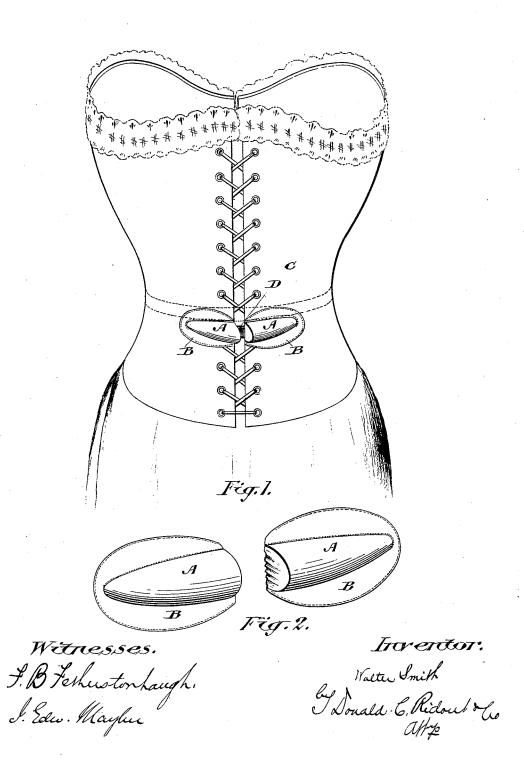
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W. SMITH. SKIRT SUPPORTER FOR CORSETS.

No. 420,471.

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SKIRT-SUPPORTER FOR CORSETS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Walter Smith, gentleman, of the city of Toronto, in the county of York, in the Province of Ontario, Canada, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Corsets, of which the following is a specification.

The object of the invention is to provide an attachment to a corset by which the skirtto bands of the wearer shall be prevented slipping down off the back of the corset; and it
consists in a skirt-supporter having the peculiar construction hereinafter more fully described, and then definitely claimed.

5 Figure 1 is a back view of a corset provided with my improvement. Fig. 2 is an enlarged perspective detail.

A represents two blocks, preferably in the form shown, each block being covered with a suitable fabric, a margin B of the fabric being left to permit it to be sewed upon the corset C in the position indicated. It will be observed that one block is sewed upon one half

of the corset and the other block on the opposite half, the two blocks being connected to-25 gether by a piece of elastic D or other flexible material. The blocks A, when connected to a corset, as shown, provide a support for the bands of the skirts. By connecting the two blocks together with a piece of elastic material the attachment does not interfere with the letting out of the corset.

What I claim as my invention is— As a new article of manufacture, a skirt-

supporter consisting of two blocks having a 35 rounded longitudinally-tapered outer surface and a rear flat surface, margins secured to the rear flat surface and surrounding the blocks for securing them in place, and an elastic band connecting the blocks, substantially as 40 described.

Toronto, June 29, 1889.

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