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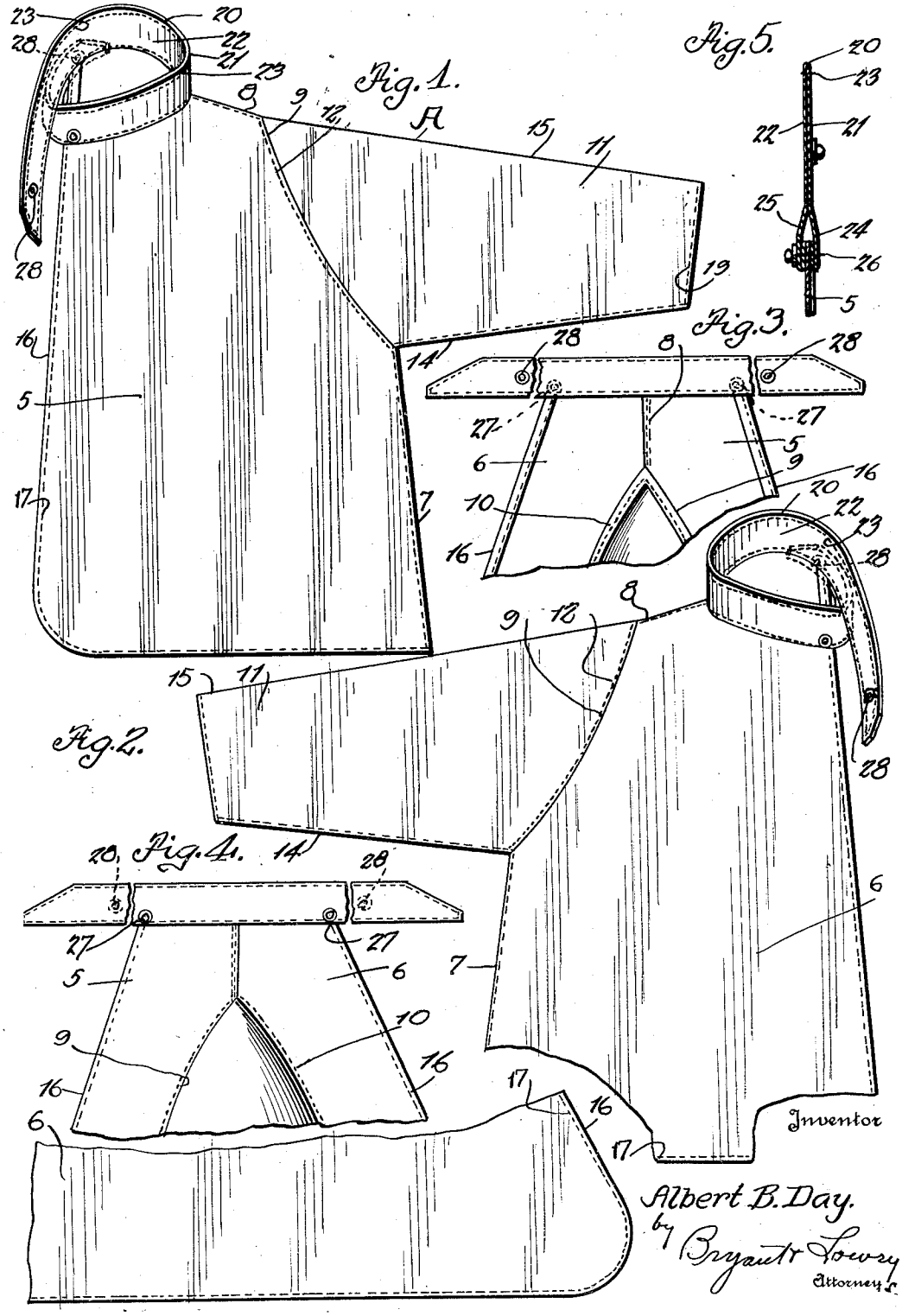

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This invention relates to garments adapted for use particularly by automobile drivers, for protecting the apparel of the driver from rain, sleet, and snow.

The primary object of this invention is to provide a device in the form of a garment which may be applied to the left or right hand side of the person to protect the arm of a vehicle driver while extending the arm for signals, as well as that side of the body and lap next the open window, thereby preventing the necessity of a full raincoat which are objectionable while driving a vehicle.

A still further object of this invention is to provide a garment for use by a person driving a vehicle which may be easily applied or slipped on in case of rain, sleet or snow.

