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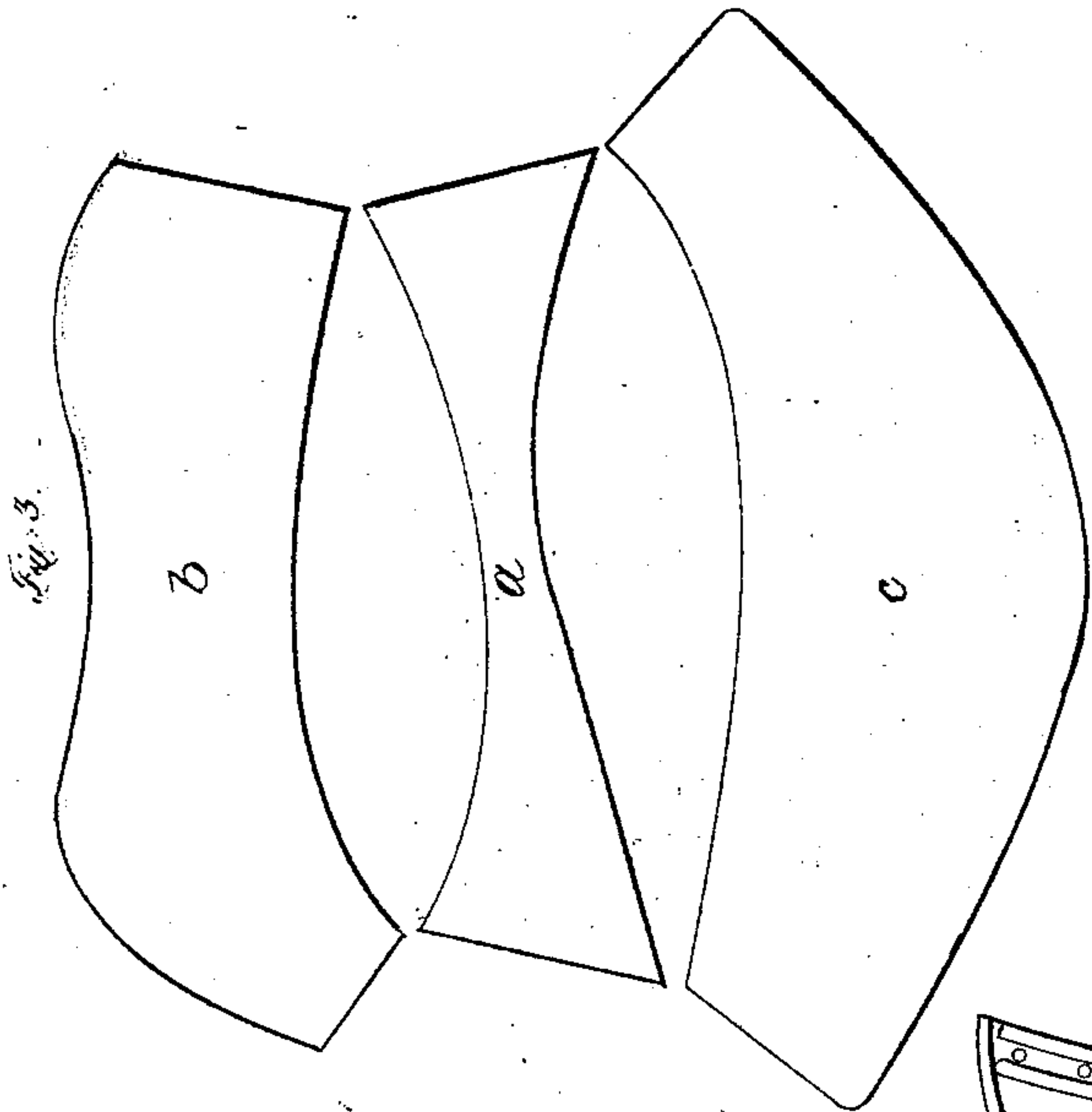


