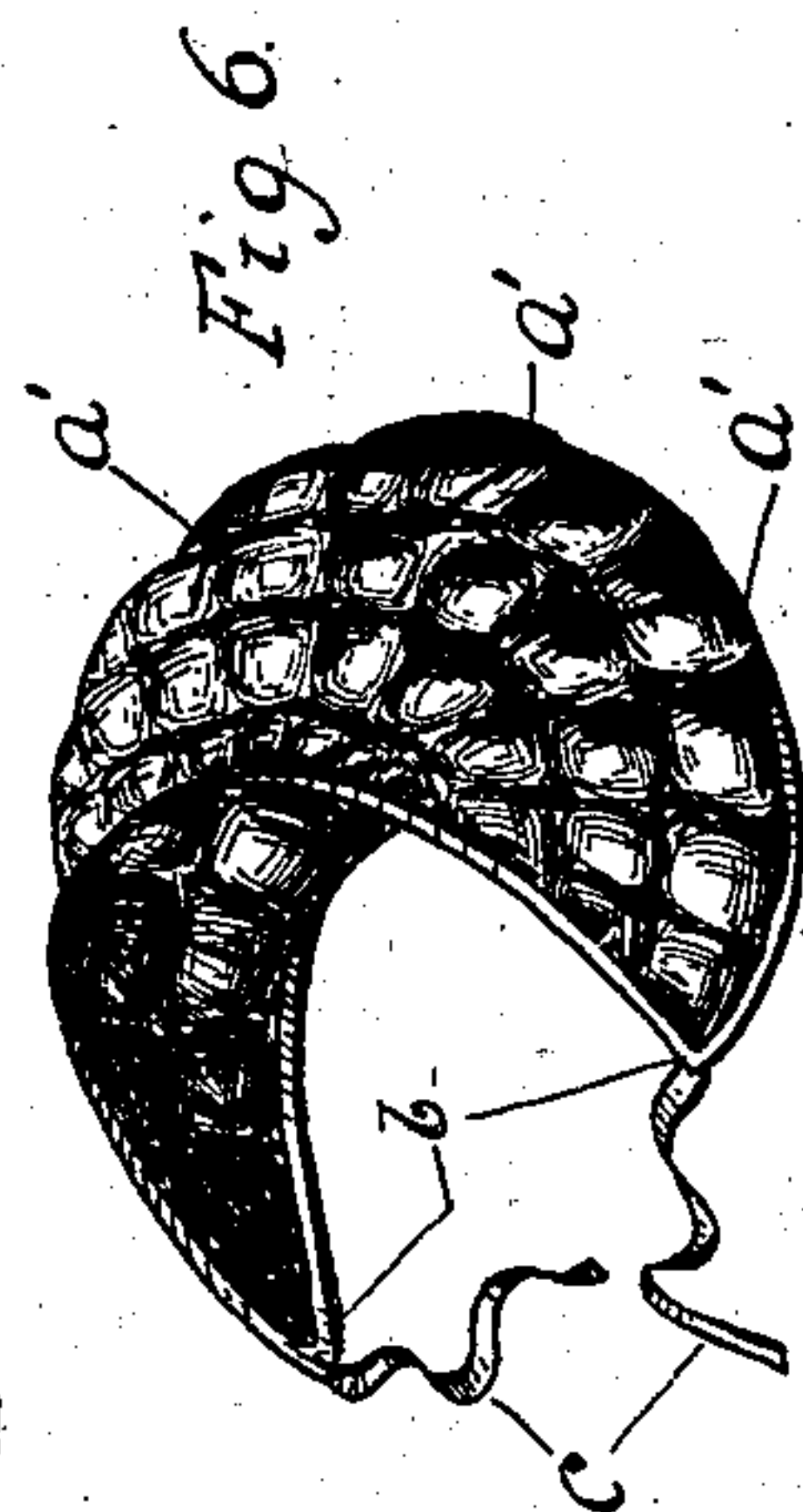
