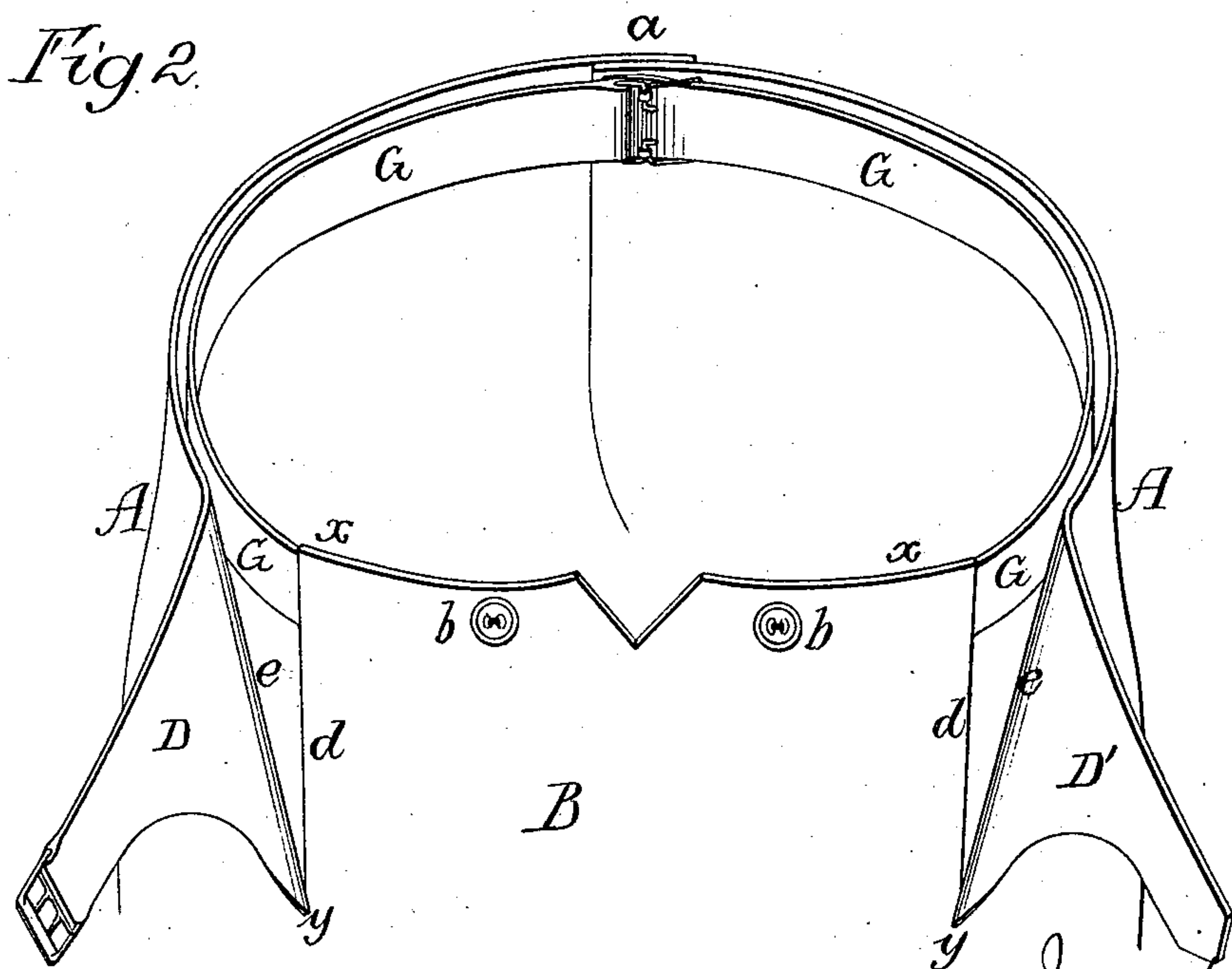
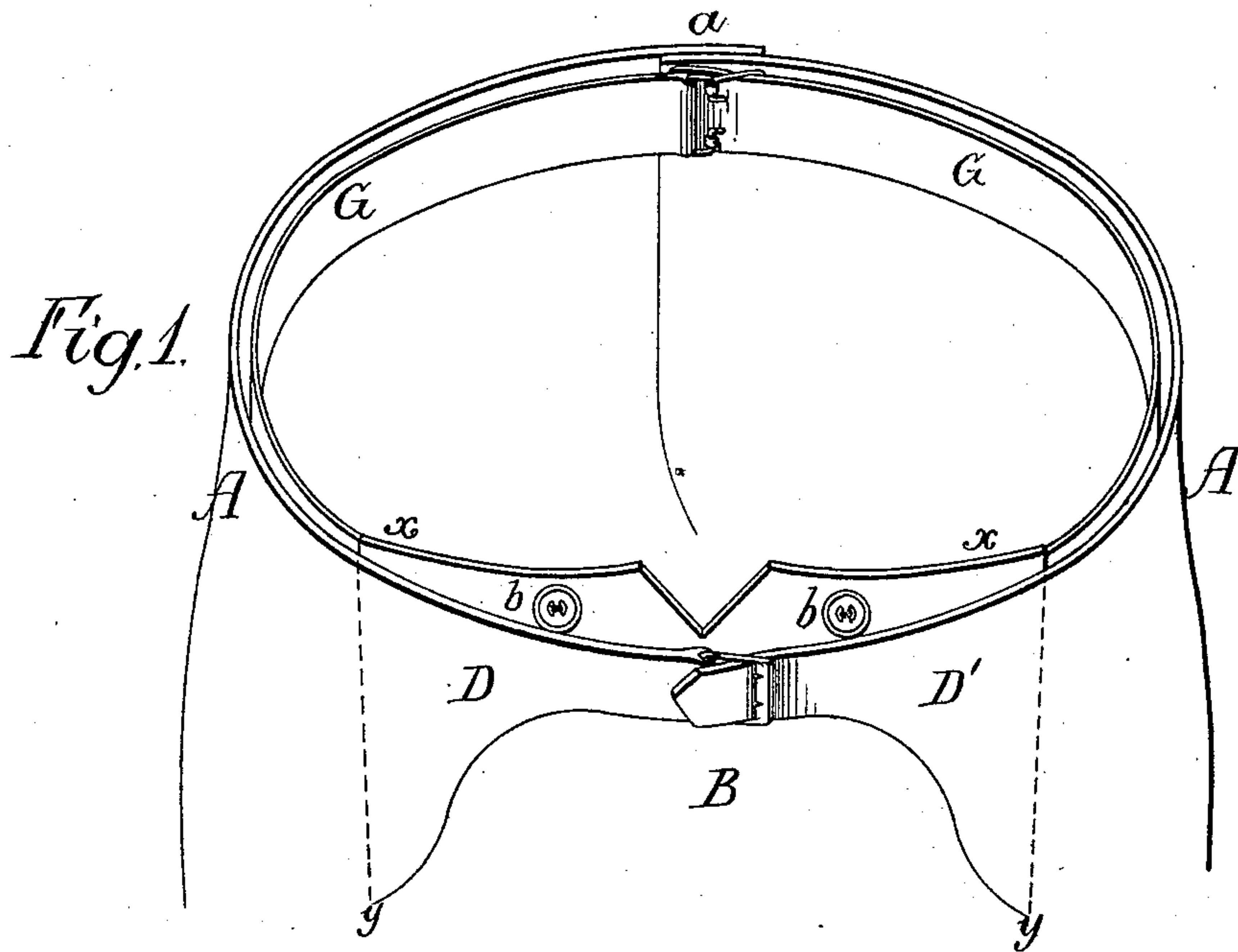


