

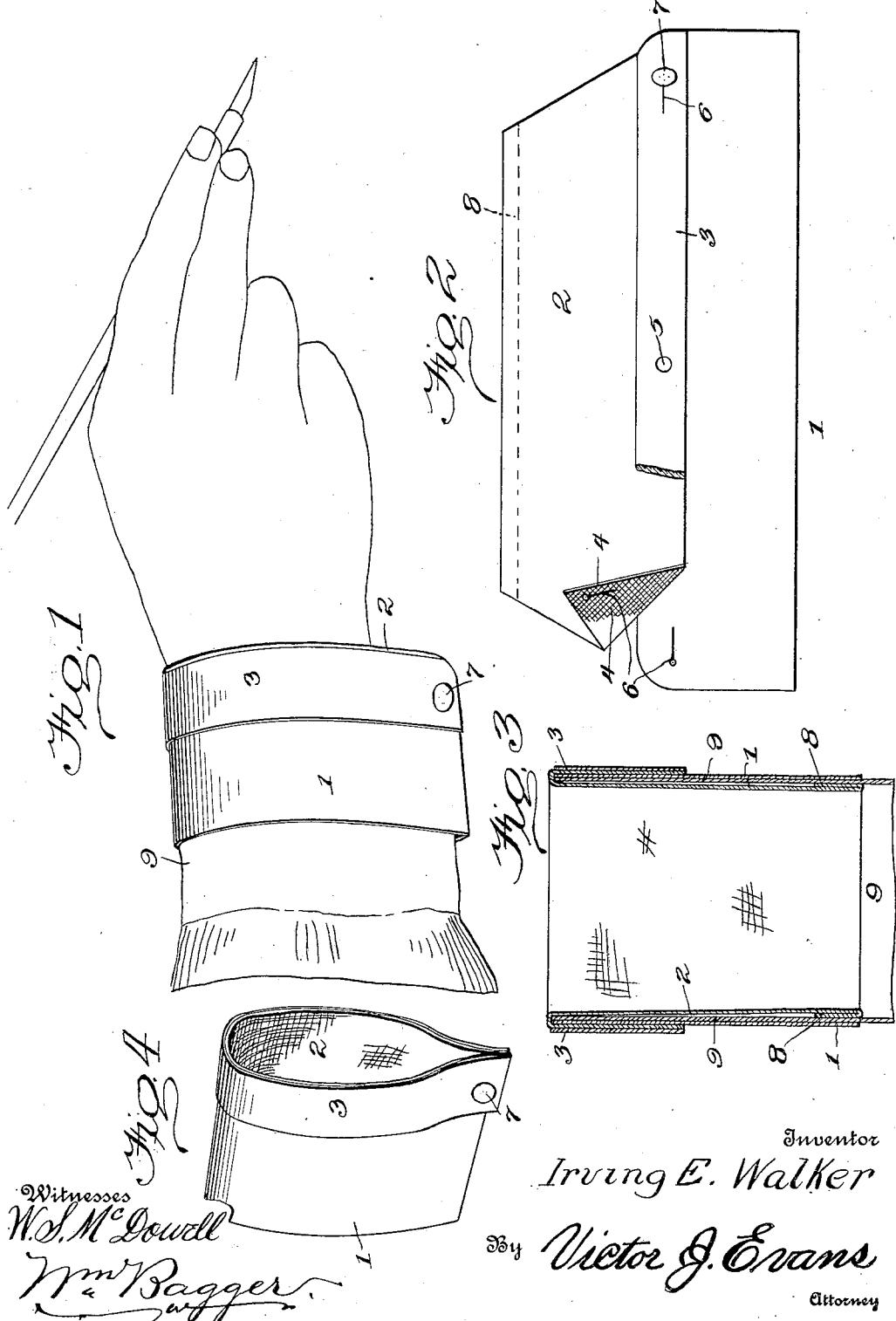
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GUFT PROTECTOR.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, IRVING E. WALKER, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Providence, in the county of Providence and State of Rhode Island, have invented new and useful Improvements in Cuff-Protectors, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to cuff protectors, and it has for its object to produce a simple and efficient device for this purpose.

With these and other ends in view, which will readily appear as the nature of the invention is better understood, the same consists in the improved construction and novel arrangement and combination of parts which will be hereinafter fully described and particularly pointed out in the claim.

In the accompanying drawing has been illustrated a simple and preferred form of the invention, it being, however, understood that no limitation is necessarily made to the precise structural details therein exhibited, but that changes, alterations and modifications within the scope of the claim may be resorted to when desired.

In the drawing,—Figure 1 is a perspective view showing the improved protector applied to the cuff or wrist band of a shirt. Fig. 2 is a plan view showing the outer side of the cuff protector, the same being flattened out and parts being broken away and partly raised to indicate the construction more clearly. Fig. 3 is a transverse sectional view enlarged of the cuff protector, showing the same in position upon the cuff or wrist band of a shirt. Fig. 4 is a perspective view showing the cuff protector detached.

Corresponding parts in the several figures are denoted by like characters of reference.

The improved cuff protector is composed of an inner impervious body of material 1, a foldable flap member 2 which is made preferably of textile material and an outer impervious retaining strip 3. The inner body 1 and the outer retaining strip 3 may be made of any suitable material, such as rubber fabric, indurated fiber, celluloid or the like, and the folding flap may be made of any suitable textile or other readily foldable material. The inner body 1 is of the approximate size and shape of an ordinary cuff. The foldable flap 2 is secured exteriorly upon and adjacent to the outer edge of the said body from which it projects in

an outward direction, as shown in Fig. 2, by means of glue or cement, as indicated at 4 in Fig. 2, or in any other suitable and convenient manner. The binding or retaining strip 3 may be secured in position by fastening means such as a rivet 5 extending through said fastening strip, through the flap member 2 and through the body 1. Adjacent to the ends of the protector are buttonholes 6 extending through the body member, the flap member and the retaining strip to enable the free ends of the device to be connected together by means of a button, link or other suitable fastening device, as indicated at 7. The flap member 2 may be provided adjacent to its outer edge with a hem 8.

In the use of this device, the improved protector is adjusted upon the sleeve surrounding the cuff or wrist band, and the flap 2 is then folded inward so that the wrist band, which is designated by 9, will be inclosed between the said flap and the body portion of the protector. Only the soft foldable material will come in contact with the edge of the wrist band which will thus be safely protected, and the device will be readily retained in position by frictional contact of the wrist band with the members 1 and 2 between which it lies.

The retaining strip 3 serves to reinforce the device, thus enabling the body portion 1 to be made of thinner material than would otherwise be possible. It also protects the portion of the foldable flap member 2 which is attached to the body member 1, preventing the cemented portion from becoming loosened or disengaged by friction. This strip also greatly reinforces the buttonholes 5 for the reception of the button or link 7, whereby the device is secured. Again, when worn or injured, this retaining strip may be readily detached and replaced by a new one at a nominal expense and with very little trouble.

As will be seen from the foregoing description, the improved cuff protector is extremely simple in construction, and it will be found thoroughly efficient for the purposes for which it is provided.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new, is:—

A cuff protector comprising a body member of impervious material, a retaining strip also of impervious material secured adjacent to one edge thereof and a flap of soft textile

material having a part thereof secured between the body member in the retaining strip, and a projecting portion adapted to be folded adjacent to the body member to 5 form a cuff-receiving pocket, said body member and retaining strip being provided with buttonholes near the ends thereof.

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

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