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Fig. 1

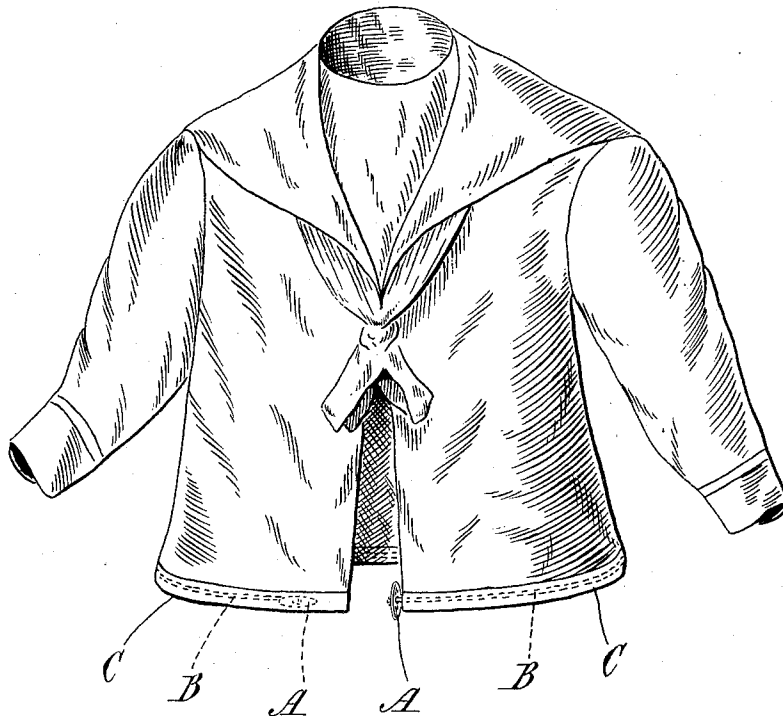


Fig. 2



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HELENE FEIERABEND, (née FRIEDRICH,) a subject of the German Emperor, residing at Stralsund, in Germany, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Garments, of which the following is a specification.

This invention is for improvements in or relating to draw-bands for wearing apparel and other articles and is particularly applicable to blouses, although the band may be used for any article in which a hem or run-way is provided for a tape used to secure the article.

As is well known the tape if it becomes unfastened is likely to slip back into the hem or run-way necessitating its being entirely withdrawn and then threaded through by means of a bodkin or the like and the object of the present invention is to provide a simple device that will effectually prevent the band from slipping back and also enable the latter to be easily threaded without the aid of any implement.

In the drawing, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a blouse having the present invention applied thereto. Fig. 2 is a detail view of one of the stopping pieces.

In the accompanying drawing which illustrates a blouse provided with a band constructed according to this invention, the stopping pieces are shown at A and the band is indicated at B. One stopping piece is shown in operative position outside the hem or run-way C, but the other is shown as threaded only partially through the same for the purpose of illustrating how it is brought into place. These stopping pieces may be of wood, bone or other material and are conveniently of elongated form having rounded ends. The band is secured to each stopping piece at a point approximately midway of its length and the stopping piece is of such length that it cannot be pulled through the hem unless placed endwise to the latter.

To thread the band into the hem one stopping piece is entered endwise into the run-way as shown on the left of Fig. 1 and can be easily worked through the same without the aid of any implement, drawing

the band after it. Each stopping piece when in operative position lies transversely to the hem as shown by the one on the right hand of Fig. 1 and as soon as the other stopping piece has been brought out of the opposite end of the run-way, it will also assume a position similar to that shown at the right of Fig. 1. The two stopping pieces will thus prevent either end of the band from being drawn into the hem and the band can be drawn tight and tied in the usual manner. If it is desired to remove the band, this can be readily done by turning one stopping piece endwise to the hem and drawing it through the same.

The invention is especially advantageous when rubber bands are employed. Rubber bands as at present used are sewn on at both ends and as they must be removed for washing there is always the inconvenience of having to undo the stitching, withdraw the band and then after washing, again thread the band and re-stitch whereas with the stopping devices described, the band requires no stitching, but can be easily threaded through in or out as described and is prevented from contracting into the hem by means of the stops.

What I claim as my invention and desire to secure by Letters Patent is:—

A garment having an open ended hem, a draw band therein, and a stopping piece carried by each end of the draw band, each stopping piece having a length exceeding the width of the hem and a width less than the width of the hem, and secured to the end of the band at the middle of the stopping piece with the lengthwise direction of the stopping piece disposed transversely of the band, whereby the stopping piece is adapted to lie across the adjacent open end of the hem at the outer side thereof, substantially as described.

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

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