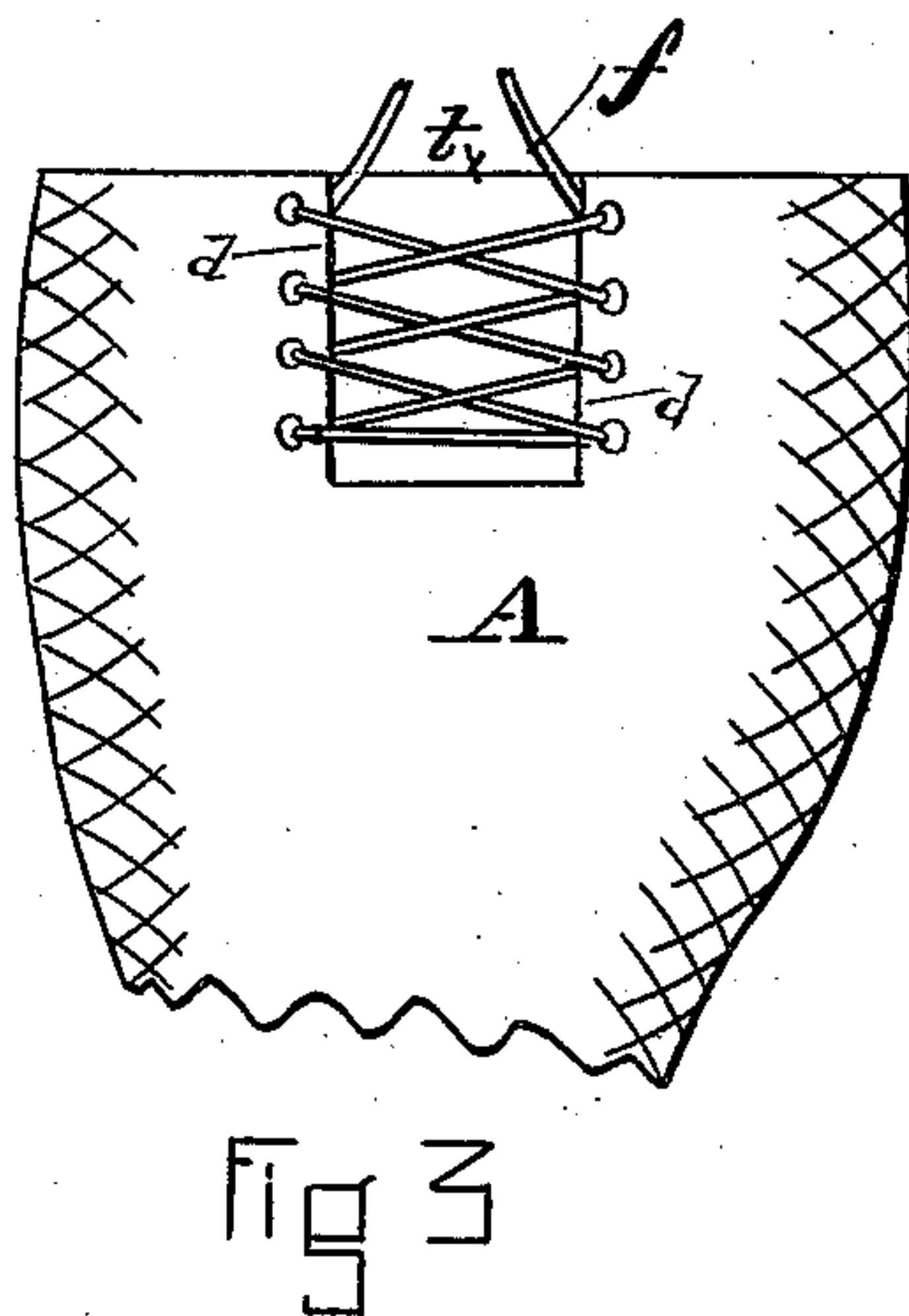
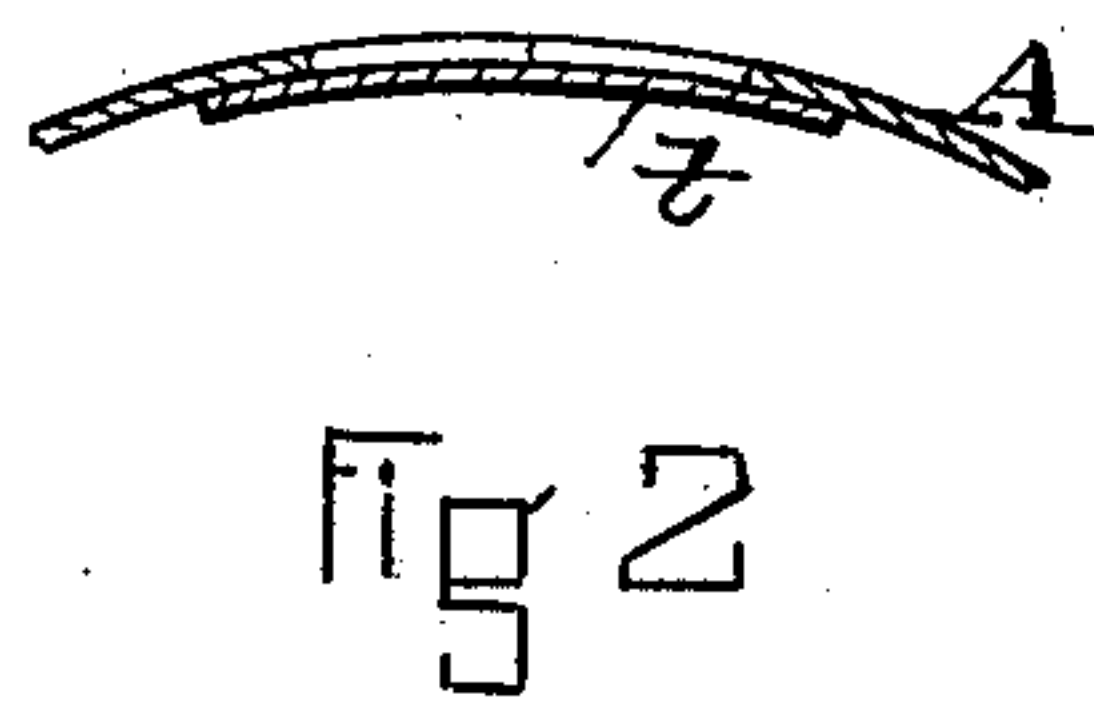
