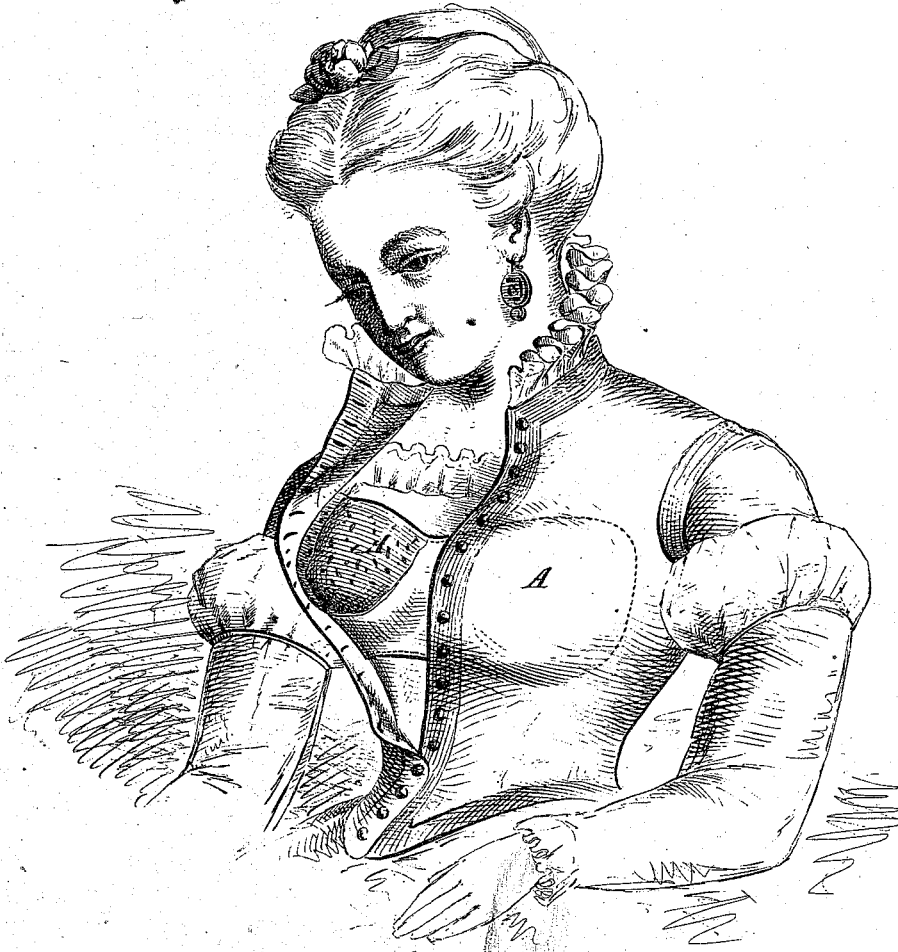


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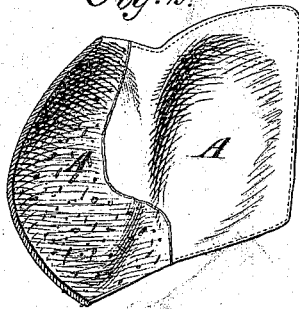
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*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



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## IMPROVEMENT IN BOSOM-PADS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOHN C. TALLMAN, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Cork Bosoms for Ladies' Wear, of which the following is a specification;

Fig. 1 is a view illustrating the use of my improved cork bosom, and Fig. 2 is a perspective view, partly in section, of one of my improved cork bosoms.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

The object of this invention is to furnish false bosoms for ladies' wear, which shall be light, flexible, inodorous, and porous, so that they can be conveniently worn and will not unduly heat the chest of the wearer.

The invention consists of the bosoms made of thin sheets of cork pressed into proper shape, and either with or without perforations, as hereinafter fully described.

A represents the bosoms, which are made of thin sheets of cork cut into the proper form and pressed with dies into the proper shape. The cork may be perforated with numerous small holes, if desired, to allow the air to pass through it freely, and should be made sufficiently thin to give it the desired flexibility, the elasticity of the cork bringing it back into shape when the compressing force is removed.

The false bosoms so made are light, so that they can be worn comfortably, are porous, so as to allow the air to pass through them readily, so that they can be worn without unduly heating the chest, are entirely odorless, even when warmed and moistened with the perspiration, and yield readily to pressure, so that they cannot be distinguished by feeling them from the real bosom.

The bosoms may be made in two parts, so that they may yield to lateral pressure without being made to project, the line of division being made between the two projections, and the adjacent edges of said parts being connected by a strip of muslin or other flexible material.

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

As a new article of manufacture, a bosom-pad made entirely of thin sheet-cork, molded or pressed into shape, as herein described, for the purpose set forth.

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