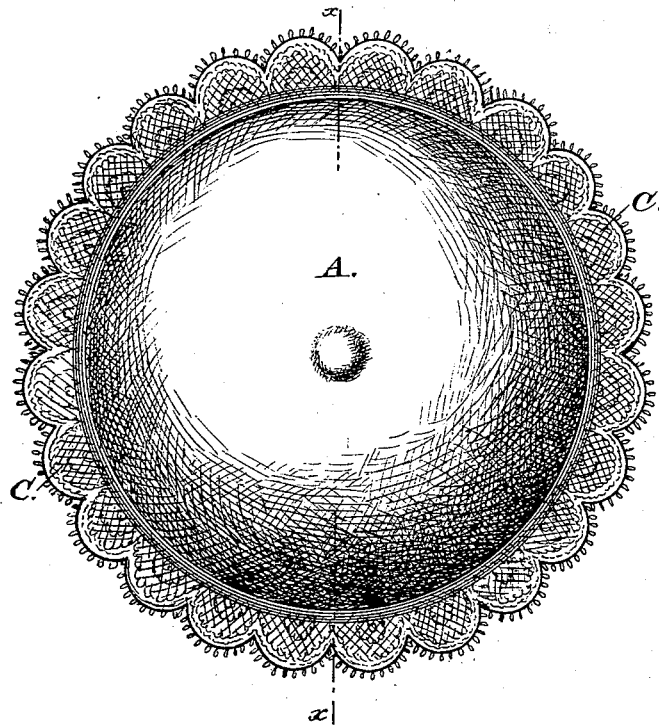


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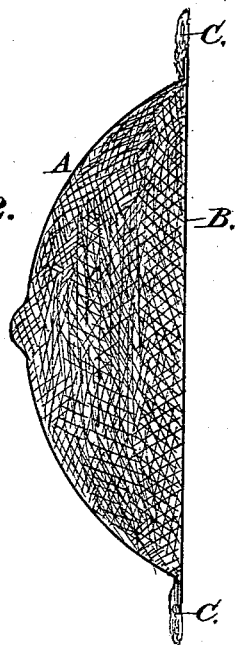
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*Fig. 1.*



*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, MICHAEL A. BRYSON, of the city of St. Louis, in the county of St. Louis and State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Pads for Bosoms, &c.; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

The object of my invention is to improve the construction of pads for bosoms and other parts of the human figure, to give any desired shape to the same.

The invention consists in forming out of muslin, cotton, or other suitable material a pad for bosoms or other parts of the human figure, and filling the same with the hair of deer, mountain-sheep, elk, or antelope, by which a more natural softness and flesh-like elasticity is imparted to the pads. The pads are also a great deal healthier, lighter, more pliable, and a great deal cooler than when filled with goose-feathers, curled hair of horses or other animals, wool, or cotton, &c.

To enable others skilled in the art to which my invention appertains to make and use it, I will now more definitely describe the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings and the letters of reference marked thereon.

In the drawings hereunto annexed, Figure 1 is a pad for bosoms. Fig. 2 is a vertical cross-section on line *x x*.

In the drawings, A represents a piece of muslin, cotton, or other suitable material, to which the piece B is secured. The piece A, I prefer to form between dies by stretching it to the desired form, but it may be made in

any other well-known manner. The pad so formed is filled or stuffed with the hair of deer, mountain-sheep, elk, or antelope, which is much lighter, healthier, cooler, more naturally soft, and of flesh-like elasticity than any other material heretofore used.

The edges of the pad may be suitably ornamented with lace, ruffles, &c., as shown at C.

If it is desired to use this hair as a filling for other pads, the muslin or other material is formed to give the desired shape, and can then be readily applied thereto.

To prevent any disagreeable odors, and also to remove any greasy or oily matters contained therein, I prefer to soak the said deer, mountain-sheep, elk, or antelope hair for not less than four hours in naphtha, or in a strong solution of alum, which also makes the hair more elastic.

I am aware that pads have been filled with curled hair of horses, &c., goose-feathers, cotton, granulated cork, wool, or other material, and also have been made of rubber to be inflated, or springs with a suitable covering; but these are either too heavy or too hot, and therefore unhealthy, and I therefore do not claim any of these; but,

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

A bosom or other pad for the human figure, made of linen, cotton, or other suitable material, having a filling of the hair of deer, mountain-sheep, elk, or antelope, substantially as and for the purpose described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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