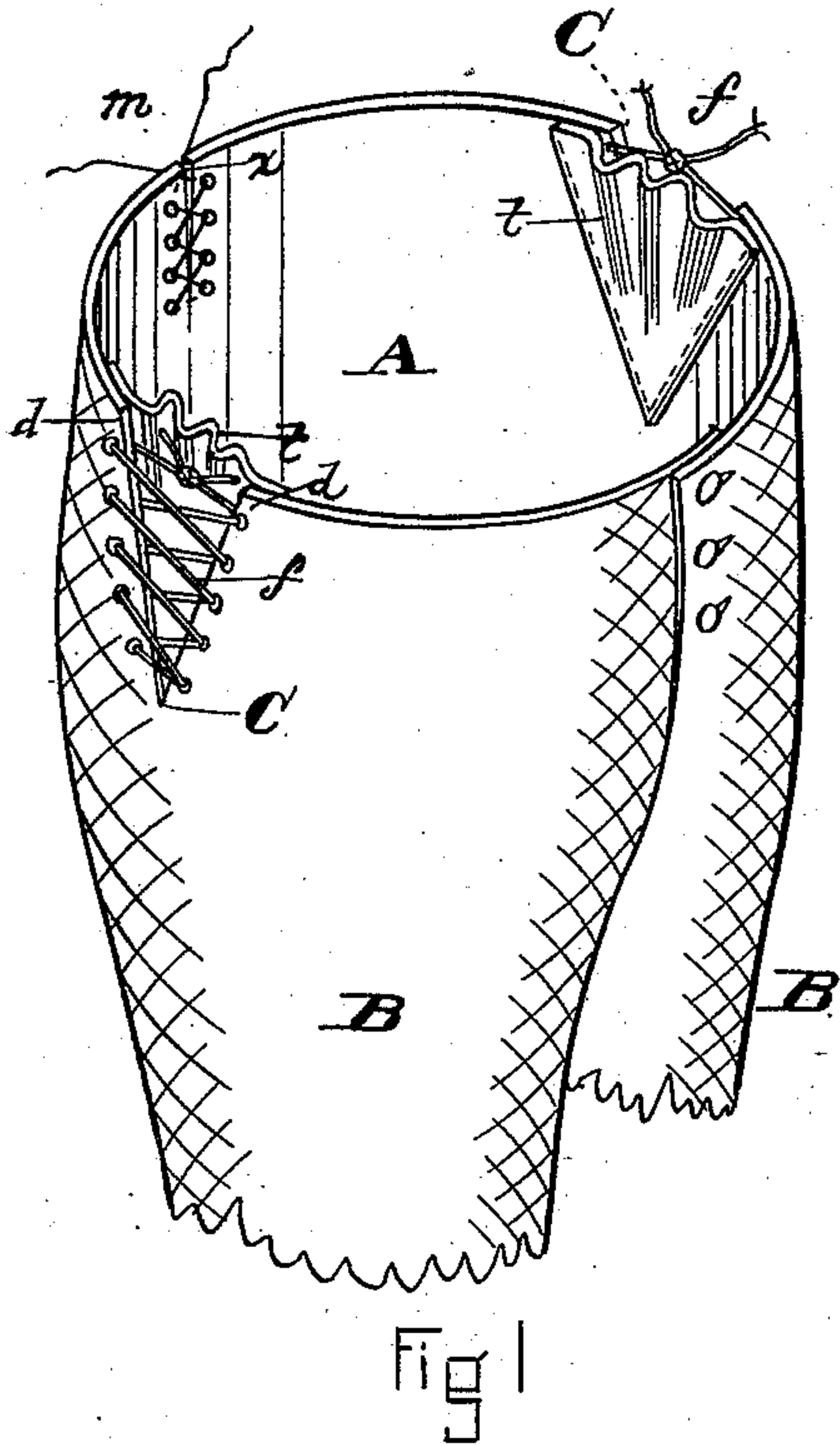


