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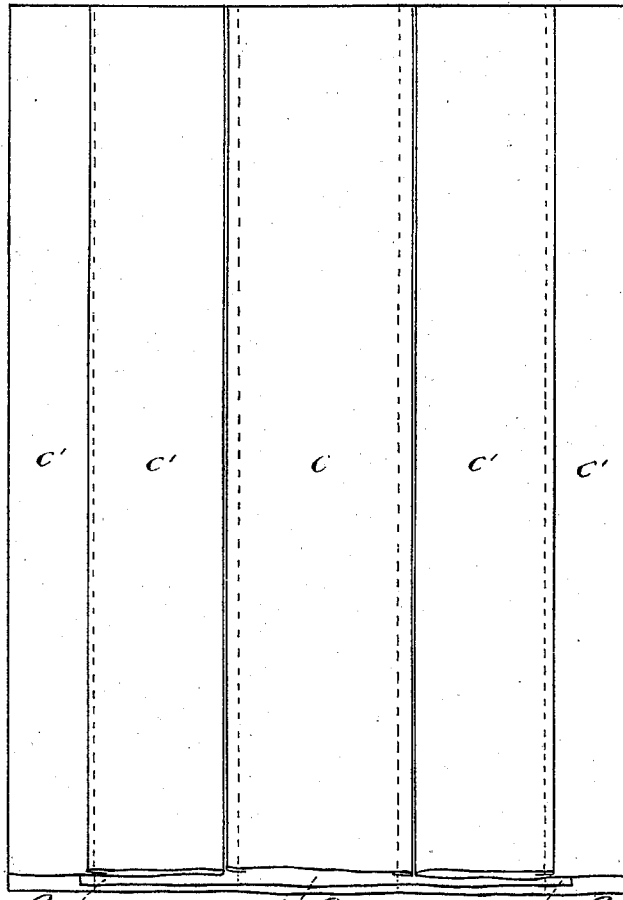


Fig. 1

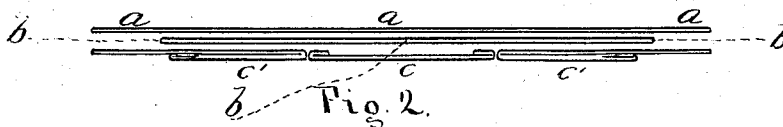


Fig. 2.

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IMPROVEMENT IN SHIRT-BOSOMS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, BYRON A. OSGOOD, of Wakefield, in the county of Middlesex and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and valuable Improvement in Shirt-Bosoms; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings and to the letters of reference marked thereon.

In this shirt-bosom, which can be made either as an "open front" or "whole" bosom, independent linen plaits are sewed to cotton linings, one "inner" or strengthening lining, and one "outer," thus saving expense, inasmuch as only that portion of the bosom which is seen is made from linen, all the rest being made from the cheaper material above mentioned.

The position of an inner lining between the rear lining and the plaits gives great strength to the bosom, so that it will stand much longer wear.

The accompanying drawings represent a whole bosom—that is, a bosom to be attached to a shirt opening behind—which embodies my invention, Figure 1 being a plan, and Fig. 2 a horizontal section.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

a is the outer lining, made from cotton fabric. This is a plain flat lining without plaits or folds. *b* is the inner lining, also made from cotton, plain, without folds, and extending about to the edge of the folds of the outer or side linen plaits. *c* is the center linen plait, turned under, as in the drawings, and attached to the linings *a b*. *c' c'* are the two side plaits, entirely independent of the center plait and of

each other, turned under and attached to the linings *a b*, with the edges extending about to the edge of the lining *a*. Of course there may be as many plaits as desired.

The lining *a* will be invariably made of cotton, and the more economical way will be to make both linings *a* and *b* of a fine quality of cotton, but the lining *b* may be made of linen if desired, so as to preclude any possibility of there being anything but linen seen when the bosom is worn. This lining *b* is intended mainly to give strength and durability to the bosom.

It will of course be seen that by making independent plaits great saving in linen is produced, as no linen is really needed excepting that used in the said plaits.

The stitching shown in the drawing extends entirely through both linings *a b* and plaits *c c'*.

Although I have selected cotton as the fabric from which to construct my linings I propose to use any other well known material which is cheaper than linen, if it should seem to me practical and economical so to do.

This improvement may be applied to an open-front bosom with equally satisfactory results.

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

The combination and arrangement of the strengthening-lining *b* with the outer lining *a*, and the independent linen plaits *c c'*, as and for the purposes herein specified.

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