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NO MODEL.

Fig. 1.

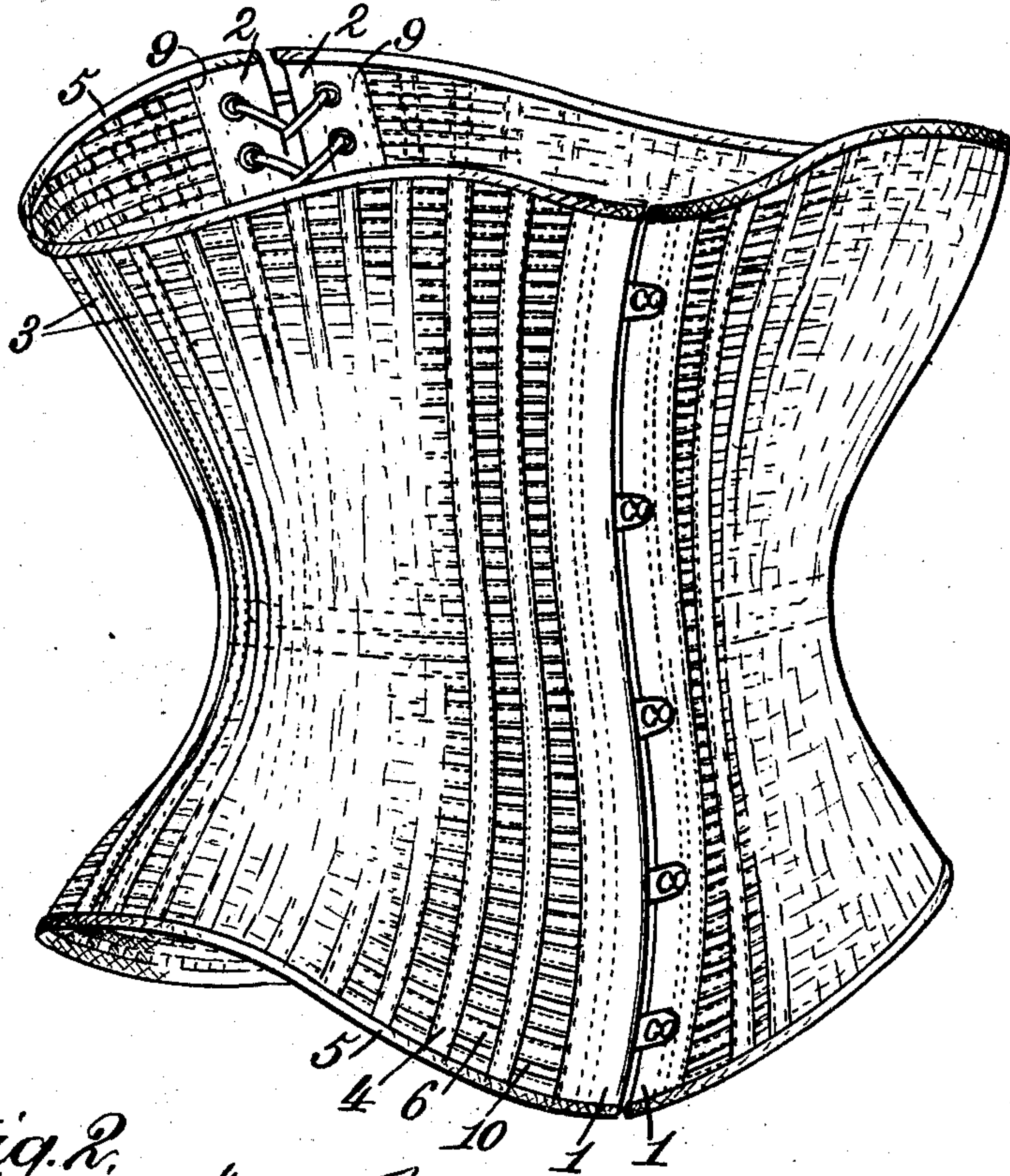


Fig. 2.