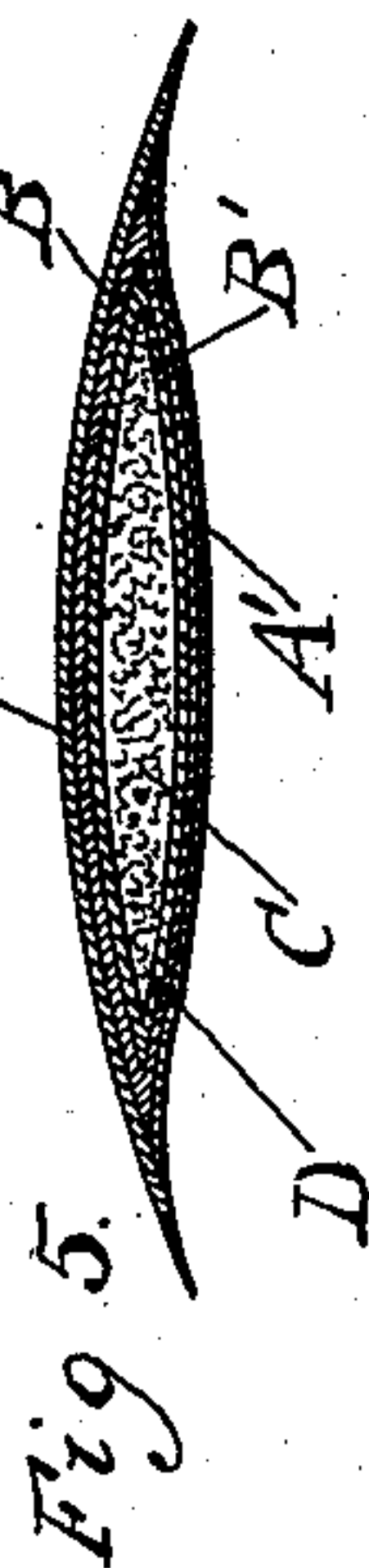
