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Fig. 1.

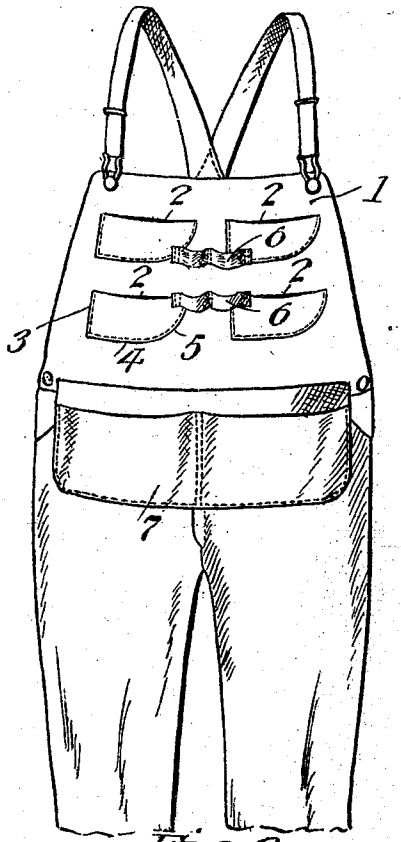


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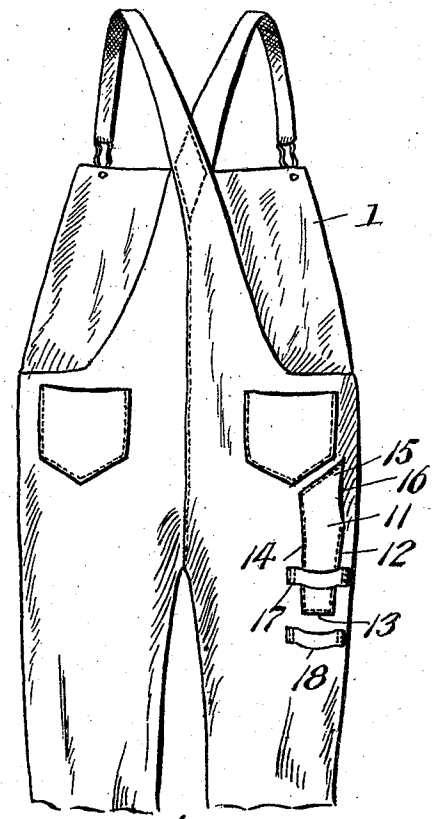


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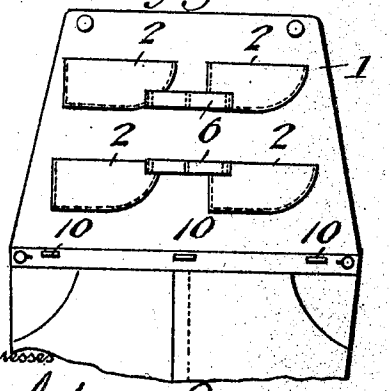
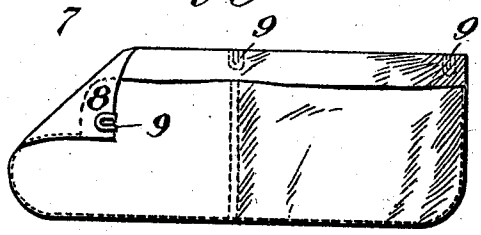


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FREDRICK H. BRIGHAM, a citizen of the United States, residing at Baltimore, in the State of Maryland, have invented new and useful Improvements in Overalls, of which the following is a specification.

The invention relates to an improvement in overalls, and particularly to overalls provided with pockets designed for carrying tools or the like.

The main object of the present invention resides in providing the overalls with a series of pockets particularly designed and arranged for the convenient carrying or supporting of the tools of a mechanic, whereby said tools are supported to permit their convenient withdrawal when desired for use.

The invention consists in the details hereinafter described in the specification, reference being had particularly to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a front view of the overalls of my invention; Fig. 2, a rear view of the same; Fig. 3, a view of the upper portion of the overalls, the detachable apron of my invention being removed. Fig. 4 is a front view of the apron detached.

Referring to the drawings, it will be noted that the overalls shown and described are, with the exception of the details hereinafter specified, of ordinary construction, though they may, so far as my invention is concerned, be of any desired form or material.

In carrying out my invention I provide the bib 1 of the overalls with a series of nail-pockets 2, preferably four in number and arranged in two rows transverse the length of the bib. These pockets are preferably constructed of a single strip of material stitched along three edges to the body of the bib, the upper edge being unconnected to the bib to afford an entrance to the pocket. The pocket-strip has one straight edge 3, joining the bottom at a right angle, the edge of the strip opposite edge 3 being formed by gradually curving the bottom edge 4 in an upward direction, whereby to provide a rounded corner 5 for these pockets. The rounded corners are particularly useful in nail-pockets, as they prevent lodging of the nails in the extreme corners of the pocket and, furthermore, direct the nails in the pockets to the opposite corners.