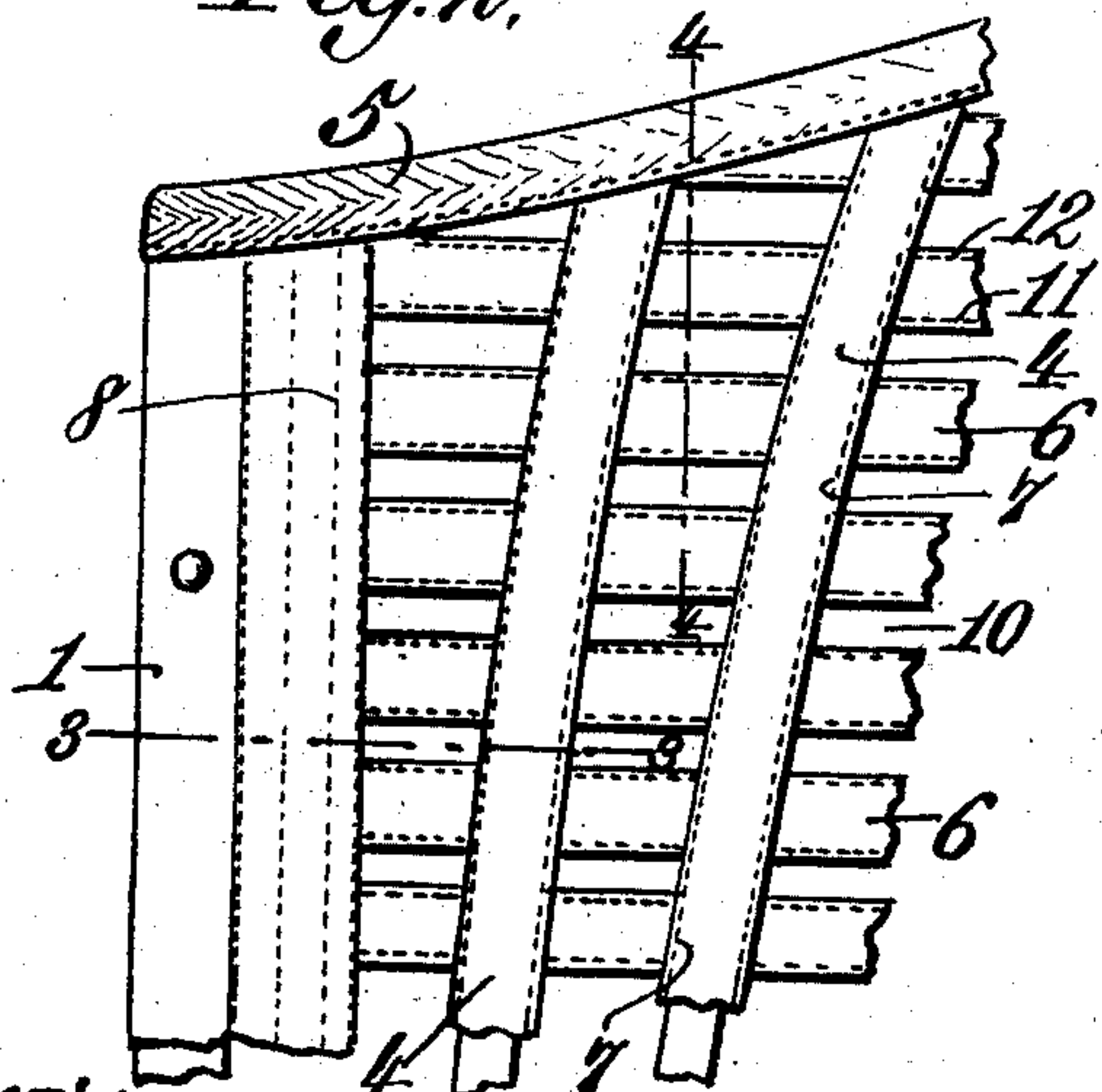


Fig. 3.