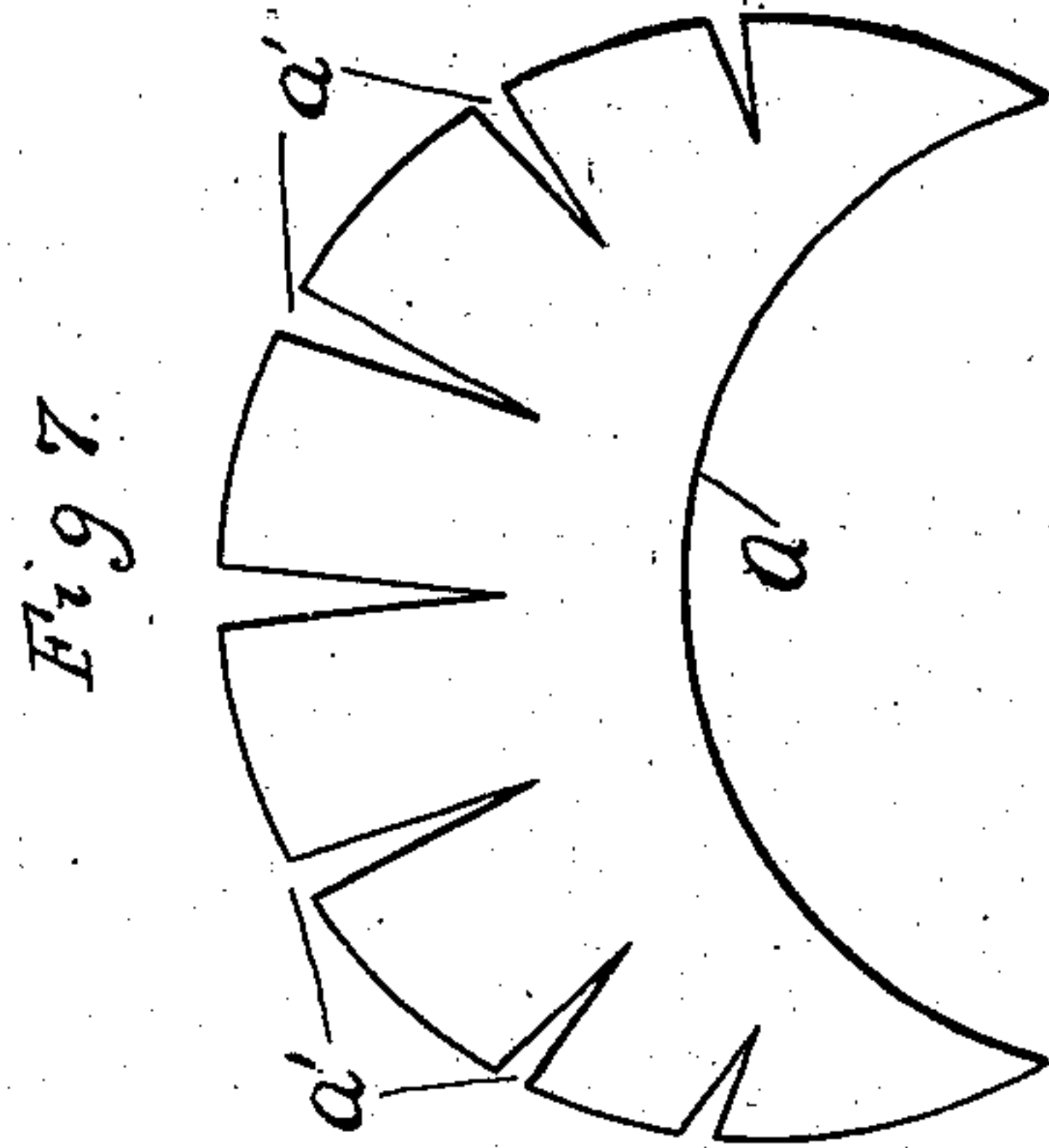
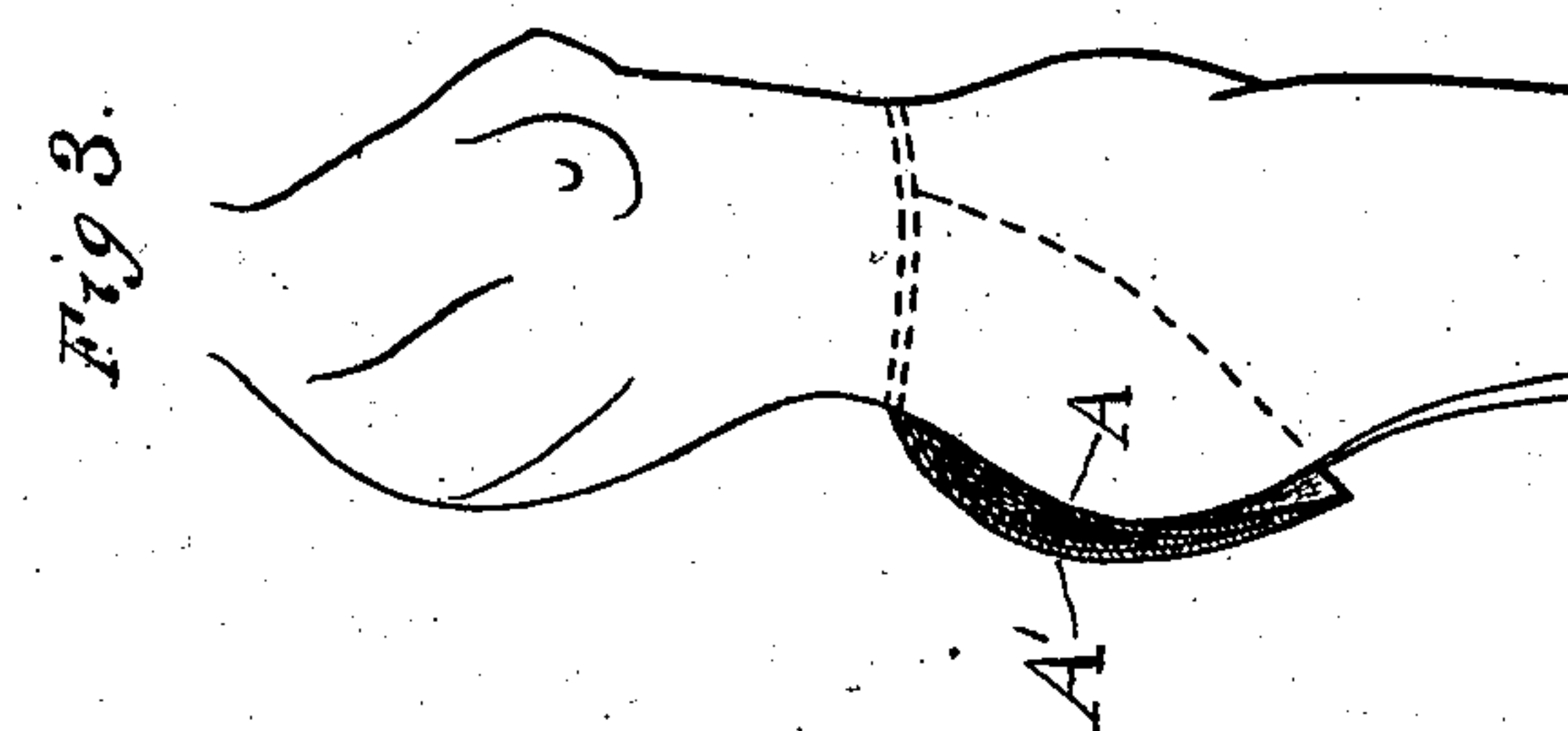
