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Knit Leggings.

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Fig. 1.

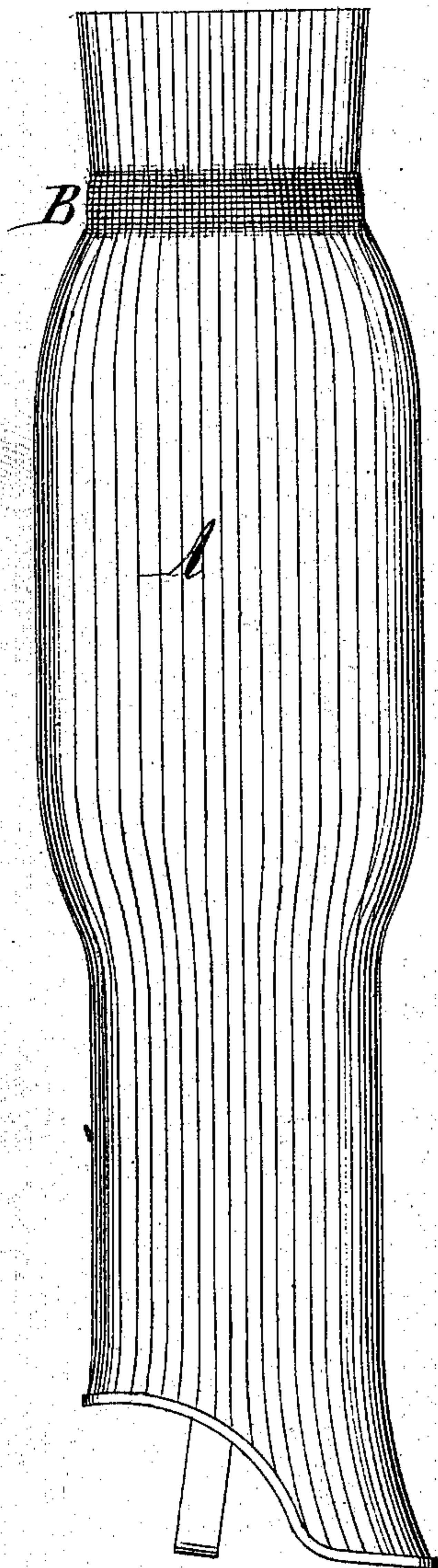


Fig. 2.

