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Fig. 1.

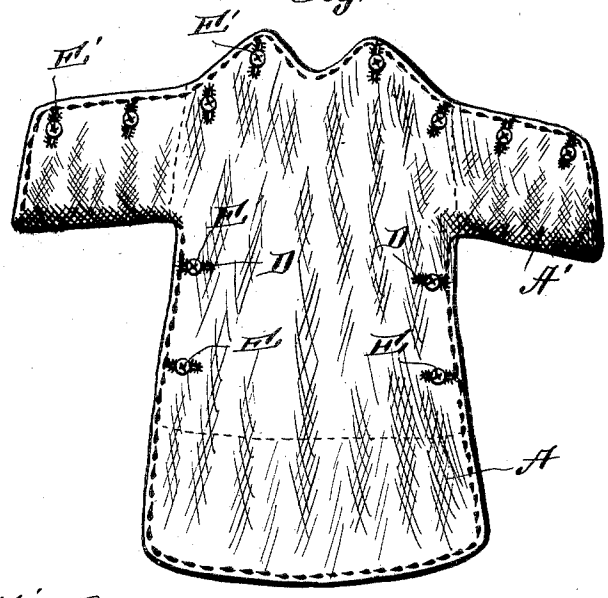


Fig. 2.

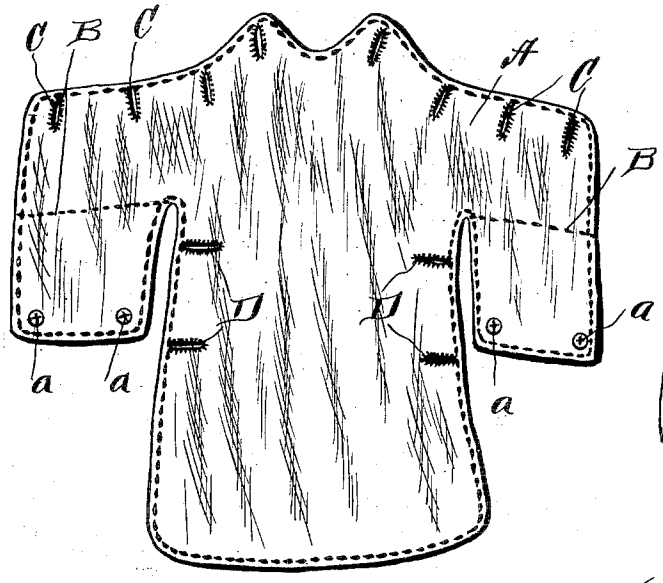
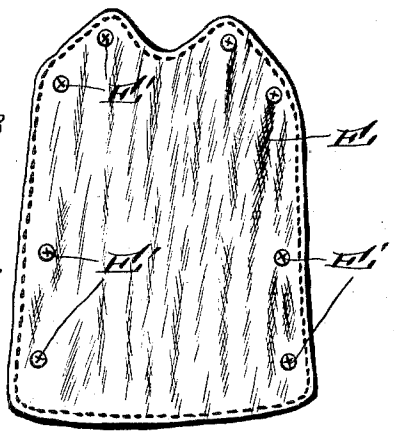


Fig. 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, VIRGINIA WHITEHEAD GLOVER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Savannah, in the county of Chatham and State of Georgia, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Garments; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates to new and useful improvements in garments adapted especially for use upon persons who have undergone operations, when the person is unable to help himself or herself in putting on garments.

More specifically, the invention comprises a garment made of two pieces, one forming the back of the garment, which is provided with a series of buttons about the marginal edge thereof, and a front piece with integral wings forming the arms, which are buttoned along their free marginal edges, while the front and back pieces of the garment are connected together by buttons.

The invention consists, further, in various details of construction and arrangements of parts, which will be hereinafter fully described and then specifically defined in the appended claim.

The invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawings, which, with the letters of reference marked thereon, form a part of this application.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a front elevation of the completed garment, showing the edges buttoned together. Fig. 2 is an inside view with the back removed, showing the wings forming the arms unfolded; and Fig. 3 is a detail view of the back of the garment.

Reference now being had to the details of the drawings by letter, A designates the front of the garment, which has two integral wings A′, which when folded in the manner shown in Fig. 1 form the arms of the garment. When said arms are unfolded, they appear in the form shown in Fig. 2 of the drawings and are provided with buttons *a* adjacent to the lower edge thereof, which when said arms are folded along the dotted lines B are designed to button into the buttonholes C. Along the opposite marginal edges of the body portion of the front are buttonholes D, and E designates the back of the garment, which is clearly illustrated in Fig. 3 of the drawings and is provided with buttons E′ along the opposite marginal edges thereof and the top, as shown. In applying the two sections the front part is buttoned to the marginal edges of the back in the manner illustrated in Fig. 1 of the drawings, thus making a complete garment which may be readily applied to and removed from a patient without his or her being disturbed.

While my garment is especially adapted for the use of persons who have undergone operations in hospitals, it is also adapted for general use in case of sickness such as fever, typhoid patients, and in all cases in which the condition of the patient is such as to render it necessary to remove garments in treating by sponging or otherwise. The garment is intended to prevent exhaustion, which would naturally arise in attempting to remove garments from an exceedingly weak person.

While I have shown a particular detailed construction of garment illustrating my invention, it will be understood that I may vary the same as to details, if desired, without in any way departing from the spirit of the invention.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A garment made up of separate back and front sections, said back section having a series of buttons about its marginal edge, the front section having oppositely-disposed wings which are continuous, above their transverse centers, with the front section, the upper edges of said wings merging into the neck of the garment and having series of buttonholes therein, the portion of each wing below their transverse centers being free from the front portion, and buttons carried by the lower

free edges thereof and designed to engage the buttonholes along the top portions of said wings, said front portion being provided with buttonholes along the opposite marginal edges of the body portion thereof and intermediate the free ends of said wings and adapted to be buttoned to the back section, as set forth.

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

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