A still further object of this invention is to provide a semi-garment of the above mentioned character which may be worn on either the right or left arm as the occasion may require.

A still further object of this invention is to provide a semi-garment which may be worn by an ice man for protecting the clothes while carrying ice on the back thereby preventing the clothes of the ice man from becoming water soaked.

Traffic signals are known to be universal and the regulation signal for stopping or turning is to extend the arm through the window of the vehicle and give the required signal. Should it be raining while the driver desires to extend his arm for giving a signal, the arm becomes wet and the driver's clothes generally become damp. In the case of an ordinary raincoat it is necessary to have the entire body covered by a heavy garment of a water proof type, which is cumbersome as well as warm.

The above disadvantages are overcome by providing a semi-coat having one sleeve which is usually the left arm, presented to the window, and also by providing a device adapted to be easily folded and stored in the pocket of the vehicle for ready use, whereby the driver may allow the window of the vehicle to remain open for giving traffic signals and still be protected from the climatical conditions.

Other objects and advantages of the invention will become apparent during the course of the following description forming a part of the specification and the appended drawings.

In the drawings, Figure 1 illustrates a plan view of the garment showing the arm in its extended position relative to the body portion for use on the left arm of the wearer;

Figure 2 is a fragmentary plan view showing the collar and the fastening straps for securing the garment to the wearer, and showing the garment for use on the right arm of the wearer;

Figure 3 is a fragmentary internal view looking through the open body portion of the arm or sleeve and showing the manner of assembling the body portion, to the neckband or collar;

Figure 4 is a fragmentary exterior view or side elevation showing the arrangement of the snap fasteners on the neckband, and Figure 5 is a cross sectional view showing the manner of securing the neckband to the body portion of the garment.

In the drawings wherein like reference characters are employed to designate like parts throughout the same, and wherein is illustrated a garment A comprising a body portion formed by sections 5 and 6 stitched along the lateral edges as at 7. The sections 5 and 6 are similar in shape in order that the garment may be adapted to the right and left side of the wearer. The sections 5 and 6 respectively are seamed along their upper edges as at 8 and are cut away as at 9 and 10 to form an armhole to which is secured a sleeve 11 by stitching the sleeve to the cut-away portions 9 and 10 as at 12. The sleeve 11 is formed of a single piece of material, preferably the same material as the body portions 5 and 6 such as rubber or any water-proof fabric, usually employed in the manufacture of the conventional form of raincoats. The sleeve 11 is stitched as at 14 and is bent upon itself along its upper edge as at 15.

The lateral edges of the body portions 5 and 6 are bent upon themselves as at 16 and stitched at 17 in order to finish the edges of

the garment. The free edge of the sleeve 11 may also be bent upon itself and stitched as at 19.

A retaining collar is secured to the upper portions of the sections 5 and 6 and the collar is formed of a strip of material bent upon itself as at 20 to form an inner and outer wall 21 and 22 respectively. The material may be stitched as at 23 and the lower edges are adapted to be folded upon themselves as at 24 and 25 and presented to the collar portion of the sections 5 and 6 and stitched as at 26.

Snap fasteners are adapted to be secured to the collarband and as shown in Figure 4 female fasteners 27 are secured to the outer fold 21 adjacent to the edges of the body portions 5 and 6. While the male members 28 are secured to the free ends of the collar on the inner fold 22 thereof, whereby the free ends of the collar may be overlapped as shown in Figures 1 and 2 and the snap fasteners 27 and 28 will be brought into engagement with one another whereby they may be fastened in the usual manner after encircling the wearer's neck.

It is to be understood that the garment is supposed to be a semi-garment and covers only one side and arm of the wearer and that the same may be constructed of any waterproof material, and also that the shape of the body portion and arm relative to size may be changed without departing from the spirit of the invention or the scope of the subjoining claim.

What I claim is:

A garment comprising front and rear sections of the same pattern and dimensions, said sections being joined together by a shoulder seam and a side seam there being an arm opening left between the adjacent ends of said seams, a sleeve joined with said sections at the arm opening, a collar consisting of a strip of material folded longitudinally upon itself and having its folds disposed at the opposite sides of the top edges of said front and rear sections and secured thereto, said collar having end portions extending beyond the inner edges of said sections and securing devices mounted upon the collar, some of said devices being located approximately in alinement with the inner edges of said sections and other of said devices being located upon the collar in the vicinity of the free ends thereof.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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