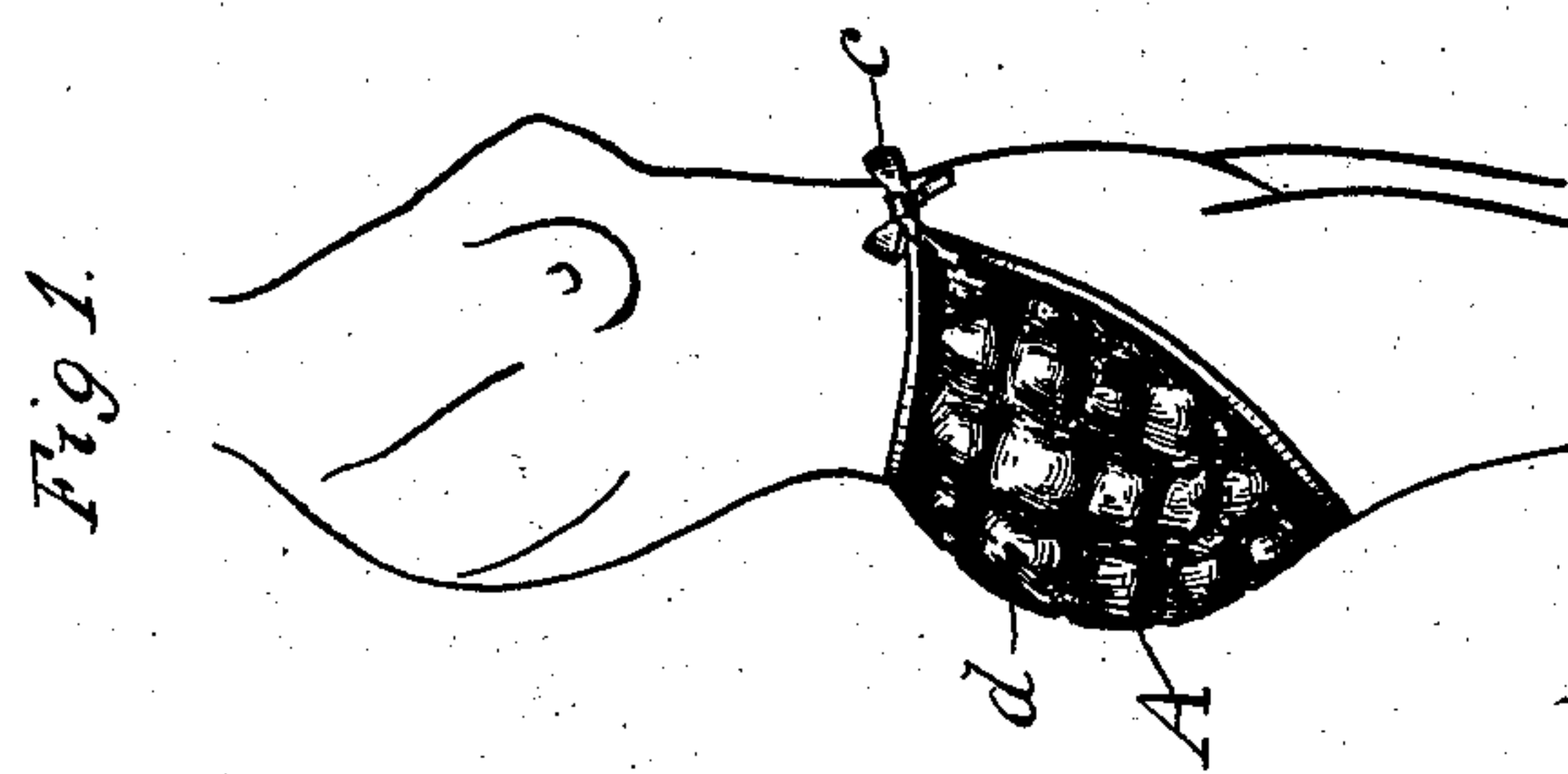
