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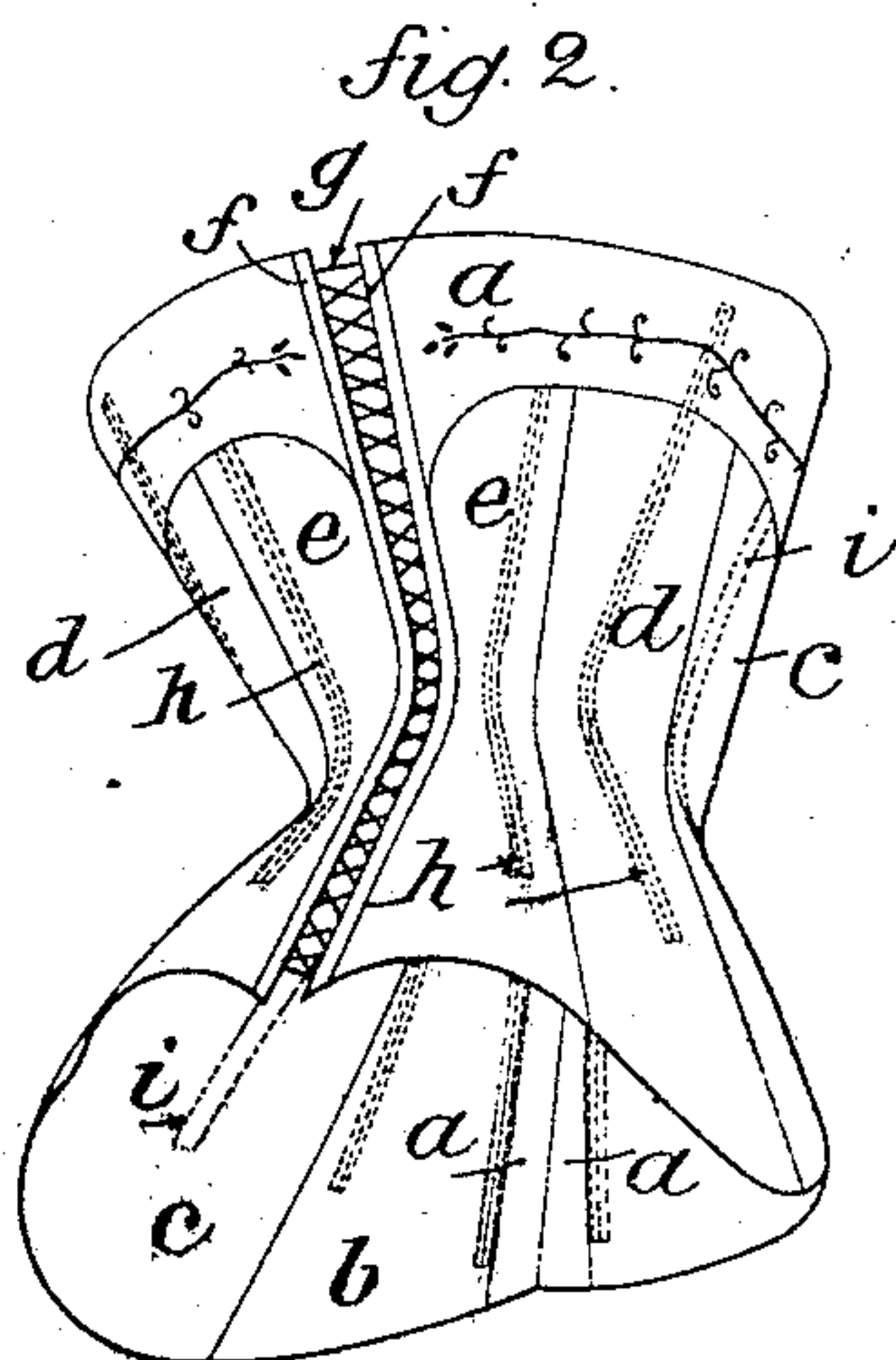
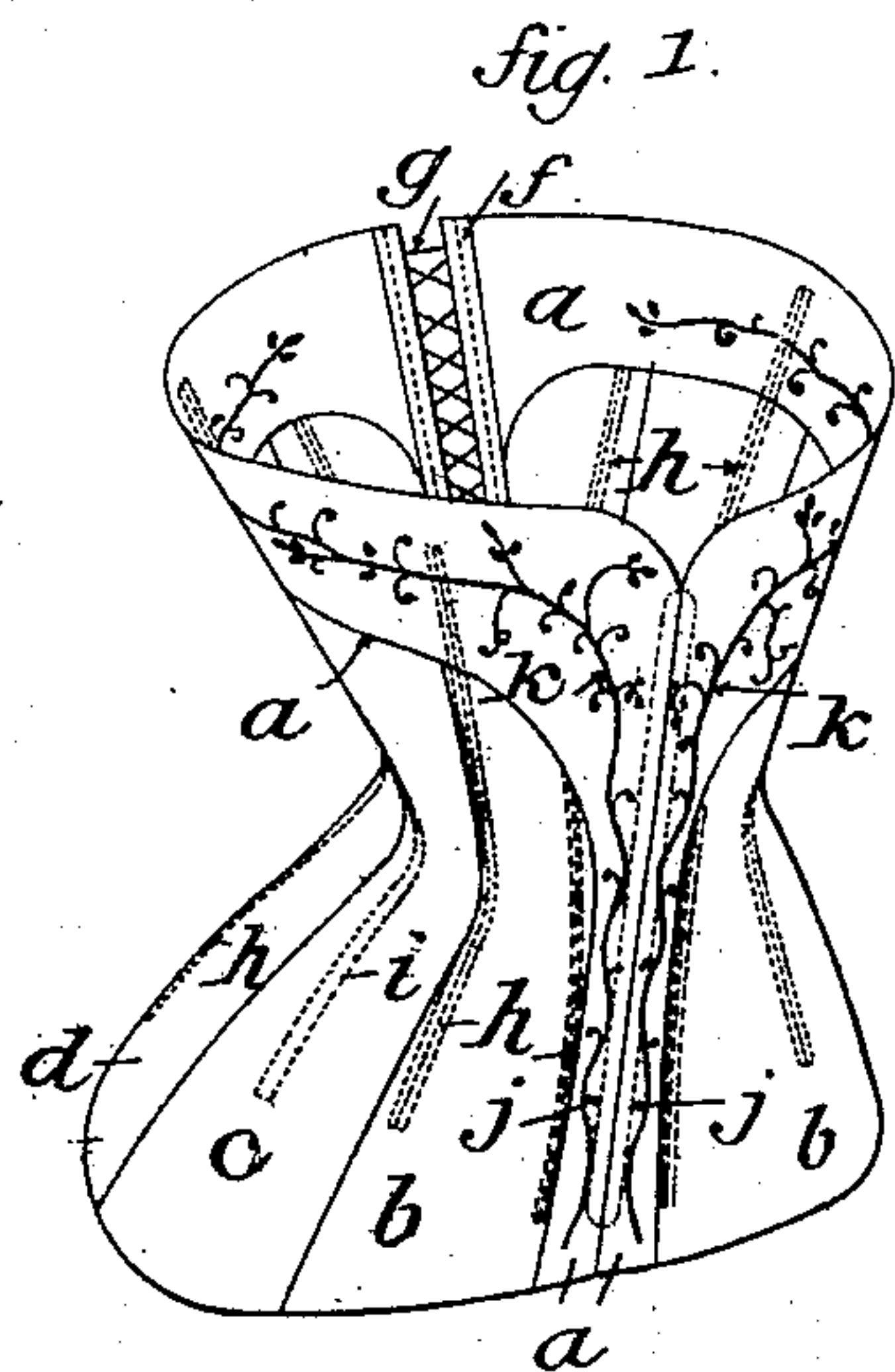
