

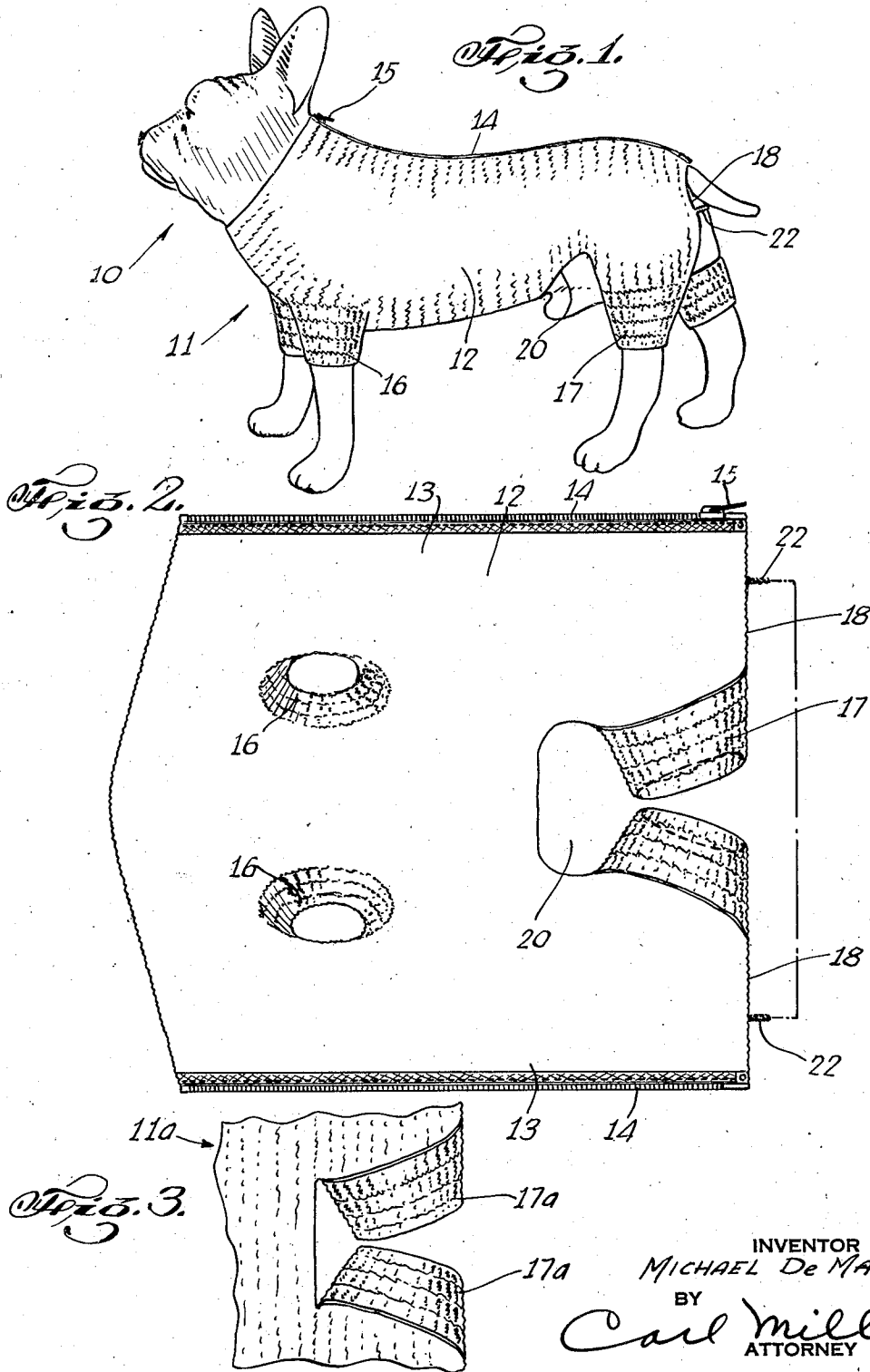
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This invention relates to animal garments. It is particularly directed to a dog blanket or sweater or like covering.

