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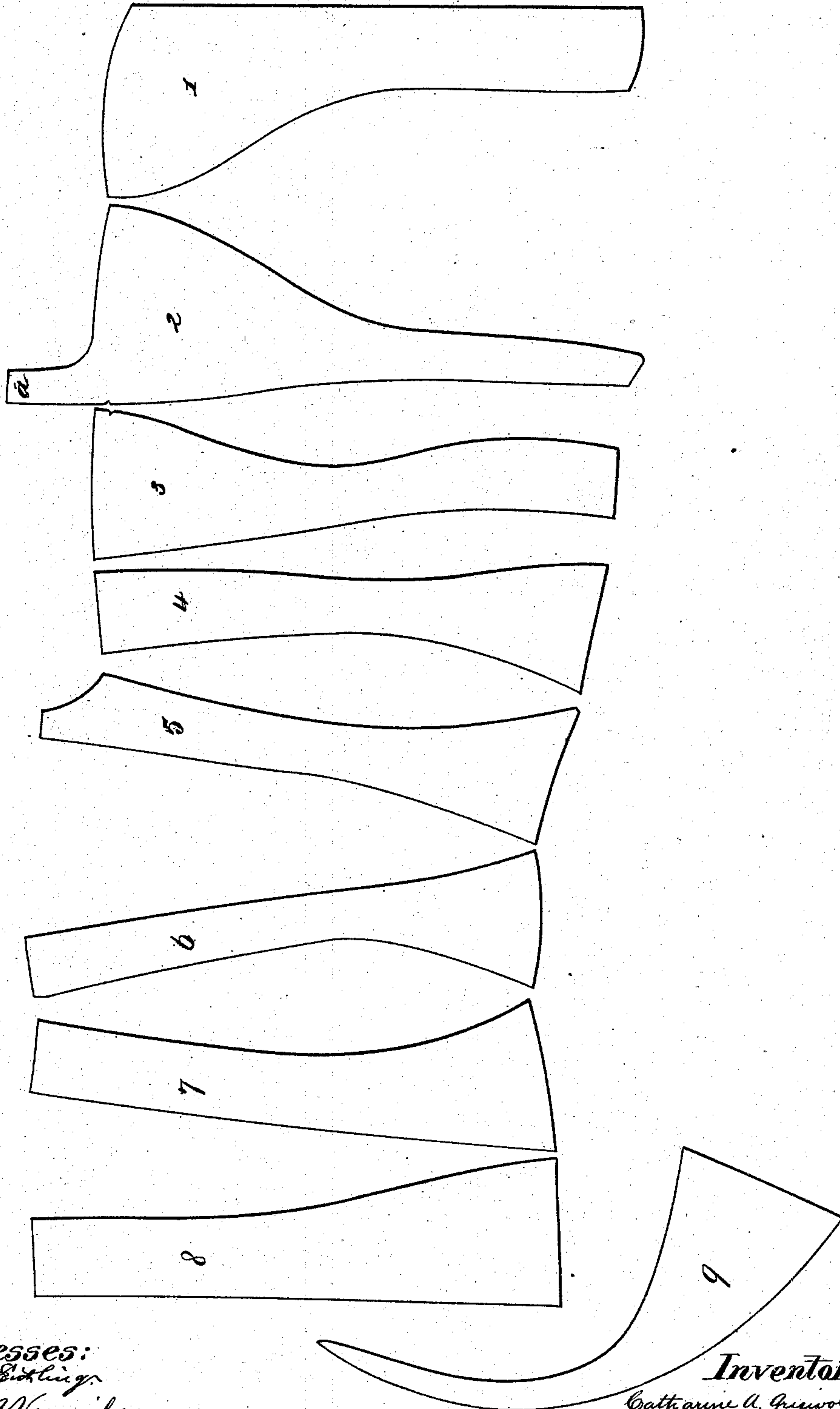
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Fig. 1