Fig. 6 Fig. 8



Fig. 4

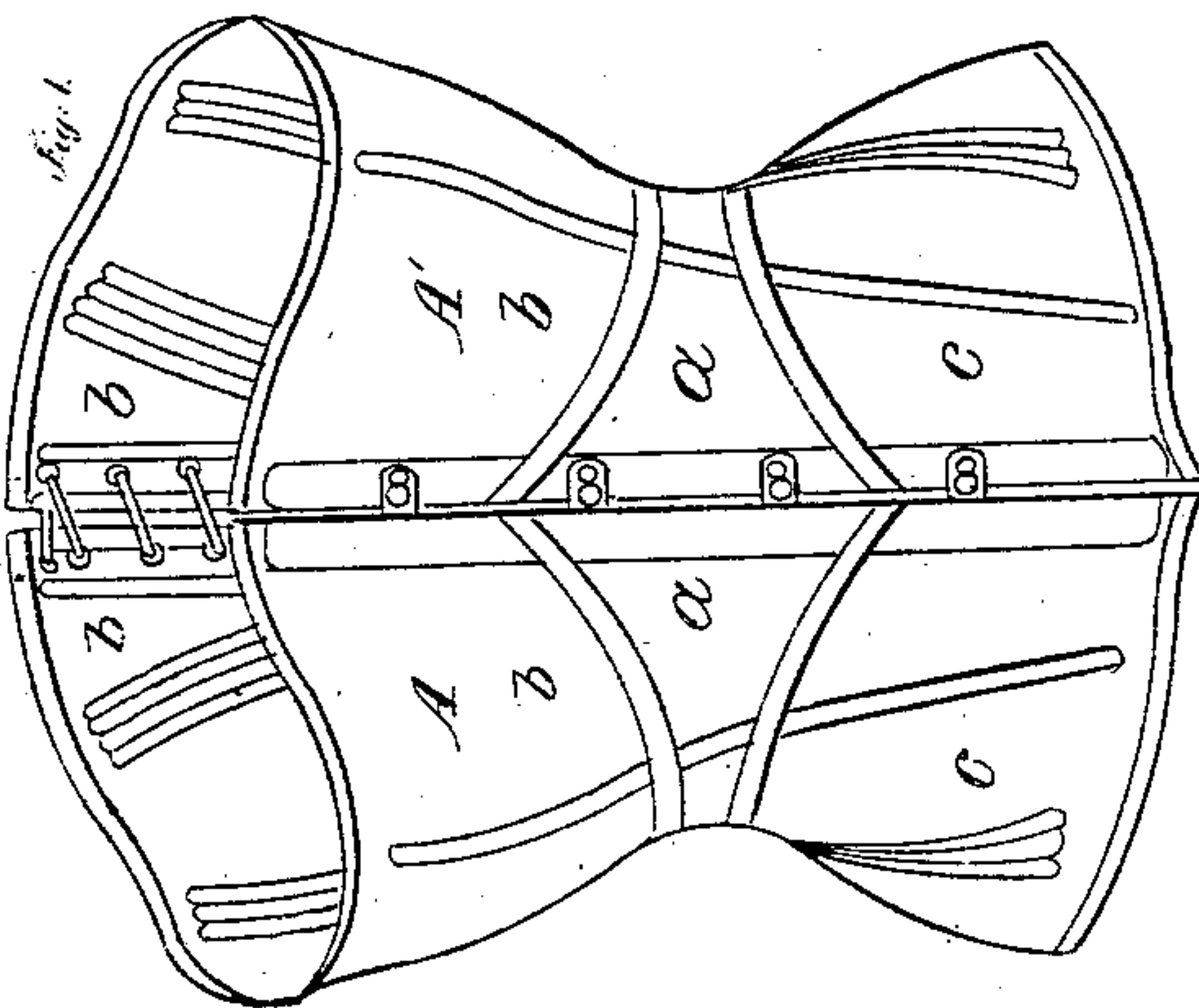