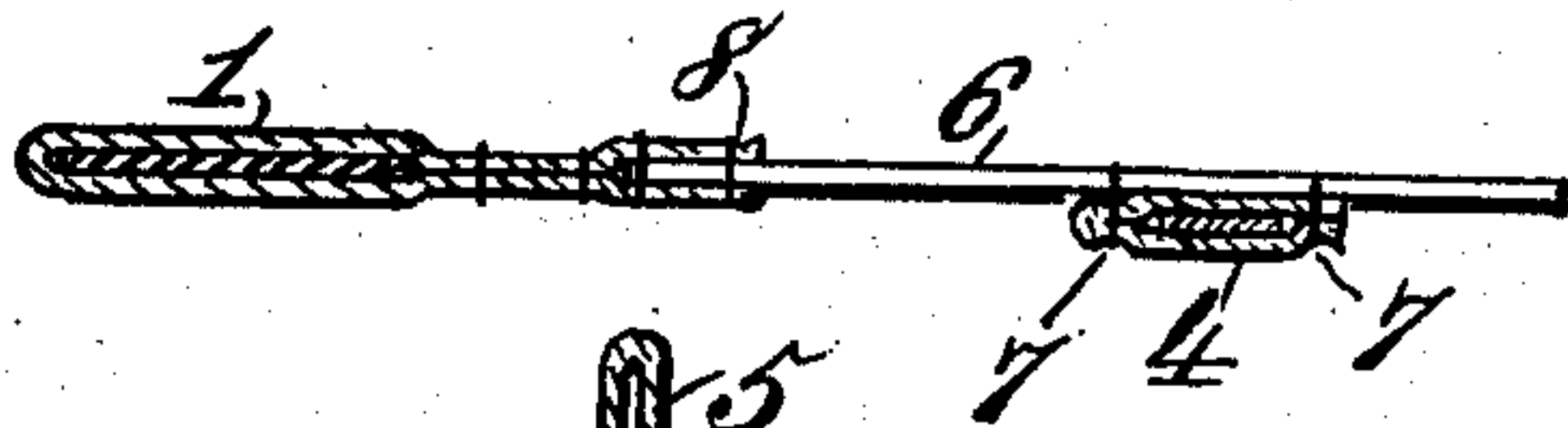
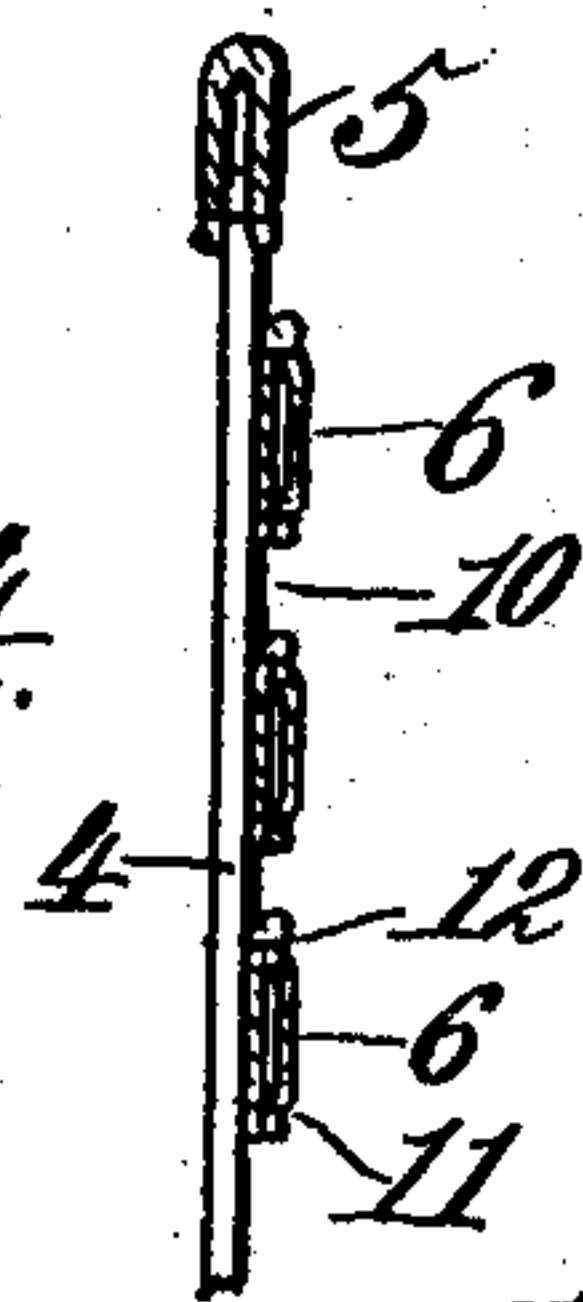


