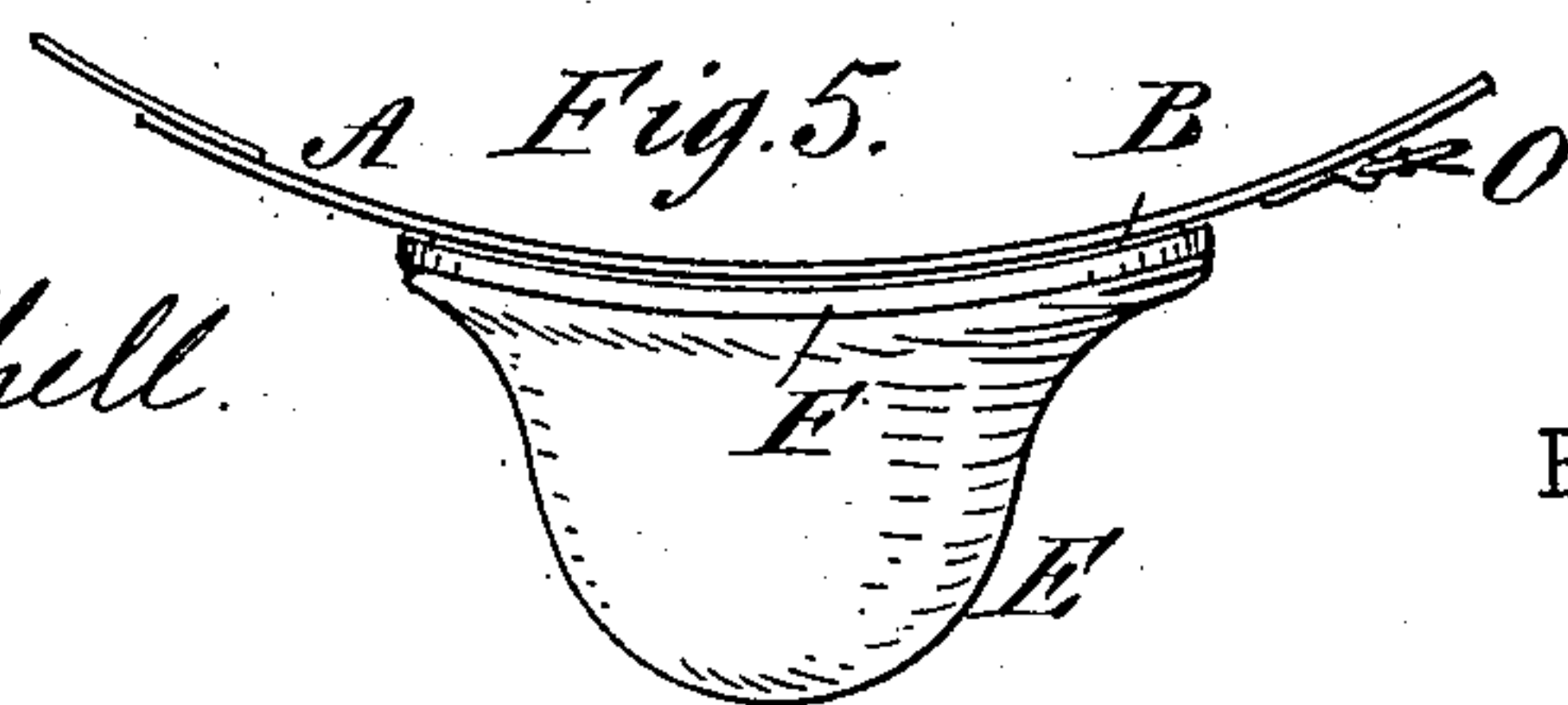
