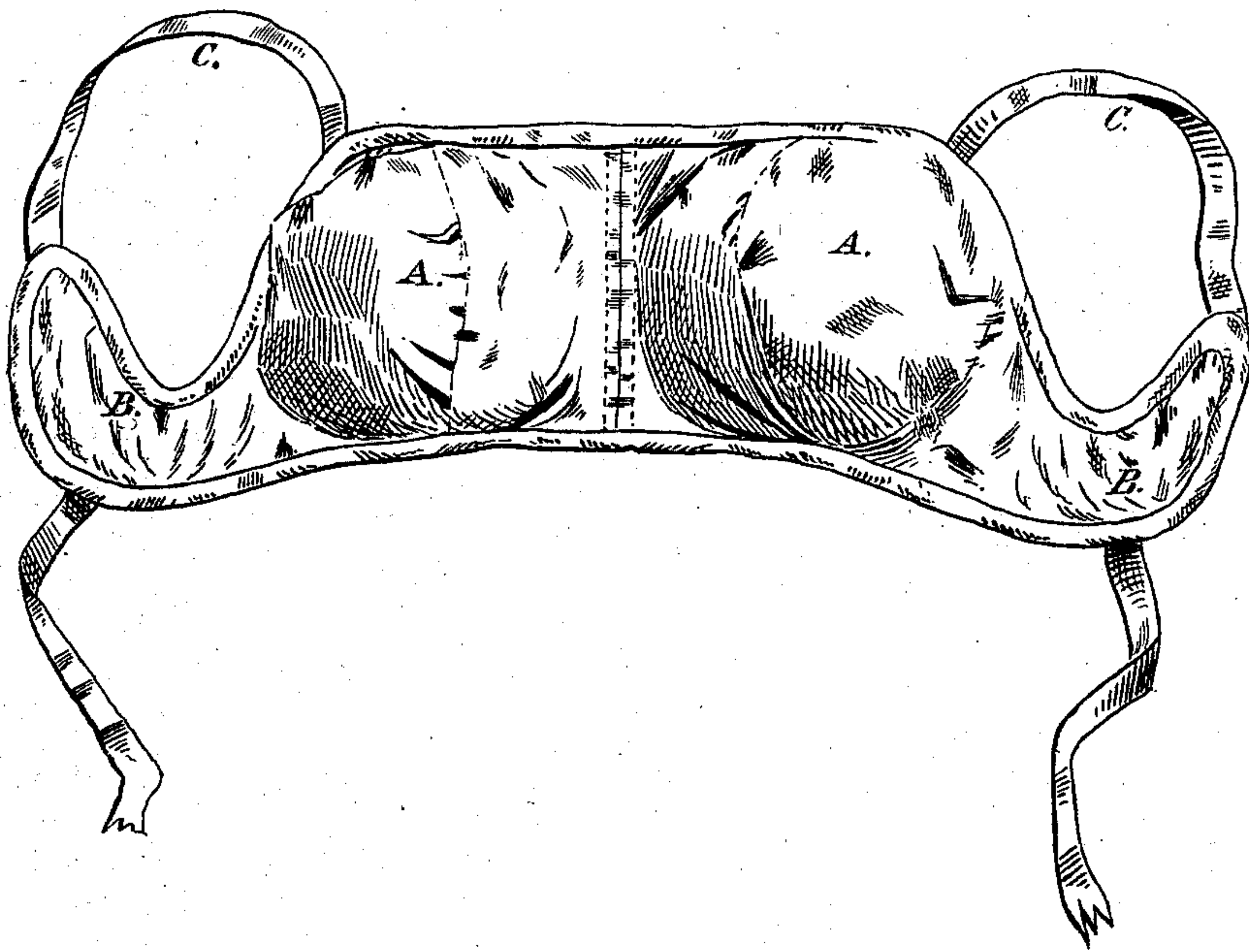


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IMPROVEMENT IN BOSOM-PADS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HELEN M. MILLAR, of the city of Louisville, county of Jefferson and State of Kentucky, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Pads or Ladies' Artificial Busts, of which the following is a specification:

This my invention consists in an artificial bust made of any suitable material, and in form as shown in the drawing, but is generally made of any light cotton fabric, in the usual form, slightly stuffed with any light material to give the required form or fullness to the body, while the lower part is made to extend around under the arms, with a strap over the shoulders to keep it in its place. These extensions are intended to be used as pads to fill up the hollow part of the body under the arms of the person, where it is so difficult to make a lady's dress fit properly, and are kept in their places by means of straps over the shoulders, which renders them much more comfortable and reliable than when attached to the dress or any other garment in the manner in which they are generally used. The object of this my invention is to provide a pad or artificial bust that will be neat, cheap, and comfortable to the wearer, and at the same time answer as pads to make up the deficiency in the body under the arms, in order to enable the dress-maker to make a more perfect fit of the dress or other garment without the necessity of substituting separate pads, which are always very

difficult to keep in place, especially when attached to the dress or other garment; but by the use of this my invention all difficulty is obviated, from the fact that the busts and side pads are connected, and the whole is kept in place by means of the straps over the shoulders, which keep them in their places independent of any garment, which renders them more comfortable to the wearer, and less liable to get out of place, as is frequently the case with those now in common use.

The drawing is a perspective view of the bust, showing the extension-pads under the arms.

In the drawing, A A are the busts, all of which are made of any light cotton or other material, and in form as shown in the drawing. B B are the extension-pads used under the arms, which are made as above described. C C are the shoulder-straps for keeping them in place. These straps are generally made of gum or other elastic material.

Having thus fully described the drawing, what I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The extension-pads B B and shoulder-straps C C, in combination with the busts A A, when constructed and arranged substantially as and for the purpose hereinbefore set forth.

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