To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN J. CRONIN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Plattsburg, in the county of Clinton and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Sleeves for Garments; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to improvements in sleeves for garments.

One object of the invention is to provide a sleeve for garments having an outer section which may be removed from the inner upper section to form a short sleeve or may be removed when soiled and replaced by a clean lower section thus obviating the necessity of laundering the entire garment when the cuffs or lower sections of the sleeves become soiled.

Another object is to provide a sleeve of this character having an improved form of connection between the upper, stationary section and the lower detachable section whereby the hand and arm may be readily slipped through the sleeve and whereby the fastening devices are covered and hidden from view.

With these and other objects in view, the invention consists of certain novel features of construction, and the combination and arrangement of parts as will be more fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings: Figure 1 is a perspective view of a portion of a shirt provided with my improved sleeve and showing the sections assembled to form a full length sleeve; Fig. 2 is a similar view with the lower section of the sleeve removed. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the lower section of the sleeve; Fig. 4 is a vertical sectional view of a portion of the upper and lower sections of the sleeve; Fig. 5 is a similar view of the lower end of the upper section.

Referring more particularly to the drawings 1 denotes the upper or inner section of the sleeve and 2 denotes the lower outer section thereof. The upper section 1 of the sleeve may be of any desired length and is shown here as terminating a short distance below the elbow. The lower end of the upper section 1 of the sleeve is turned up and folded upon itself and stitched to form an outer tuck 3, an inner tuck 4 and a central or intermediate tuck 5. In the intermediate tuck 5 are formed a series of button holes 6. The lower or outer section 2 of the sleeve is provided on its upper or inner end with a hem and has secured thereto a series of buttons 7 which are adapted to be engaged with the button holes 6 in the intermediate tuck 5 of the upper sleeve section thereby detachably connecting said sections of the sleeves together. The lower end of the lower section of the sleeve when engaged with the upper section and buttoned onto the tuck 5 has its upper end disposed between the intermediate tuck 5 and inner tuck 4, said upper end of the lower sleeve section being thus covered and protected by the inner tuck, so that in putting on the hand and arm through the sleeve, the hand or parts of other garment sleeves which may be on the arm will be prevented from catching into the upper end of the outer section of the sleeve, thus permitting the sleeve to be freely and easily slipped onto the arm.

By providing the outer tuck 3 which is of somewhat greater width than the intermediate tuck and disposed over the latter, said outer tuck will cover the button holes and buttons forming the connection between the two sections of the sleeve, thus hiding the connection from view as well as preventing the buttons from catching into other objects. By arranging the buttons on the lower detachable section of the sleeve the danger of the buttons catching into other objects when the lower section of the sleeve is removed is further obviated.

By means of a sleeve constructed in accordance with my invention, the lower end of the sleeve may be removed when desired thus obviating the necessity of rolling up and mussing the sleeve as is now the custom when it is desired to shorten or hold the sleeves up. By providing a plurality of lower sleeve sections the same may be removed from the upper sections when the cuffs or lower ends of the lower section become soiled and a fresh clean section attached to the upper sleeve section in place of the soiled section thereby obviating the necessity of changing the entire garment when the lower ends or cuffs of the sleeves become soiled.

It will be noted by reference to Figs. 3 and 4 of the drawings that the edge of the material at the outer end of the upper sec-
tion of the sleeve after forming the tucks as herein described is turned in and stitched between the material forming the tucks so that no obstruction is formed to interfere with the free passage of the hand and arm through the sleeve.

By the various lengths and plurality of tucks as arranged, the lower edge of the upper section 1 is gradually reduced in thickness and when the upper connecting edge of the lower section is properly positioned and attached to said upper section no appreciable discomfort will be experienced by the wearer and a uniform flexibility of the sleeve is maintained. Further the construction and various lengths of the tucks permit the same to be separated to expose the button holes for receiving the buttons.

From the foregoing description taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, the construction and operation of the invention will be readily understood without requiring a more extended explanation.

Having thus described my invention what I claim is:

A garment sleeve comprising an upper section and a lower or detachable section, said upper section having its edge formed with a plurality of receiving tucks of variable length comprising folds of the material upon itself whereby an outer wide guard or member is formed and the folded portions gradually reduced in width, an intermediate protecting member provided with a series of button holes, and buttons secured to the lower or detachable section adjacent to the edge thereof, the latter being adapted to be inserted between the inner and intermediate tucks with the buttons in contact with the outer wide tuck whereby the wide tuck can be readily grasped and separated for exposing the buttons secured to the lower section, said buttons being entirely covered by and projected from both sides of the sleeves when the sections are connected by the tucks thus constructed.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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