

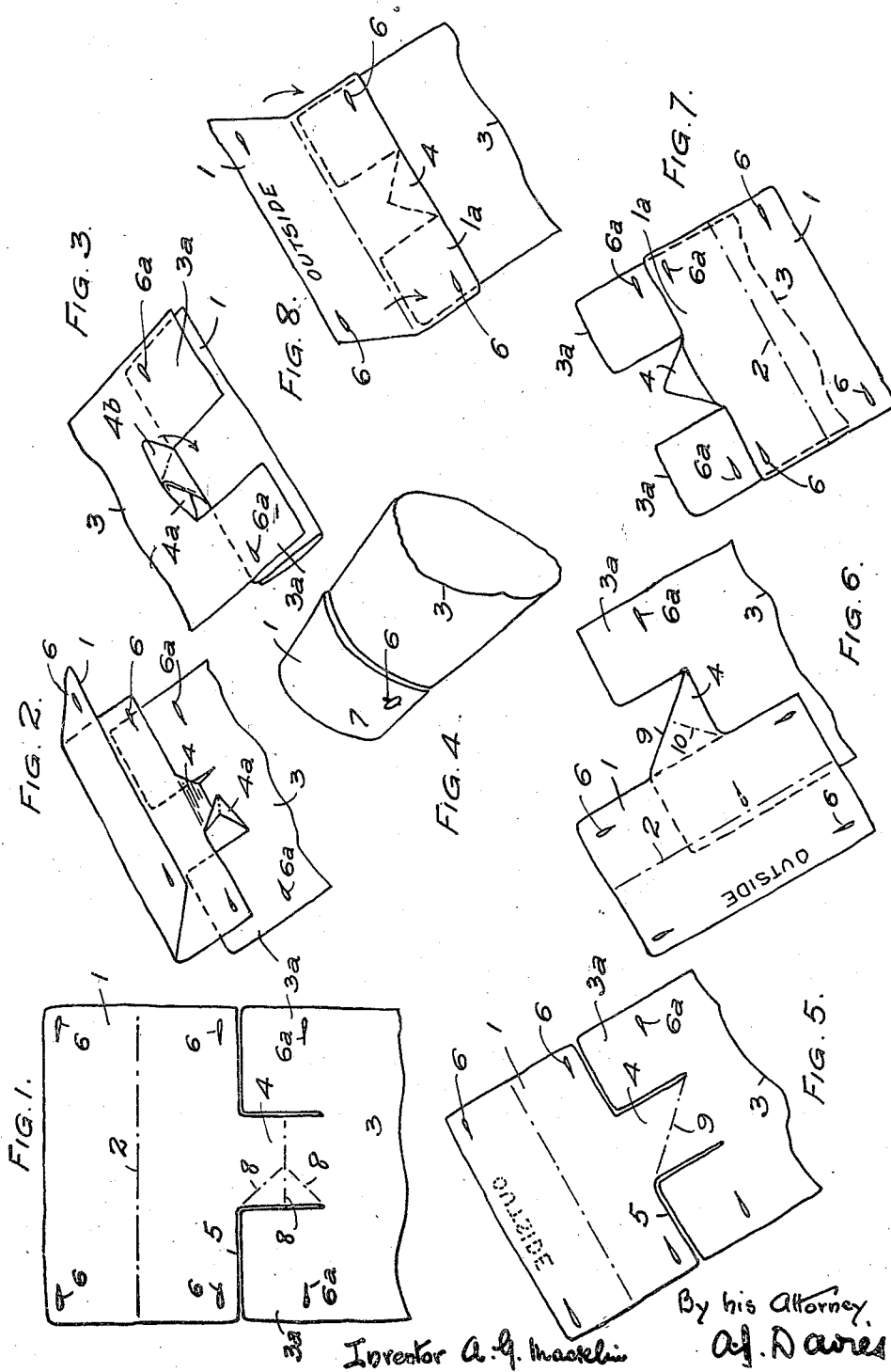
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALFRED GEORGE MACKLIN, a subject of the King of Great Britain, and resident of Liverpool, England, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in and Relating to Reversible Cuffs for Shirts or like Garments, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to an improved type of reversible cuff for the sleeves of shirts or similar garments. Previously reversible cuffs have been detachable, that is separate from the shirt sleeve, but the present invention is directed to providing a shirt cuff which is integral with the sleeve and may at the same time be readily reversed.

