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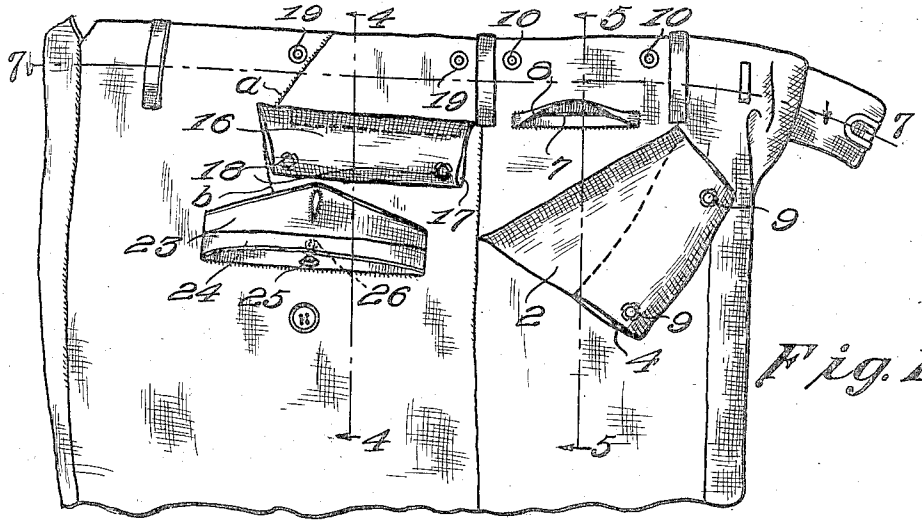


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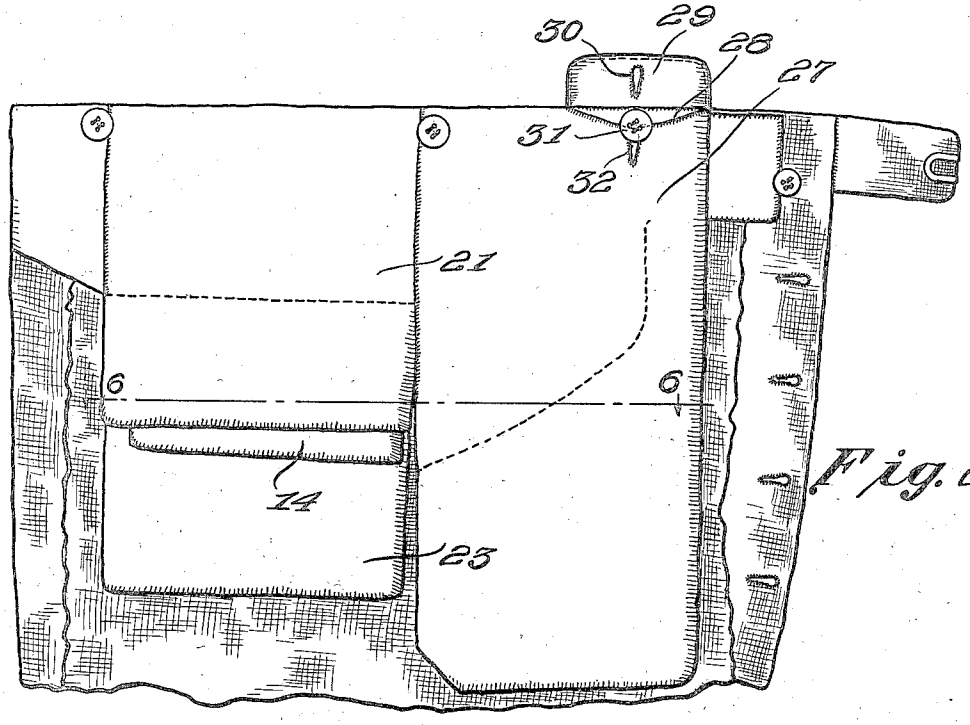


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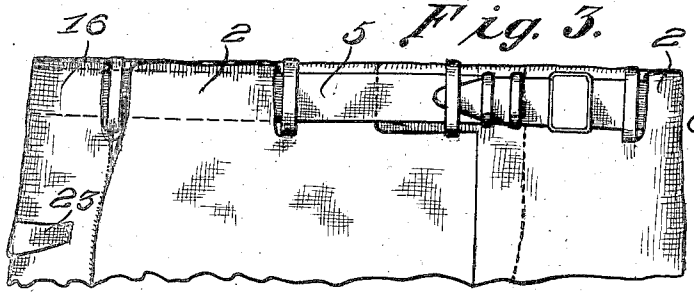


Fig. 3.

