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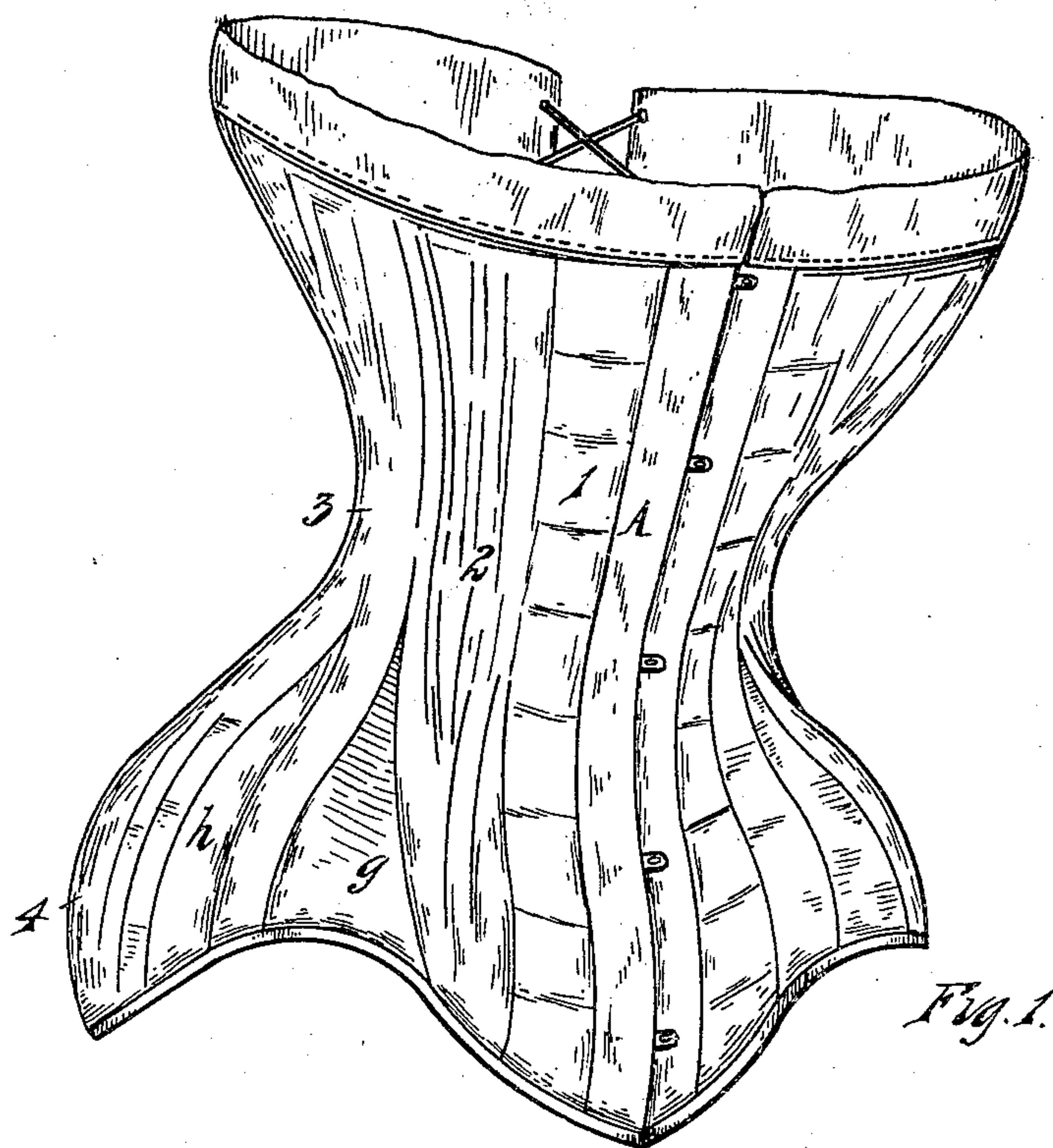


Fig. 1.