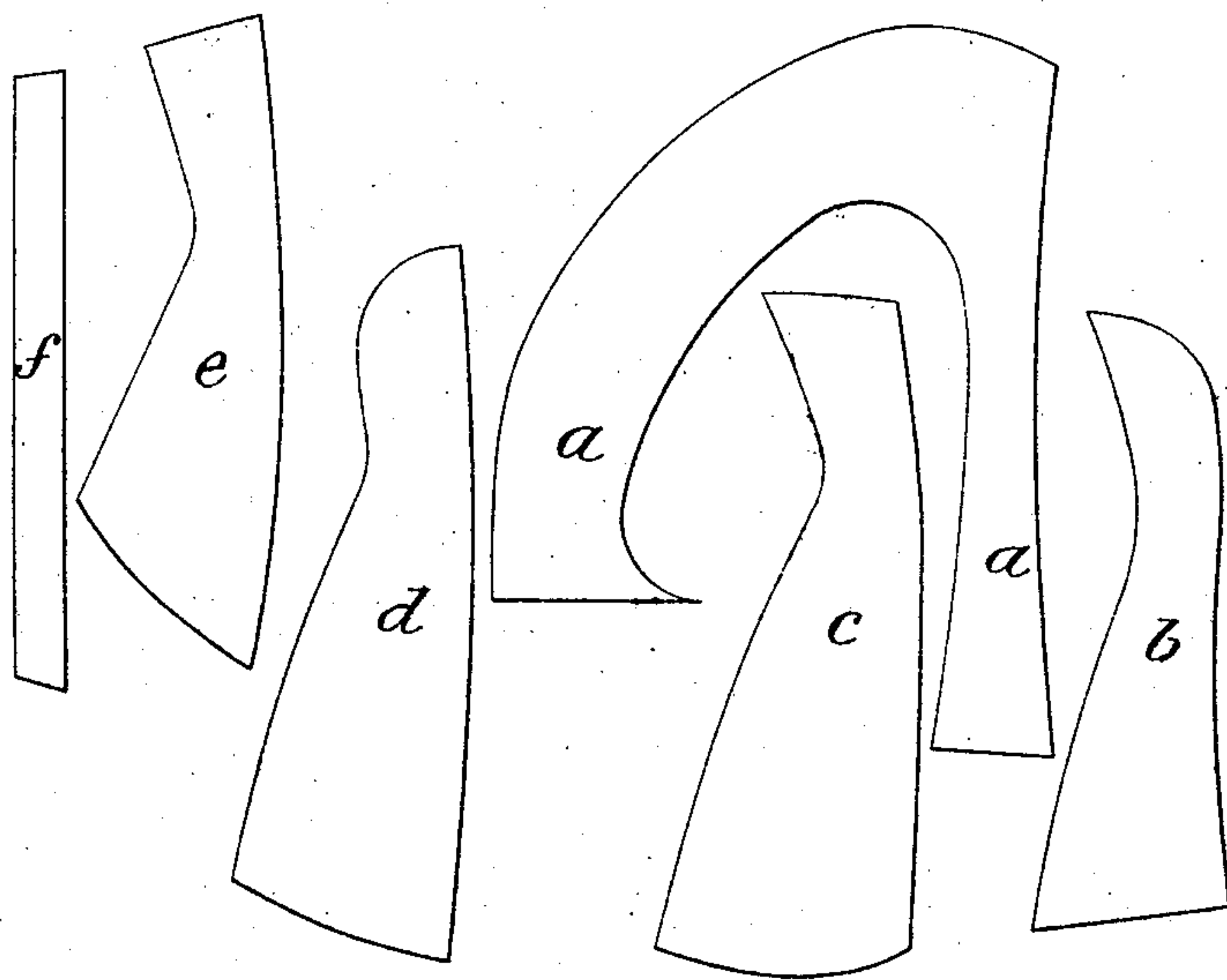


