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Fig. 1

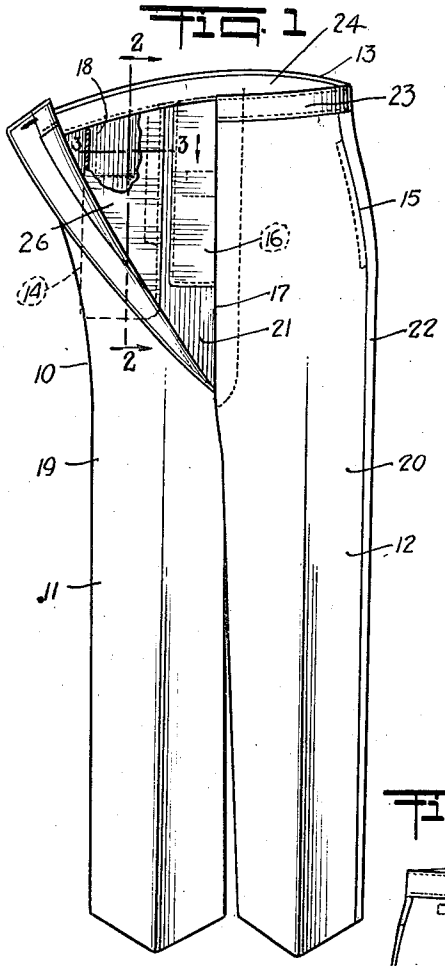


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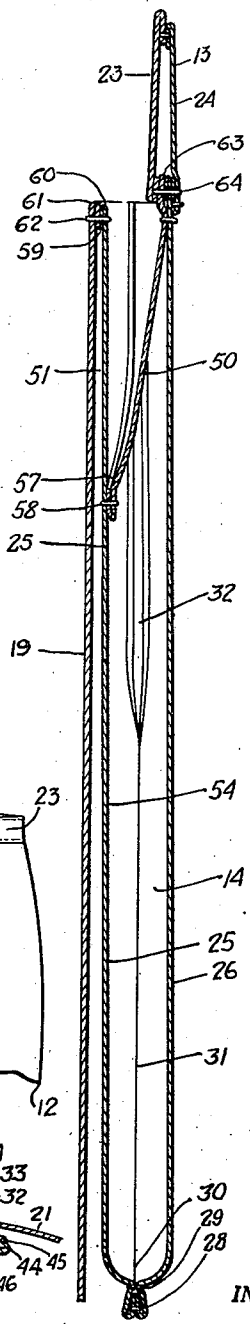


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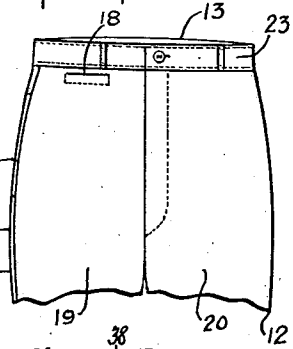
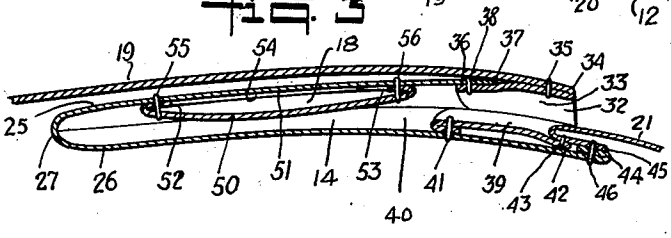


Fig. 3



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This invention relates generally to trouser construction and more particularly to a pants pocket construction.

In trousers as heretofore known it is usual to provide a small pocket extending inwardly of the garment and disposed in the upper right hand portion of the front leg member adjacent the waistband. In some cases a comparable pocket is provided in the opposite front leg member in a corresponding position. Such pockets are principally used by the wearer of the garment for containing a watch, coins, or other small articles. Most frequently the pocket is used for a watch or coin. Owing to the fact that the article or articles within the pocket are usually of a hard or metallic nature they form in the pocket walls corresponding protuberances which are subject to greater abrasion. The excessive wear caused by such abrasion frequently results in rupture of the pocket forming panel at such points and the articles within the pocket may accidentally escape through the opening or openings formed by such rupture and drop completely through the trouser leg to become lost.