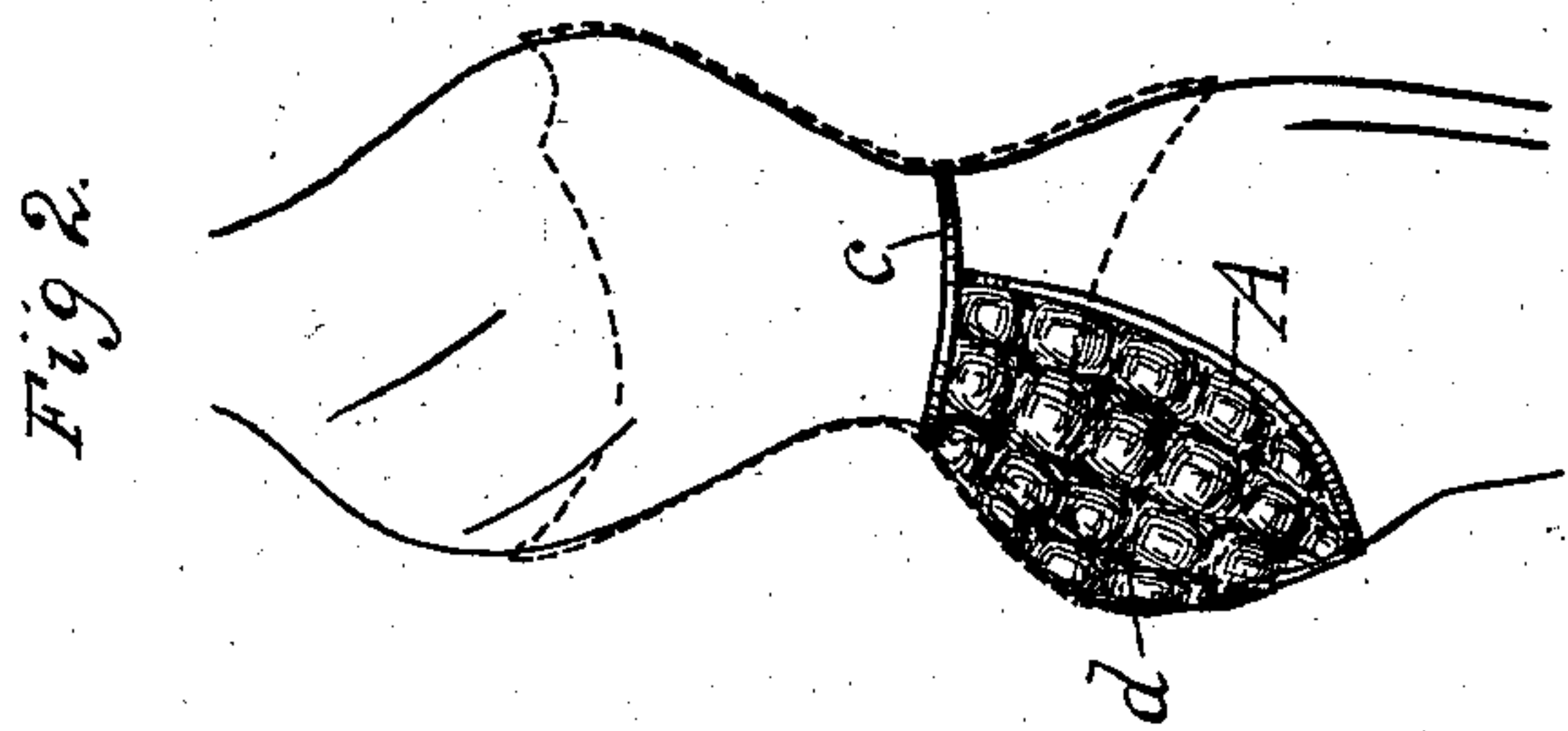