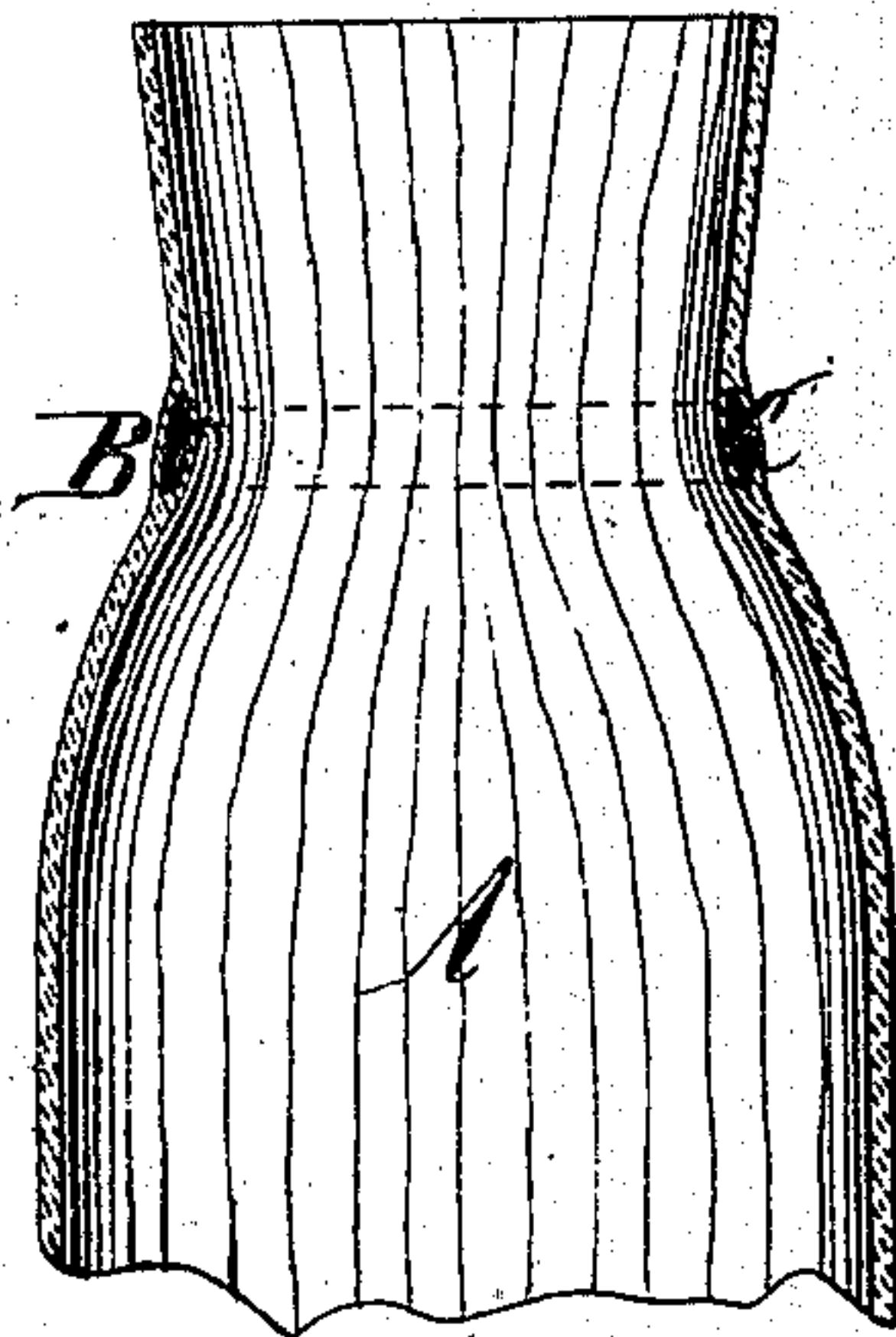
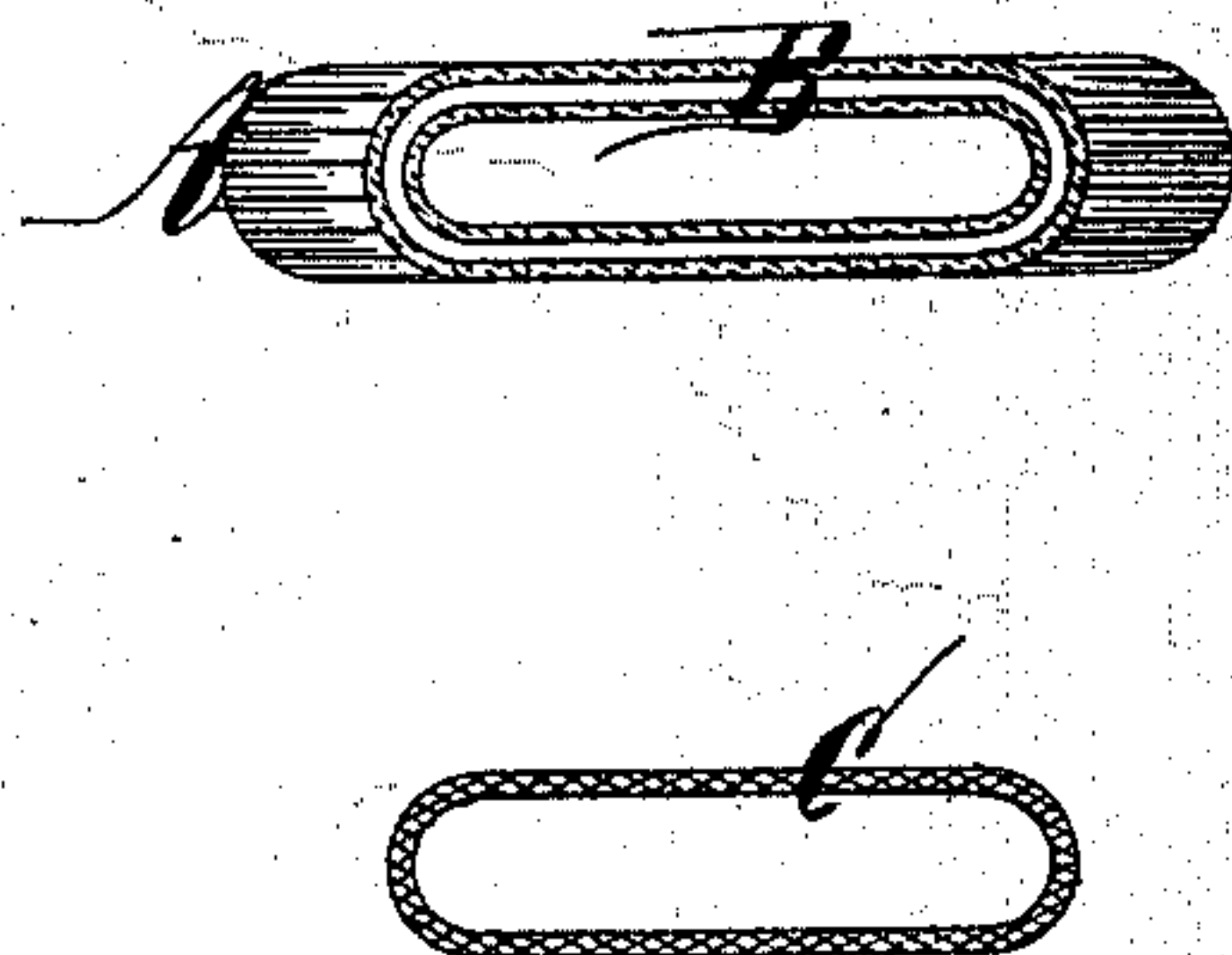


