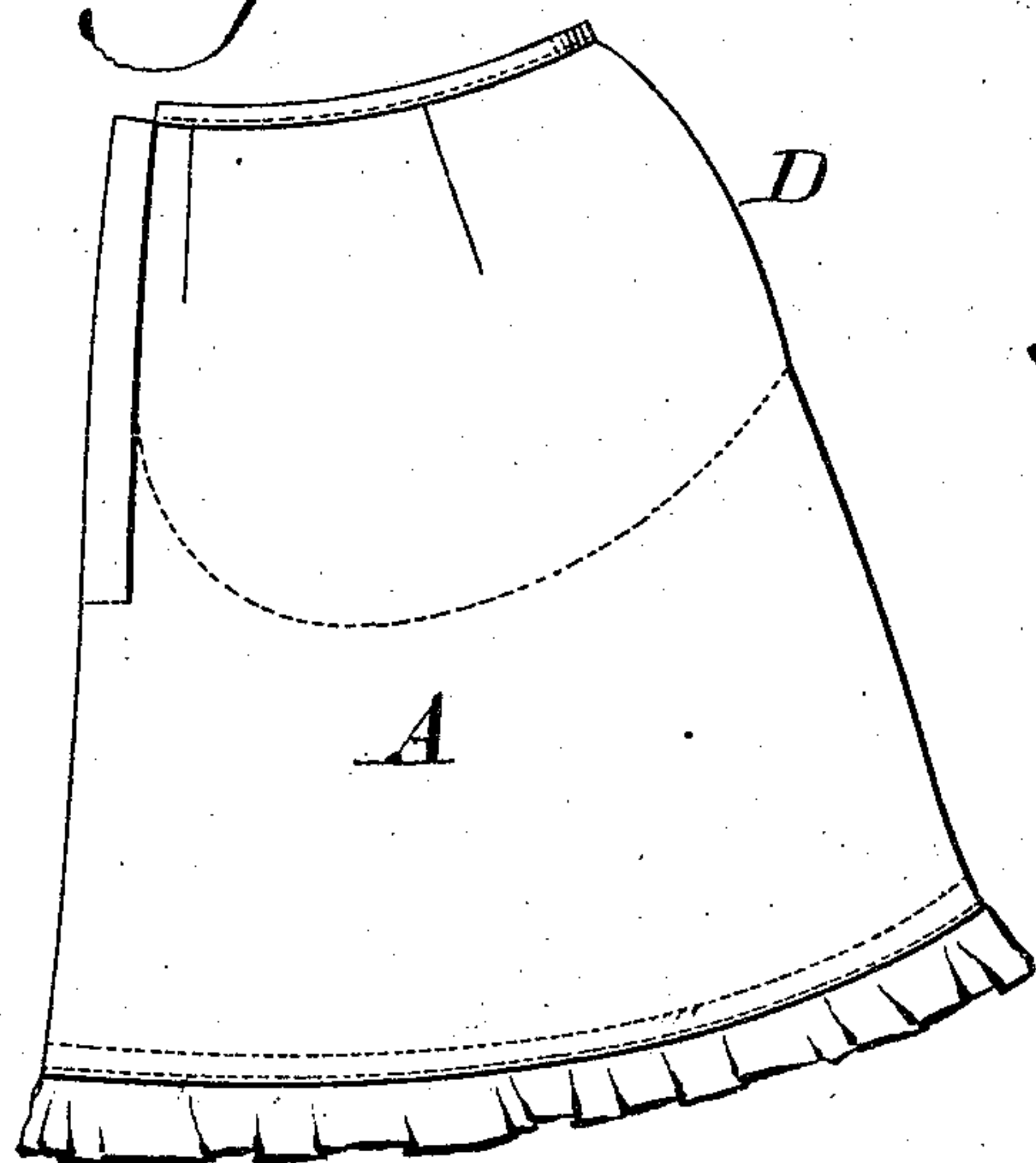


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