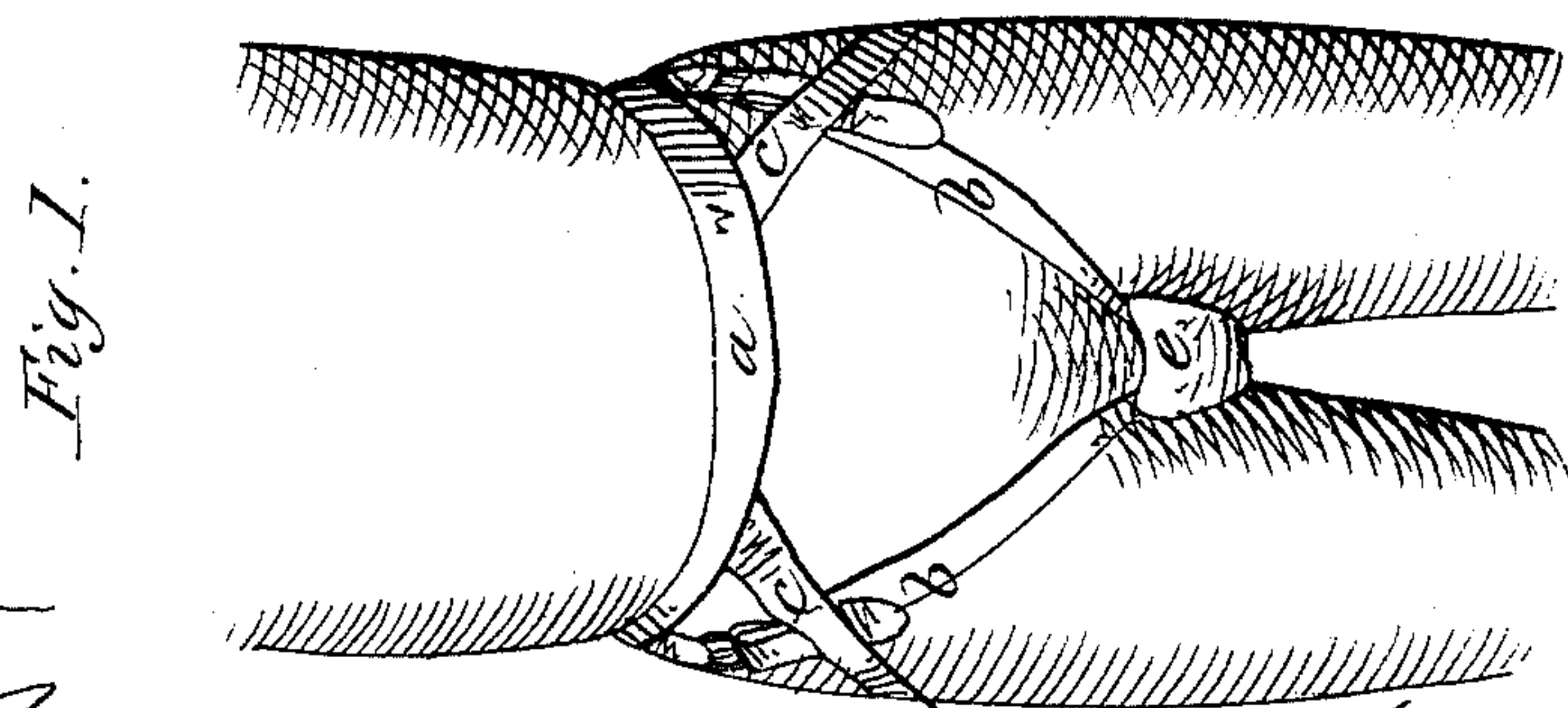
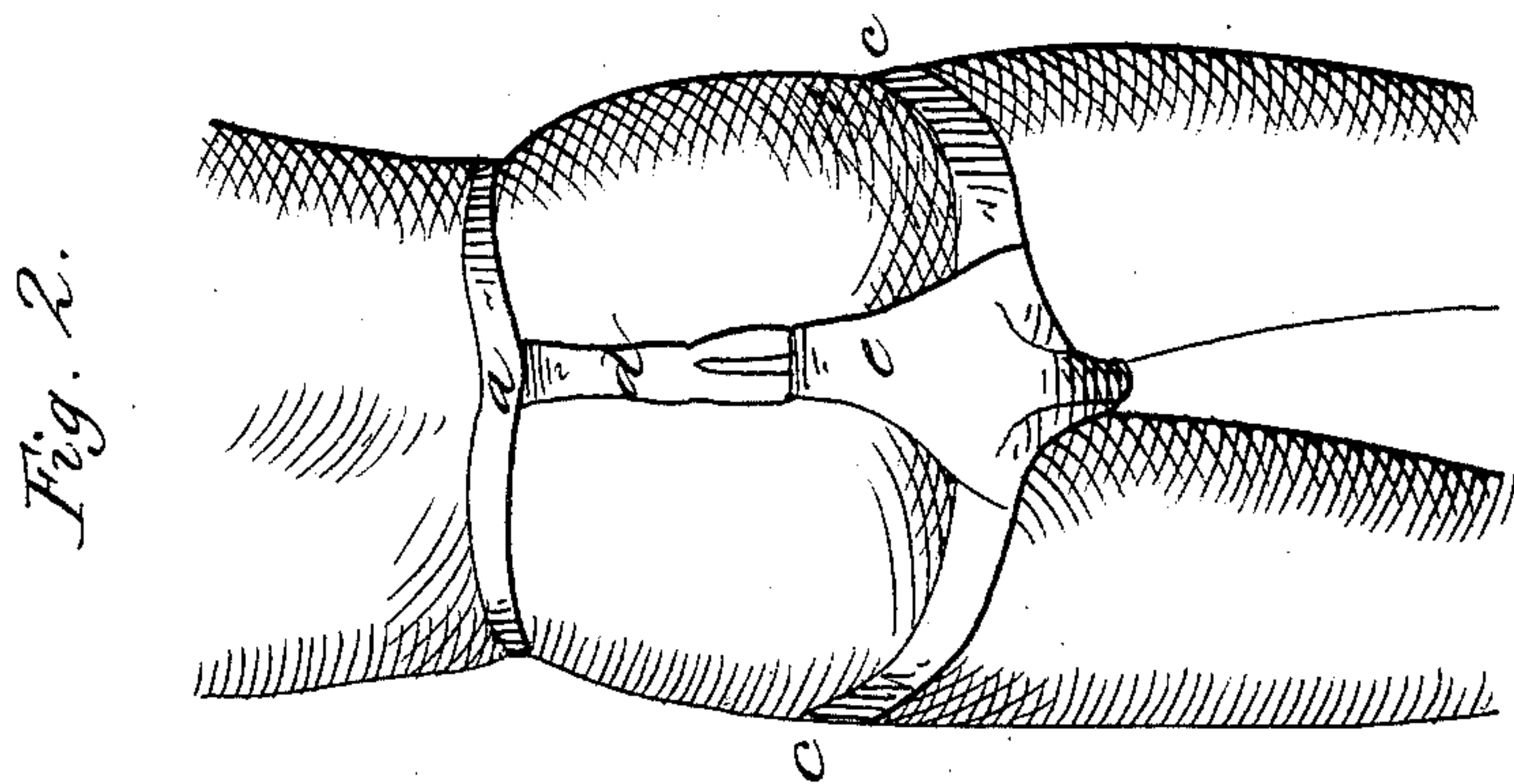