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MATTHEW C. YARWOOD, of Fall River, in the county of Bristol, State of Massachusetts, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Drawers, of which the following is a description sufficiently full, clear, and exact to enable any person skilled in the art or science to which said invention appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is an isometrical perspective view of a pair of drawers embodying my improvement, the lower portion of the legs being represented as removed; Fig. 2, a diagram showing the arrangement of the gore and placket, and Fig. 3 an elevation showing a modification of the improvement.

Like letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the different figures of the drawings.

In ordinary knit drawers, more especially for gentlemen's wear, the only means for adjusting them at the waist consists in a straight placket slit in the waistband at the center of the back, provided with a lacing-cord, the degree or extent of the adjustment being very limited, and causing the garment to fit badly when taken in or let out to the fullest extent. The rear placket and cord also furnish a very limited means of adjustment, not over two or three inches at most in ordinary sizes.

My invention is designed to obviate this objection or difficulty; and to that end I make use of means which will be readily understood by all conversant with such matters from the following explanation, the extreme simplicity of the improvement rendering an elaborate description unnecessary.

In the drawings, A represents the body or waist of a pair of drawers, and B B the legs, these being composed of knit fabric and otherwise constructed in the usual form and manner, excepting as hereinafter specified. The waist is provided with the ordinary placket or slit, *x*, and lacing-cord *m* at the back, although this may be omitted, if desired.

A V-shaped opening or placket, C, is formed in the waist or waistband at either side of the

body, said openings being provided with lacing-cords *f*, which pass through eyelets or holes in the flaps at either side of the placket in the usual manner.

Secured to the inner face of the waist or waistband opposite each of the plackets C, and at some distance from the edges thereof, there is a V-shaped gore-piece, *t*, adapted to cover the placket. The material between the points of attachment of the gore-piece and the edges of the placket constitute lacing-flaps *d*, which are provided with holes or eyelets. These lacing-flaps overlap the gores and are free at their inner edges. Lacing-cords *f* are passed through the holes in the flaps *d* and cross the placket-opening, the gore-shaped pieces serving to protect the shirt of the wearer from contact with the cords.

In Fig. 3 a square placket is shown, which may be employed instead of the V-shaped placket represented in Fig. 1, if desired, although I deem the V-shaped one preferable.

It will be obvious that the side plackets enable the drawers to be readily adjusted to several different sizes, thereby rendering it unnecessary for dealers to keep as many sizes in stock; also, that the fitting of the garment may be greatly improved by means of the plackets and lacings at the hips.

Having thus explained my invention, what I claim is—

The combination, in a pair of drawers provided with placket-openings at opposite sides of the waist of the garment, of a gore-shaped piece permanently secured at each side to the inner face of the garment at a distance from the edge of the placket-opening and covering said opening, the edges of said placket-opening forming lacing-flaps overlapping the gore-shaped piece and provided with holes or eyelets, said flaps being free at their inner edges, and lacing-cords connecting said flaps and extending across said placket-openings, substantially as described.

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