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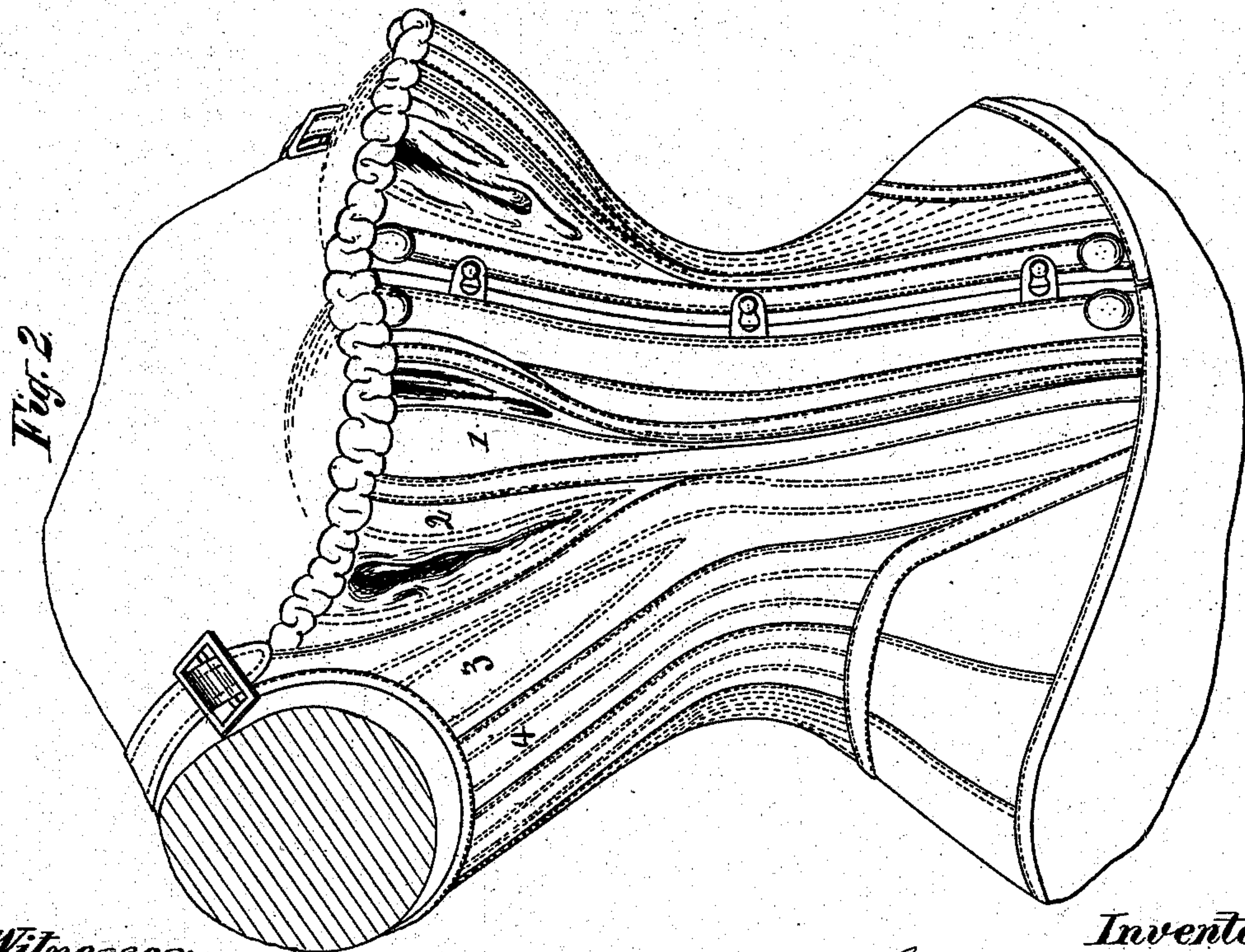
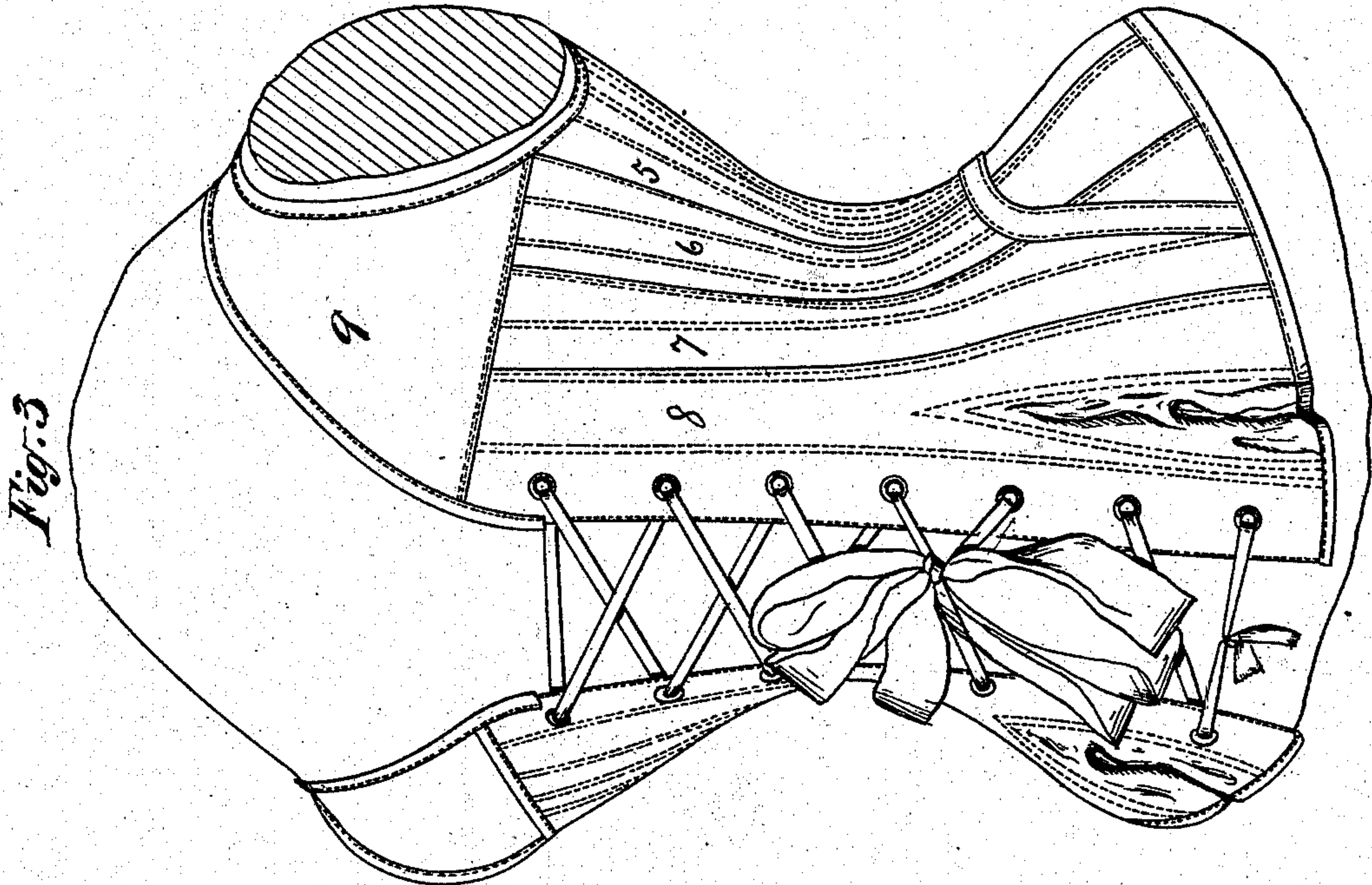
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## CORSET.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, CATHARINE A. GRISWOLD, of the city of New York, in the county and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Corsets, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of the same, in which—

