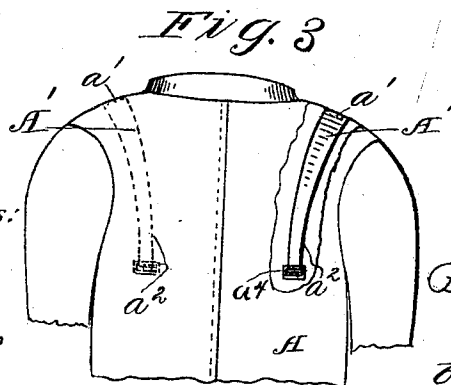
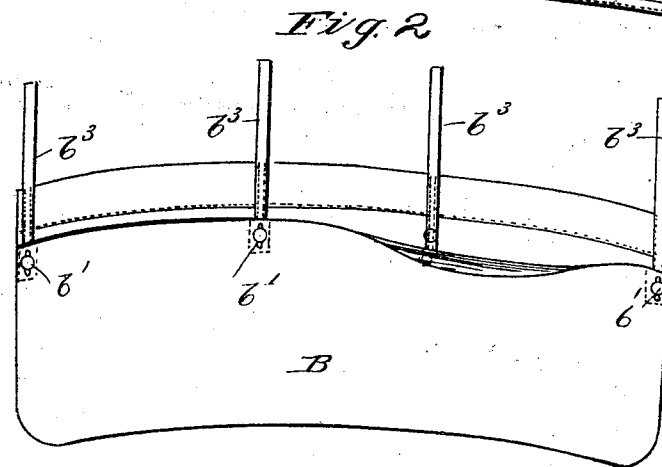
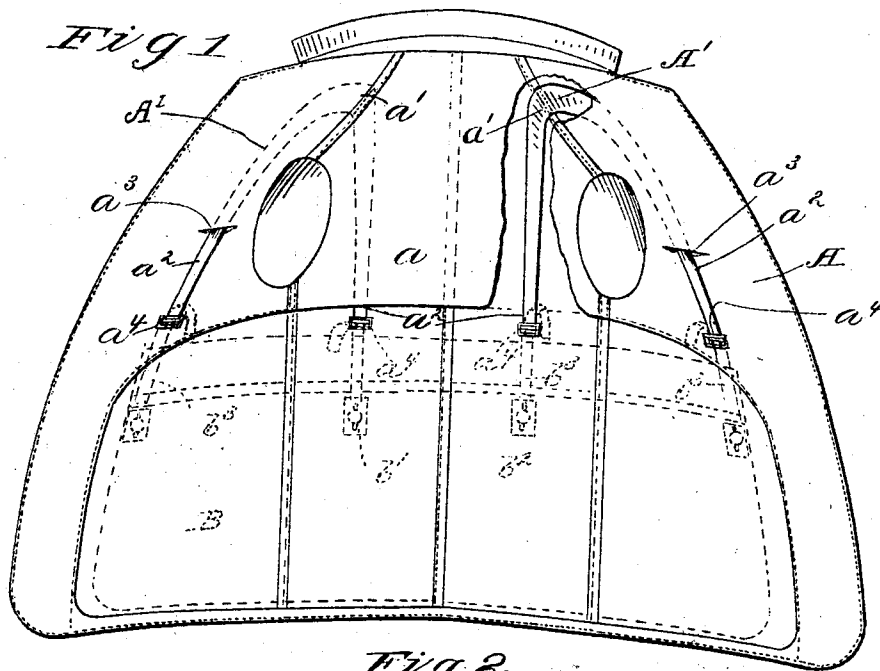


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, PERRY B. SHERMAN, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Cleveland, county of Cuyahoga, and State of Ohio, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Garments, of which the following is a specification, the principle of the invention being herein explained and the best mode in which I have contemplated applying that principle so as to distinguish it from other inventions.

The type of garment to which the present invention particularly relates, is a coat for the use of hunters or others similarly engaged, who require at least at times a garment having pockets of large capacity.

The object of the invention is the provision of a garment of this kind, from which the pockets are readily detachable, so that when not so engaged as to have use for the same, the wearer may remove such pockets and wear the garment as an ordinary coat. By having such pockets removable, a further advantage is attained, namely that of permitting them to be cleansed readily, as is desirable particularly when they have been used in carrying game about.

