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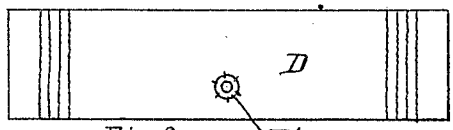


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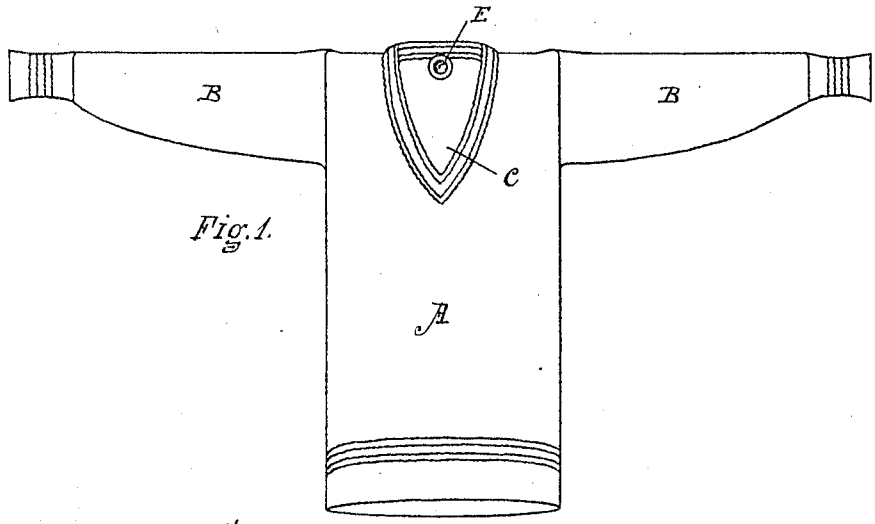


Fig. 1.

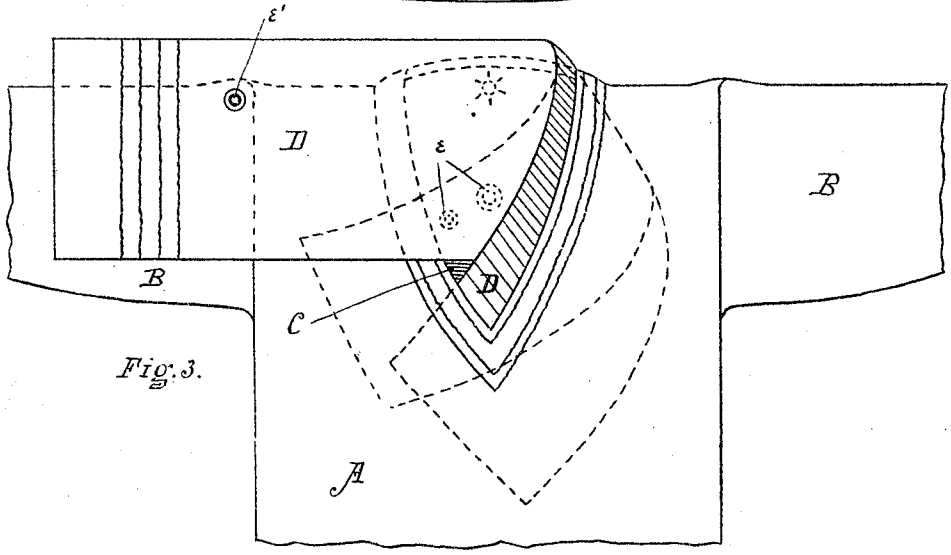


Fig. 3.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ELMER ELLSWORTH JENNE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Ilion, in the county of Herkimer and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Garments, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawing.

My invention relates to an improved garment, and I declare that the following is a full, clear, concise and exact description thereof sufficient to enable one skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings in which like letters and numerals refer to like parts throughout.

In the present instance I illustrate my invention by a sweater of ordinary make in general particulars, although it will be understood that it can be applied to a variety of garments.

My invention is suggested by the inconvenience of a garment which is suitable for outdoor wear and which is also to be worn indoors, and my invention is suited for varied use of a garment by permitting easy removal of a part and also the adjustment of that part according to circumstances.

In the drawings Figure 1 is a front view of the sweater. Fig. 2 is a view of the collar portion showing the reverse side, and Fig. 3 is a front view of the sweater with the collar in position, one end inserted within the sweater and the other end extended.

Referring to the drawings more particularly A represents the body of the sweater with sleeves B. It is also provided with a neck opening C which is shown somewhat larger than usual in order to permit the garment to be easily drawn on without stretching the fabric at the neck opening which in a sweater of the ordinary neck opening is a disadvantage and tends to stretch the fabric out of proper fitting on the wearer. The neck opening C may be given suitable size and shape according to the wear for which the garment is intended and so as to enable it to be readily drawn on. This form permits the use of the garment which is not too warm for indoors and obviates the discomfort of the tight and high neck portion thereon, and as already shown obviates the undue stretching of the fabric. In order that the same garment may be used out of doors I provide a separable independent neck portion shown by D. While the body of the sweater or garment may have a given style of figure or color the neck portion may be made differently so as to give a dressy effect to the garment. And this also permits a change of the neck portion from one style to another, and the ready replacing of a part more apt to become soiled. In the rear of the neck opening and on the back of the sweater I provide a socket of a well known catch, as shown at E, and on the collar portion I provide corresponding head E′ to fit into the socket E. This style of connecting means is familiar and need not be further described. I do not limit myself to this particular style of such connecting means, but indicate one which is suitable for the purpose. When the wearer desires to put the collar in place the head E′ is fitted into the socket E which brings the collar within the neck opening and the ends of the collar are then put in the neck opening as indicate. with one end of the collar in Fig. 3. It will be noticed that the head E′ is not in the middle line of the collar, but to one side which permits the wearer to put the collar on so that it will come up a greater or less distance.

The collar is of such width that by reversing it it may be made to extend a greater or less distance up the back.

It permits also a great variation in the position which the ends may be given when crossed in front. In Fig. 3 I show, by dotted lines, what is meant, where the collar is brought up to protect the throat more completely.

Means of securing the ends in place may be employed and in that part of such figure I illustrate the ordinary head and socket by *e′* and *e* respectively, different sockets being shown to indicate a variety of adjustments.

It will thus be seen that I have provided a garment suitable for indoor and outdoor wear, which permits ready adaptation in either case, and in the instance illustrated I show a garment having the protection of a sweater and which obviates undue stretching and the well known inconvenience and discomfort of the high, thick and close neck portion when it is not needed for protection, and in all of which cases the garment need not be removed in adapting it for changed conditions.

Having described my invention what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:

1. A garment of the sweater type having a V-shaped neck opening and provided with neck portion attaching means at the rear of the neck opening and at the inner face of the sweater back, in combination with a removable reversible neck portion consisting of an elongated band adapted to fit within the sweater and extend up through said neck opening around the neck of the wearer, the free ends of said band lapping over the chest closing said neck opening and extending below the same within the sweater, said band at about the center of its length and to one side of the center of the width thereof being provided with means to coöperate with said attaching means of the sweater whereby said band can be reversed and attached at the back to vary the distance the band extends up around the neck.

2. A sweater, in combination with a removable reversible neck portion composed of an elongated band fitted within the sweater and extending up through the neck opening thereof around the neck of the wearer and having its free ends lapped within the sweater beneath the front or chest portion thereof, said band at the intermediate portion of its length provided with attaching means removably securing said band to the front face of the sweater back, said band provided with means for removably securing said overlapping ends together, substantially as described and shown.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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