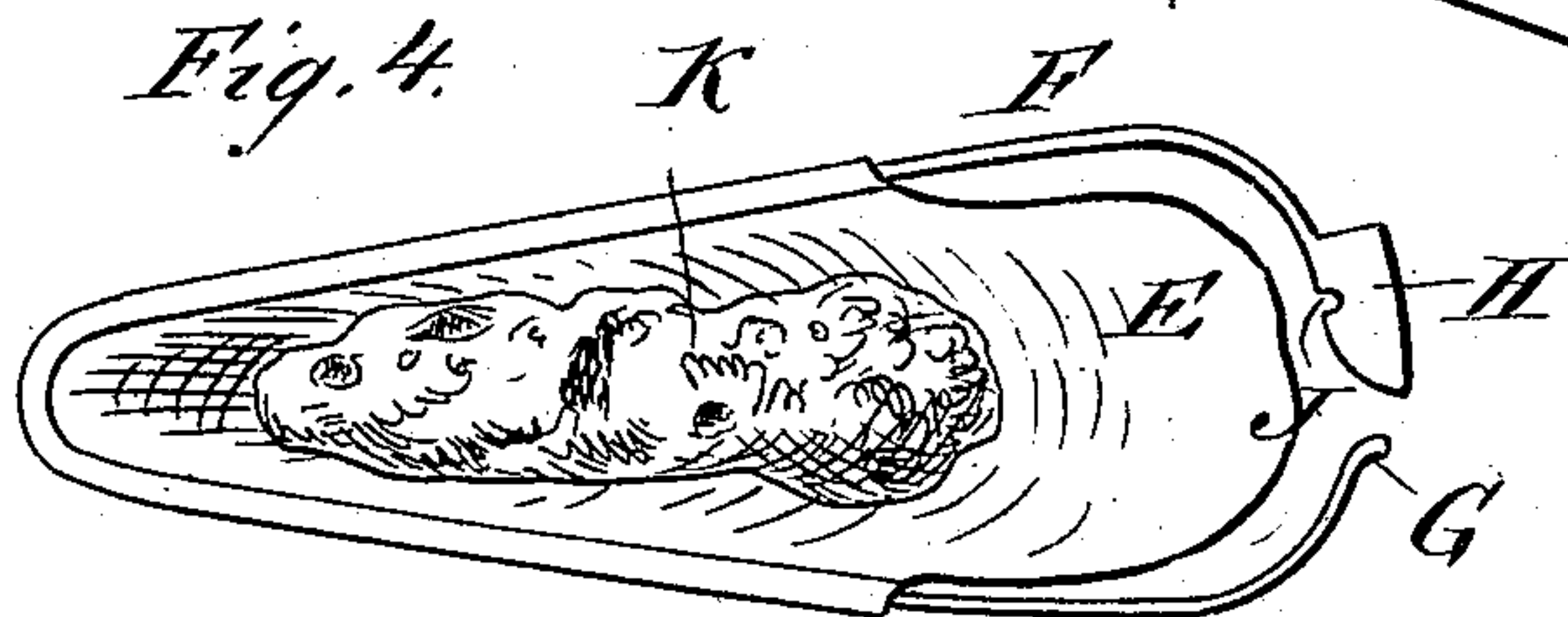
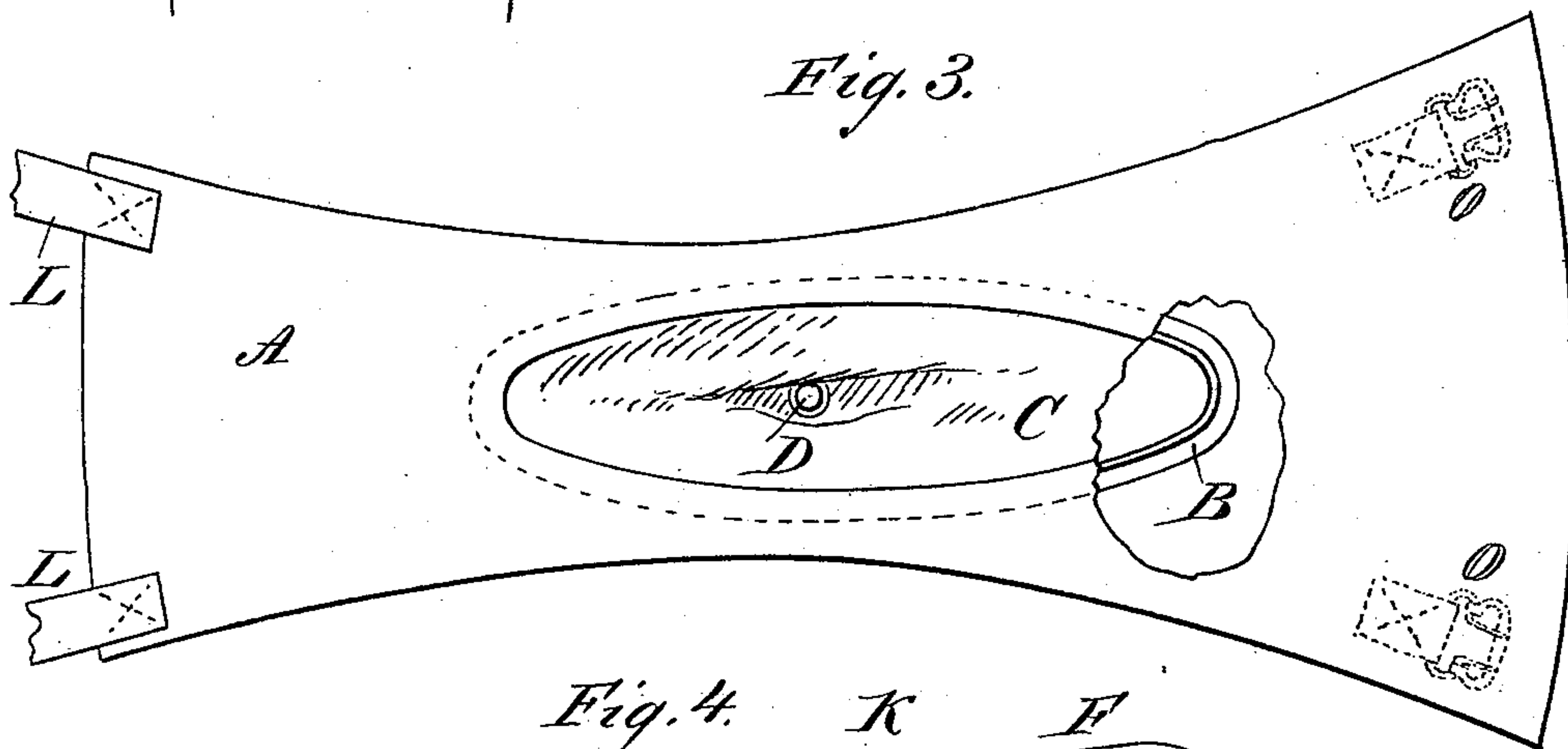