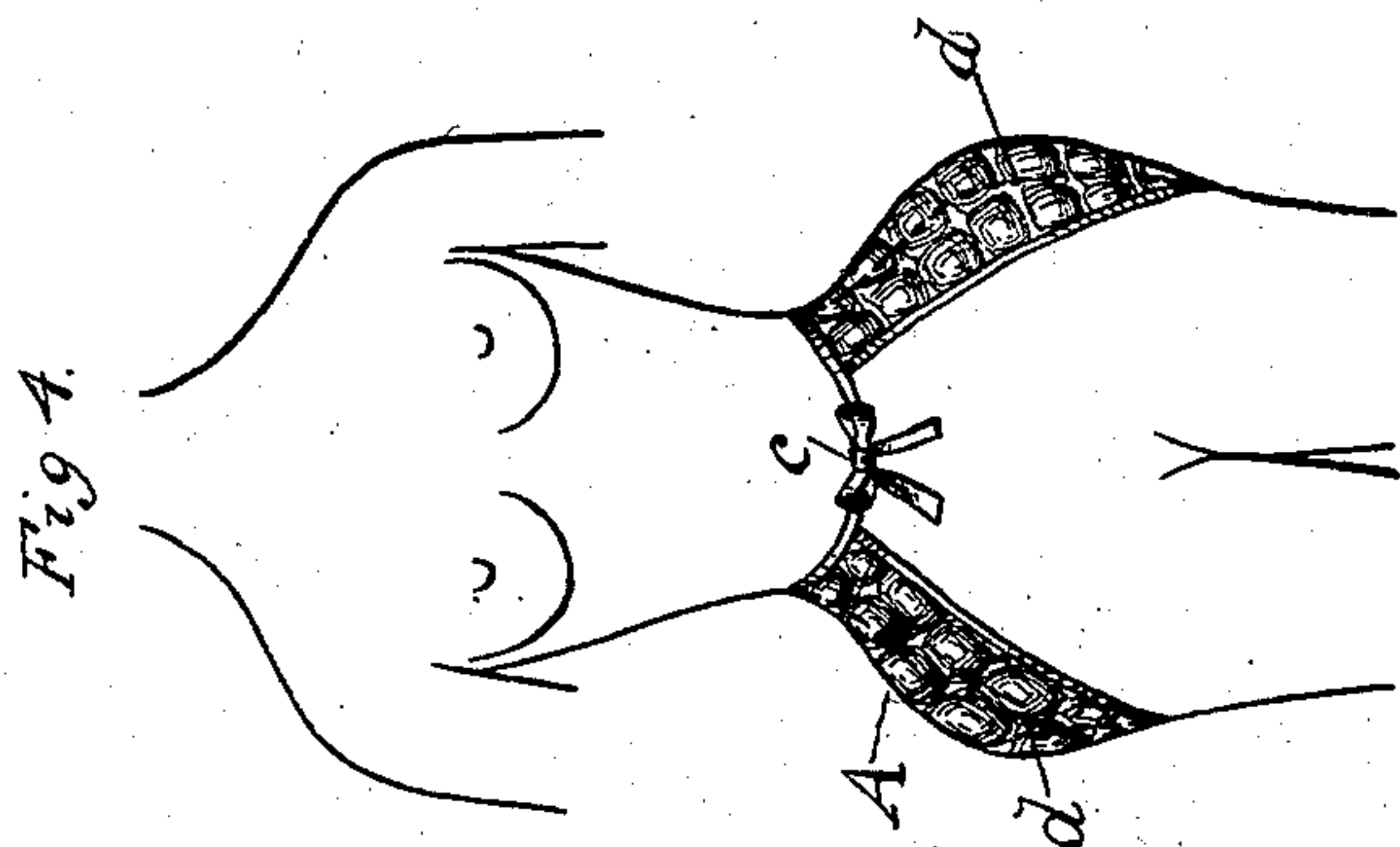