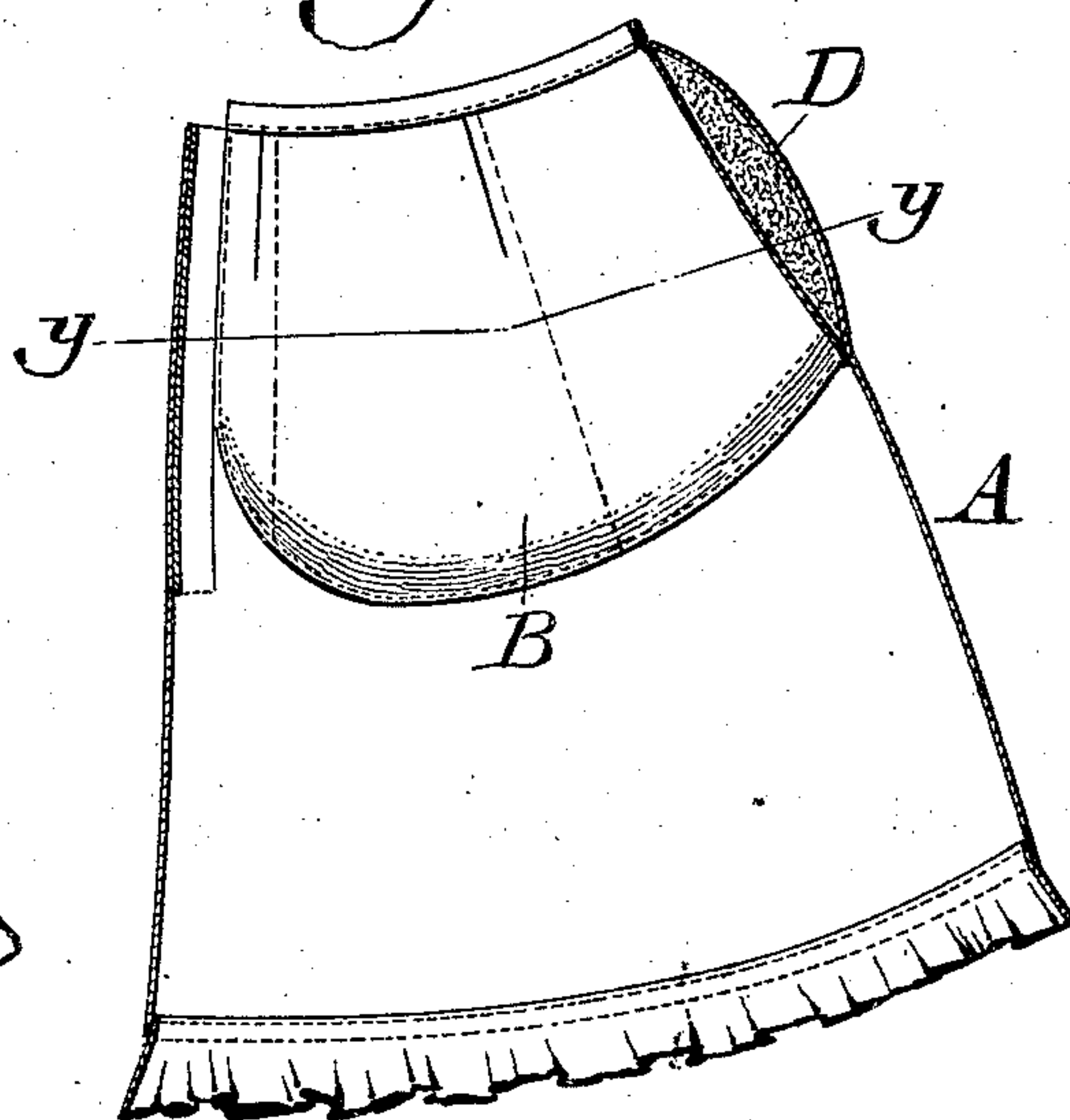
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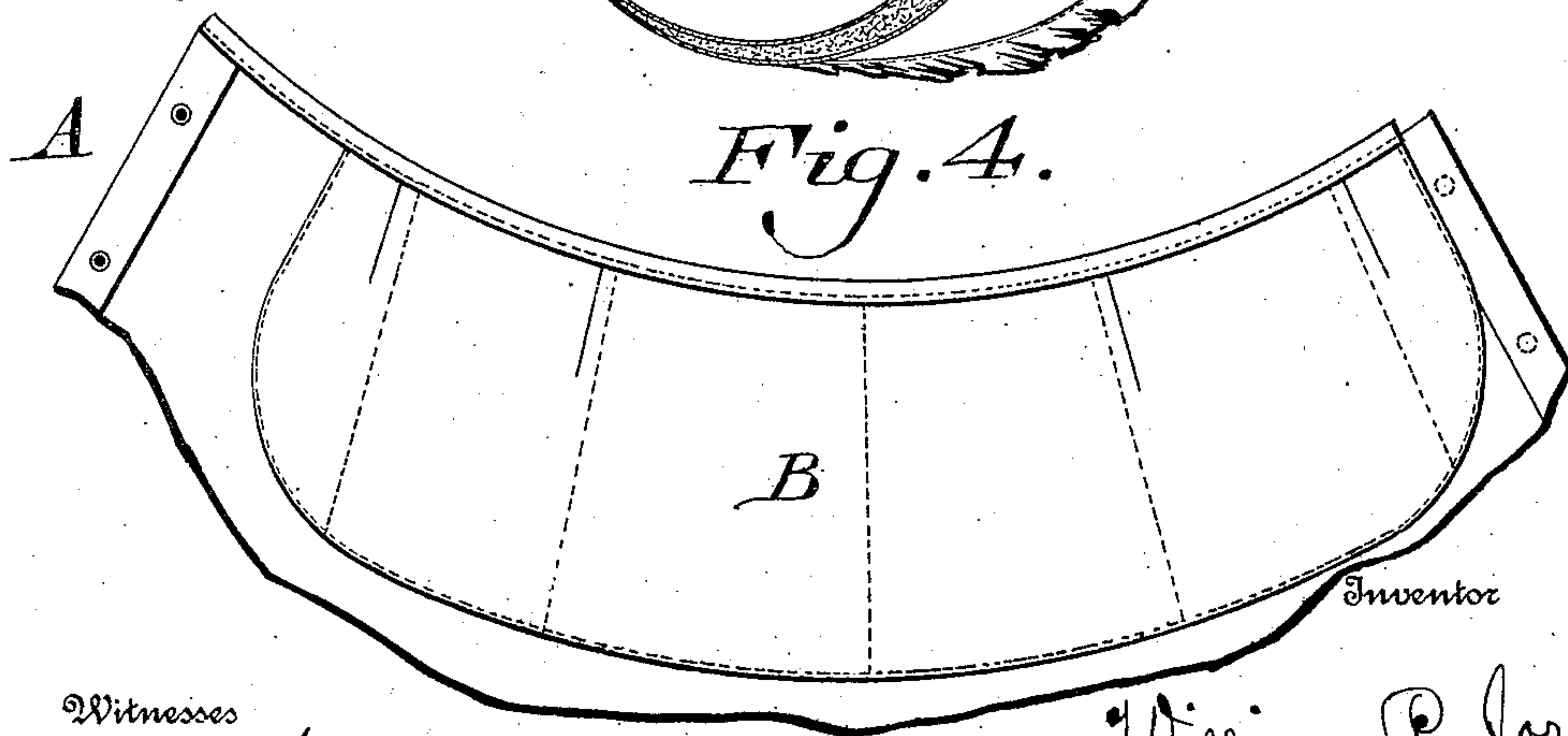