Fig. 3.



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IMPROVEMENT IN KNIT LEGGINGS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GABRIEL M. GERNSHYM, of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Leggings; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable those skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing forming part of this specification, in which drawing—

Figure 1 represents a side view of a legging provided with my invention. Fig. 2 is a vertical section of a part thereof. Fig. 3 is a transverse section of the same in the line *x x*, Fig. 1.

Similar letters indicate corresponding parts.

This invention consists in the arrangement of one or more pockets, of a width equal to a number of meshes, for the insertion of an elastic or other strap on a legging, said pocket being produced in the operation of knitting, and the strap being contained therein in such a manner that said strap is entirely concealed while the fabric of the article remains intact.

In the drawing, the letter A designates a legging of that class usually worn by ladies and children, which is composed of a knitted fabric, and may be produced in any desirable manner. On such legging is formed a pocket, B, being in the position commonly selected for adjusting a garter, at or near the top of the legging, which pocket is produced in the process or operation of knitting the fabric, of a width equal to a number of meshes.

In thus forming the pocket B, an elastic band or strap, C, is inserted therein, such strap

being introduced either during the time the pocket is made or after the pocket has been finished, so that the same is thereby concealed from view.

By these means an invisible garter is produced, whereby a legging is effectually held up on the limb of the wearer, and such garter being elastic it adapts itself to any size or manner of limb.

In some cases it is desirable to have the legging contracted or confined at the ankle of the wearer. This purpose can be effected by arranging a secondary pocket at or near the lower end of the legging.

I do not claim, broadly, forming one or more tubes in a stocking or other articles during the process of knitting, into which are inserted elastic cords, for such is old and well-known, and is not my invention, which, as before stated, consists in producing a transverse pocket in a legging during the process of knitting, which pocket is of a width equal to two or more of the meshes, and into which pocket is inserted an elastic garter.

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

As a new article of manufacture, a knitted legging provided with a transverse pocket, produced in the process of knitting, of a width equal to two or more of the meshes, for the reception and retention of a concealed elastic garter, as described.

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