It is among the principal objects of the present invention to provide improved watch pocket construction whereby the inner wall of the watch pocket is in the form of a joint wall shared by the nearest large pants pocket so that in the event of rupture of the rear wall of the watch pocket, the contents of the watch pocket will not become lost but will drop down into the large pants pocket.

In accordance with known constructions the watch pocket and the side pants pocket are independently fabricated as separate units and are then subsequently attached or integrated with the trousers.

In accordance with the present construction the watch pocket and the large side pocket of the pants are correlated so as to have common structure and considerable saving in material and labor is accomplished in the manufacture thereof.

It is, therefore, another object herein to provide pants pocket construction in which the pants pocket may be installed in the pants in a more rapid and convenient manner.

These objects and other incidental ends and advantages will more fully appear in the progress of this disclosure and be pointed out in the appended claims.

In the drawing, in which similar reference characters designate corresponding parts throughout the several views:

Figure 1 is a front opened view in perspective of a pair of pants incorporating my improved pocket construction.

Figure 2 is an enlarged fragmentary vertical sectional view as seen from the plane 2—2 on Figure 1.

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Figure 3 is an enlarged fragmentary horizontal sectional view as seen from the plane 3—3 on Figure 1.

Figure 4 is a fragmentary front view in perspective of the pair of pants shown in Figure 1, but in closed position thereof.

In accordance with the invention, the trousers or pants 10 may, with the exceptions noted in the progress of this disclosure, be constructed in the usual and well known manner and may include a right trouser leg 11, a left trouser leg 12, a waistband 13, a right side pocket 14, a left side pocket 15, a rear pocket 16, a fly opening 17, and an auxiliary or watch pocket 18. The right and left trouser legs (the designations right and left herein are used as they would by the wearer of the trousers) include front panels 19 and 20 and rear panels 21 and 22, respectively. The waistband 13 may include an exposed or outer portion 23 and a concealed or inner portion 24.

The right side pocket 14 includes a front wall 25 and a rear wall 26. As is well known in the art, the front wall 25 and the rear wall 26 may be composed of a single piece of pocket forming material folded at the fold 27 and connected at the bottom of said pocket 30 by the seams 28 and 29. The front and rear panels are also joined by an extension of the seams 28 and 29 along the lower portion of the rear edge 31, extending upwardly to the right side pocket opening 32.

The borders of the opening 32 may be faced in a well known manner, an example of which is given in the showing of Figure 3 in which the facing 33 is formed by folding inwardly the free edge of the front panel 19 at 34, securing the same with the exposed row of stitching 35, and connecting the edge 36 to the edge 37 by the stitches 38. The rear facing 39 may be secured to the inner surface 40 of the rear wall 26 by a row of stitches 41. The rear or outer edge 42 may be connected to the forward edge of the rear panel 21 by a row of stitches 43, while the edge 44 may be folded upon itself and connected to the edge 45 of the rear panel 21 by a row of stitches 46.

The auxiliary or watch pocket 18 includes a rear wall 50 and a front wall portion 51, the front wall portion 51 being a part of the front wall 25. The left side edge 52 and the right side edge 53 of the wall 50 are preferably folded toward each other and connected to the inner surface 54 of the front wall 25 by the stitches 55 and 56. The lower edge 57 of the rear wall 50 is folded upwardly and secured to the front wall 25 by the stitches 58. The stitches 55, 56, and 58 are preferably installed when the pocket 14 is in the process of manufacture and the walls 25 and 26 are co-planar. The wall 50 is then secured in place by lapping the edges thereof and by preferably running a single continuous row of stitches which includes the stitches 55, 56, and

58. The upper edge 59 of the front wall portion 51 is folded upon itself at 60 and connected to the upper edge of the panel 19 which has been similarly folded at 61 by a row of stitches 62. The upper edge 63 of the rear wall 50 is connected preferably with the upper edge of the rear wall 26 between the front and rear portions 23 and 24 of the waistband 13 by a row of stitches 64.

It may thus be seen that I have provided a novel and useful pants pocket construction. Not only is there a reduction in the cost of production of this construction because of the saving in material and labor but loss of articles in the auxiliary or watch pocket by rupture of the back wall thereof is prevented.

Since the wall 50 has the upper edge thereof exposed above the edges 61 and 60 since the latter edges very frequently sag slightly after the trousers 10 have been worn for a while, the wall 50 may be made of the same material (face out) as that of which the panel 19 is composed, and by virtue of the relatively small size of the wall 50 it may be cut out of clippings remaining from the bolt web of cloth when the panels 19—22 inclusive, are cut. This also saves the labor of piecing together a small cutting of the outer material such as that of which the panels 19—22 and the band 23 are made and a new piece of lining as is shown in prior art constructions.

