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Fig. 1.

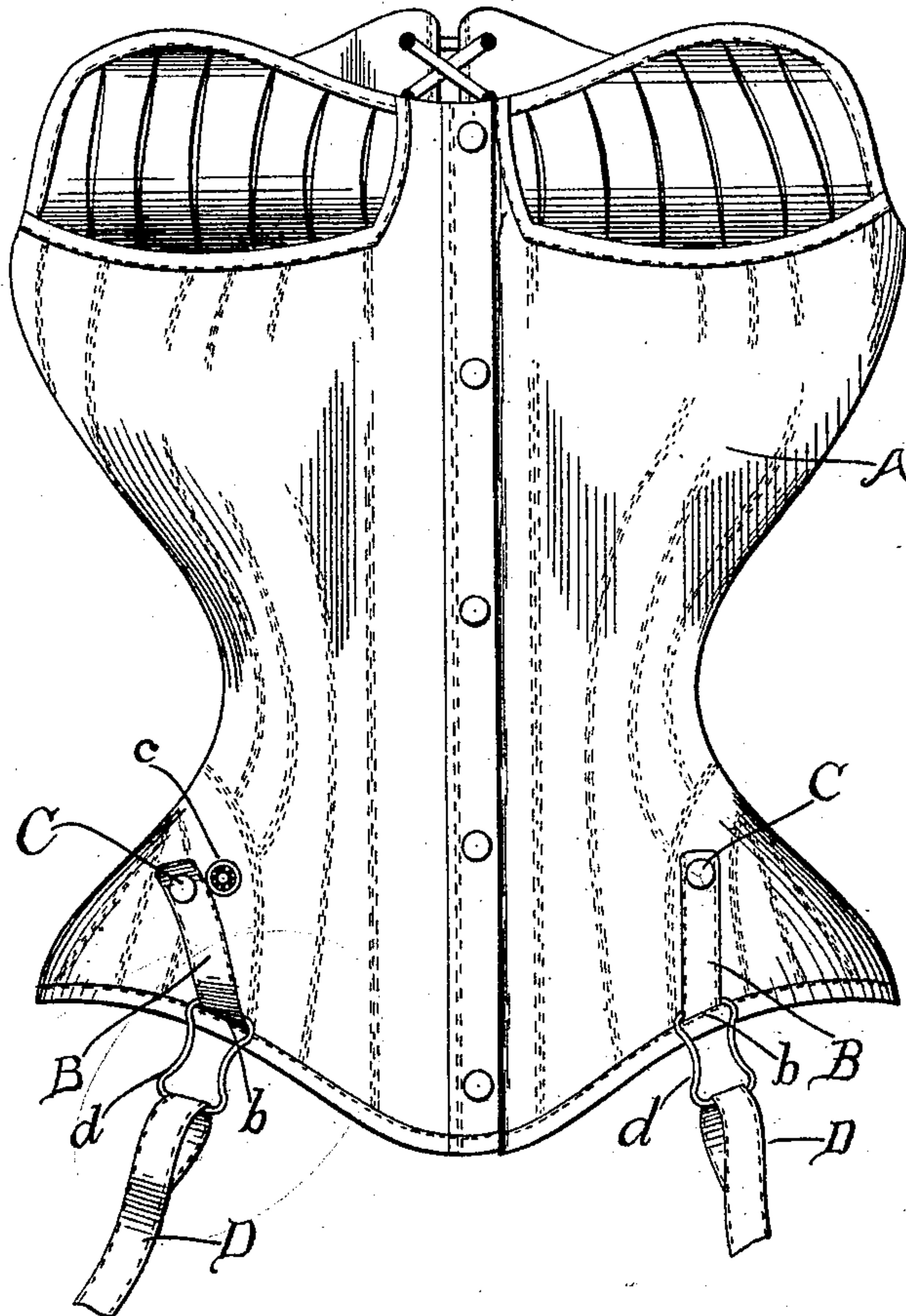
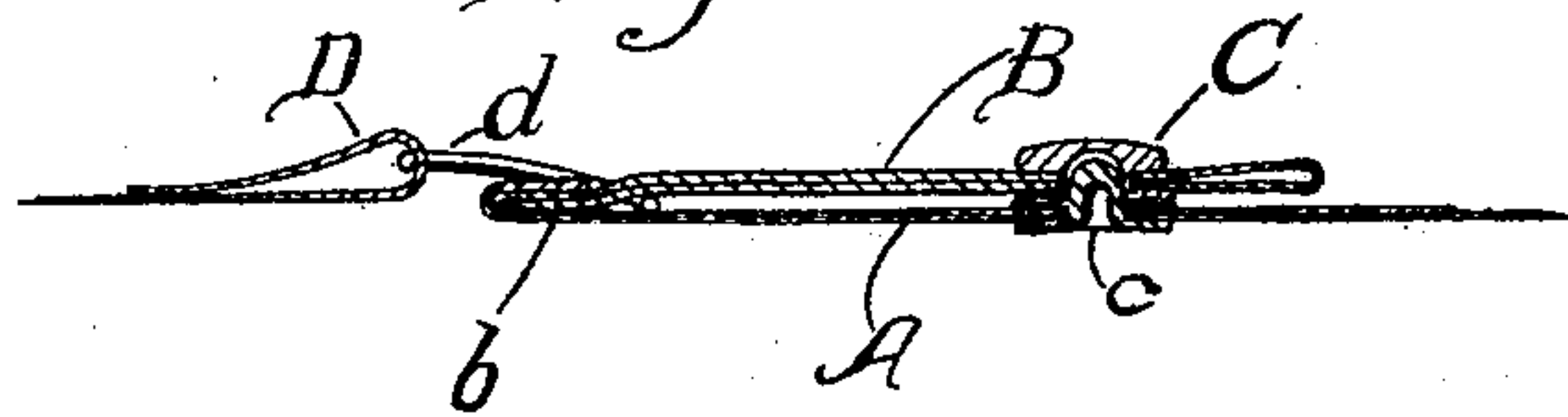