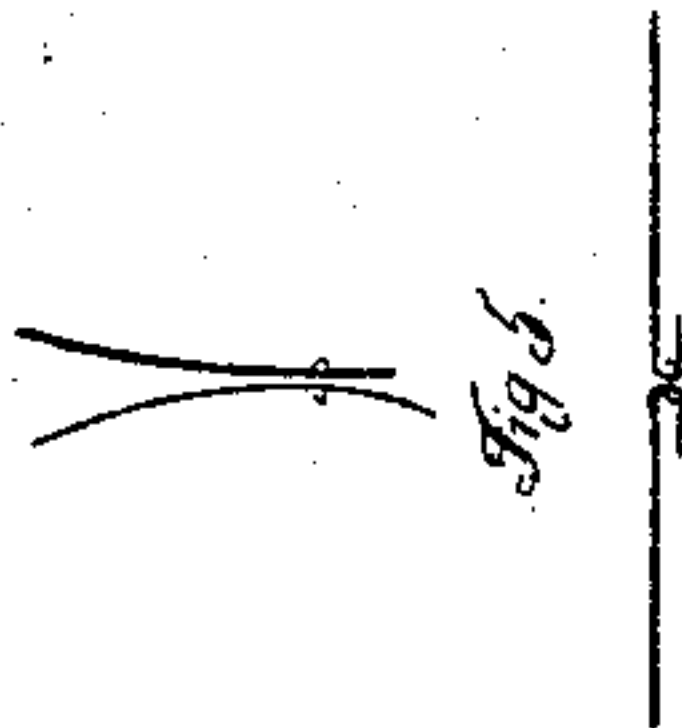
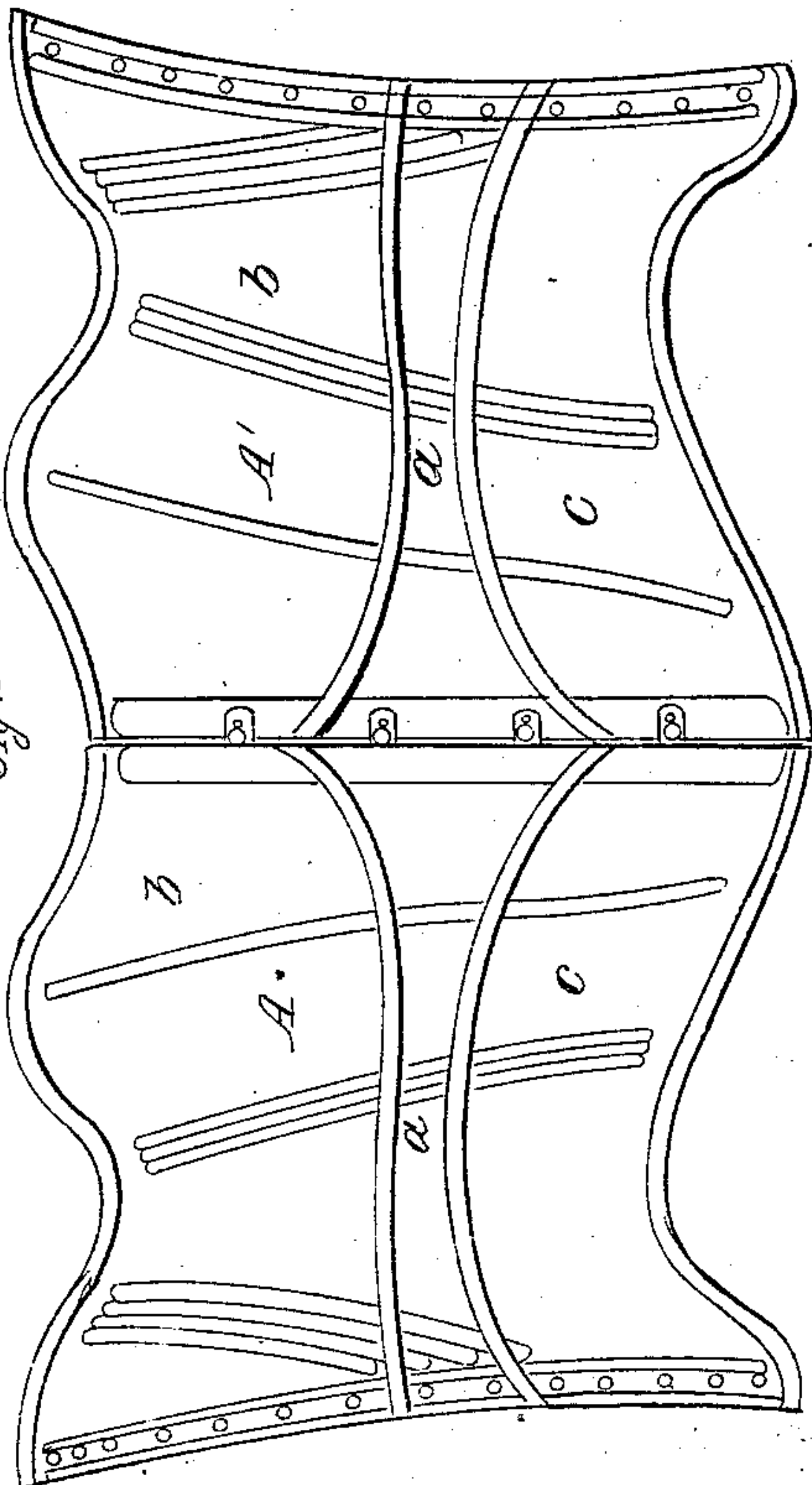


