

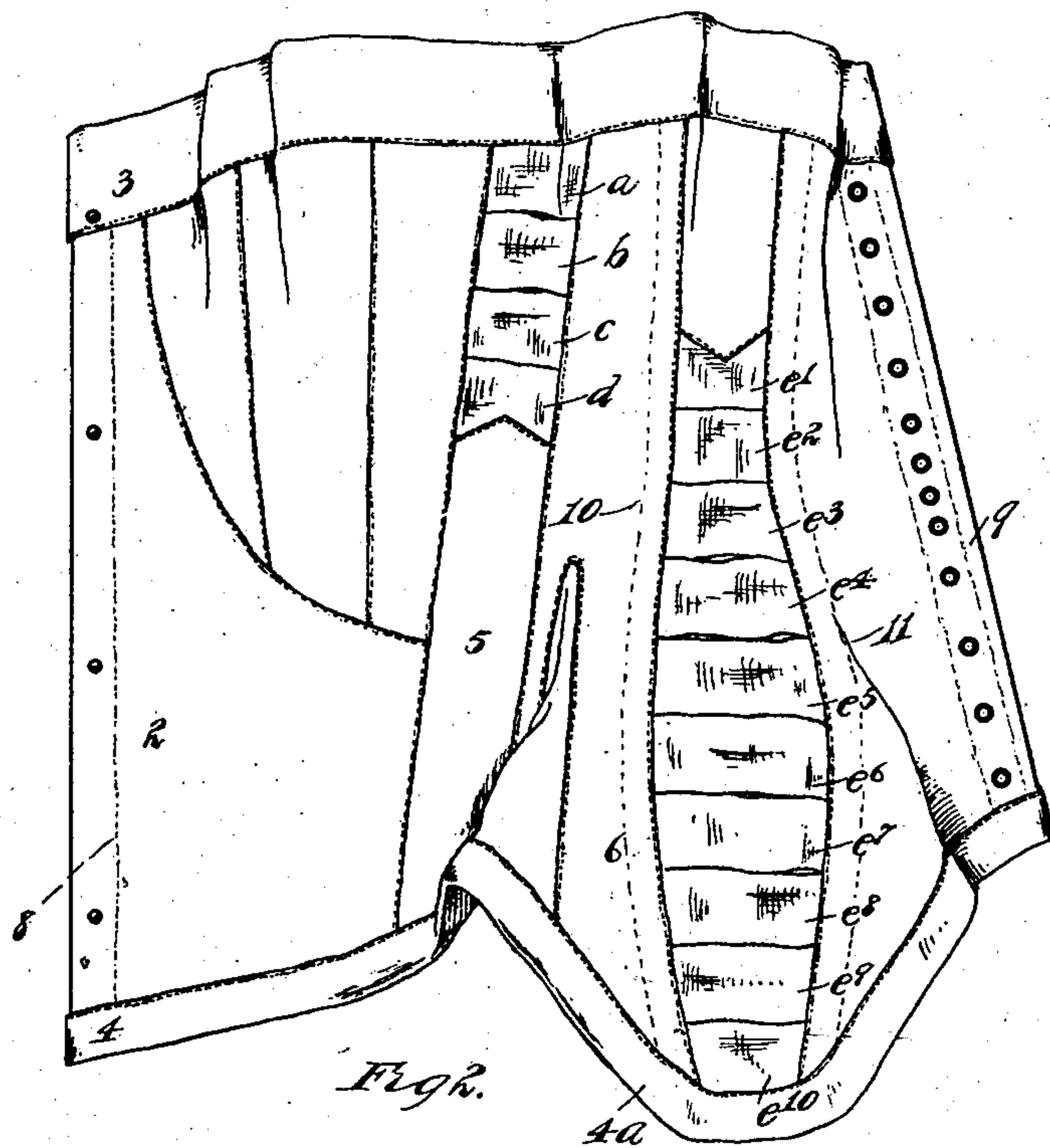
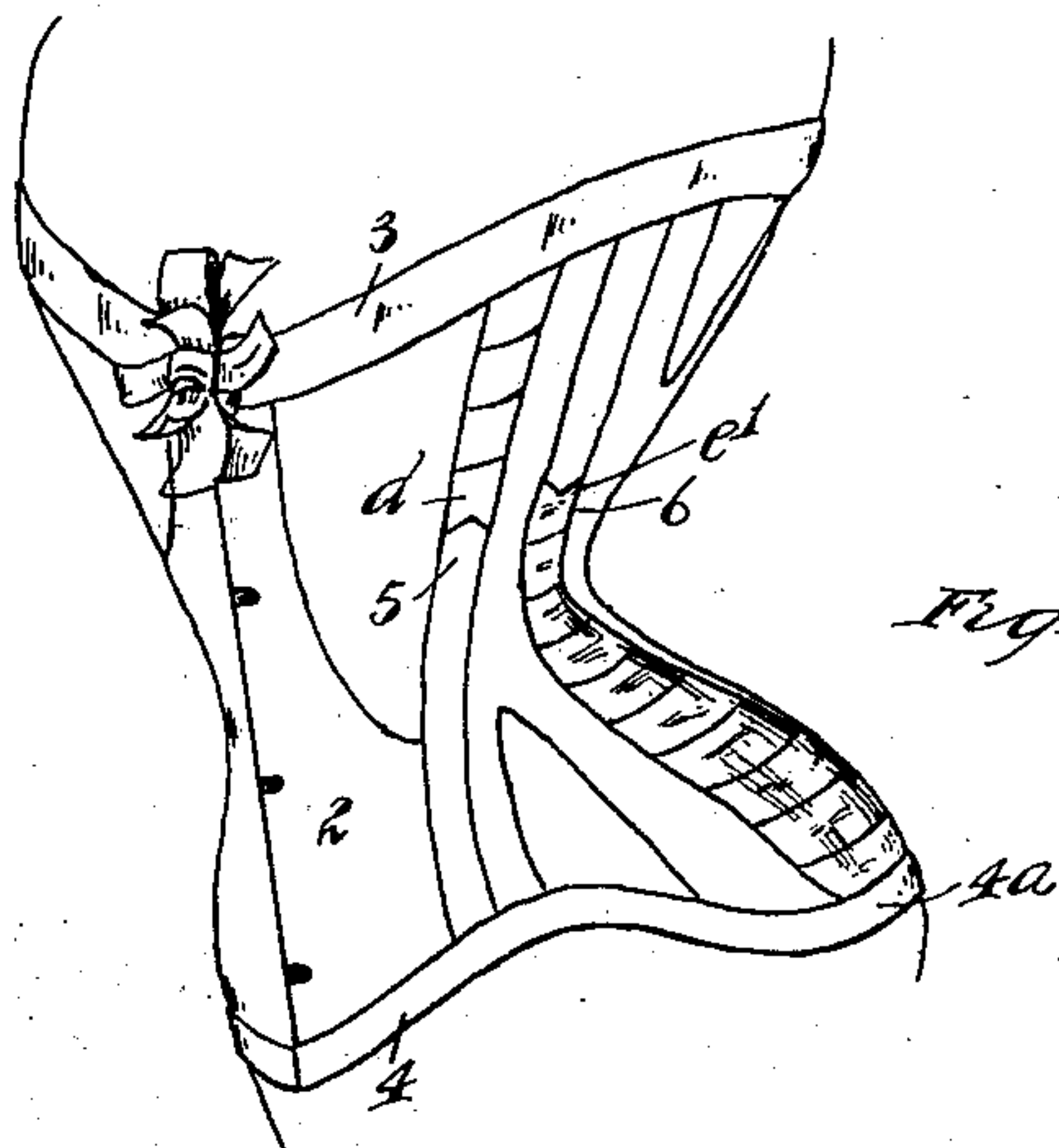
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ADA V. CASE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Detroit, county of Wayne, State of Michigan, have
5 invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Corsets; and I 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 pertains to make and use
10 the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates to corsets, and has for its object improvements by the development of which I am able to produce a straight-front corset flexible and expansible over the
15 hip and at the bust and which draws down and fits closely around the form, especially over the hips.