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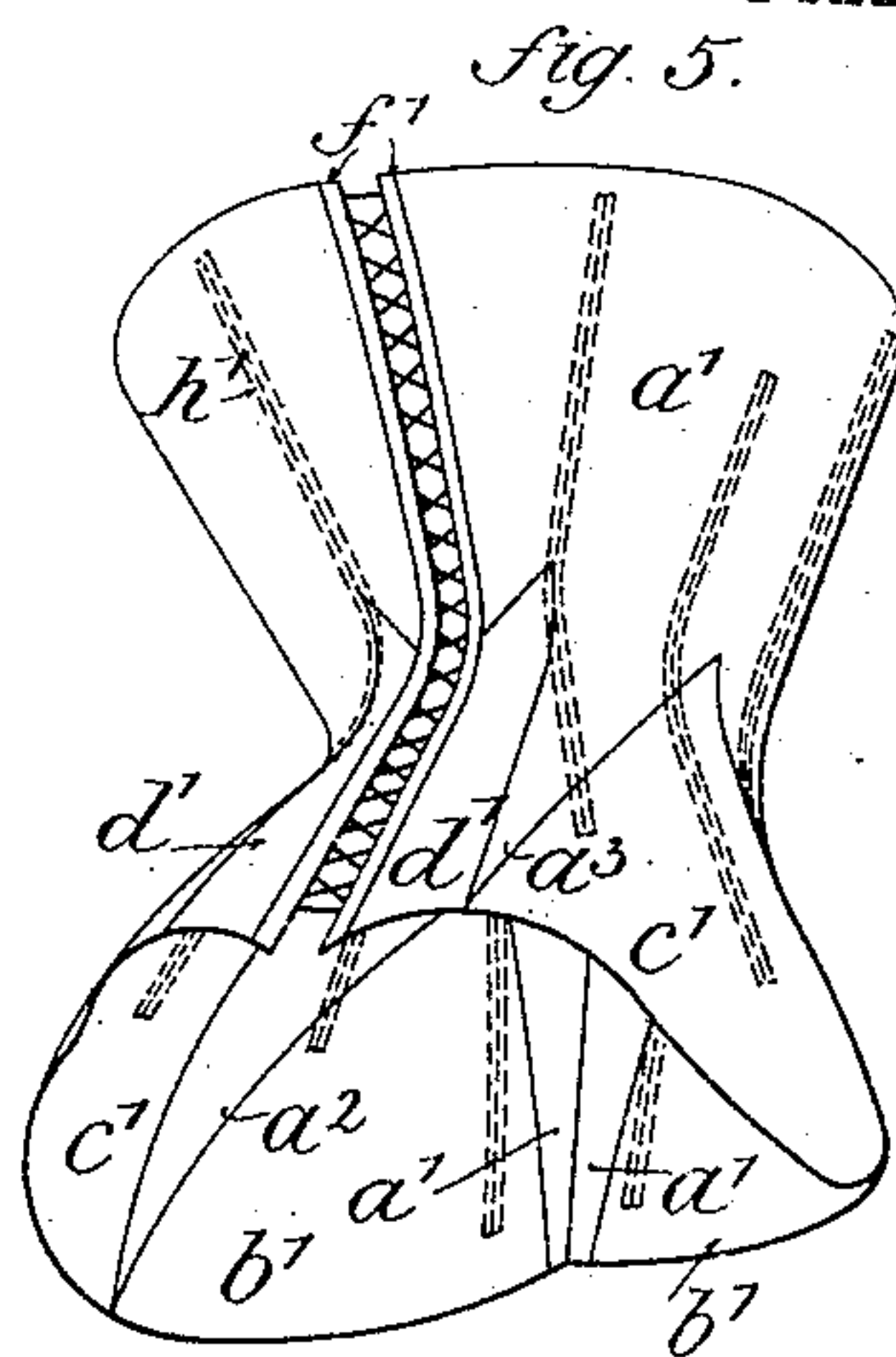
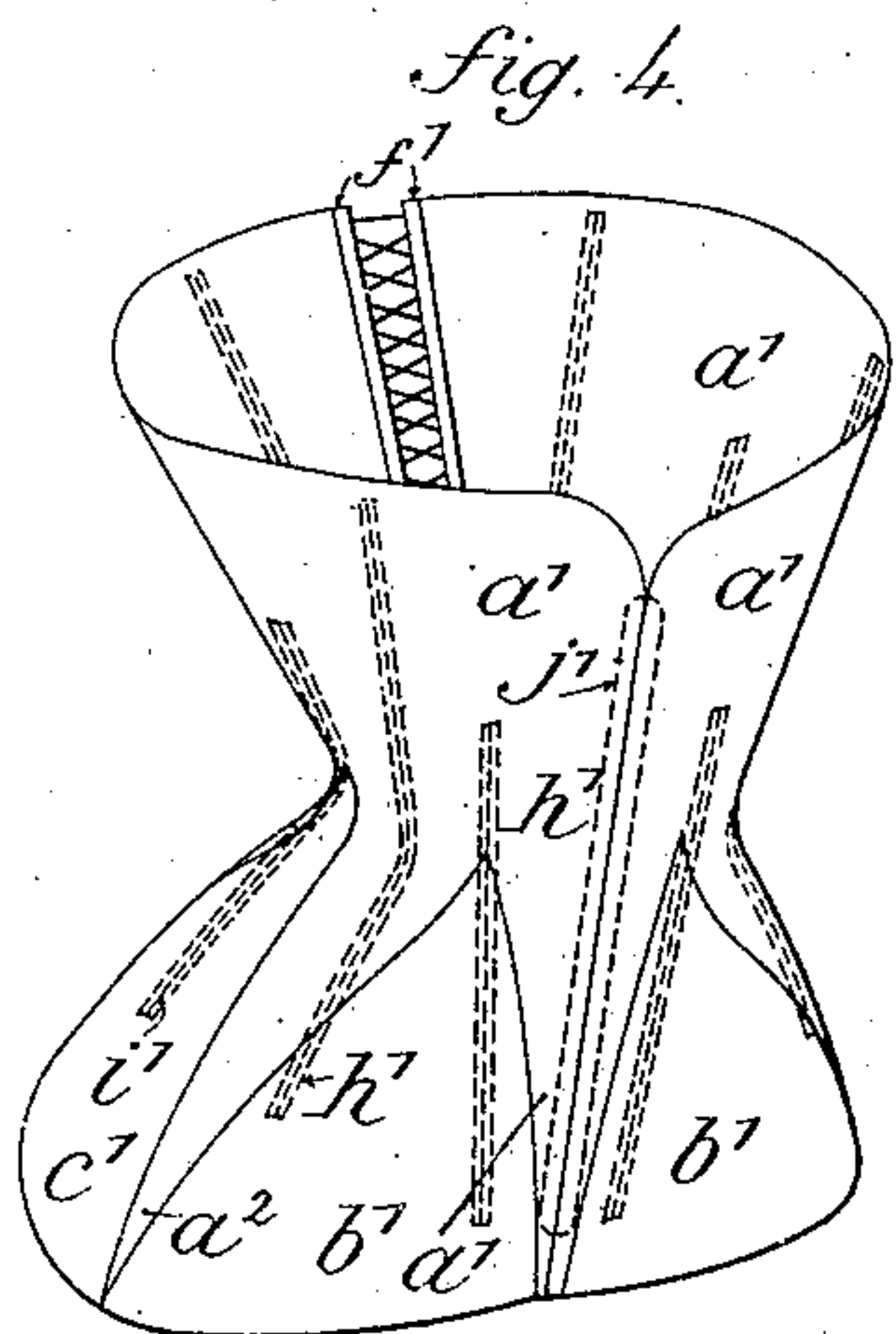
