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Fig. 1.

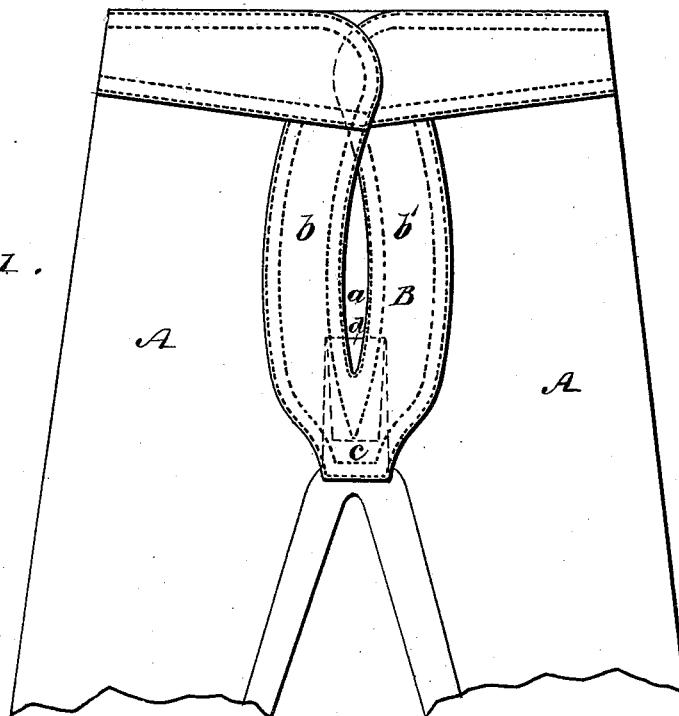
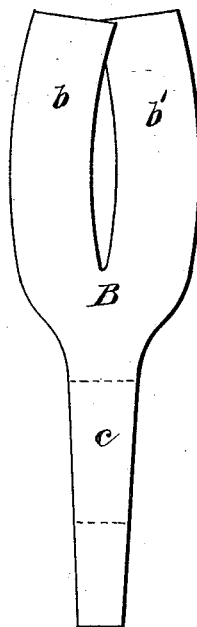


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM MITCHELL, of Richmond, in the county of Henrico and State of Virginia, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Methods of Strengthening Drawers, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to the manufacture of drawers and other analogous garments; and the invention consists of the method of securing the Y-shaped facing strip to the drawers at the front opening thereof, as will be specifically pointed out in the claim.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, in which similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in both the figures.

Figure 1 is a view of a pair of drawers made in accordance with the terms of my invention, and Fig. 2 is a detail view illustrating the formation of the Y-shaped strip or facing-piece.

In the drawings above referred to, A represents a pair of drawers, and *a* the front opening thereof, upon either side of which there are stitched the arms of a facing-piece, B, formed as best shown in Fig. 2—that is to say, with lengths or arms *b b'* and a stem, *c*. This stem *c* is long enough so that it can be carried downward to the transverse seam, there to be

folded back inside of the upper portion of the strip to a point just in line with or slightly above the lower end of the opening *a*, to be there counterfolded, to form a gusset, *d*, the parts being securely stitched to place, as indicated in Fig. 1, whereby a seamless front facing is formed and the front opening greatly strengthened. The position of this fold or gusset between the front facing and the body of the drawers prevents its being injured in laundering and adds very materially to the strength of the parts at that point.

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

The method of strengthening drawers, which consists in applying a Y-shaped facing-strip, B, having its arms *b b'* on opposite sides of the opening *a*, and its stem *c* carried downward to the transverse seam, then folded back upon itself to a point just in line with or slightly above the lower end of the opening, then counterfolded to form a gusset, *d*, and finally stitching the parts securely in place, substantially as set forth.

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