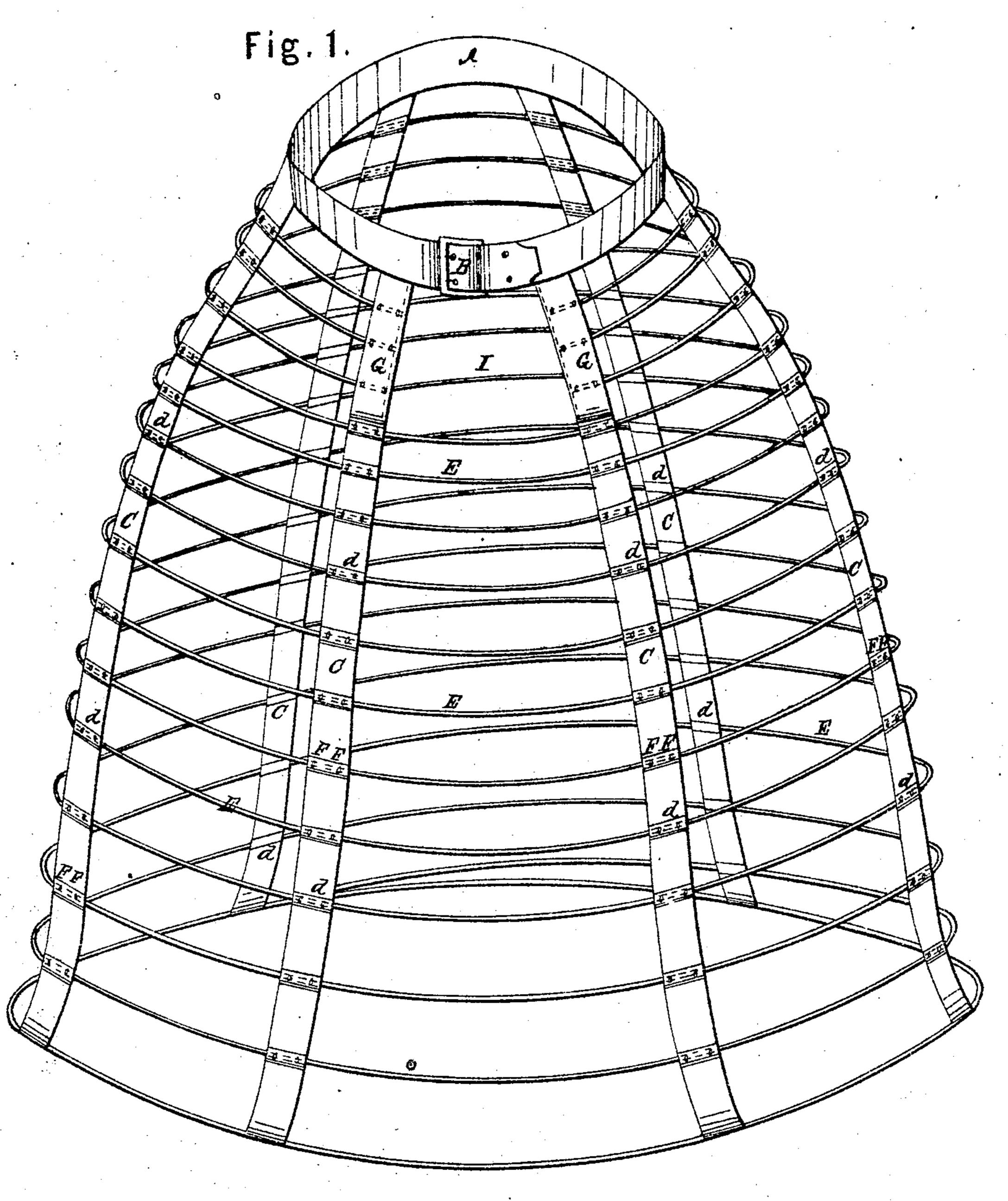
## H. Freudenburg. Hoop Skirt.

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## IMPROVEMENT IN HOOP-SKIRTS.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 48,924, dated July 25, 1865.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HENRY FREUDENBURG, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and useful or Improved Hoop-Skirt; and I do hereby declare that the same is fully described and represented in the following specification and the accompanying drawings, of which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a hoop-skirt having my invention applied to it Fig. 2 represents a portion of the tubular web and clasps with the wire passing through the same, and Fig. 3 a vertical section of said web and wire.

The nature of my invention consists in a continuous wire encircling in spiral form a frustum of a cone (as it were) from the base of the skirt to near the top, and passing through tubes made in the web (or hanging strips of cloth) for the purpose, the wire and tube being firmly connected by means of clasps.

In the drawings, A is a band, with buckle B for attaching the skirt to the body of the wearer, and from which are suspended strips of web C C, &c., having tubular openings dd, through

which the spiral wire E is introduced and sustained. F F are clasps which connect the said wire E and web C firmly together. The spiral wire terminates near the upper part of the skirt in a leather facing, G, the wire portion of the skirt being completed by two or more segments the ends whereof are fastened in said facings G, leaving an aperture, I, (when the beltisopen,) to passover the body of the wearer.

I do not claim a hoop-shirt composed of a continuous or spiral wire, for such is not new, nor do I claim a hoop-skirt made up of several pieces of wire of which the ends are lapped and fastened together in front, forming rings in a tubular web; but

What I do claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent. is—

The spiral wire, in combination with the tubular web, substantially as and for the purpose described.

HENRY FREUDENBURG.

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