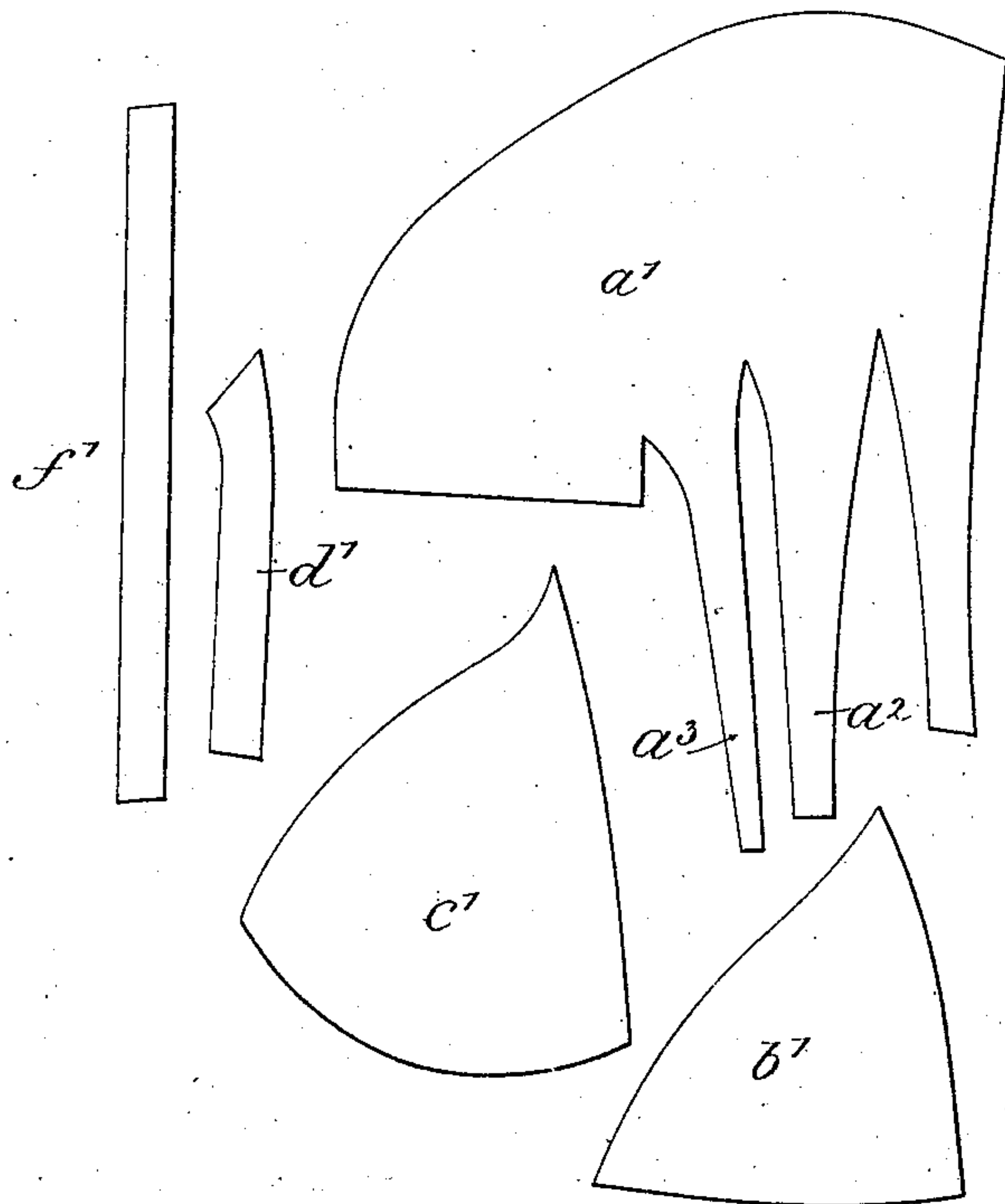


