A. SHENFIELD.

SUSPENDER BUTTON-STRAP.

No. 169,855. Patented Nov. 9, 1875.

Fig. 1.

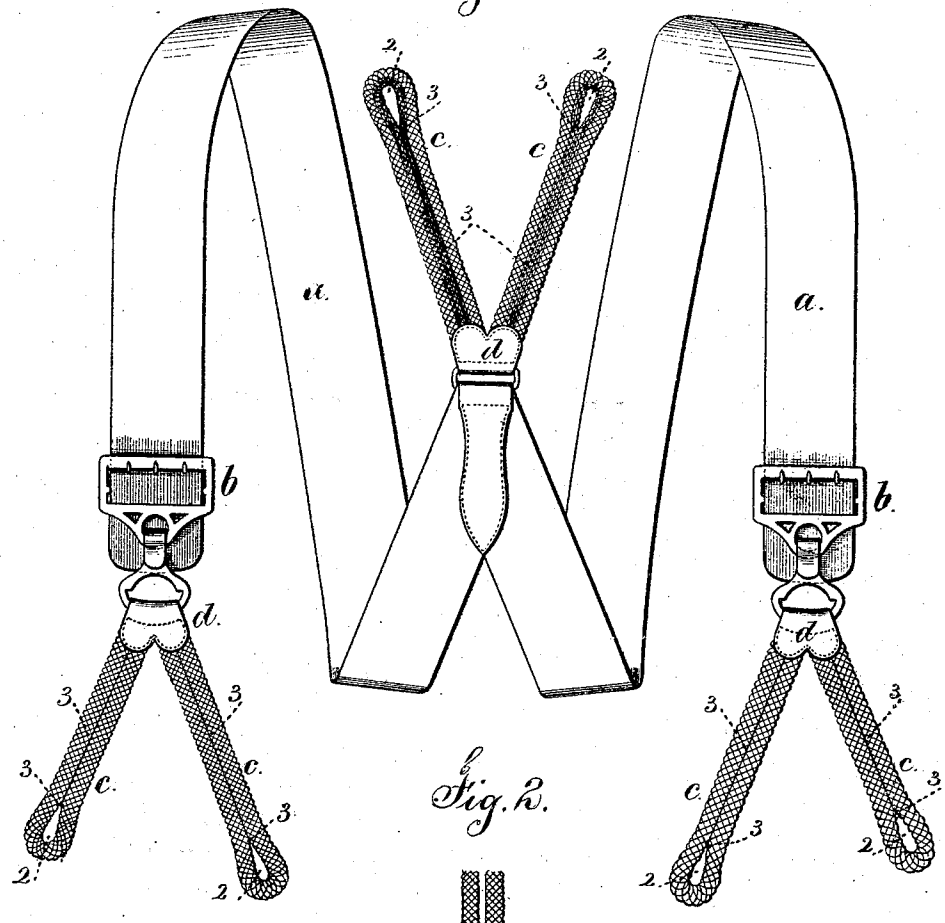
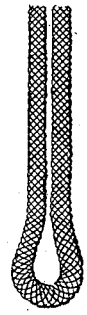


Fig. 2.



Witnesses,

Chas. H. Smith

Geo. T. Pinckney

Inventor

Abraham Shenfield

by Samuel W. Serrell

atty.

N. PETERS, PHOTO-LITHOGRAPHER, WASHINGTON, D. C.

UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE.

ABRAHAM SHENFIELD, OF NEW YORK, N. Y.

IMPROVEMENT IN SUSPENDER BUTTON-STRAPS.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. **169,855**, dated November 9, 1875; application filed August 2, 1875.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ABRAHAM SHENFIELD, of the city and State of New York, have invented an Improvement in Suspenders, of which the following is a specification:

Suspender-ends have been made of leather, felt, jean, and similar material, with the button-hole cut in the same, and in most instances the materials have been pasted together, in addition to lines of stitching surrounding the button-hole.

Suspender-ends have also been made of a round cord, with the ends turned back and fastened to form loops; but this round cord is objectionable, as it does not lie flat against the person or beneath the buttons.

I make use of a suspender-end made of a double flattened cord or strip, bent around into a loop, and united together, leaving sufficient of the loop open to form the button-hole. At the other end the suspender-end is united to a buckle or clasp by a loop, or folded piece of leather, or other material stitched to the suspender-end. My suspender-end, made as aforesaid, is a new and very useful article of manufacture.

In the drawing, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the suspender complete, and Fig. 2 illustrates the mode of making the suspender-end.

The straps *a* and buckles *b* of the suspender are of any usual or desired character, and the suspender-ends *c* are received between the attaching-pieces *d*, and united by sewing or otherwise. Each suspender-end is formed of a flattened cord or strip folded to form the button-hole loop 2, and the edges united together, as at 3, so as to leave the necessary opening for the button.

The cord or strip of flat material is composed of silk, linen, cotton, worsted, or other suitable threads, or a mixture of two or more, and the threads are woven, braided, knitted, crocheted, or otherwise laid up into the form of a complete flat cord or strip, and when the strip is folded to form the button-hole loop the seam at 3 may be made by sewing, knitting, crocheting, or otherwise; or the knitting or crocheting is commenced at the central line 3, and extended at both sides thereof and around the button-hole by the successive ranges of interlocked loops.

This suspender-end can either be made by hand or by machinery.

I claim as my invention—

The suspender-end made of a flat cord or strip of fibrous material, bent into a loop, laid flatwise, united at the inner edges 3, and connected to the attaching-pieces *d*, as set forth.

Signed by me this 30th day of July, A. D. 1875.

ABRAHAM SHENFIELD.

Witnesses:
GEO. T. PINCKNEY,
CHAS. H. SMITH.