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BLOUSE WAIST.

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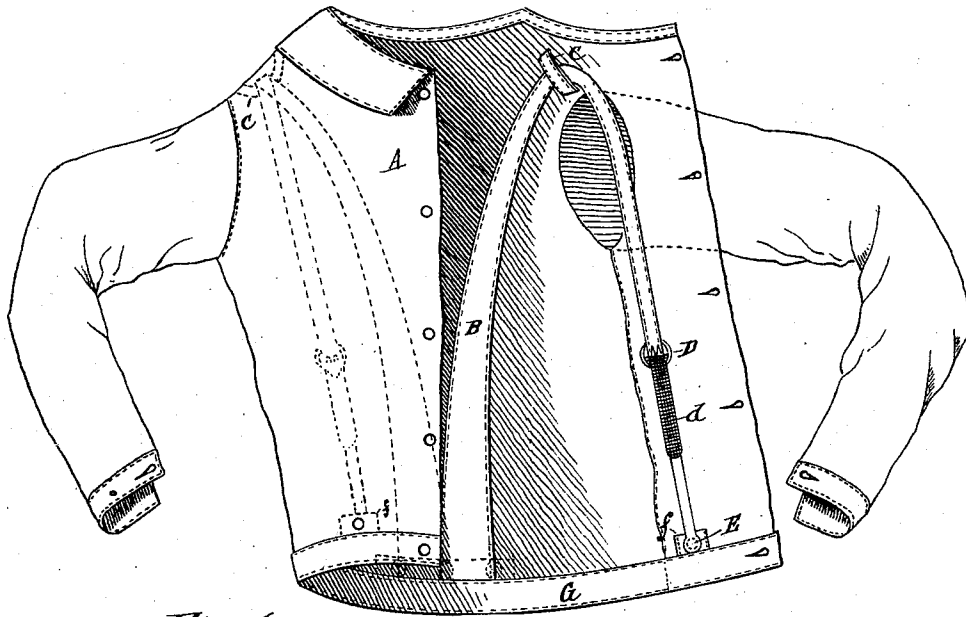


Fig. 1.

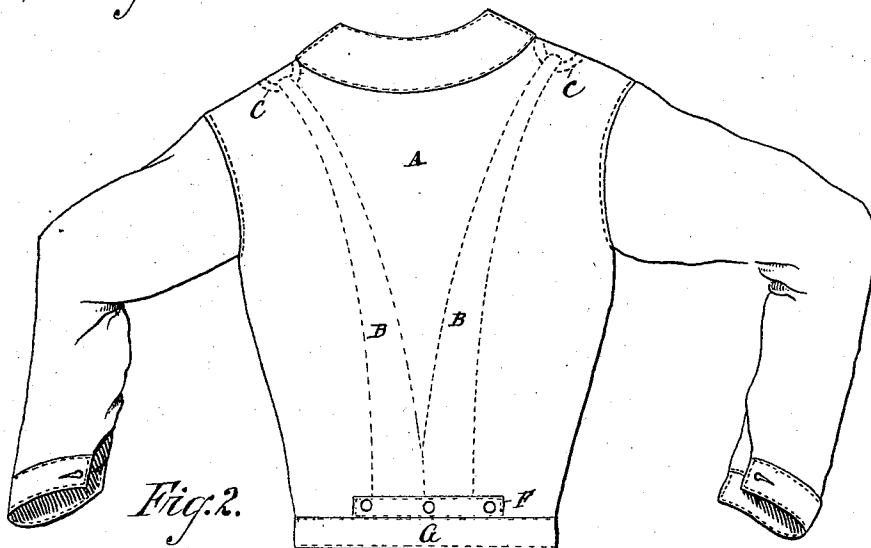


Fig. 2.

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BLOUSE-WAIST.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ROBERT E. LOWE, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Suspender Blouse Waist and Jacket, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to provide a jacket or blouse in combination with suspenders for supporting pantaloons or other garments.

Heretofore blouse-waists, especially those intended for children, have been made with buttons around the waistband, so that the waistband of the pantaloons or other garment could be buttoned thereto and the lower garment supported by the upper. The objection to this arrangement is, that the set of the blouse is injured. It is pulled down straight and loses its character, the fullness or blouse effect being entirely destroyed. I avoid this objection by the use of suspender-straps combined with the waist or blouse in the manner shown, and hereinafter described, and in this my invention consists.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a front view showing the outside and a portion of the inside of my improved combined blouse waist and suspenders. Fig. 2 is a back view of the outside of the said garment.

Similar letters refer to similar parts.

A represents the body of the blouse; G, the waistband; B B, suspenders; C, loops or straps formed on the inside of the garment at the shoulders to retain the suspender-straps in position; D, buckle or other device for adjusting the length of the suspenders.

F and *ff* are respectively back and front stay-pieces sewed to the blouse and provided with button-holes, through which the buttons E, attached to the ends of the suspenders, pass. To these buttons the pantaloons, skirt, or other lower garment is buttoned.

d is the elastic portion of the suspender-strap.

The stay-pieces F and *f* can be of the same material as the body of the garment, so as to wash equally well, and the absence of buttons also greatly facilitates the washing of the garment.

The invention can be adapted to garments worn by grown persons, as well as by children, of both sexes.

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

A blouse-waist provided with a waistband and having re-enforced button-holes, in combination with suspender-straps provided with buttons at the ends and passing under small loops attached to the inside of the blouse at or near the shoulders, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention I have signed my name, in presence of two witnesses, this 17th day of August, 1886.

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