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EMILE SAVOYE, a citizen of the Republic of France, residing at Paris, 35 Rue du Caire, in the Republic of France, manufacturer, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Corsets, of which the following is specification.

This invention relates to improvements in corsets; and it has for its object to so cut out a corset as to enable the whole of the front and the whole of the upper part of the corset to be made up of a single piece, the continuity of which affords great advantages both in the way of comfort for the wearer and the facility of manufacture. This mode of cutting out the corset also allows of obtaining a continuous ornamentation, by means of embroidery, designs in colors, and the like, without any of the difficulties resulting heretofore from the construction of the said parts in several pieces stitched together.

Two embodiments of my invention are shown in the accompanying drawing, in which—

Figures 1 and 2 are perspective views of the corset, showing the front and back of the same. Fig. 3 shows the component parts or pieces of the corset spread out. Figs. 4 to 6 show in the same manner another corset constructed according to this invention.

Each half of the corset, Figs. 1 to 3, comprises, essentially; an angular piece *a*, which extends at the top from the spinal column to the sternum and in front from the sternum to the pubian region when the corset is placed on the person of the wearer. The other component parts of the corset consist of several nearly vertical bands or strips *b c d e*, placed on the sides and back of the corset. *f* designates a narrow strip provided with eyes secured to the rear vertical edges of the pieces *a e* to receive the lace *g*. Busks *j*, whalebones *h*, and a steel plate *i* are arranged in any suitable manner on the corset to support and stiffen the same. They are preferably fitted according to the arrangement which forms the subject of the French Patent No. 339,380 and of United States Patent No. 774,537, November 8, 1904, and in virtue of which the whalebones designed to stiffen the waist of the corset do not extend upward above the lower edge of the horizontal branch of the piece *a*, only a small number of whalebones extending up to the upper edge to bear up the said piece and keep it stretched. As the upper and front parts of each half of the

corset are made of the same continuous piece without either plait or gather, it will be understood that it is easy to produce on the said piece, preferably before proceeding to assemble the pieces, a continuous ornamentation—say—an embroidery *k* extending without interruption from the top of the dorsal portion to the bottom of the busk portion.

In the corsets now in use, in which the front and upper parts of the corset are composed of several distinct pieces, which generally are to be embroidered or otherwise decorated before being assembled, it is so difficult to properly join the separate ornaments that one has to be content with styles of decoration the parts of which are disconnected. My invention therefore allows of obtaining decorative effects which are novel and better adapted to the general form of the corset and of the body.

In the form of corset shown in Figs. 1 to 3 each branch of the angular piece *a* is of about a uniform width, and the inner edge of the said piece is of a continuous or regular contour. However, my invention is not limited to a shape or contour of this kind. For instance, in the corset shown in Figs. 4 to 6 the piece *a'*, which forms by itself the whole of the upper and front parts of each half of the corset, comprises extensions *a² a³*, extending down to the lower edge of the corset both at the side and at the back. The other parts of the corset consist of the hip-pieces *b' c'* of triangular shape, located on both sides of the extension *a²*, and of a back piece *d'*, located behind the extension *a³*. The corset comprises also strips *f'*, provided with eyes, busks *j'*, whalebones *h'*, and steel plates *i'*.

The corsets made according to my invention are not only well adapted to receive a harmonious and varied decoration, but they also afford a stylish appearance and great comfort owing to the continuity of the fabric all along the top and front of the corset. Their manufacture is also facilitated by reason of the small number of the required pieces.

I claim—

1. A corset comprising the several narrow vertical pieces close to each other, the narrow pieces on the front having a bend at the top and laterally so as to extend transversely in the shape of a comparatively narrow strip above the other narrow vertical pieces up to the line of the back.

2. A corset comprising a relatively narrow integral angular portion, said portion having a horizontal part forming the upper part of the corset, and a vertical part forming the front of the corset, and a plurality of narrow strips arranged vertically side by side and connected at their sides and having their upper ends connected with the horizontal part of the angular portion, the vertical part of the angular portion having one side con-

nected with the side of the adjacent narrow strip.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention I have signed my name in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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