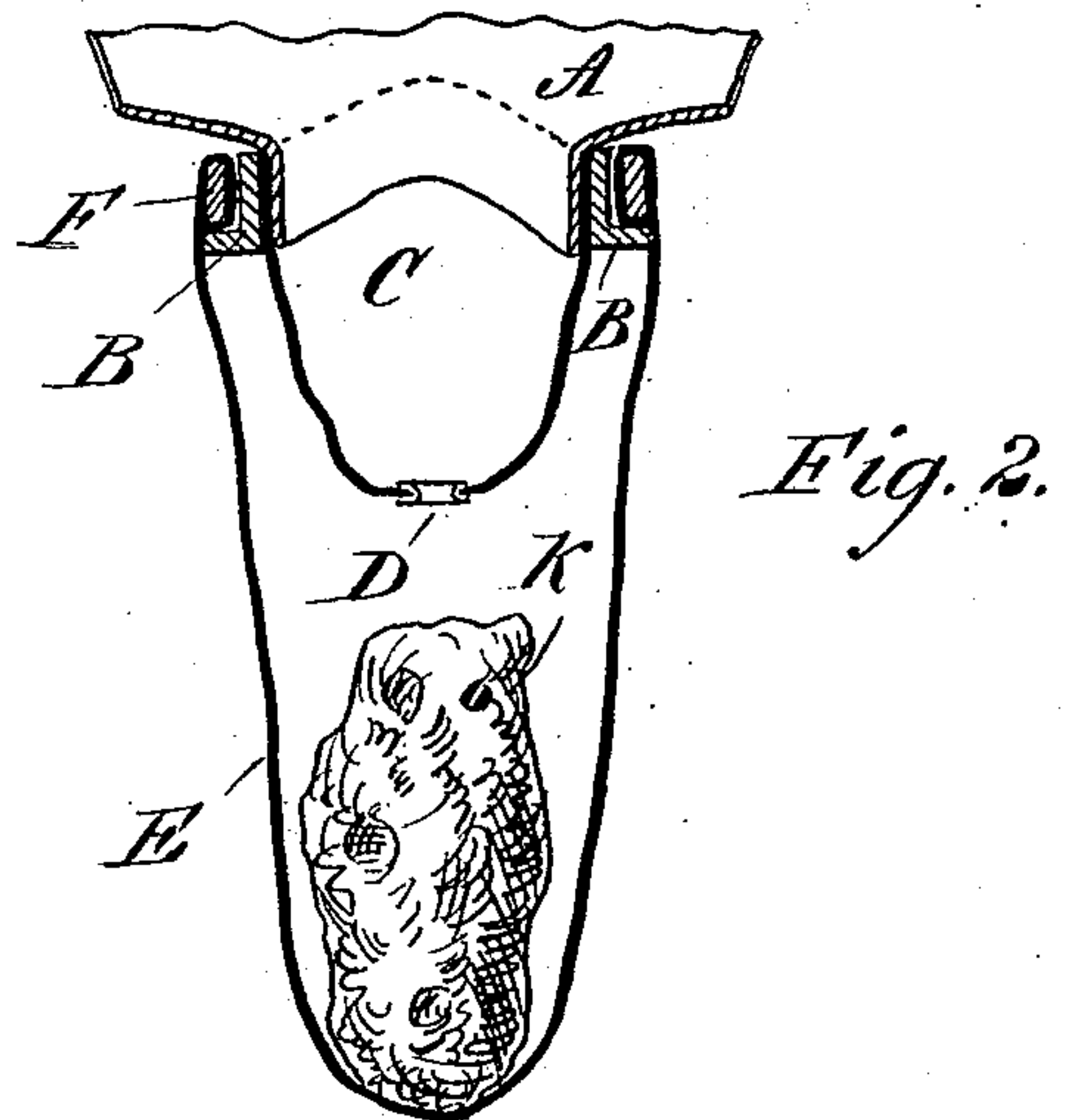