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM F. BORZELL, a citizen of the United States and resident of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, have invented certain Improvements in Pantaloons, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to an improvement in that class of pantaloons in which the waist portion is formed so as to prevent puckering or the formation of folds at the rear in tightening the waist-strap, the object of my invention being to construct the pantaloons so as to attain the desired result in a simple and economical manner and without any waste of material.

Figures 1 and 2 are perspective views representing the upper or waist portion of a pair of pantaloons made according to my invention.

The front of the pantaloons has the usual buttoned fly *a*, and the continuity of the upper or waist portion, *A*, is interrupted by the rear flap, *B*, the opposite edges, *d d*, of which extend downward from the upper edge, *x*, of the pantaloons to the extent of ten inches or thereabout.

To the ends *e e* of the waist of the pantaloons are stitched the back straps, *D D'*, which are arranged to overlap the rear flap, *B*, one of the straps being provided with a buckle for receiving the end of the other strap.

Each end *e* of the waist is united to the adjoining edge *d* of the flap *B* at *y*, where both the waist and flap merge into the seat of the pantaloons.

From each end *d* of the flap, at the upper edge of the same, extends a strap, *G*, preferably of elastic material, the ends of the two straps being connected together at the front behind the fly by a buckle or other suitable fastening.

The rear suspender-buttons, *b b*, are attached to the flap *B*, and the front buttons to the waistband in their usual positions.

As the flap *B* is independent of the waist portion *A* of the pantaloons, the close fitting of said flap to the person cannot be disturbed by the tightening of the back strap; in other words, the upper portion or waistband of the

pantaloons can be contracted to the waist without forming at the rear the usual folds, which are not only uncomfortable to the wearer, but prevent the neat fitting of the rear of ordinary pantaloons to the body.

The straps *G* serve as the means whereby the pantaloons may be supported on the wearer's waist, when desired, suspenders being dispensed with, and the contraction of the waistband of the pantaloons until it fits tightly to the waist of the wearer being rendered unnecessary. The straps *G* also serve to insure the neat fitting of the flap *B* to the back of the wearer.

It will be observed that no cutting away of the rear portion of the pantaloons is demanded by my improved construction, and that, as the flap *B* is formed in one piece with the seat, no objectional seam is formed, as in that class of pantaloons in which said flap is separate from the seat.

I do not desire to claim, broadly, pantaloons so constructed that they can be contracted to the waist of the wearer without puckering or forming folds; but

I claim as my invention and desire to secure by Letters Patent—

1. The combination, in a pair of pantaloons, of the back flap, *B*, and waist portions *A*, made in one piece with the seat, but disconnected from each other from *x* to *y*, with the straps *D D'*, secured to the edges of the waist portions *A*, and overlapping the back flap, as specified.

2. The combination of the waist portions *A*, having straps *D D'*, the rear flap, *B*, disconnected from said waist portions, the straps *G*, connected to the opposite edges of said flap and extending to the front of the pantaloons inside the waistband, and means, substantially as described, for connecting said straps together, as set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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