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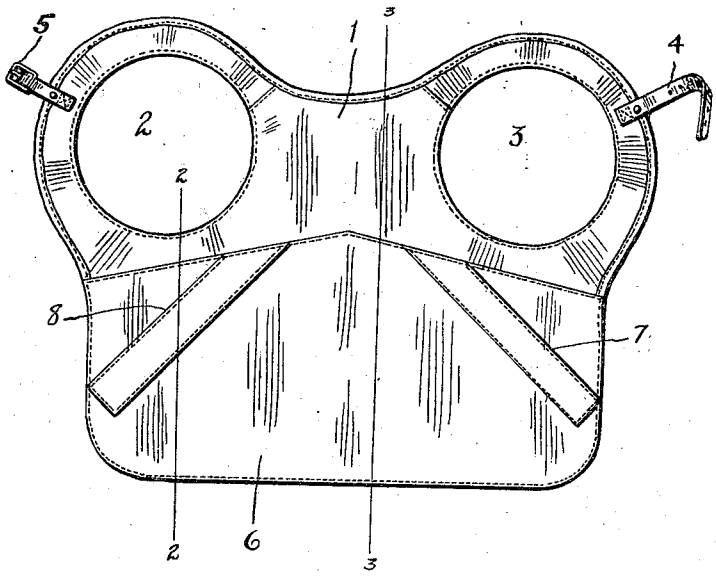



Fig. 1.

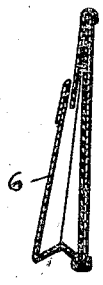



Fig. 2.




Fig. 3.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, HANS N. NILSSEN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Duluth, in the county of St. Louis and State of Minnesota, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hunting Vests, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawing.

This invention relates to hunting vests and has particular reference to a vest particularly adapted for use while hunting.

The principal object of the invention is to provide a hunting vest in which the game as it is secured may be conveniently carried and having the weight thereof equally distributed upon the body of the wearer from the shoulders.

Other minor objects and advantages of the construction will appear in the further description of the invention which is finally pointed out in the appended claim.

Referring now to the accompanying drawing in which like reference characters indicate like parts:

Figure 1 is an extended view of the outside of my improved hunting vest;

Figure 2 is a section on the line 2—2, Fig. 1, and

Figure 3 is a section on the line 3—3, Fig. 1.

1 represents the main body portion of the vest which is provided with the usual arm holes 2 and 3 and is of a shape to be conveniently fitted about the back of the wearer the strap 4 and buckle 5 being provided to hold the vest securely in place upon the wearer.

A large pocket or compartment 6 is secured about the edges of the lower portion and transverse the center beneath the arm holes of the back or outer face of the garment, and the two opposite upper corners have diagonal slits formed therein with the lowermost edges of said slits extended considerably above and overlapping the upper edges as clearly shown in Figure 2 of the drawing, said overlapping portions forming permanent flaps 7 and 8 for said slits.

The sides and bottom of the pocket are bellows-shaped to provide room for expansion and the carrying of larger quantities.

The vest is intended to be worn with the pocket across the shoulders of the wearer, but it will be evident that the same may be placed upon the body with the pocket in the front of the wearer and be used as a carpenter's apron, the pocket providing space for carrying nails, etc.

The back wall of the pocket is lined with rubber or other water resisting material so that any moisture upon the articles carried in the pocket will not penetrate through the vest to the body.

It will be noted that when worn as a hunting vest, it will be across the back of the wearer and simply buckled as previously described across the chest thus leaving the arms very free to move about without interference in any way with the manipulation of a gun.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is:

A vest consisting of a one piece main body portion, arm holes therein, means for holding same about the body of a wearer, a second piece extending across the lower half of the body portion and stitched wholly about the edges thereof to said first mentioned piece, pocket slits formed diagonally across the extreme upper corners of the second piece, the lower edges of said pocket slits being suitably reinforced and overlapping the upper edges thereof and the ends of said overlapping portion being stitched to the second piece.

In testimony whereof I hereunto affix my signature.

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