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Fig 1

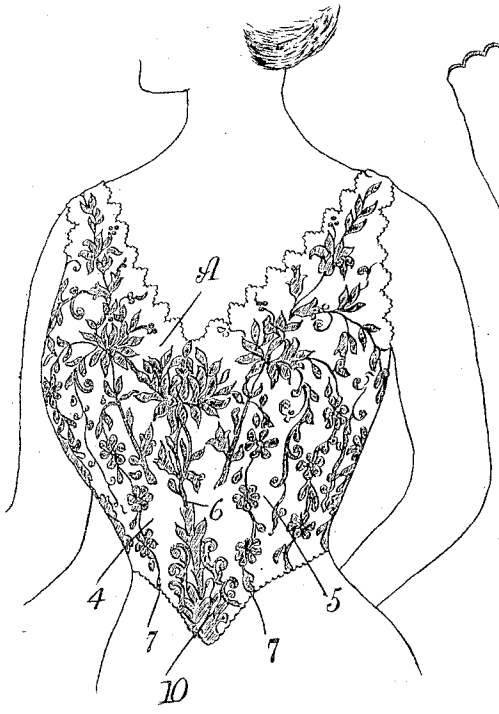


Fig 2

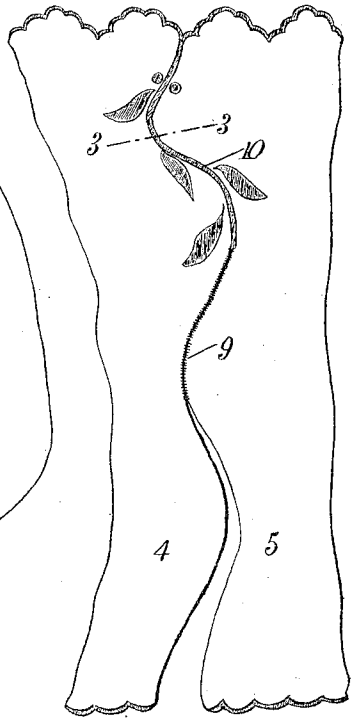
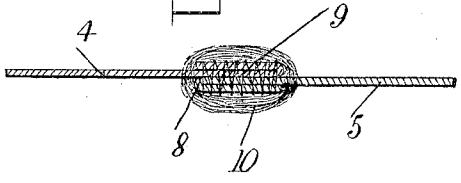


Fig 3



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM FREED, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of New York, borough of Manhattan, in the county and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Embroidered Apparel, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to wearing apparel, and an object of my invention is to so form a fitted article as to simulate a one-piece garment.

I attain the above-outlined object by constructing the garment of different pieces suitably seamed together, the seams taking the form of an embroidered design, and embroidering the article so that portions of the embroidery will hide the seams.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures, and in which—

Figure 1 is a front elevation of a corset cover illustrating a preferred embodiment of my invention; Fig. 2 is an enlarged fragmentary view of an article of apparel, showing the different steps in the formation of the embroidered seam, and Fig. 3 is an enlarged transverse sectional view showing the seam and its embroidered covering, and taken on the line 3—3 of Fig. 2.

In Fig. 1, I have shown a corset cover A of a suitable pattern fitting the form of the wearer. As is usual with articles of this character, the cover is made up of parts suitably fastened together, said parts as shown in the drawings, comprising right and left front sections 4, 5, fastened in front by any suitable means, as, for instance, a seam hid beneath the front element 6 of the embroidered design worked on the article. Each section 4 and 5 is fitted to the waist and bust of the wearer by darts hid beneath the elements 7, 7 of the embroidered design. The seams and darts are fastened together in any suitable manner. As shown more particularly in Fig. 3, which figure illustrates the joining of the fronts 4 and 5, the meeting edges overlap, as shown at 8, and each edge is folded back upon itself, the four layers thus formed being fastened together by stitching 9, and the seam hid by embroidery 10 bridging the curved seam.

It is not necessary to have the seams in straight lines or regular curves as is the case with fitted articles. I make the darts and seams to conform to certain elements of the embroidered design to be worked on the article, and, as shown in Fig. 2, the seam takes the undulating form of a vine.

It is, of course, to be understood that in addition to the necessary seam-covering elements of the embroidery, I may further embroider the article, so as to fill out a complete design in order to present a symmetrical, unitary pattern, and, at the same time, cover up any seams or other indications that the garment was made up of more than one piece.

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

1. An article of embroidery comprising a plurality of parts cut to fit a figure, said parts being formed with an embroidered design thereon with the edges of the parts conforming to and forming part of said design, an embroidered covering for the abutting edges of said parts, said embroidered covering merging into the embroidery forming said design, and presenting the appearance of a seamless article of apparel.

2. An article of embroidered apparel comprising a plurality of parts cut to fit a figure, said parts being formed with an embroidered design thereon with the edges of the parts conforming to and forming part of said design, an embroidered covering for the abutting edges of said parts, a line of stitching for connecting said abutting edges, said line of stitching being arranged beneath said embroidered covering whereby said embroidered covering covers said abutting edges and merges into said embroidered design.

3. An article of apparel comprising a plurality of parts, the abutting edges of each of said parts being overlapped and each overlapped portion being folded back upon itself, stitching for holding together said abutting edges, and a covering of embroid-

ery formed of threads for covering said overlapping edges, said covering of embroidery having the threads thereof passed entirely around said overlapping and folded back portions and through the adjacent parts.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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