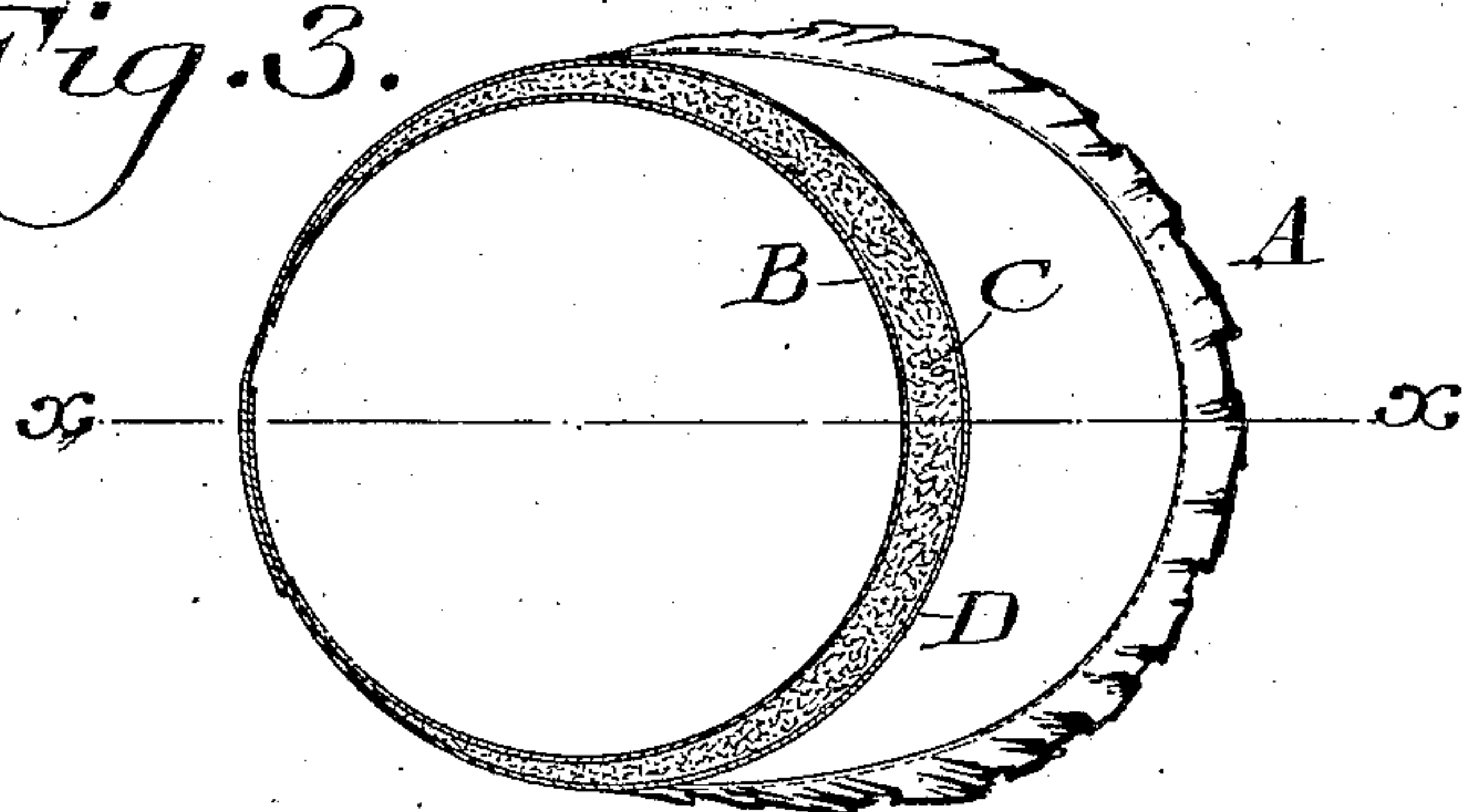
*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 3.*



