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fig. 1

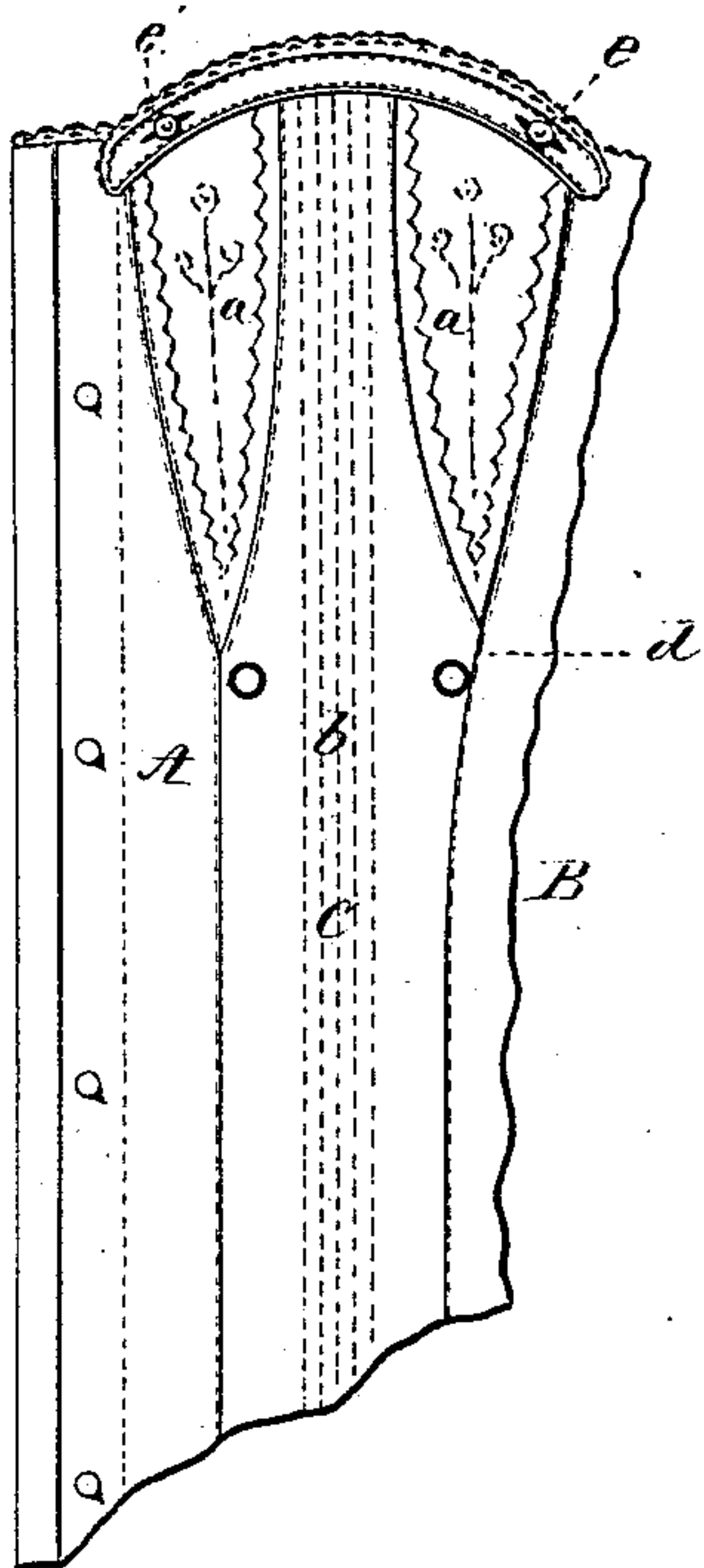
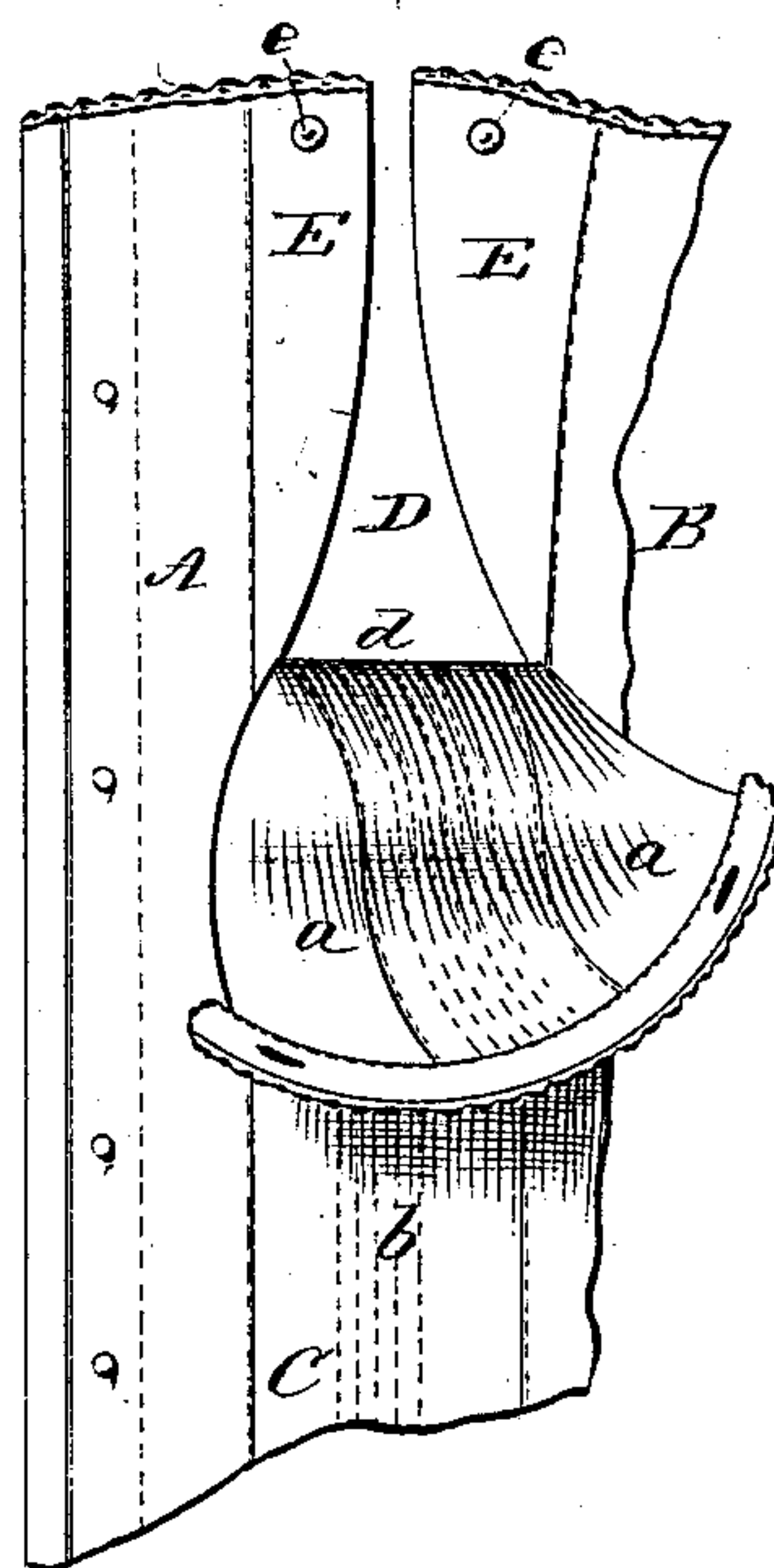