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, DOMENICO FOGLIANO, a subject of the King of Italy, (but having declared my intention of becoming a citizen of the United States,) residing at New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented new and useful Improvements in Corsets, of which the following is a specification.

10 This invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in corsets; and the object thereof is to construct a corset especially adapted for summer wear and having a body portion constructed of a series of narrow strips, each formed from a length of tape 15 doubled or folded upon itself with the folds secured together and fastened at all crossings of the side and intermediate stay pockets, and, further, having the ends of the strips secured 20 to the front and rear stay pockets. The strips are arranged in close proximity to each other, so as to form small air-spaces, thus permitting a distribution of air to the body in regular proportions when the corset is worn.

25 The invention further aims to construct a corset which shall be simple in its construction, strong, durable, light, efficient in its use, that will retain its original shape after the continual wearing thereof, comparatively inexpensive to manufacture, and which can be 30 manufactured without the waste of material.

With the foregoing and other objects in view the invention consists in the novel combination and arrangement of parts hereinafter 35 more specifically described, illustrated in the accompanying drawings, and particularly pointed out in the claims hereunto appended.

In describing the invention in detail reference is had to the accompanying drawings, 40 forming a part of this specification, wherein like reference characters denote corresponding parts throughout the several views, and in which—

Figure 1 is an elevation of a corset constructed in accordance with my invention. 45 Fig. 2 is an enlarged detail view thereof. Fig. 3 is a section on line 3 3, Fig. 2; and Fig. 4 is a section on line 4 4, Fig. 2.

The corset consists of a plurality of vertically-extending stay and strip pockets and a 50

body portion made up of a series of narrow strips, each formed from a length of tape doubled or folded upon itself with the folds secured together. The strips are connected to certain of the stay-pockets and within the strip-pockets and are arranged in close proximity to each other to form air-spaces. 55

By reference to the drawings, 1 denotes the front-stay pockets; 2, the rear-stay pockets; 3, a pair of side-stay pockets slightly separated from each other; 4, the intermediate-stay pockets arranged between the front, rear, and side stay pockets. 60

5 denotes the top and bottom binding-tape for the upper and lower ends of the stay-pockets 1, 2, 3, and 4, and 6 denotes the narrow strips which go to make up the body portion and which extend in a horizontal manner and are arranged in close proximity to each other. 70

The material from which the front-stay pockets are formed is of such width as not only to form when folded the pockets to receive the stays, but also forms flexible extensions provided at their ends with front-strip pockets to receive the front ends of the strips 6. That part of the material between the front-stay and front-strip pockets is secured together in an abutting position through the medium of rows of stitches, and consequently the strip-pockets are at a point removed from the front-stay pockets. (See Fig. 3.) 75