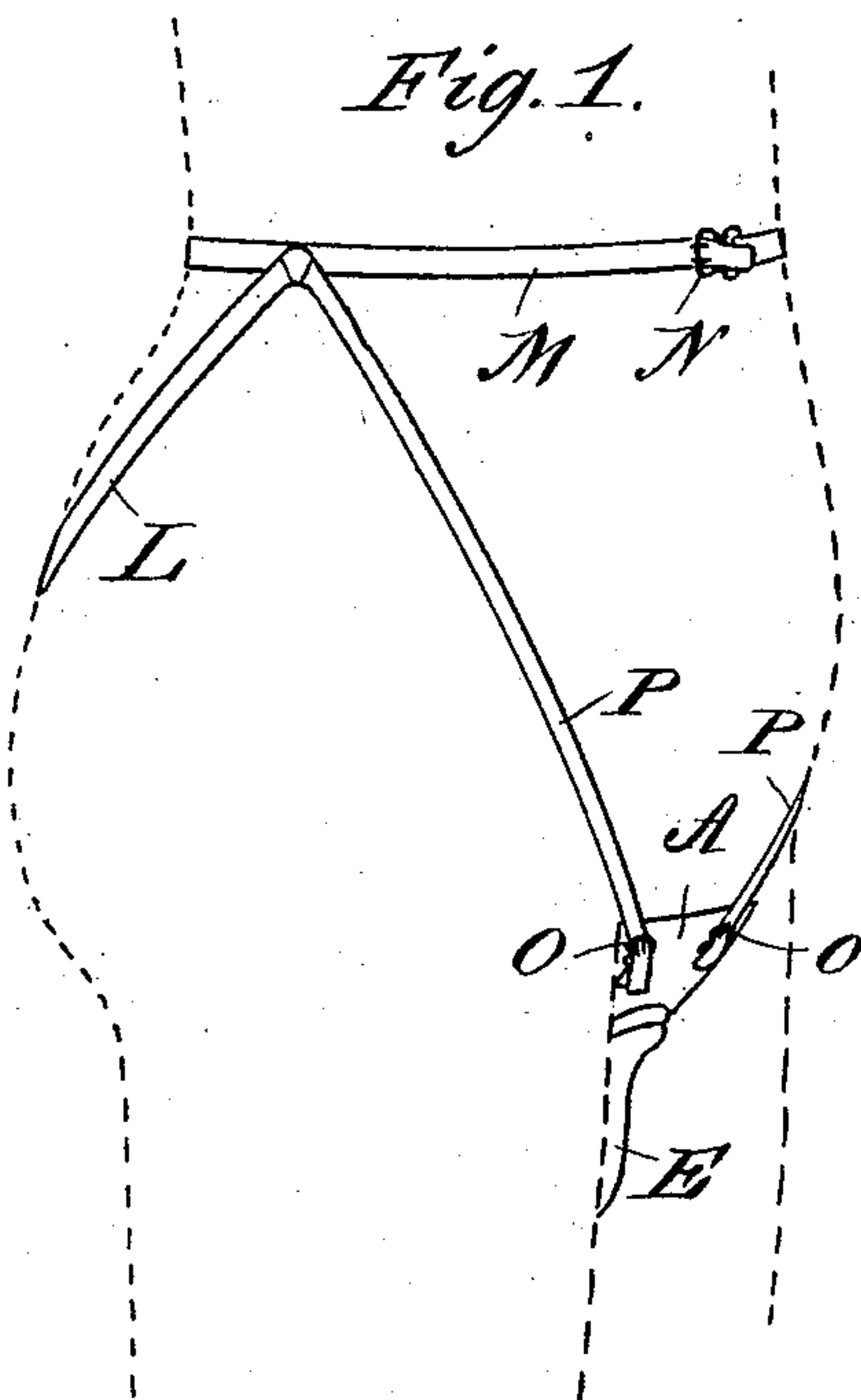


