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Arm-Pit Shields.

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Fig. 1.



Fig. 2.

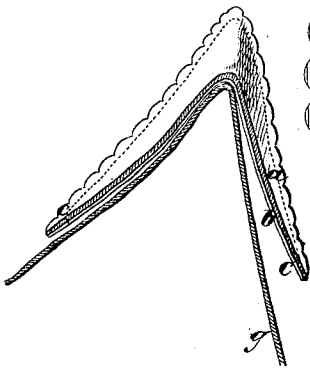
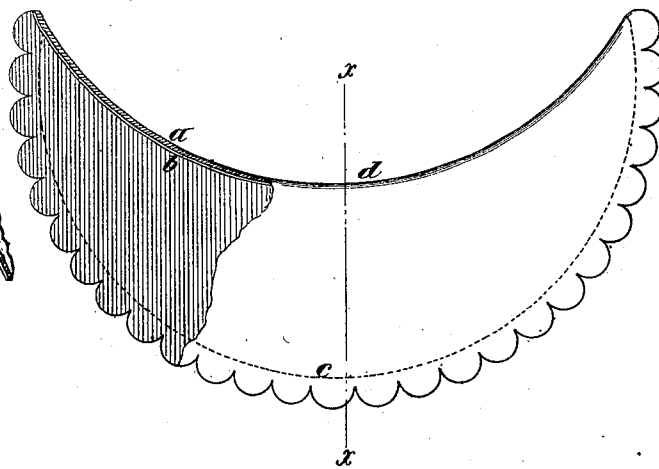


Fig. 3.



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IMPROVEMENT IN ARMPIT-SHIELDS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES SIBLEY, of New York city, in the county and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Ladies' Dress-Shields, of which the following is a specification:

The object of this invention is to provide means for protecting the dresses of ladies from the ruinous effects of perspiration under the arms; and it consists in a shield or protector made of what is known as chamois-skin or equivalent material and oiled silk or equivalent material in combination.

In the accompanying drawing, Figure 1 shows the shield as applied. Fig. 2 is a section of the shield taken on the line *xx* of Fig. 3. Fig. 3 is a side view.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

This shield is made in two parts or flaps, of crescent form, as seen in Fig. 3, doubled together, the parts being each of chamois-skin, or similar good absorbing material, and oiled silk. *a* is the leather. *b* is the oiled silk. The leather and the silk are stitched together, as seen in Fig. 2, at *c*. The upper portion *d* of the shield is also stitched. Fig. 3 is partly in section. The white line is the oiled silk, which is simply the lining of the leather. *g* is the

dress. The shield is worn between the arm and body and the dress, and is preferably attached to the dress. It absorbs the perspiration and protects the dress. The chamois-skin is a good absorbent, and the oiled silk prevents the moisture from reaching the dress. Other material may be used as an absorbent, but I prefer chamois-skin. The lining may also be of any light water-proof material; but oiled silk is preferred.

I do not confine myself to the particular form shown, but consider it the best for the purpose. Each flap may be made of more than two thicknesses, if desired, a soft and pliable absorbent and a water-proof lining being the essential feature of the invention.

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

As a new article of manufacture, an armpit-protector for ladies' dresses formed of an absorbent material, *a*, provided with a water-proof lining, *b*, substantially as shown and described.

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