fig. 2



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MAX ADLER, of New Haven, in the county of New Haven and State of Connecticut, have invented a new Improvement in Corsets; and I do hereby declare the following, when taken in connection with the accompanying drawings and the letters of reference marked thereon, to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, and which said drawings constitute part of this specification, and represent, in—

Figure 1, a front view, the breast-opening closed; Fig. 2, front view, the breast-opening open.

This invention relates to an improvement in that class of corsets commonly called "nursing-corsets," the object being to provide an opening for the breast, which, when closed, will retain the usual form of corset.

Various devices have been resorted to in the construction of this class of corsets for the convenience of the mother, but they have failed to preserve the complete and perfect outline of the corset.

My invention, whereby this object is attained, consists, essentially, in cutting the sections of the corset in substantially the usual form, leaving the breast or gored part detached at the two sides, with flexible stays running up and through the breast-section, which will permit the breast portion to be turned down to expose the opening through the corset, as more fully hereinafter described.

A represents the front-section; B, the hip-section; C, the breast-section, cut in the usual form, the breast-section expanded by gores *a*, or otherwise, in the usual manner, and with a series of flexible stays, *b*, preferably cords, running up through the breast-section to the top. The breast-section is joined to the front and rear section from the bottom up to the point where the gores or expansion begins—say as at *b*. From that point upward the two sides of the breast-section are detached; but at the up-

per end of that section it is provided with buttons or other fastenings, *e*, at each side on the adjacent sections A B, whereby it may be secured, and when so secured does not differ in general appearance and effect from a corset of common construction, as seen in Fig. 1; but when turned down, as seen in Fig. 2, it exposes the opening D for the breast. Preferably a flap, E, is attached to each of the adjacent sections A B, as seen in Fig. 2, extending forward onto the breast as a lining for the breast portion, and also to cover the joint between the breast portion and the adjacent sections. These flaps should be flexible, thin, and without stays, and may be secured together at the top.

I claim—

1. The herein-described improvement in corsets, consisting in the breast-section, of usual form, attached to the adjacent sections from the bottom up to the point where the expansion for the breast begins, and from that point upward, finished independent and free from said adjacent sections, provided with stays on the front, and so as to be turned down to expose the breast-opening, and with means for securing the breast portion in its up or closed position, substantially as described.

2. The herein-described improvement in corsets, consisting in the breast-section, of usual form, attached to the adjacent sections from the bottom up to the point where the expansion for the breast begins, and from that point upward, finished independent and free from said adjacent sections, provided with stays on the front, and so as to be turned down to expose the breast-opening, and with means for securing the breast portion in its up or closed position, combined with the flaps E, extending from the adjacent portions inward over the breast, substantially as described.

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