An object of this invention is to provide a garment or blanket of the character described which shall be easy to put on or take off a dog, which shall keep the dog warm and comfortable, and which shall permit the dog wearing the same to defecate or urinate without necessity for adjustment or removal of the garment, and without soiling the same.

Another object of this invention is to provide a neat and durable garment of the character described which shall be relatively inexpensive to manufacture, attractive in appearance, and yet practical and efficient to a high degree in use.

Other objects of this invention will in part be obvious and in part hereinafter pointed out.

The invention accordingly consists in the features of construction, combinations of elements, and arrangement of parts which will be exemplified in the construction hereinafter described, and of which the scope of application will be indicated in the following claim.

In the accompanying drawing, in which is shown one of the various possible illustrative embodiments of this invention,

Fig. 1 is a perspective view of a dog wearing a garment embodying the invention;

Fig. 2 is an inside view of the garment spread out; and

Fig. 3 is a partial view of a portion of a garment embodying the invention and to be used by female dogs.

Referring now in detail to the drawing, 10 designates a dog wearing a garment 11 embodying the invention.

The garment 11 is in the form of a blanket, sweater or jacket and may be applied to cats and other animals as well as to the dogs, it being understood that wherever the term dog is used, four legged animals is meant. The garment 11 may be made of wool, leather, felt or any other suitable woven, knitted or other flexible sheet material preferable somewhat naturally elastic. Garment 11 is for male dog.

Said garment comprises a body portion 12 surrounding the body of the dog, and extending from the neck, in front of the forelegs to behind the rear legs of the dog. The garment is split longitudinally along the back of the dog to form substantially parallel split edges 13 provided with complementary slider actuated fasteners 14 controlled by a slider 15. The slider preferably moves to the front to fasten, and to the rear to unfasten the garment.

The body is formed with integral leg receiving portions 17 for the front legs of the dog, and in-

tegral leg receiving portions 17 for the rear legs of the dog.

The rear leg portions 17 are spaced from one another, the garment being cut away at the central rear end thereof, forming spaced rear edges 18, with the portions 17 at the inner ends of said rear edges. The body 12 is cut away centrally thereof and forwardly of the leg portions 17 as at 20, to uncover the dog to permit urination without necessity for adjustment or removal of the garment or any part thereof.

The space separation between the leg portions 17 also permits defecation without necessity for removal or adjustment of the garment.

The rear edges 18 of body 12 are interconnected by a small strap portion 22 located directly beneath the dog's tail, to help hold the garment in proper position on the dog.

In Fig. 3 is shown the rear portion of a garment 11a for a female dog, in which there is no space or cut out 20, the leg portions 17a being separated, but the dog being covered beneath up to the hind legs.

It will thus be seen that there is provided a device in which the several objects of this invention are achieved, and which is well adapted to meet the conditions of practical use.

As various possible embodiments might be made of the above invention, and as various changes might be made in the embodiments above set forth, it is to be understood that all matter herein set forth or shown in the accompanying drawing is to be interpreted as illustrative and not in a limiting sense.

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

A dog garment comprising a flat body member having parallel side edges and a front and a rear edge, said side edges having complementary fasteners secured thereto and a slider for actuating said fasteners, said body member having a pair of similar apertured foreleg-receiving portions symmetrically positioned intermediate a central line drawn transversely of the garment and said front edge and symmetrically positioned intermediate a line drawn centrally longitudinally of the garment and said parallel side edges, the rear edge of the garment being cut away along said central longitudinal line, said cut away portion being characterized by a pair of apertured rear leg-receiving portions extending from said rear edge inwardly of the garment, said body member having a cut away portion inwardly of said rear leg-receiving portions, and a strap member secured to said rear edge intermediate said rear leg-receiving portions and said parallel edges.

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