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, WILLIAM P. JORDE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Wilmington, in the county of Newcastle, in the State of Delaware, have invented a new and useful Bustle Attachment for Skirts, of which the following is a specification.

My invention consists in the combining with a skirt for ladies' wear of a pad composed of a piece or pieces of fabric applied to the skirt forming a pocket therewith and material filling said pocket, thus producing the pad and providing fullness for the skirt of bustle effect, the same being of a simple and inexpensive nature for the purpose intended.

Figure 1 represents a side elevation of a skirt having a bustle attachment embodying my invention. Fig. 2 represents a vertical section on line *x x*, Fig. 3. Fig. 3 represents a horizontal section on line *y y*, Fig. 2. Fig. 4 represents a view of portion of the interior of a skirt opened out and showing the face of the attachment embodying my invention.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the figures.

Referring to the drawings, A designates a skirt which is open in front and otherwise, excepting the feature of my invention applied thereto, of ordinary form. On the interior of the upper part of said skirt is a piece B of fabric, which is stitched along its edges to the adjacent portions of the skirt and sufficiently separated therefrom to form a pocket which is closed at said edges and filled, as at C, with suitable material of soft nature, producing a pliable pad D, which extends around the sides and rear of the upper portion of the skirt, thus filling out the skirt at said localities with bustle effect in a simple, inexpensive, and practical manner and without se-

verely adding weight to the skirt or materially varying the contour of the latter or comparatively changing its established nature and use.

The skirt is open in front, and the pad is continuous around the sides and rear of the same, as has been stated, so that it is not liable to be shifted to the right or left and change the shape and position of the skirt, especially at the rear thereof.

A single piece of fabric is sufficient to form the inner wall of the pad, it being shaped to the contour of the adjacent portion of the skirt, and before said piece is fully closed the filling material may be thickened or reduced to conform to irregularities or defects in the body of the wearer, and thus fill out or take in, so as to impart a well-rounded shape to the wearer at the place of occupation of the pad.

I do not wish to be limited in each instance to the exact construction described, nor to the size or length of the skirt, but desire to make such changes as may come within the scope of the novelty involved.

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

The combination with a skirt, of a facing, composed of a continuous piece of fabric, connected at its edges with the side and rear portions of the interior of the skirt, and material of soft nature filling the space between the skirt and facing forming a pliable pad about the upper portion of the skirt conforming to the contour thereof.

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