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES H. LEVY, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Catamenial Sack, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

The object of my invention is to provide a new and improved sack to be worn by females to receive the menstrual discharges, and thus protect the clothing from being soiled.

My invention relates to improvements in catamenial sacks; and it consists in the peculiar construction and arrangement of the parts, as hereinafter more fully set forth, and pointed out in the claims.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, in which similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved catamenial sack, showing the manner in which it is worn. Fig. 2 is an end view of the same, parts being broken out and others shown in section. Fig. 3 is a top view of the same. Fig. 4 is a top view of the sack or pouch, and Fig. 5 is a side view of the device.

A piece, A, of leather or rubber, is provided with a longitudinal opening, around which an elongated elliptical frame, B, is secured, the frame projecting from the bottom surface of the said piece A.

A funnel or pocket shaped piece, C, of leather or rubber, is fastened to the edges of the opening in the piece A, and hangs down between the sides of the frame B.

The pocket-shaped piece C is provided with an opening, D, at about the middle.

A pocket, sack, or pouch, E, made of leather or rubber, has its upper edge fastened on a bent U-shaped spring-metal hoop or frame, F, which is provided at one end with a short prong or projection, G, and at the other end with a head, H, provided with a notch or recess, J, in its inner edge, into which notch J the prong G is adapted to snap, thereby holding the free ends of the spring-frame together.

A sponge, K, or cotton or other fibrous material, is placed into the bag, sack, or pouch E.

Two bands, L, are fastened to the rear corners of the piece A, and the upper ends of the said bands are secured to a belt, M, provided with a buckle, N, or other suitable device for holding it closed. Two buckles, O,

are secured to the front corners of the piece A, and are used to fasten two bands, P, to the front of the piece A, which bands P are also fastened to the belt M.

In place of the buckles O, hooks and eyes or other suitable fastening devices can be used.

The frame B can be provided with a longitudinal groove in its outer edge, if desired.

The piece A, the pocket C, and the pouch E can be made of rubber, leather, or water-proof fabric.

The frame B can be made of metal, hard rubber, bone, &c., and can be covered with leather, rubber, or fabric.

The device is used in the following manner: The spring-frame F is passed around the frame B, and is locked, whereby the pouch or sack E will be held to and suspended from the piece A. The piece A is placed between the legs and on the body, and is held in place by the belt and bands, in the manner shown in Fig. 1, or by other suitable means. The menstrual discharges pass into the pocket C and through the orifice D into the pouch E, and are absorbed by the sponge or fibrous material. If the discharge is very great, it collects in the pouch E. The pocket C prevents the discharges from splashing against the body during rapid movements, &c.

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

1. In a catamenial sack, the combination, with an apertured piece, A, and grooved piece B, secured thereto, of the spring-frame F, carrying the sack E, and removably secured to the grooved frame B, substantially as shown and described, whereby said sack can readily be removed, cleansed, and replaced without removing the other parts of the device from the wearer, as set forth.

2. In a catamenial sack, the combination, with the apertured piece A, of the frame B, secured to the same, the pouch or sack E, and the spring-frame F, secured to the pouch E, and provided at one end with a notched head, H, and at the other end with a prong or projection, G, substantially as herein shown and described.

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