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Fig. 1.



Fig. 2.

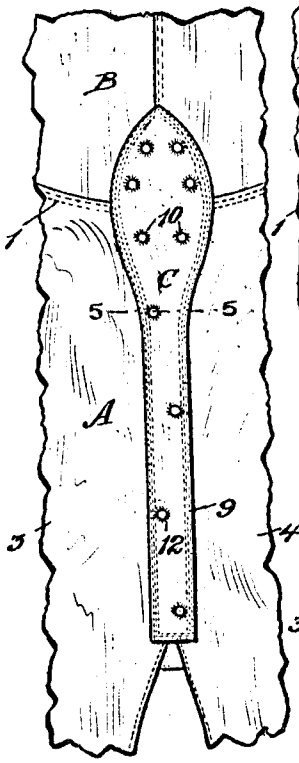


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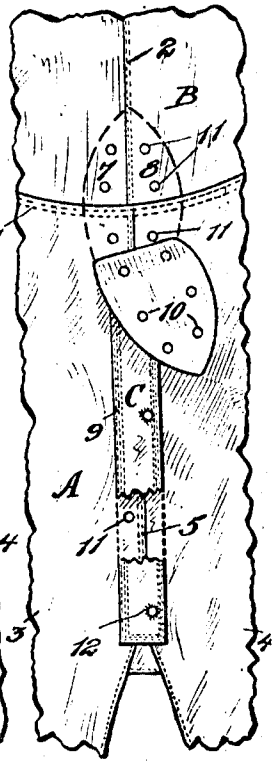


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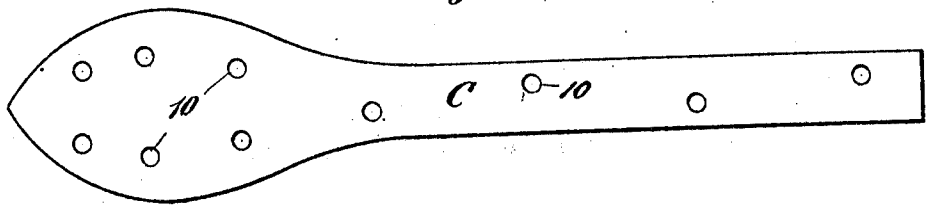


Fig. 5.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE H. NICHOLAS, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the city of New York, borough of Manhattan, in the county and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Negligée Shirt of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to negligée shirts especially adapted to be worn by workmen.

The general objects of the present invention are to materially strengthen the shirt at the side seams and armpits, and at the same time provide for effective ventilation of the body of the wearer by currents of air being created within the shirt as the arms of the wearer are moved, the reinforcing of the shirt being effected by a single strip extending down the body of the shirt at each side from the sleeve to the bottom and covering the upper part of the seam of the sleeve, the seam between the sleeve and the shirt body and the side seam of the latter, such reinforcing element as well as the sleeve and shirt body having registering openings for permitting the eduction, and induction of air by the bellows-like action of the shirt as the arms are moved up and down.

With such objects in view, and others which will appear as the description proceeds, the invention comprises various novel features of construction and arrangement of parts which will be set forth with particularity in the following description and claims appended hereto.

In the accompanying drawing, which illustrates one embodiment of the invention, and wherein similar characters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the views, Figure 1 is a perspective view of the shirt shown in use; Fig. 2 is a side view of the shirt with the arm raised to show the position of the combined reinforcing and ventilating element; Fig. 3 is a similar view showing the upper part of the reinforcing element hanging so as to expose the seams of the shirt at the armpit; Fig. 4 is a plan view of the reinforcing element before it is attached; and Fig. 5 is a sectional view on the line 5—5, Fig. 2.

Referring to the drawing, A designates the body of a negligée or workman's shirt of usual design, and B are the sleeves which are attached to the arm openings of the shirt body by the seams 1 in the usual manner, and each sleeve has a longitudinal seam 2 on its under side and extending from the armpit to the cuff. The front and rear pieces 3 and 4 of the shirt body are united by side seams 5 extending from the armpits to the bottom of the shirt. This much of the shirt is of ordinary construction, as will be obvious. The combined reinforcing and ventilating elements C are made of the same material as are the shirt body and sleeves, and they are of such lengths as to extend from the armpit to the bottom of the shirt. The strip of material constituting the reinforcing element is considerably enlarged at the upper part 6, so that it will overlie the corners 7 and 8 of the sleeve at opposite sides of the seam 2 thereof, and from this point downwardly the strip is wide enough to overlie the edges of the front and rear sections 3 and 4 of the shirt. The reinforcing piece is bound to the shirt body and sleeve throughout its entire margin by stitching 9. The reinforcing elements are provided with openings 10 which register with openings 11 in the shirt body and sleeves, and the edges of these openings are bound together by eyelet stitching 12 to form permanent eyelets through which air freely passes in and out to ventilate the body of the wearer as the arms are moved. It will be noted that the reinforcing elements bridge the joints between the sleeves and shirt body at the armpit, where great strain takes place, especially in reaching upwardly, so that tearing of the seam is prevented. Being located at the sides of the shirt and under the armpit, the reinforcing elements are concealed, although, as a matter of fact, they do not detract from the appearance, even when exposed, as when the arms are raised.

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

1. A shirt comprising a body having sleeves, and reinforcing elements fastened to the sleeves and extending down the sides of the shirt and bridging the seam between the sleeves and shirt body at the armpits, said reinforcing elements and the portions of the shirt body and sleeves under said elements having ventilating openings.

2. A shirt comprising a body having side seams, sleeves fastened to the body, and reinforcing elements in the form of strips overlying the side seams of the body and

enlarged at their upper ends to overlie the armpit portions of the sleeves and bridging the seam between the sleeves and shirt body.

3. A shirt comprising a body having side seams, sleeves fastened to the body, and reinforcing elements in the form of strips overlying the side seams of the body and enlarged at their upper ends to overlie the armpit portions of the sleeves and bridging the seam between the sleeves and shirt body, said reinforcing elements and sleeve and shirt body having ventilating openings.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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