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fig. 1.

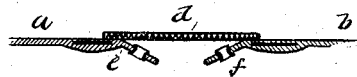
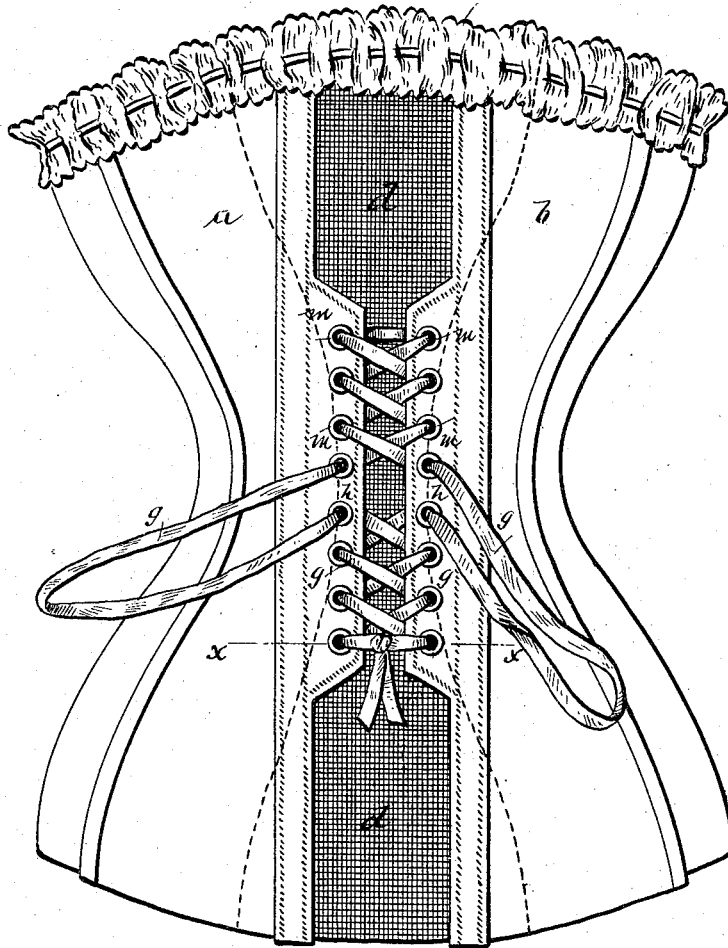


fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALBERT RAMMOSER, a subject of the Kingdom of Prussia, German Empire, residing at the city of Berlin, in the Kingdom of Prussia, German Empire, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Corsets, (for which I have obtained a patent in England, No. 15,949, dated December 28, 1885,) of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to provide a new and improved corset, which is so constructed that it does not confine the chest and permits the same to expand freely during respiration.

The invention consists of a corset having its two sections united at the back part by an elastic piece, the two sections of the corset being provided at the back with wings overlapping the elastic piece, which wings have eyelets, through which the usual lacing can be passed, all as will be described hereinafter, and pointed out in the claim.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a rear view of my improved corset. Fig. 2 is a detail sectional view on line *x x*, Fig. 1.

The corset halves or sections *a* and *b* are united at the back by the elastic strap or piece *d*, secured to the two sections. The elastic piece *d* preferably consists of india-rubber webbing or like material. These sections *a* and *b* are provided at the back with wings *h*, overlapping the elastic piece *d* and provided with eyeleted apertures *m*, and through said eyeleted apertures the usual lacing, *g*, is passed, which may be of any well-known construction. The wings *h* do not extend the entire height of the corset, but only at the middle part, and occupy about one-third of the height or length of the corset at the center, so that the upper and lower parts of the rear edges of the sec-

tions *a* and *b* are only connected by the elastic piece *d*.

The corset can be adjusted in width in the usual manner by means of the lacing *g*, and can be tightened as much as possible. It is only pressed tightly against the body at the middle—that is, at the false ribs—but fits snugly throughout.

Above and below the false ribs the corset can expand and contract, as the elastic piece *d* permits of such movement. Thus the corset does not interfere with the expansion of the chest and muscles at the stomach during respiration.

The corset can fit as snugly and tightly as corsets provided with lacing throughout the entire length of the corset, but it has not the injurious effects on the body that the corsets of the usual construction have. In place of the lacing any other suitable fastening device—for instance, such as straps and buckles—may be used.

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

A corset composed of two sections united at the back by a piece of elastic material, the sections being provided at the back with inelastic wings, said wings overlapping the elastic piece and extending from the center of the corset to about one-third of the length of the corset from the upper and lower edges of the corset, and being provided with adjustable fastening means, substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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