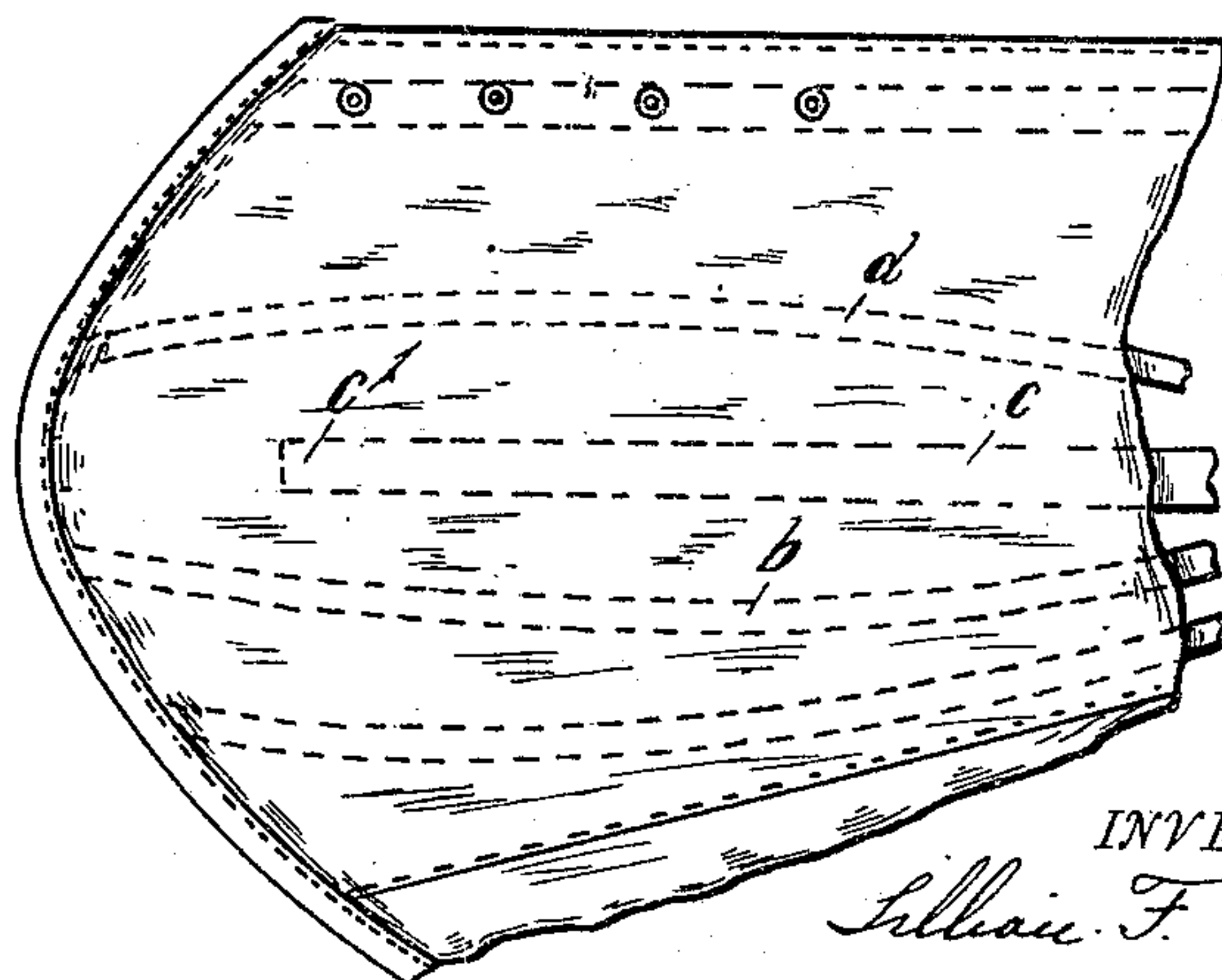


Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LILLIAN F. MOYLAN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Detroit, county of Wayne, State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful Improvements 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 the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates to corsets. It has for its object an improved corset structure in which there is combined with an oval hip-section and elastic front a boned second section and an elastic gore inset between the second section and the hip-section and a back section. The several sections cooperate to produce a yielding corset that extends over and supports the abdomen and yields to allow free breathing.

In the drawings, Figure 1 shows the corset in perspective. Fig. 2 is a detail showing the ovoid hip-section.

Section number 1, immediately behind the clasp-stay A, is composed of elastic straps of webbing which extend horizontally from the covering of the clasp to the intermediate section 2. This elastic section 1 is gored and is narrower at the middle than it is at either end. Section 2 is boned with bones that are spread somewhat at the top. Section 3 (the side section) extends from the top to the bottom and is boned. Between sections 2 and 3 at the bottom is a gore of surgical elastic webbing *g*. Section 4 (the hip-section) is provided with three bones *b*, *c*, and *d*, and of these the bones *b* and *d* are set in curved pockets which twist the bones somewhat and cause the lower part of this section to assume an ovoid form, engaging closely over the hip. The middle bone *c* stops short of the bottom at *c'* and aids in producing the oval curvature of the bottom part of this fourth section.

Between the fourth section and the third section is a gore of textile material *h*. Between the fourth section and the lacing-strip at the back is the back gore, wider at both top and bottom than it is in the middle.

The special object of the construction thus described is to produce a corset which around

the bottom part of it fits closely over the abdomen, closely over the curvature of the hip, and is held from slipping up on the person, and which yet yields between the abdomen and the hip to allow the wearer to breathe freely. This corset is adapted to be worn as a surgical corset to hold the body in shape after some abdominal surgical operations and is also useful for general wear and is also useful to persons who need an abdominal support.

The elastic section 1 and the elastic gore between section 2 and the hip-section prevent the breaking of the front stays in bending, &c.

What I claim is—

1. In a corset, in combination with a clasp-stay, a section composed of a plurality of horizontally-arranged strips of varying length extending therefrom, a reinforced intermediate section next adjacent thereto, a side section adjacent to the upper portion of the intermediate section, an elastic gore inserted between the lower portions of said sections, a second gore-piece attached to the lower portion of the rear edge of the side section, an ovoid hip-section next adjacent to the upper portion of said side section and to the rear edge of said second gore-piece, and a back piece next adjacent to said hip-section, substantially as described.

2. In a corset, in combination with a clasp-stay, a plurality of horizontally-arranged strips, a unitary section to which the rear ends of said strips are attached extending from top to bottom of the corset, a side section attached to said unitary section along the upper portion of its length, a hip-section similarly secured to the upper portion of said section, the lower portion of said hip-section having an ovoid swell therein and being contracted around its bottom edge, gore-pieces inserted between the lower portions of said unitary section, side section and hip-section, and a back gore attached to the rear edge of said hip-section, substantially as described.

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

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