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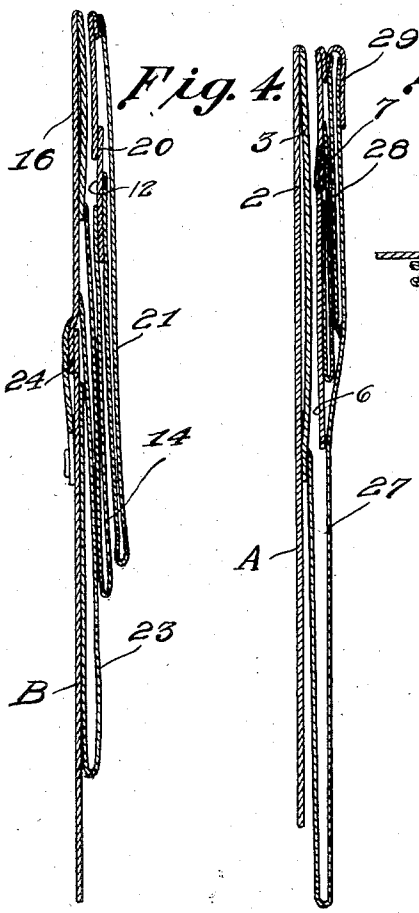
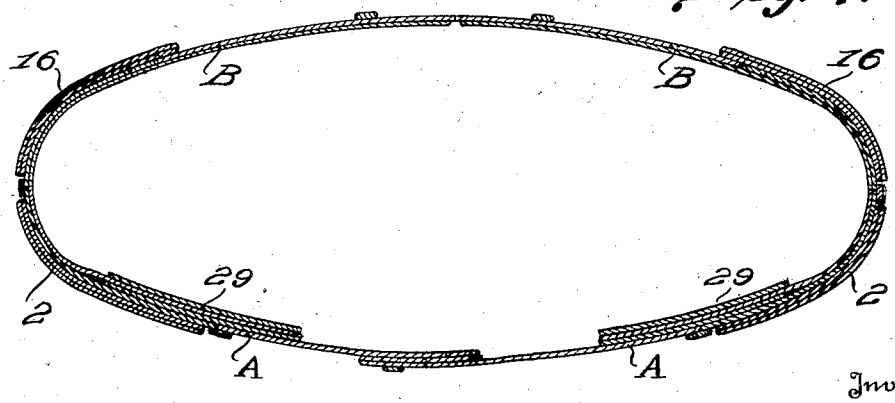


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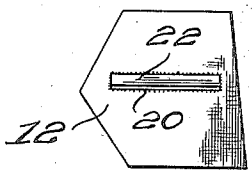


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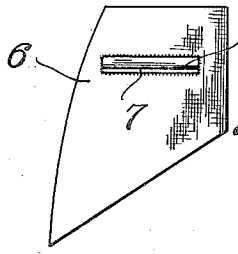
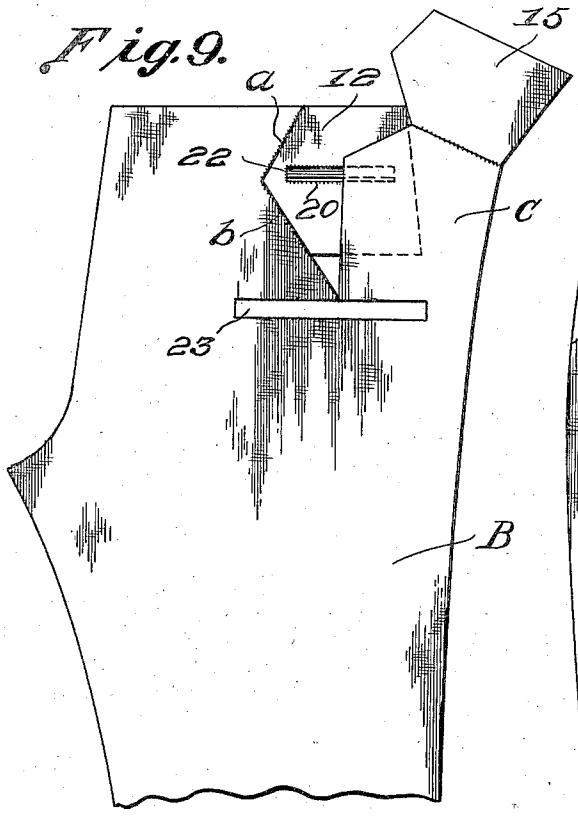