In addition to the nail-pockets the bib is provided with straps 6, preferably two in number and secured in parallel relation transverse the bib. Each of these straps comprises a single length of material of double or single thickness stitched to the body of the bib by vertical stitches passing through the ends of the straps and through the central portion thereof, thus providing four hanger-straps arranged in pairs in vertical alinement. These hanger-straps are primarily designed to support a screw-driver or similar tool which is to be passed vertically through a pair of alined straps.

To provide for carrying a considerable quantity of articles, such as nails or the like, I removably secure to the overalls an apron 7, constructed of a single strip of material folded back upon itself on a line beyond the median line of the strip and secured by stitching along the line of fold and the side edges of the folded sections. A central line of stitching parallel to the side edges of the apron divides the front section of the material and forms two pockets in the apron arranged side by side. An apron is thus constructed having duplicate pockets arranged side by side, with the cover or material forming the front of the pockets terminating on a line below the material forming the rear of the pockets, thereby providing for easy and convenient entrance into the pocket. The upper edge of the length of material forming the rear of the pockets is reinforced by a longitudinally-arranged strip 8, this construction also serving to provide for the securing of ordinary clasp members 9 between the body of the material and said reinforce. The clasp members 9 are secured in position with their hooked ends depending in rear of the apron and are adapted for engagement with keepers or eyes 10, secured in the reinforce-waistband of the overalls. By preference the clasps are three in number, though it is to be understood that I contemplate the use of as many as may be found desirable with regard to the particular use for which the apron is designed.

On the rear side of one leg of the overalls I provide a pocket of peculiar construction adapted for the secure holding of a rule or a pencil or the like. This pocket is formed of a single strip of material 11, having a straight edge 12, a lower edge 13 at right angles to the straight edge, a side edge 14 opposite the edge 12, arranged at an angle to the bottom edge 13, and an upper edge 15, extending upward at an angle from the side

edge 14. The strip thus constructed is of gradually-decreasing width from top to bottom and is stitched in place to the material forming the leg of the overalls by a line of stitching extending around the strip adjacent the edges thereof and being interrupted for a short distance on the edge 12, whereby to provide an entrance 16 for said pocket opening from the side. This side opening, together with the inclined top 15 of the pocket, provides for the retention of the article inserted therein and guards against its accidental loss or displacement. Straps 17 and 18, arranged in alinement lengthwise of the pocket, provide a receptacle particularly adapted for a hammer or try-square. Each of these straps is made of a single length of material and stitched to the leg of the overalls, one of the straps being secured transverse the width of the pocket, while the other is secured below the lower edge of the pocket.

In connection with the straps 6 it will be noted that they overlie and are secured to the pocket which they are respectively adjacent, the seams securing said straps in place also passing through the material of the pockets. The strap 17 also overlies the pocket without being directly secured thereto. By this construction I am enabled to effectively reinforce the pockets without the use of material particularly for this purpose, and in the arrangement of the strap 17 it will be noted that said straps will prevent the tearing of said pocket from the body of the material, as it overlies the face of the pockets and would thereby prevent a tearing distention of said face.

On reference to the above description, taken in connection with the drawings, it will be noted that I have provided a series of pockets for use with the ordinary overalls and which are particularly arranged for the maximum of convenience in use. The bib of the overalls carries a series of nail-pockets which are readily adapted to receive nails of varying sizes in connection with straps which serve to effectively reinforce the pockets and at the same time provide for supporting a screw-driver, chisel, or the like. The rear pocket is particularly constructed for retaining small articles, as a pencil, rule, or the like, while the straps in connection with said pocket serve for supporting a hammer or the like, at the same time reinforcing the rear pocket.

The detachable apron is particularly convenient, in that it may be readily and quickly secured in place on the overalls when desired for supporting necessary articles and as readily detached when not desired for use.

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed as new is—

1. An overalls including a bib, and a series of pockets secured to the face of the bib and arranged in horizontal rows, and two straps secured to the bib and extending from the pockets of one set to the pockets of the other set, said straps being secured to the pockets and bib by stitching arranged to reinforce the stitching of the pockets.

2. An overalls having a pocket formed with a side entrance, the upper wall of the pocket being inclined downwardly from said entrance-point, and straps secured to the overalls adjacent the pocket, one of the straps overlying the pocket and serving to reinforce the face-strip thereof in use.

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

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