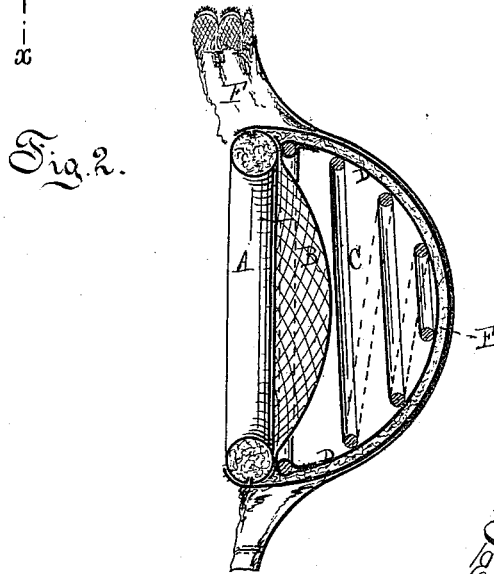
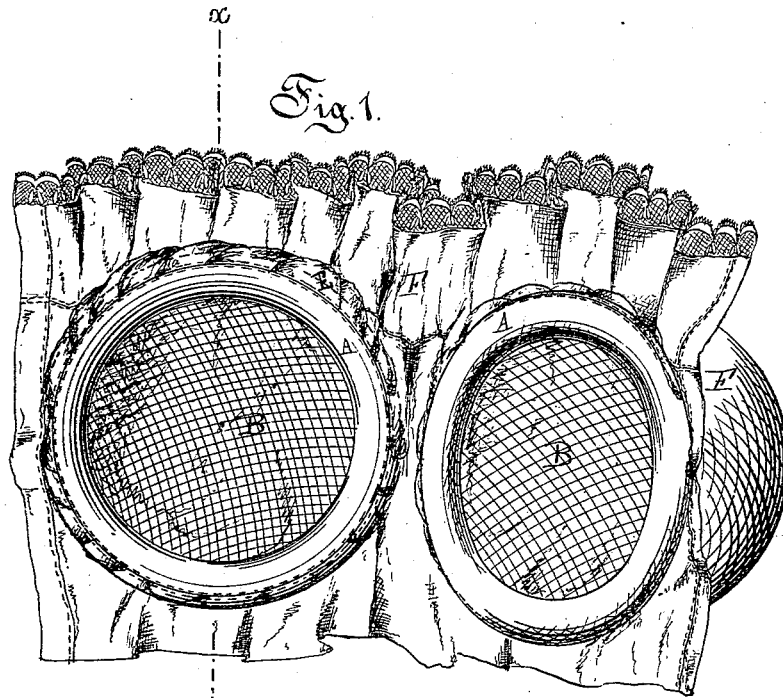


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## IMPROVEMENT IN BOSOM-FORMS.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ELIZABETH LEETCH, of Detroit, in the county of Wayne and State of Michigan, have invented an Improvement in Bosom-Forms, of which the following is a specification:

The nature of my invention relates to an improvement in bosom-forms of that class which have a spiral spring interposed between the outer and inner linings, to give the form the elasticity required to render it natural in appearance, and its object is to so construct the forms as to avoid the discomfort heretofore experienced by the wearers of this class of bosom-forms.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a pair of bosom-forms, looking at it from the rear. Fig. 2 is a cross-section at *x x*.

In the drawing, A represents a hollow or tubular ring, of any thin fabric, stuffed with curled hair or any other soft material. This ring forms the base of the device, resting upon the wearer's breast, inclosing the bosom. B is the inner lining, stitched at the edges to the ring, on which rests the base of a light conical spiral spring, C, which is held in place by a covering-cloth, D, which is also stitched at the edges to the ring. E is an outer lining or covering,

gathered at the edges and stitched to the edge of the ring A; between it and the spring-cover D a thin layer of curled hair is interposed, to round out the surface and to prevent the spring from showing through. A pair of these forms are connected by tacking them to a chemisette-front, F.

I am well aware that bosom-forms having a spiral spring in each have been largely worn, but have given the wearers dissatisfaction on account of the pressure of the base of the spring upon the bosom, causing pain when worn under a well-fitted dress-waist. With these forms the bases of the spring cannot come into contact with the chest or bosom of the wearer, which is protected by the interposition of the upholstered ring A.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A bosom-form, consisting of the upholstered ring A, linings B D E, and spiral spring C, constructed and arranged substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

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