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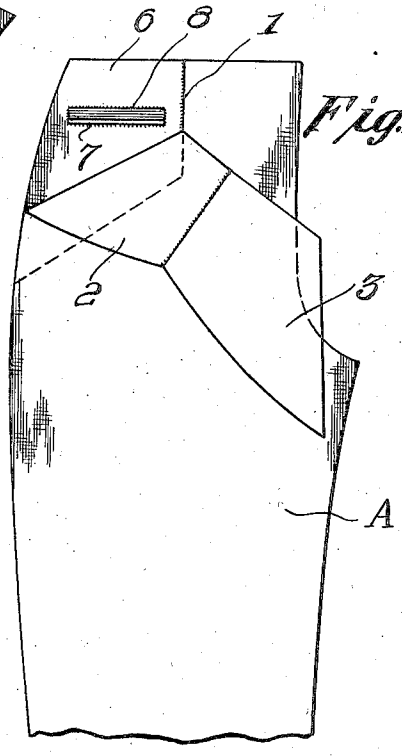


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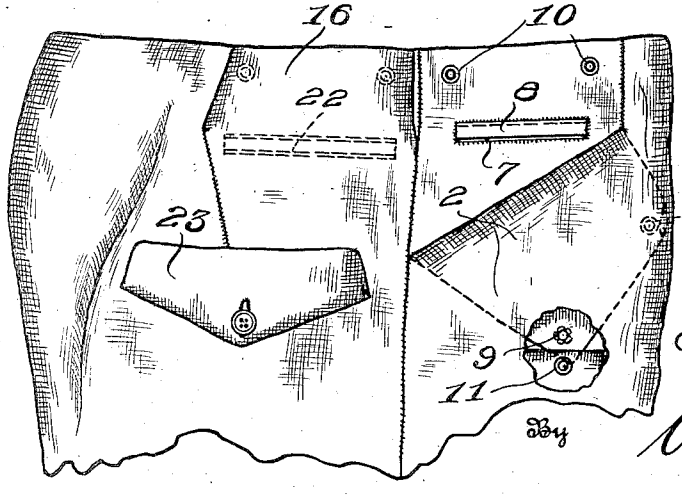


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This invention relates to garments and has relation more particularly to pocket structures, it being primarily an object of the invention to provide a pocket structure of a character to prevent unauthorized access within a pocket or the removal therefrom of an article therein.

The invention also has for an object to provide a pocket structure wherein the entrance opening therefor is effectively closed.

An additional object of the invention is to provide trousers or other kindred nether garments with suitably positioned pockets, the structure of each of the pockets being such to prevent unauthorized removal of an article therefrom.

A still further object of the invention is to provide a garment, such as trousers, comprising a belt in its construction together with pockets having associated therewith means coacting with the belt for closing the pockets against entry.

The invention consists in the details of construction and in the combination and arrangement of the several parts of my improved garment whereby certain important advantages are attained and the device rendered simpler, less expensive and otherwise more convenient and advantageous for use, as will be hereinafter more fully set forth.

The novel features of my invention will hereinafter be definitely claimed.

In order that my invention may be the better understood, I will now proceed to describe the same with reference to the accompanying drawings, wherein:—

Figure 1 is a fragmentary view in elevation of the upper portion of a pair of trousers constructed in accordance with an embodiment of my invention, certain of the pockets being shown opened;

Figure 2 is a view in elevation from inside of the upper portion of the garment as herein disclosed;

Figure 3 is a fragmentary view in front elevation of a garment constructed in accordance with an embodiment of my invention with a belt applied and showing certain of the pockets held closed by said belt;

Figure 4 is an enlarged fragmentary sectional view taken substantially on the line 4—4 of Figure 1 illustrating certain details of construction as herein embodied;

Figure 5 is an enlarged fragmentary sectional view taken substantially on the line 5—5 of Figure 1;

Figure 6 is a fragmentary sectional view taken substantially on the line 6—6 of Figure 2;

Figure 7 is a sectional view taken through the upper portion of the garment and substantially on the line 7—7 of Figure 1;

Figure 8 is an elevational view of the upper portion of the garment as herein disclosed showing the flap for the side pocket inwardly disposed to produce a conventional pocket of this kind;

Figure 9 is a fragmentary view in plan of a portion of a leg section partially completed;

Figure 10 is an elevational view of an insert comprised in the structure as illustrated in Figure 9 unapplied;

Figure 11 is a view in elevation of a portion of a leg of the trousers partly constructed;

Figure 12 is a view in elevation of an insert as comprised in the structure illustrated in Figure 11 unapplied.