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES H. SCOTT, 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 Invisible, Reversible, and Combined Bustles and Hip-Forms, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in devices to be used for improving the contour of the human form at and below the waist-line; and it consists in the peculiarities of the construction, novel arrangement, and operation of the various parts thereof, as will be hereinafter more fully set forth and specifically claimed.

While my invention is more especially designed for the use of females, yet it is applicable to the male form and may sometimes be employed by men.

It is well known that persons having prominent ilium bones or side hips are deficient in fullness or roundness at the upper portion of the posterior cavity of the pelvis. In other words, when possessed of broad or prominent hips they are to a certain extent flat at the rear between the hips and near the waist-line. In persons of this physique the buttocks or rump protrudes at a point too low below the waist-line to present an attractive or symmetrical figure and to cause their garments to fit well without the use of pads or bustles, which have heretofore been made and fitted to the form in such a manner that they are discernible through the outer clothes and are uncomfortable to the wearer, besides being to a certain extent unsanitary.

The principal objects of my invention, therefore, are to provide a combined bustle and hip-form which shall be simple and inexpensive, strong and durable, and of such a construction that when in place on the body of the wearer it will improve and fill out the form, so as to present a symmetrical figure and in such a manner that the device will be invisible or that the fact that the form is worn cannot be detected by the eye.

