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Bustles.

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fig. 1

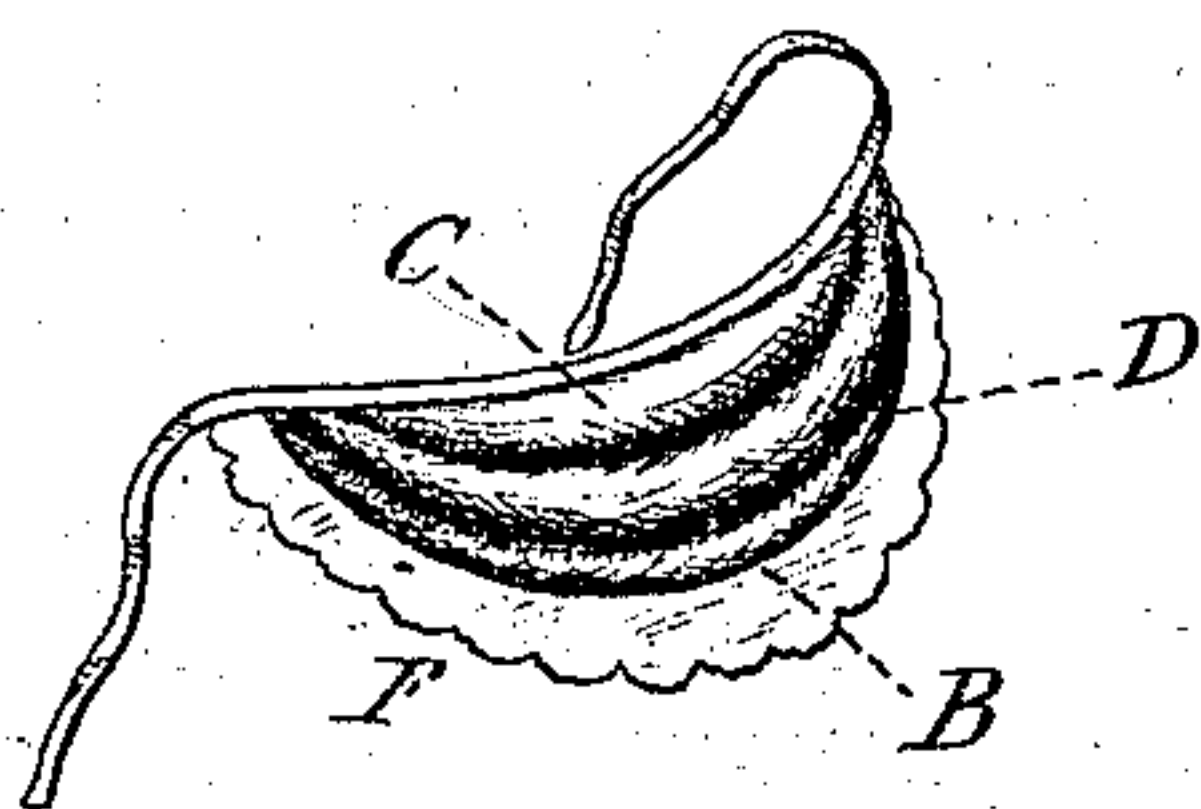
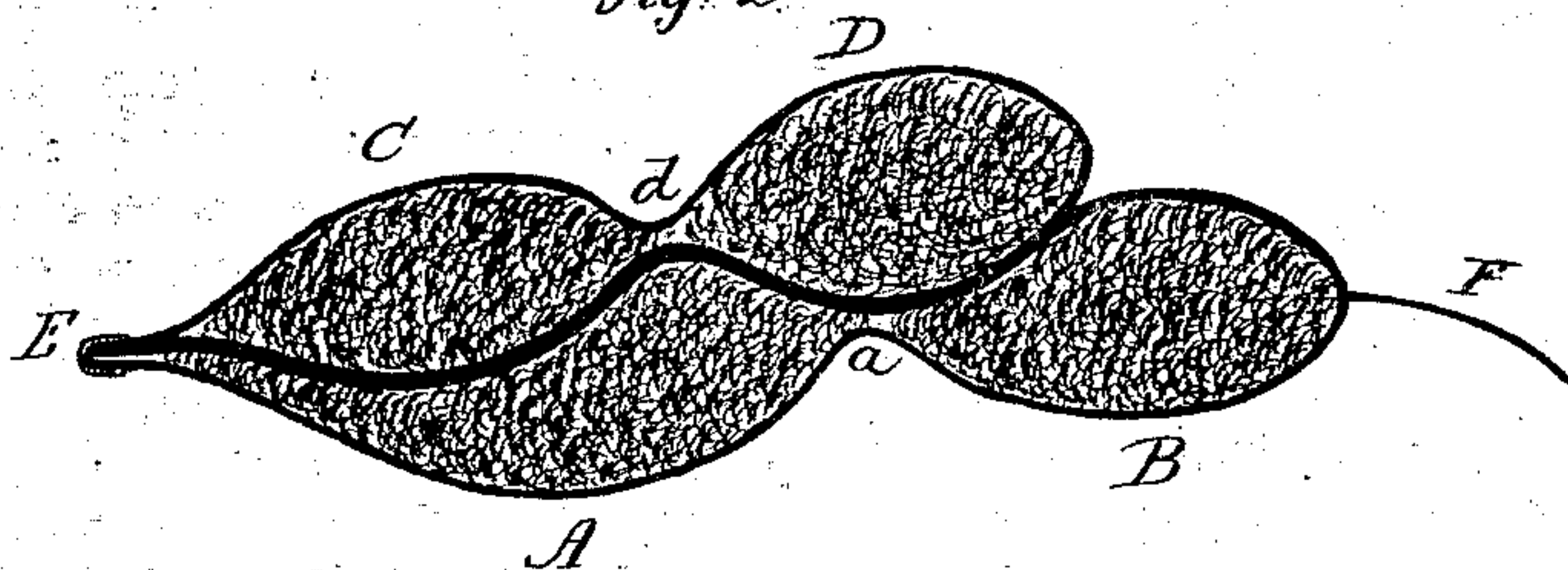


fig. 2



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## IMPROVEMENT IN BUSTLES.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOHN H. HALL, of Ansonia, in the county of New Haven and State of Connecticut, have invented a new Improvement in Bustles; and I do hereby declare the following, when taken in connection with the accompanying drawing and the letters of reference marked thereon, to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, and which said drawing constitutes part of this specification, and represents, in—

Figure 1, a perspective view; and in Fig. 2 a transverse central section.

This invention relates to an improvement in the article of wearing-apparel known to the trade as bustles; and consists in two or more pockets of crescent form combined with two or more similar pockets overlaying the same, the overlying pockets being between the pockets below, as more fully hereinafter described.

A B are two pockets of crescent form made from any suitable fabric, stitched at *a* and stuffed with hair or other suitable material. Above these are two other pockets, C D, of

similar form, made in like manner, the pockets separated by stitching at *d*, and of such relative form to the lower pockets that the pocket D will lie between the pockets A and B, as seen in Fig. 2. The inner edges of the two pockets are secured together at E into a band to be secured around the waist. The two upper pockets are independent of the lower pockets, except at the binding. A frill, F, is attached to the extreme edge, as seen in Fig. 1.

By this construction the bustle preserves its shape better than the usual construction, and the same extent of bustle is made with a less amount of filling.

I claim as my invention—

The herein-described bustle, consisting of the under pockets or parts A B combined with the overlying pockets or parts C D, united at the band E, and the parts having the relative position to each other described.

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