To the accomplishment of the above and related ends, said invention, then, consists of the means hereinafter fully described, and particularly pointed out in the claims.

The annexed drawing and the following description set forth in detail certain means embodying the invention, such disclosed means, constituting, however, but one of various forms in which the principle of the invention may be used.

In said annexed drawing:—Figure 1, is an inside view of a coat, embodying my several improvements, such coat being spread out flat, and the pocket being dotted in place as when in use; Fig. 2 is a view corresponding to Fig. 1, but showing the pocket by itself; and Fig. 3 is a broken rear elevational view of the garment as it would appear on the wearer, showing more particularly the manner in which the pocket is carried.

Referring to the several figures just described, the coat A, constituting the garment proper, will be seen to be constructed in the main in the usual fashion, being preferably made of canvas or like goods. The lining α wherewith such coat is provided, in the present instance only extends partly down the same, but this is a matter of indifference,

and it is contemplated that such lining could either be extended quite to the lower edge of the coat or be omitted entirely. Interposed between such lining and the material of the coat proper, are two straps A' , one passing over each shoulder of the garment, being sewed, together with the outer and lining materials, along the shoulder seam. At the points, as α' , where said straps thus pass over the shoulders they are considerably wider than at their ends so as to provide a relatively broad bearing surface. The ends α^2 of the straps on the contrary hang freely down from the shoulders of the garment, and are adapted to be brought through slits α^3 correspondingly located in the lining, but may be returned within such slits again when desired, so as to be completely hidden. These strap ends are provided with buckles or like fastening devices α^4 , by means of which the pocket B now being described, may be detachably secured to said straps, and thus to the coat. Such pocket, shown separately in Fig. 2, is of laterally elongated form, adapting it to lie within the skirt of the coat, the length being such that the pocket extends practically entirely around such skirt, save for the portion of the latter that overlaps in front when the coat is buttoned. Such pocket is conveniently separated into three compartments, by having its forward upper edge secured at two intermediate points b' b^2 of the rear edge by buttons or the like, and at corresponding points, such rear edge bears tabs b^3 that are adapted to be engaged by the buckles on the free ends of aforesaid straps A' . When thus attached, the pocket may be carried as though it were a part of the coat, but, owing to the weight being wholly supported by the shoulder straps, and their disposition being determined in the manner previously described, a considerable burden in the pockets is much more easily supported than in pockets formed directly in the garment itself in the usual fashion. The form of the garment moreover, is not so apt to be distorted, and what is of more importance, the entire pocket can be removed whenever desired, leaving, as it has been previously stated, the coat suitable for ordinary wear, and permitting of the ready cleansing of the pocket, as frequently becomes desirable when it is used for purposes such as those contemplated.

Other modes of applying the principle of

my invention may be employed instead of the one explained, change being made as regards the mechanism herein disclosed, provided the means stated by any of the following claims or the equivalent of such stated means be employed.

I therefore particularly point out and distinctly claim as my invention:—

1. The combination with an outer garment of the character described, of an elongated pocket apart from said garment but adapted to lie within the skirt thereof and extending substantially entirely around such skirt, and means firmly secured between the coat lining and material of the coat proper for detachably securing said pocket to said garment at points along said pocket intermediate thereof, said lining being provided with slits for such means to extend through when desired, whereby said means may be hidden between the coat lining and material of the coat after the removal of the pocket.

2. The combination with a coat, of an elongated pocket apart from said coat but adapted to lie within the skirt thereof and extending substantially entirely around such skirt, two shoulder straps secured in said coat between the lining and material of the coat proper, and means for detachably securing the ends of said straps to points at

the ends of said pockets and intermediately between such ends, respectively, said lining being provided with slits for such strap ends to extend through, whereby such ends may be hidden between the coat lining and material of the coat after removal of the pocket.

3. The combination with a coat, of an elongated pocket apart from said coat but adapted to lie within the skirt thereof, said pocket being co-extensive with such skirt and comprising a plurality of compartments, two straps firmly secured in said coat between the lining and material of the coat, one at each shoulder seam, the ends of said straps hanging freely and such lining being provided with slits for such ends to extend therethrough when desired, and means for detachably securing such strap ends to points at the ends of said pocket and between the compartments therein, respectively, said strap ends being adapted to be hidden between the coat lining and material of the coat proper after the removal of the pocket.

Signed by me this 19th day of November, 1908.

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