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MURRAY C. MAYER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Corsets; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

The object of the invention is to provide a corset with simple, secure, and durable means for attaching thereto the supporter of a lower garment, so as to make the corset complete in itself as a means for carrying the weight of such garment.

To this end the invention consists in a corset having a tag fixed, as to its lower end, to the corset, its upper end being capable of easy attachment thereto.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a front elevation of my improved corset, showing a pair of hose-supporters connected therewith; and Fig. 2 is a detail sectional view through a portion of the corset and longitudinal as to the attaching-strap and upper end of the hose-supporter.

The corset A may be of any desired form. The straps B are preferably two in number, but as many may be used as may be desired. These straps are short strips of stout textile material, each having its lower end permanently attached to the corset, as shown, being sewed at *b* under the binding *b'* at the bottom of the garment, the strap projecting upwardly from this permanent attachment and its upper end being provided with any simple form of attaching device, such as the ordinary spring-knob and socket glove-fastener now in common use, the socketed cap C of which is secured to the strap and the spring-knob *c* is secured to the corset.

The garment-supporter is shown as a tape D, having at its upper end a wire loop *d*, through which the strap B may be passed. This device obviates entirely the necessity for using pins, buckles, or clasps, it simplifies the operation of securing the garment-

supporter to the corset, it provides a reliable means for attachment, and it is durable, the strain falling in great measure upon the body of the corset and not wholly upon the strap, for the reason that when the two members of the fastening device are engaged the strap is held flat against the outer face of the body of the corset and taut, whereby the wire loop *d* is thrown, as it were, to the lower end of the strap, which causes it to be crowded against the body of the corset at a point substantially in line with the upper edge of the binding, so that a portion of the strain imposed upon the loop is borne by the corset-body in a line coincident with the plane of the same through the stitching employed to secure the lower end of the strap to the corset-body. A portion of the strain is borne by the strap, but as the same is held taut and prevented from doubling and forming a loop the strain imposed upon it is largely relieved and thrown upon the body of the corset itself.

I claim as my invention—

In a corset, the combination with a corset-body having a binding applied to its lower edge, of a vertically-arranged strap applied to the outer face of the corset, and having its lower end extended under and permanently secured in place within the said binding, and a fastening device comprising two members, one of which is attached to the upper end of the strap, and the other of which is attached to the body of the corset in position to hold the strap flat against the outer face of the corset-body and taut when the two members of the fastening device are engaged with each other, whereby a suspension-loop passed over the strap is crowded by the lower end thereof against the body of the corset at a point substantially in line with the upper edge of the said binding, so that a portion of the draft or strain imposed upon the loop is borne by the corset-body in a line coincident with the same.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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