As disclosed in the accompanying drawings, A denotes a front piece of material comprised in the building of trousers and B a rear piece. The upper or waist band portion of the front piece A is provided with an inwardly disposed cut 1 affording a free flap 2 whereby the entrance through a side pocket may be readily closed when desired. The outer marginal portion of this flap 2 has secured thereto a piece 3 of material, preferably of the same character as the goods of which trousers are made. This piece 3 is adapted to overlie the inner face of the flap 2 and is secured thereto along its marginal portions except at the outer edges of the flap 2 whereby is provided a casing 4 through which a belt 5 is adapted to be directed to maintain the flap 2 in its raised or closed position with respect to the body portion of the trousers.

Fitting within the portion of the piece A provided with the cut 1 is an insert 6 of proper dimensions and configuration and which in the complete garment provides a proper finish for the entrance portion to the side pocket. The lower portion of the insert 6 is adapted to have secured thereto a marginal portion of the pocket proper which is otherwise secured to the garment in a well known manner.

As illustrated in the drawings this insert 6 is provided thereacross with a slit 7 affording an entrance to the secret or safety pocket and disposed above and immediately adjacent to this slit 7 is a facing strip or band 8. As the slit 7 and the strip or band 8 form no particular part of the present invention it is not believed that a detailed description and illustration thereof is necessary.

The corner portions of the flap 2, or more particularly the finishing piece 3, has secured thereto the fastening members 9 herein disclosed as

conventional snaps, and which are adapted to engage the associated fastening members 10 secured to the waist band portion of the garment whereby the flap 2 is effectively held in its raised or closed position. When in its raised or closed position the flap 2 effectively conceals the slit or cut 7.

When it is desired to have the side pocket of a normal appearance the flap 2 may be inserted inwardly of the pocket, as indicated by dotted lines in Figure 8, with the fastening members 9 engaged with suitably positioned coacting fastening members 11 carried by the outer wall of the pocket proper.

The upper portion of the rear piece B is inwardly cut on angularly related lines *a* and *b* and stitched to the lines *a* and *b* of the body portion proper of the piece is an insert 12. This insert 12 provides a finish for the entrance to the pocket 14 secured to the insert and to the garment proper as required. The outer margin of the portion *c* of the garment separated by the pieces A and B has secured thereto a piece 15 of material to overlie and finish the inner face of this portion *c*.

After the insert 12 has been applied the portions of the material along the inner line *b* are again connected, thus allowing the upper part of the portion *c* to provide a flap 16 for closing the entrance to the pocket 14. The piece 15 is secured to the portion *c* of the material along its upper and lower marginal portions to provide a loop or casing 17 through which the belt is adapted to be inserted to maintain the flap 16 raised. The flap 16 in its inner wall, or more particularly the piece 15, carries the snaps 18 for engagement with the members 19 arranged on the waist band portion of the garment for positively holding the flap 16 in its lifted or raised position.

The insert 12 is also provided with a cut or slit 20 to provide an entrance to the pocket 21. The slit 20 has associated therewith and for the same purpose a band or strip 22 similar to the band or strip 8 hereinbefore referred to.

The body portion of the piece B at a desired point therealong is provided with a conventional rear or hip pocket, generally indicated at 23, and which pocket is also provided with a strip or band 24 coacting with the entrance thereto for the same purpose as the band 8. This band 24, however, at its central part is provided with a snap 25 for coaction with a member 26 carried by the garment proper for positively locking the band against lifting or raising.

The side pocket 27 proper as particularly illustrated in Figure 2 is formed at the waist band portion of the garment with a supplemental pocket 28 adapted to be closed by the flap 29. The flap 29 overlies the outer wall of the pocket 27 and is provided with a buttonhole 30 to engage over the button 31 carried by the inner wall of said pocket 27. The outer wall of the pocket also has a buttonhole 32 to engage over the button 31 to further maintain closed the entrance to this pocket 28.

It is believed to be obvious that a garment provided with pockets constructed in accordance with my invention and particularly as herein described and illustrated substantially eliminates unauthorized entrance to a pocket when the garment is being worn and thus particularly assuring safety and protection against pickpockets.

It is also believed to be clearly apparent that a garment constructed as herein described affords a materially attractive appearance and that the character and arrangement of the parts in no way interfere with the beauty of the garment.