On Sheet I are represented the forms of the several pieces of which each half of my corset consists. I include all these pieces on said sheet under the head of Figure 1, and number them consecutively from 1 to 8. The two figures on Sheet II represent the completed corset, Fig. 2 being a front side view, and Fig. 3 a rear side view, of the same.

The object of the peculiar construction of the corset herein described and claimed is to produce a more perfect and easy fit or adaptation of the corset to the form of the wearer than can be otherwise effected; and the invention consists in making each half of the corset of the eight pieces, besides the shoulder-strap 9 represented on Sheet I, the said several pieces having the peculiar form thereon shown. The adjacent edges of these several eight pieces, as they appear on said Sheet I, are to be sewed together to form one-half of the corset, pieces 1 and 2 forming the front, with the breast-swell piece 3 continuing the swell at the side of the breast just in front of the arm.

4, 5, 6, and 7 are the side pieces, and together they form at their lower ends the hip-swell.

8 is the back piece. When these pieces are sewed together, as described, they form a corset, as shown on Sheet II, which fits and adapts

itself to the form of the wearer more perfectly, and which can be worn with greater ease and comfort than any heretofore made, so far as my knowledge extends. The piece 9 is the shoulder-strap, which is, as shown, wide at the base or rear end, so as to cover and be attached, preferably, to the upper ends of the three pieces 6, 7, and 8, as shown in Fig. 3, with the convex edge toward the neck of the wearer, the front or curved end being carried over the shoulder and secured to the projection *a* on the front piece, 2. I prefer to use such a shoulder-strap; but it is not an essential part of my corset.

There may be a slight departure from the proportions in the said several eight pieces shown on Sheet I, to adapt the corset to various sizes and proportions of the wearer.

I do not claim, broadly, a corset composed of a number of separate pieces of fabric sewed together, in which the configuration of the corset is produced; but limit my claim to the particular configuration of the corset herein shown and described, produced by the eight pieces of the particular forms specified, and represented in the drawings.

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

A corset each half of which, having the configurations shown and described, is composed of the pieces 1 to 8, inclusive, having, respectively, the form shown in said figures.

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