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Fig. 1.

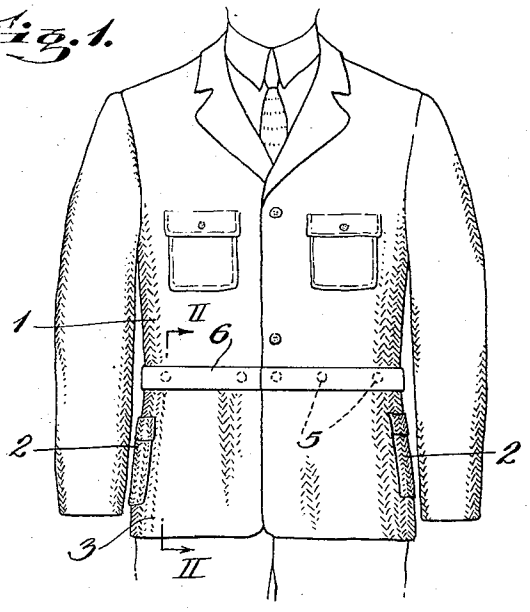


Fig. 3.

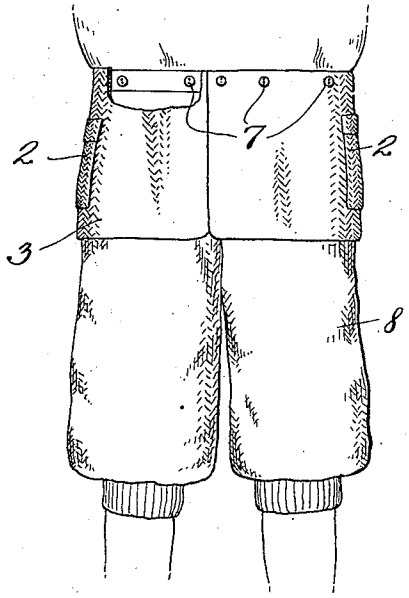
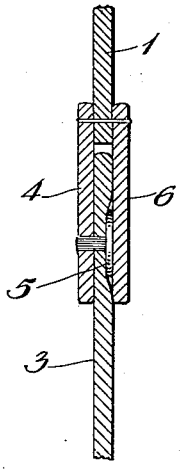


Fig. 2.



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The object of the invention is a coat having the general appearance of a Norfolk or sack coat for sport or everyday wear, but comprising a jacket or body portion, terminating adjacent the waist line, and a separable skirt portion carrying the usual side pockets and adapted for use independently of the jacket when desired, as more fully explained below.

The general organization and the preferred details of assembly are illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which:

Fig. 1 is a front elevation of the coat;

Fig. 2 an enlarged sectional detail of the junction of the jacket and skirt portions, and

Fig. 3 is an elevation illustrating the use of the skirt portion.

The upper part of the coat comprises a jacket 1 in all respects similar to the upper portion of an ordinary sack coat but, as stated, terminating adjacent the waist line or, in other words, just above the tops of the usual side pockets 2. The bottom part of the coat which carries these pockets, comprises a skirt portion 3 removably suspended from the bottom edge of the jacket by means of detachable fasteners, which term is meant to include buttons and button holes in the adjacent edges of the two coat portions, snap fasteners or other appropriate attachment means.

In the preferred form illustrated a flap 4, which may be of belting or any stout material not subject to appreciable stretching, is stitched to the inside bottom edge of the jacket and carries on its outer face the buttons 5, suitably spaced around it to provide adequate and even support for the skirt 3. The latter is buttonholed to correspond with the jacket buttons and is so dimensioned as to extend the jacket to normal coat length when the two portions are assembled as indicated, so that with the addition of suitable means for concealing the junction between them the coat is of conventional appearance. This means comprises a strip of material in the form of a belt 6, carried by or secured to one of the coat portions and preferably stitched to the outside bottom edge of the jacket so as to constitute a second flap adapted to hang down over and conceal the buttons or other attachment means and the upper edge of the skirt.

Being detachable, the skirt can be used independently of the upper part of the garment so that the side pockets or such pockets as may be provided in the skirt are still available. This is illustrated in Fig. 3 of the drawings, which shows the skirt detached from the jacket and suspended by buttons 7 appropriately spaced around the waist band of a pair of golf knickers 8, thereby providing the player with ample pocket space for score card, balls and so forth, while freeing the arms and the upper part of the body from the restriction of jacket and sleeves. When the game is over the garment can be quickly converted back to a conventional coat and while not limited to the use suggested the invention is of particular advantage in that connection. It will be apparent that the coat is also suitable for general wear—as a whole, when the weather or convention require it, or the skirt without the jacket when comfort and convenience so dictate.

Having now described my invention, I claim:

A dual-purpose garment comprising a body portion consisting of a jacket terminating adjacent the waist line, a skirt portion dimensioned to extend the jacket to normal sack coat length, pockets provided in said last mentioned portion independent of the jacket, and means for detachably suspending said skirt portion from the jacket, whereby said skirt portion and pockets are available for use with or without said jacket, for the purpose described.

In testimony whereof, I have signed this specification.

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