Fig. 2



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## IMPROVEMENT IN CORSETS.

*The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.*

### TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that I, EDWARD DRUCKER, of Paris, in the Empire of France, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in the Manufacture of Corsets and other similar articles; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 represents a perspective view of one of my corsets closed.

Figure 2 is an elevation of the same when opened.

Figure 3 is an elevation of the three parts which compose each half of my corset, showing their form before they are united.

Figures 4, 5, 6, and 7 are sectional views of various seams which may be used in uniting the several parts of my corset.

Similar letters of reference indicate like parts.

This invention relates to an improvement in that class of corsets in which the usual gores are dispensed with by causing the seams uniting the different parts of which the corset is composed to run transversely instead of up and down; and it consists in forming the corset of two or more sections, united by an intermediate section, having an outline and configuration substantially such as is hereafter described, by which means a corset is obtained which will adapt itself more readily to the formation of the body of the wearer, and consequently can be worn with more ease and convenience than any others with which I am acquainted, and with much greater ease than those kinds of corsets in which either the longitudinal transverse seam runs horizontally, or nearly so, through the centre of the waist, or in which the horizontal or nearly horizontal transverse seams merely provide the slight degree of adaptation to the body of the wearer which will be furnished by making such horizontal or nearly horizontal seams of an undulated or corrugated shape.

My corset is composed of two halves, *A A'*, each of which is formed of three pieces or sections, *a b c*, of canvas or other suitable material, which are cut out in the shape as shown in fig. 3. The edges of these sections are curved in such a manner that the same, when they are united, will form a corset which, as already stated, adapts itself readily to the formation of the body, and, at the same time, the use of gores or other additional pieces can be dispensed with. The seams of my corset, instead of running up and down, run, as will be seen, across or round the body of the person wearing said corset; and strips of whalebone or other suitable material inserted in the proper places serve to keep the same in the proper shape. The seams which unite the several sections *a b c* can be made in various different ways, either as shown in fig. 4, or 5, or 7, which require no further explanation. It must also be remarked that I do not wish to confine myself to the precise number of sections shown in the drawing, but reserve the right to use two or more sections, as I may think proper, the distinguishing feature of the present invention being that its transverse seams run in a direction and have an outline and configuration substantially such as is shown in the drawing, whereby the intermediate section uniting the other sections of which the corset is composed is made to present a wider space between the seams towards the front of the corset than at other points, and therefore somewhat resembles the shape of the old-fashioned bodice formerly worn.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

An improvement in corsets of the class in which the seams run transversely instead of up and down, such improved corset or other similar article being made of two or more sections united by an intermediate section, having substantially the outline and configuration shown and described.

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