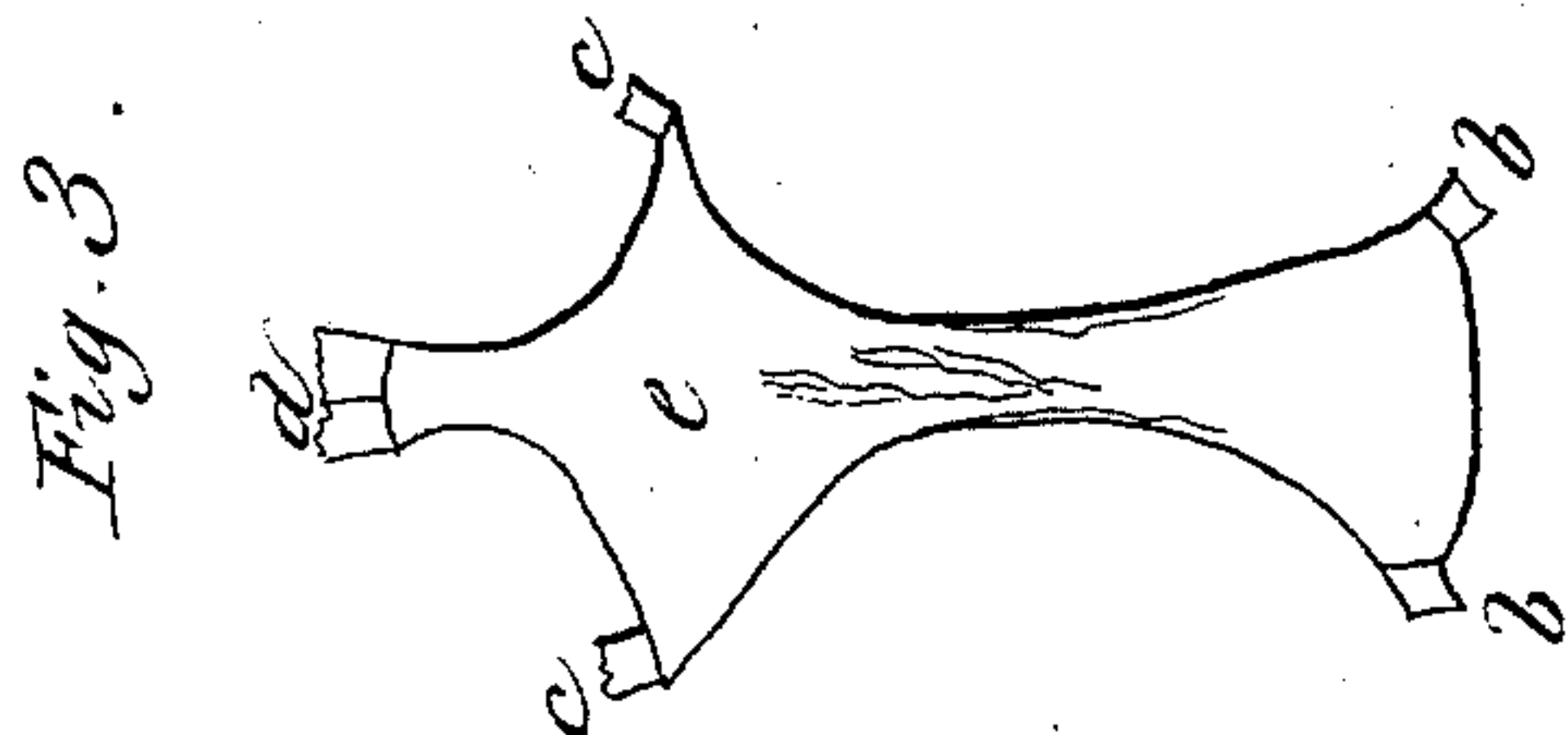