20 In the drawings, Figure 1 shows the corset as it appears on the form. Fig. 2 shows the left side of the corset.

The front 2 is straight from the top binding 3 to the bottom binding 4 along the meeting or hooking edges at the front of the corset, and the straight parts extend at the bottom back to a diagonal section 5, located about
25 midway between the front edge and the hip-gore. The top part of the diagonal section 5 is elastic with elastic insets *a*, *b*, *c*, and *d*, that are arranged above the middle vertical line of the corset and between there and the top binding 3.
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Between the front and the elastic part of the section 5 is a gored bust-section which fits under and around the bust. Behind the elastic part of the section 5 the garment is gored to conform to the curvature of the body under the arm and to the middle of the back,
35 and beneath this gored part of the garment is an expansible hip-section 6 with elastics *e*¹, *e*², *e*³, *e*⁴, *e*⁵, *e*⁶, *e*⁷, *e*⁸, *e*⁹, and *e*¹⁰. The uppermost of the elastic sections *e*¹ is somewhat above the middle line from top to bottom and
40 at a higher point than the lower elastic *d* of the section 5, giving an opportunity for a slight waist expansion. The other portions of the elastic section 6 are of increasing length

from above downward to the middle elastic *e*⁶, and from thence of decreasing length from
50 above downward to the bottom elastic *e*¹⁰. This section 6 of elastic is preferably made from separate pieces of webbing rather than from a single piece of elastic webbing.

The garment fits over the hip at the high
55 point of the hip and fits snugly over the entire curve of the hip, bringing the bottom band 4 snugly around the form of the wearer where the part 4^a passes the curve.

There is the ordinary hooking or buttoning
60 steel up the front and lacing-steel at the back and a steel at each side of the hip-gore, whose positions are indicated by the dotted lines at 8 for the front steel, 9 for the lacing-steel, 10 for the steel in front of the gore, and 11 for
65 the steel behind the hip-gore.

What I claim is—

1. In a corset, in combination an inelastic top binding, an inelastic bottom binding, a straight front extending from top to bottom
70 and diagonally under the bust-swell, a bust-swell, an elastic inset at the side of the bust-swell extending from the top binding to a point intermediate the top and bottom of said corset, a hip-swell, an elastic gore in the high
75 point of the hip-swell extending from the bottom binding to a point intermediate the top and bottom of the corset, substantially as described.

2. In a corset, in combination an inelastic
80 top binding, an inelastic bottom binding, a straight front extending from top to bottom and diagonally under the bust-swell, a bust-swell, an elastic inset at the side of the bust-swell extending from the top binding to a point
85 intermediate the top and bottom of said corset, a hip-swell, an elastic gore in the high point of the hip-swell extending from the bottom binding to a point intermediate the top and bottom of the corset, the said elastic gore
90 being narrow at each end and wide at the middle part thereof, substantially as described.

3. In a corset, in combination an inelastic top binding, an inelastic bottom binding, a
95 straight front extending from top to bottom

and diagonally under the bust-swell, a bust-swell, an elastic inset at the side of the bust-swell extending from the top binding to a point intermediate the top and bottom of said cor-
5 set, a hip-swell, an elastic gore in the high point of the hip-swell extending from the bottom binding to a point intermediate the top and bottom of the corset, the said elastic in-

set and elastic gore lapping by each other, substantially as described. 10

In testimony whereof I sign this specification in the presence of two witnesses.

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