The strips 6 are each formed of a length of tape or other suitable material doubled or folded upon itself along the median line thereof. The strips are preferably non-elastic and are secured to the inner face of the stay-pockets 3 and 4 by means of the vertically-extending rows of stitches 7. The front end of each of the strips 6 is secured within the strip-pockets by the vertically-extending row of stitches 8, and the other end of each of the strips 6 is secured between the material forming the stay-pockets 2 by means of a vertically-extending row of stitches 9. The strips 6 are arranged in such relation with each other so that small air-spaces 10 will be formed between them, and these spaces permit of a distributing of air to the body when the corset is worn. The length of tape when doubled or 100

folded upon itself to form the strips 6 has the folds thereof secured together near one edge by a horizontally-extending row of stitching 11 and near the other edge with a horizontally-
 5 extending row of stitching 12. The doubling of the tape materially increases the strength thereof, consequently preventing the corset from losing its shape from continual wear, the doubling of the tape at the same time making
 10 the strips narrow, so that the corset will be provided throughout with a large number of air-spaces, so that when worn the body will be kept comparatively cool or cooler than when the body portion is solid, owing to the fact
 15 that the air can be distributed to the body. If the tape was very wide and thick, the number of air-spaces would be decreased and the weight of the corset increased, which would be objectionable to the wearer.

20 I am aware that corsets have been constructed of elastic strips of material suitably separated from each other and connected to the stay-pockets, and also corsets have been constructed of strips of material connected to
 25 stay-pockets; but the strips have been spaced very wide apart and arranged in a curvilinear manner, and am also aware that corsets have been constructed of strips of material having their edges folded and the strips centrally
 30 sewed to a body portion; but such constructions of corsets do not embody the essential features of my new and improved corset, such essential features consisting of constructing each of the strips which go to make up the
 35 body portion of a length of tape or other suitable material doubled or folded upon itself and secured together in any suitable manner, preferably by horizontally-extending rows of stitching near the edges of the strips, and, fur-
 40 ther, the arranging of said strips in close proximity to each other to provide the body portion throughout with parallel rows of small air-spaces.

It is thought the many advantages of my
 45 improved corset can be readily understood from the foregoing description, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, and it will furthermore be evident that changes, variations, and modifications can be resorted
 50 to without departing from the spirit of the invention or sacrificing any of its advantages, and I therefore do not wish to restrict myself to the details of construction hereinbefore described and as shown in the accompanying

drawings, but reserve the right to make such 55 changes, variations, and modifications as come properly within the scope of the protection prayed.

Having described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters 60 Patent, is—

1. A corset comprising front, rear, side and intermediate stay pockets, flexible front-strip pockets, and a body portion of horizontally-
 65 extending strips arranged in close proximity to each other to form air-spaces, said intermediate-stay pockets arranged between the front, rear and side stay pockets and said strip-pockets arranged at a point slightly re-
 70 moved from said front-stay pockets and flexibly connected therewith, and each of said strips of a length so as to extend from the strip-pockets to the rear-stay pockets and consisting of a length of non-elastic material
 75 folded along its median line with the folds secured together by a row of stitches near each edge of the strip, said strips of material secured against the inner face of said intermediate and side stay pockets and the ends of
 80 said strips of material extending into the strip-pockets and the rear-stay pockets and secured therein.

2. A corset comprising front, rear, side and intermediate stay pockets, flexible front-strip pockets, and a body portion of horizontally-
 85 extending strips arranged in close proximity to each other to form air-spaces, said intermediate-stay pockets arranged between the front, rear, and side stay pockets and said strip-pockets arranged at a point slightly re-
 90 moved from said front-stay pockets and flexibly connected therewith, and each of said strips of a length so as to extend from the strip-pockets to the rear-stay pockets and consisting of a length of non-elastic folded mate-
 95 rial with the folds secured together by a row of stitches near each edge of the strip, said strips of material secured against the inner face of said intermediate and said side pockets and the ends of said strips of material ex-
 100 tending into the strip-pockets and the rear-stay pockets and secured therein.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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