A. D. Reeves,
Catamenial Sack,
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IMPROVED FEMALE SUPPORTERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALEXANDER DAMIENS REEVES, of Portland, in the county of Cumberland, State of Maine, have invented a new and useful Truss or Supporter, for all purposes of both male and female uses, and more especially as a female periodical receptacle; and I hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the construction and operation of the same, reference being had to the annexed drawings, which make a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective front view. Fig. 2 is a back view. Fig. 3 shows the sack; in all of which the apparatus is fully shown.

In Fig. 1, *a* is a strap around the body. *b b* are straps down the front connecting with the sack *e*, *c c* (also shown in Fig. 2) connecting with the sack in the rear. *d* is a perpendicular strap extending from *a* down to *e*.

Fig. 3 is an india-rubber sack, in which a sponge of any dimensions needed is deposited.

The sack, which is of india-rubber, will contain the sponge with all the discharges for hours, until convenient to wash the same, which is soon done, and a short use will teach one the size of the sponge proper for their use.

By a careful examination, especially by the wearer of this apparatus, it will be seen that its use is entirely easy to the body, leaving the limbs free to act, and the straps to hold up the supporter or truss to exactly the right place, so as to admit of either a standing or sitting posture without any disagreeable tightness, and in all positions the sack will keep its place and do its office.

I claim—

The sack made in the shape and form and with the buckles and straps herein described.

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