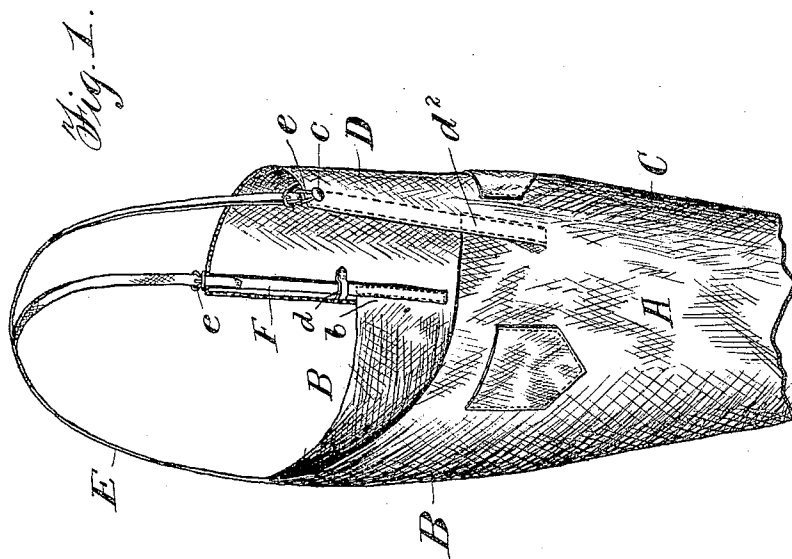
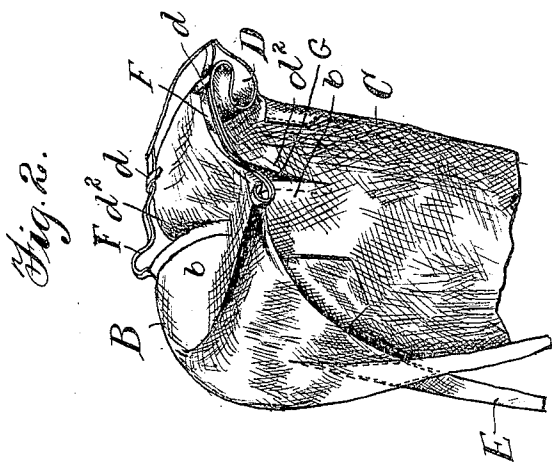


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HYMAN EDELMAN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have
5 invented certain new and useful Improvements in Overalls; and I do hereby 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
10 and use the same.

The usual procedure in overalls, embodying hanging or let-down bibs, as heretofore manufactured is to employ buttons and buttonholes to retain the placket of the bib in
15 proper closed position at all times when the overalls are in use. A workman using overalls very often has sore or soiled fingers or is in a hurry, so rather than subject himself to the trouble, discomfort, and delay of buttoning
20 the placket he carelessly leaves the gaping placket constantly unbuttoned and loose. Hence an unsightly, untidy, and careless appearance is presented, besides presenting quite extended openings for the insifting of
25 dirt and dust to soil the clothes that the overalls are supposed to protect therefrom. Further, in overalls embodying a let-down bib and using buttons and buttonholes to fasten the placket thereof in proper closed position
30 after the overalls have been in use a short time the thread holding the buttons becomes worn and the buttons fall off. Also the buttonholes become enlarged by wear, and thus the buttons fail to retain their hold in the
35 buttonholes when inserted therein.

The objects of my invention, therefore, are, first, to remedy all these defects, and, second, by my peculiar construction to present a stronger and more durable overall than is in
40 use at present. To these ends, while still retaining the principle and the advantage of a let-down bib, I dispense with the objectionable buttons and buttonholes at the placket of the bib and in lieu thereof employ novel
45 means in the nature of broad straps to hold the placket of the overalls in proper closed position at all times when the overalls are in use and in all positions which the body of the wearer assumes in working, whether stand-
50 ing up straight or bending down or stooping over, as is necessitated by the nature of work performed by a bricklayer, a hod-carrier, a pavement-repairer, or the like.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is
55 a side perspective of my improved overalls as they appear when in use on the wearer

thereof, and Fig. 2 is a similar view of my improved overalls as they appear when the wearer thereof is about to draw the leg portions over his legs in putting on the overalls. 60

Referring to the drawings, A designates a leg portion of my overalls; B, the seat portion, carrying the usual suspenders E, having the usual buckle-hooks *ee*, and C the front
65 body portion.

The bib D is preferably made integral with the body portion C and carries the usual buttons *c*, engaging hooks *e*.

The seat B is formed at the forward ends into two flaps *b b*, and the bib D, overlapping
70 these flaps, (see Fig. 1,) forms the side placket G. This overlapping or underlying flap arrangement is important, as it aids very materially in keeping out the dirt and dust from the trousers over which the overalls are worn. 75

Extending desirably the entire depth of the flaps *b* (see Fig. 1) and desirably secured thereto by strong fastening means, such as stitching, are broad flat straps F F, constituting the gist of my invention. I strengthen
80 or reinforce the plackets by extending the straps the entire distance of the flaps. Thus it will be seen that I effect a very material strengthening or reinforcement of the garment at this point. 85

The straps are desirably of elastic material, or a portion elastic, and are secured at their upper ends to the bib, being of such length, as shown in Fig. 1, that when drawn taut or fully extended they will lie snugly against the
90 bib D, drawing the overlapping portion of flaps *b* closely against the under surface of the bib D, effecting a closure of the placket. (See Fig. 1.) By my provision of broad straps an extended surface thereof is presented for
95 secure attachment to the flaps, especially as such straps extend the entire depth of the placket, and any danger of pulling loose of the straps is avoided.

When the overalls are on the body of the
100 wearer, the elastic straps are stretched, and even if the workman leans over or stoops down the flaps *b* will not gape or yawn, but remain closed, and the dirt and dust are kept out from the trousers no matter what position
105 is assumed by the body of the wearer.

Guiding-loops *d* on the under side of bib D may be provided, through which straps F pass.

In the operation of drawing on the over-
110 alls the straps will allow the bib to hang loose and the placket to gape or yawn (see Fig. 2)

just as if buttons and buttonholes were employed and the buttons disengaged from their buttonholes, permitting of greatest ease in getting into the overalls.

5 Having thus fully described my invention, I claim as new—

10 In overalls, a bib, a seat portion formed at its front or forward part into flaps overlapping or underlying the bib, forming a placket, and broad, elastic straps extending the entire depth of the underlying flaps and fastened thereto by strong securing means, said straps

extending upward beyond the flaps and secured again to the upper portion of the bib; whereby the elasticity of the straps maintains 15 a closure of the flaps under any position assumed by the wearer of the garment, as by stooping over or bending down.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in the presence of two subscribing witnesses. 20

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