I wish it to be understood that I do not desire to be limited to the exact details of construction shown and described, for obvious modifications will occur to a person skilled in the art.

I claim:

1. A garment pocket construction comprising: a garment having a main pocket including a front wall and a rear wall, said main pocket having a side opening; and an auxiliary pocket disposed within said main pocket, said auxiliary pocket having a back wall, an edge of which is connected to the said front wall; whereby said front wall forms the front wall portion of said auxiliary pocket.

2. A garment pocket construction for use with contents, comprising: a garment having a main pocket including a front wall and a rear wall, said main pocket having a side opening; and an auxiliary pocket disposed within said main pocket, said auxiliary pocket having a back wall, an edge of which pocket back wall is connected to the inner surface of the front wall; whereby said front wall forms the front wall portion of said auxiliary pocket so that upon rupture of said back wall, the contents of the auxiliary pocket may pass through the opening of said rupture into the main pocket.

3. A garment pocket construction, said garment having a garment panel with an opening; a main pocket associated with said garment panel and disposed inwardly thereof, said main pocket including a front wall and a rear wall, and having a side opening, a portion of the upper edge of said front wall being connected to an edge of the said garment opening; an auxiliary pocket disposed within said main pocket and having a back wall, the lower and side edges of said back wall being connected to said front wall; the upper edge of the back wall being connected to the upper edge of the rear wall; whereby said garment opening forms an entrance to the auxiliary pocket, the front wall of which is formed by a portion of the front wall of the main pocket.

4. A garment pocket construction, said garment having a laminated waist band and a garment panel with an opening disposed between the

upper edge of the garment panel and the lower edge of the waist band; a main pocket associated with said garment panel and disposed inwardly thereof, said main pocket including a front wall and a rear wall and having a side opening, a portion of the upper edge of said front wall being connected to the upper edge of the said garment opening at the upper edge of the garment panel; an auxiliary pocket disposed within said main pocket and having a back wall, the lower and side edges of said back wall being connected to the said front wall; the upper edge of the back wall being connected to the upper edge of the rear wall; the upper edges of the rear wall and the back wall being secured between the laminations of the waist band; whereby said garment opening forms an entrance to the auxiliary pocket, the front wall of which is formed by a portion of the front wall of the main pocket.

5. A garment pocket construction, said garment having a garment panel with an opening; a main pocket associated with said garment panel and disposed inwardly thereof, said main pocket including a front wall and a rear wall, a portion of the upper edge of said front wall being connected to the upper edge of said garment opening; said main pocket having side opening; an auxiliary pocket disposed within the main pocket and adapted to carry a watch or similar small article, said auxiliary pocket having a back wall, the lower and side edges of which are connected to the inner surface of the front wall; the upper edge of the back wall being connected to the upper edge of the rear wall; whereby said garment opening forms an entrance to the auxiliary pocket, the front wall of which is formed by a portion of the front wall of the main pocket.

6. Combination pants pocket and watch pocket construction comprising: a front wall and a rear wall discontinuously interconnected at the edges thereof to form a main pocket having a top and a side opening; a back wall smaller in size than the front wall and disposed between the front wall and the rear wall, the side and bottom edges of said back wall being connected to the inner surface of the front wall to form a watch pocket, the upper edge of the back wall forming, together with a portion of the upper edge of the front wall an opening affording entrance to the watch pocket.

7. The method of producing a garment pocket construction comprising the steps of taking a main pocket blank including front and rear wall portions; securing an auxiliary pocket back wall blank along at least one edge thereof to the said front wall portion; joining the lower portions of the opposed remaining free side edges of the main pocket blank to form a side opening and a tube therebelow and securing the upper edge of the auxiliary back wall blank to the upper edge of the rear wall portion of the main pocket blank.

8. The method of producing a garment pocket construction comprising the steps of taking a main pocket front wall and a rear wall blank; securing an auxiliary pocket back wall blank along at least one edge thereof to the said front wall blank; joining the lower portions of the opposed side edges of the front and rear wall blanks of the main pocket to form a side opening therein; and securing the upper edge of the rear wall pocket blank to the upper edge of the auxiliary pocket back wall blank.

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