Another object of the invention is to provide a bustle and hip-form which by reason of its peculiar construction will afford a sanitary and comfortable article of wearing- apparel.

Still another object is to so construct the device that it will be reversible and capable of producing two effects or shapes.

In order to enable others skilled in the art to which my invention pertains to make and use the same, I will now proceed to describe it, referring to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a view in elevation of a portion of a human figure, showing a bustle and hip-form embodying my invention in position thereon. Fig. 2 is a similar view of like parts, but illustrating by broken lines a corset as being placed over the bustle and hip-form. Fig. 3 is a view in elevation of a portion of the human figure, showing the bustle and hip-form in section and in a reversed position from that illustrated in Figs. 1 and 2. Fig. 4 is a front view in elevation of a portion of a human figure, showing the bustle and hip-form in position thereon. Fig. 5 is a horizontal or cross-sectional view of the bustle and hip-form. Fig. 6 is a perspective view thereof, and Fig. 7 is a view of one of the patterns of which the inner and outer linings are made.

Similar letters refer to like parts throughout the different views of the drawings.

A represents one portion of the outer covering of the device, and A' the other portion thereof, which parts are preferably made of silk and are cut to form substantially crescent-shaped pieces, as shown in Fig. 7 of the drawings, which figure may represent the pieces A and A', comprising the covering, or the pieces B and B', which comprise the interlining. Each of the pieces A and A' is cut to form in its upper portion a circular recess α about semicircular in shape and is formed in its lower portion with a series of suppression darts or angular incisions α' , the edges of which are placed and stitched together, so as to produce a concavo-convex shape. The pieces B and B', comprising the interlining, are also each formed with the recess α and darts or angular incisions α' , the edges of which incisions are stitched together, thus forming a concavo-convex shape. After the pieces A and A' are thus stitched together at the edges of their incisions they are placed one on the other and secured together by means of stitches around their outer edges,

but left open at the edges forming the recess a until the interlining and padding has been inserted between the two pieces of the covering, after which the edges of the recesses a thereof are stitched together. After the incisions a' of the pieces B and B' have been stitched together they are placed one on the other and sewed together at their outer edges; but the recesses a thereof are left open.

The padding comprises a quantity of curled hair C or other suitable material and a shell or casing therefor of cotton wadding D or other suitable material, which padding and wadding or shell is formed to conform to the shape of the cavity of the interlining and is inserted between the pieces B and B', after which the edges of the recesses a thereof may be sewed together. When the parts are thus assembled, the entire device is tufted, as shown in Figs. 1, 2, 4, and 6 of the drawings, thus forming a concavo-convex shaped or shell-like form with gradually-diminishing edges from every point of view. The ends b of the form are provided with pieces of tape or cords c , used for securing the device on the body. After the padding and interlining has been inserted into the cover composed of the pieces A and A' the entire device is tufted, as before stated, and the portion A' of the covering is slightly contracted in this operation, after which the portion A' is moistened and passed over the rounded end of an ironing-board or other suitable device, thus giving the bustle and hip-form a concavo-convex form which will fit the body of the wearer, as shown in Figs. 1, 2, and 4 of the drawings—that is, as the edges of the form are very thin and increase in thickness toward its central portion it is apparent that it will fit the figure of the person in such a manner that it will be invisible and show no abrupt enlargements through the outer garments.

By my improved construction it is evident that a shell-like bustle and hip-form is produced which will fill out and round the form of the wearer to a beautiful and symmetrical shape and at the same time will afford a cavity between the body of the wearer and the inner surface of the bustle and hip-form for the circulation of air. To illustrate this feature of my invention, the outlines of the body of the wearer under the form are indicated by dotted

lines at d in Figs. 1, 2, and 4 of the drawings. If a greater rounded effect is desired, the bustle and hip-form may be reversed, so that the portion A' will be on the outer surface thereof, in which position the form will be enlarged and will stand out from the body at its edges, as shown in Fig. 3 of the drawings, rather than clinging thereto, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2.

In making the bustle and hip-form one side of the covering may be made of colored material and the other of white, so that it may be worn with a white garment without showing therethrough. By making the bustle and hip-form reversible, as well as of a concavo-convex shape, which shape permits of the free circulation of air, I attain the further sanitary object of being able when the portion of the device adjacent to the wearer becomes saturated with perspiration of placing said portion outwardly, thus affording a dry part next to the body of the wearer.

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

1. As an improved article of manufacture, a bustle and hip-form comprising a covering substantially semicircular in shape and filling therein, the said filling being tapered to a feather-edge at all of its edges, the cover and filling being tufted so that one side of the cover will be contracted, whereby the device may be reversed and two different sized and shaped concavo-convex forms produced, substantially as described.

2. As an improved article of manufacture, a bustle and hip-form comprising a covering composed of two pieces connected together at their edges, each of said pieces having in its upper portion a circular recess and in its lower portion a series of slits connected together at their edges, filling having all of its edges tapered and located between said pieces, and the whole formed so that it may be reversed and two different sized and shaped concavo-convex forms produced, substantially as described.

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