It is to be stated at this time that the efficiency of the strip or band 8 together with the similar strips or bands mentioned is materially facilitated by having the ends of the band or strip secured to the material above and below the slit or cut.

From the foregoing description it is thought to be obvious that a garment constructed in accordance with my invention is particularly well adapted for use by reason of the convenience and facility with which it may be assembled and operated, and it will also be obvious that my invention is susceptible of some change and modification without departing from the principles and spirit thereof and for this reason I do not wish to be understood as limiting myself to the precise arrangement and formation of the several parts herein shown in carrying out my invention in practice except as hereinafter claimed.

I claim:—

1. In a nether garment, a section of material having a slit extending inwardly thereof from the waist portion of the section, the material to one side of the slit, in the completed garment, having its side and end marginal portions free to provide a flap, an insert having a marginal portion secured to the marginal portion of the section at the opposite side of the slit, the flap overlying said insert when in closed position, a pocket having a marginal portion of one wall secured to the outer marginal portion of the applied insert and the marginal portion of the second wall of the pocket secured to the section, the outer side marginal portion of the insert and the adjacent marginal portion of the section being adapted for securement with the marginal portion of a second garment section.

2. In a nether garment, a section of material having a slit extending inwardly thereof from the waist portion of the section, the material to one side of the slit, in the completed garment, having its side and end marginal portions free to provide a flap, an insert having a marginal portion secured to the marginal portion of the section at the opposite side of the slit, the flap overlying said insert when in closed position, a pocket having a marginal portion of one wall secured to the outer marginal portion of the applied insert and the marginal portion of the second wall of the pocket secured to the section, the outer side marginal portion of the insert and the adjacent marginal portion of the section being adapted for securement with the marginal portion of a second garment section, and a pocket carried by the insert and opening therethrough, said flap when raised closing the entrance to the pocket carried by the insert.

3. In a nether garment, a section of material having a slit extending inwardly thereof from the waist portion of the section, the material to one side of the slit, in the completed garment, having its side and end marginal portions free to provide a flap, an insert having a marginal portion secured to the marginal portion of the section at the opposite side of the slit, the flap overlying said insert when in closed position, a pocket having a marginal portion of one wall secured to the outer marginal portion of the applied insert and the marginal portion of the second wall of the pocket secured to the section, the outer side marginal portion of the insert and the adjacent marginal portion of the section being adapted for securement with the marginal portion of a second garment section, and a piece of

material having a marginal portion secured to the outer marginal portion of the flap, said piece of material overlying the outer face of the flap, said piece of material being secured to the flap along its marginal portions except at the outer side marginal edges of the flap whereby is provided a casing through which a belt is adapted to be directed.

4. In a nether garment, a section of material having a slit extending inwardly thereof from the waist portion of the section, the material to one side of the slit, in the completed garment, having its side and end marginal portions free to provide a flap, an insert having a marginal portion secured to the marginal portion of the section at the opposite side of the slit, the flap overlying said insert when in closed position, a pocket having a marginal portion of one wall secured to the outer marginal portion of the applied insert and the marginal portion of the second wall of the pocket secured to the section, the outer side marginal portion of the insert and the adjacent marginal portion of the section being adapted for securement with the marginal portion of a second garment section, said insert when applied extending below the inner end of the slit.

5. In a nether garment, a section of material having a slit extending inwardly thereof from the waist portion of the section, the material to one side of the slit, in the completed garment, having its side and end marginal portions free to provide a flap, an insert having a marginal portion secured to the marginal portion of the section at the opposite side of the slit, the flap overlying said insert when in closed position, a pocket having a marginal portion of one wall secured to the outer marginal portion of the applied insert and the marginal portion of the second wall of the pocket secured to the section, the outer side marginal portion of the insert and the adjacent marginal portion of the section being adapted for securement with the marginal portion of a second garment section, said slit being disposed along angularly related lines, the insert being attached to the marginal portion defining said lines comprised in the section proper, and means for connecting the marginal edges of the section along the inner angular portion of the slit.

6. In a nether garment, a section of material having a slit extending inwardly thereof from the waist portion of the section, the material to one side of the slit, in the completed garment, having its side and end marginal portions free to provide a flap, an insert having a marginal portion secured to the marginal portion of the section at the opposite side of the slit, the flap overlying said insert when in closed position, a pocket having a marginal portion secured to the applied insert and to the section, the outer side marginal portion of the insert and the adjacent marginal portion of the section being adapted for securement with the marginal portion of a second garment section.

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