

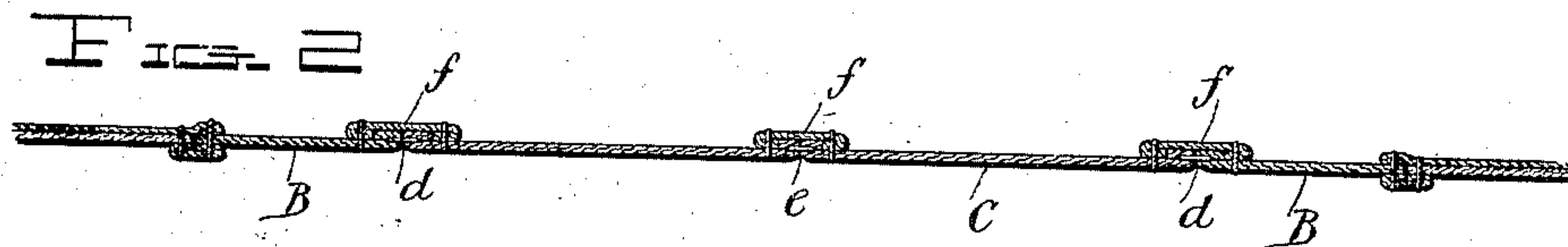
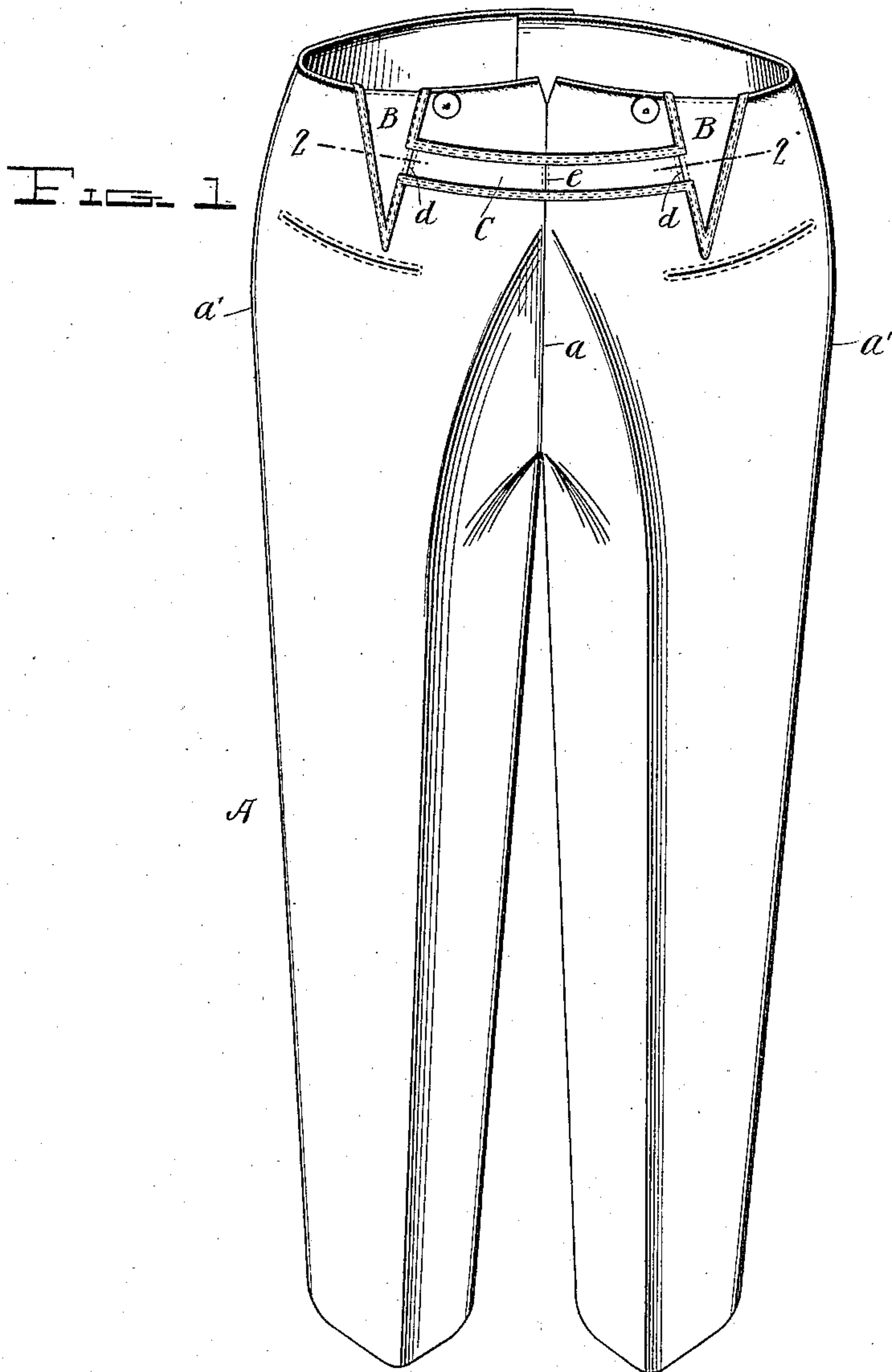
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALVINZA F. SIPPERLEY, a citizen of the United States, residing at Denver, in the county of Arapahoe and State of Colorado, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Nether Garments; and I do hereby 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.

This invention, which relates to nether garments, contemplates an improved trousers constructed to relieve the rear portion thereof and the suspender-buttons from undue strain and to insure a self-adjustment and perfect fit of the garment at the waist and adapt it to a number of different-sized persons, thereby obviating the necessity of the many sizes usually carried in retail stores and manufactured for the trade.

The nature of the invention will be readily comprehended, reference being had to the following detailed description and to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a trousers embodying my invention. Fig. 2 is a sectional view on line 2 2 of Fig. 1.

Referring to the drawings by letter, A denotes the trousers, provided at each side of the back seam *a* and preferably midway between said seam and the side seams *a'* *a'* with a gusset B, of elastic material.

C is a strip of elastic material set in the back of the trousers adjacent to and parallel with the waist-line. The strip C joins the gussets B B, being connected thereto by

seams *d d*, and preferably the strip is formed of two pieces connected together by a seam *e* in line with the back seam *a* of the trousers. The provision of the seams *d* and *e*, while not destroying the elasticity of the strip, prevents undue stretching thereof, and to supplement the seams reinforcing-pieces *f f* are secured over the seams *d* and *e* at the inner side thereof. (See Fig. 2.)

By the use of the gussets the waist of the trousers is made self-adjusting and a perfect fit is obtained, and the elastic strip takes the strain from the back of the trousers and prevents ripping at the waistband and strain on the buttons while the wearer is assuming a bended position.

The peculiar location of the gussets between the side and back seams of the trousers enables them to perform the double function of rendering the waist portion self-adjusting and of cooperating with the strip to relieve the waistband and buttons from strain.

I claim as my invention—

A nether garment having elastic gussets inserted at the waist-line to the rear of the side seams, and having a strip of elastic material connecting the gussets below the waistband, whereby the waist portion is rendered self-adjusting and the waistband and buttons are relieved from strain.

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

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