According to this invention, the cuff which is preferably of the double fold pattern is connected to the end of the sleeve, and preferably in the centre of the cuff, by a flexible ligament of textile material. This ligament may be a piece of the material of the shirt itself or it may be one or more tapes. The cuff ends and the sides of the sleeve portion to which the cuff ligament is attached are provided with button holes or the like so that by doubling or folding the ligament the cuff may be reversed relatively to the shirt sleeve in order to bring what was the inside to the outside.

A cuff in accordance with this invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawings in which Fig. 1 is a developed view of the sleeve end with the reversible cuff attached. Figs. 2 and 3 are perspective views, Fig. 2 showing the preliminary folding of the ligament, Fig. 3 being an underneath view of the subsequent folding, Fig. 4 showing the cuff in the final folded position and closed. Figs. 5, 6, 7 and 8 are perspective views showing the sequential foldings of the ligament and the cuff in order to reverse the latter.

In carrying out the invention, a cuff 1, preferably of the double fold pattern, doubling along the line 2, is connected to the end of the shirt sleeve 3 by a ligament 4 which may be, and preferably is, part of the material of the sleeve and cuff itself, but if desired may consist of one or more tapes.

Preferably, the ligament consists of a band of the same material as the shirt sleeve and about $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide and of, say, the

same length. If desired, the sides 3^a of the sleeve on each side of the ligament or band may be continued up to the cuff near the edge 5. Button holes 6 for the usual sleeve links 7 are made at each end and in both folds of the cuff and other button holes 6^a in those parts of the side extensions 3^a of the sleeve with which the button holes 6 in the cuff will register when the cuff is doubled and folded. In use the cuff 1 being doubled the ligament or band is also then doubled thus causing the double cuff to overlap the side extensions 3^a of the shirt sleeve. The cuff in this folded form with both end sets of button holes 6 in register with the holes 6^a may then be closed about the wrist of the wearer with the usual sleeve links 7. Instead of merely doubling the ligament, in order to provide a locking action which shall hold the centre portion of the cuff closely against that part of the shirt sleeve over which it is superimposed, the central ligament may be folded in at one side 4^a, Fig. 2, along the line 8 with diagonal foldings, the square corner folding 4^b, Fig. 3 at the opposite side being then doubled on the ligament in the direction of the arrow and beneath the cuff, this final folding locking the ligament in its closed position so that the cuff when closed by the sleeve links is held at the outer ends and in the centre closely against the material 3 of the sleeve.

In order to reverse the cuff the ligament 4, Figs. 5, 6, 7 and 8 is doubled diagonally on itself along the line 9, this action bringing the underneath surface of the cuff to the top, Fig. 6, the normal transverse direction of the cuff being then in line with the longitudinal direction of the sleeve 3. The ligament thus doubled is again doubled diagonally on itself along the line 10, making it four-folded, this latter folding turning the cuff, now with its undersurface above, at right angles to its former direction, see Fig. 7 and, consequently, in its proper position relatively to the sleeve, but the material of the cuff is now reversed and its inner edge 1^a will occupy the same position on the sleeve 3 as it did in its original position, Fig. 8. Consequently, when the cuff is now doubled as shown by the arrows Fig. 8 the button holes 6 are again in register with the holes 6^a and the cuff

when connected by the sleeve links will be held at these outer ends and also in the centre.

In this way the cuff may be quite readily reversed and remains integrally connected to the shirt sleeve.

Where the cuff is connected to the sleeve by one or more tapes, it may merely be turned round in order to reverse it and then placed over the end of the sleeve so as to overlap the same, the button holes as in the previous case being formed in such a position that they register with corresponding holes in the shirt sleeve.

I claim:

1. A reversible cuff for shirts or the like garments comprising a double fold sleeve cuff, a ligament or band of material connecting the cuff centrally to the sleeve, extensions on the sleeve on each side of the ligament having button holes adapted to

register with button holes in the cuff when the ligament is doubled or folded and the cuff is in its normal position or reversed relatively to the sleeve.

2. A reversible cuff connected to the sleeve by a central ligament of material, side extensions on the sleeve on each side of the ligament, two pairs of button holes in the cuff adapted to register one with the other when the cuff is doubled and with a third pair of button holes in the side extensions, the folded cuff being superimposed on the side extensions of the sleeve by doubling or folding the ligament.

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

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