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FIG. 1.

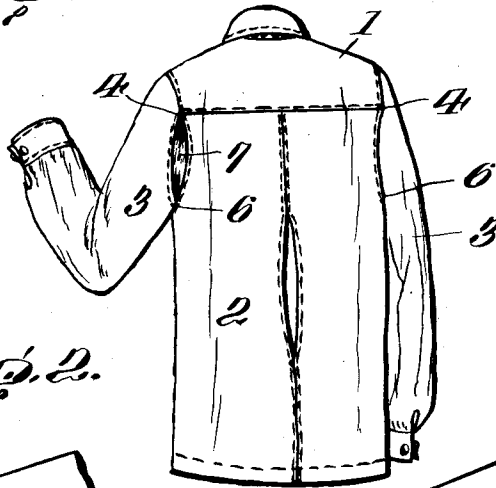


FIG. 2.

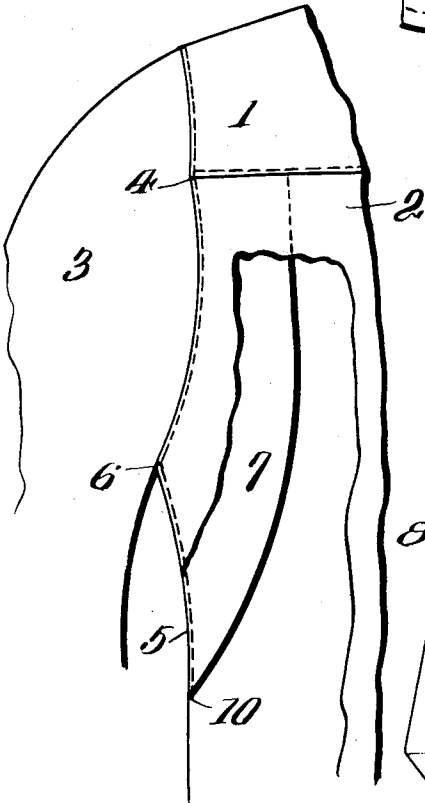


FIG. 3.

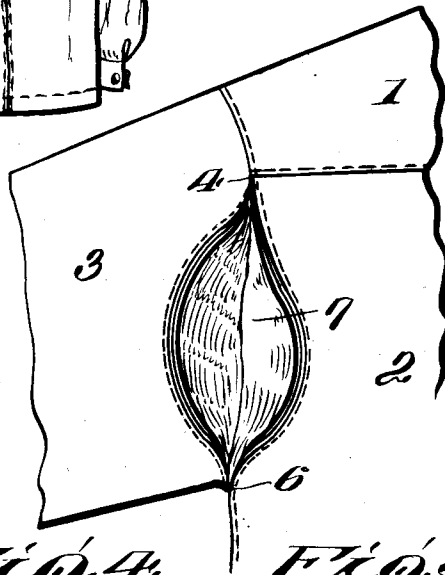


FIG. 4.

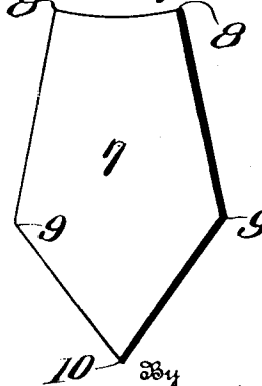
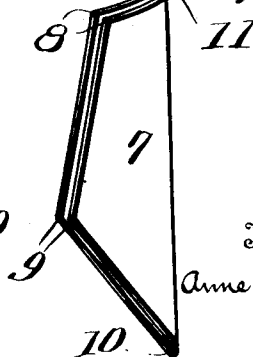


FIG. 5.



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The invention relates to new and useful improvements in garments, and more particularly to the construction of a garment whereby the sleeve is attached to the body portion.

5 An object of the invention is to provide an attaching means for joining the sleeve to the body portion of the garment which is substantially concealed from view, and wherein the arms of the wearer are given absolute freedom for swinging.

10 A further object of the invention is to provide an inserted fabric section for joining the sleeve to the body portion of the garment, which inserted portion of fabric is within the garment and normally concealed from view, and wherein said inserted portion is so joined to the body fabric that it will in part be drawn out by the forward swinging of the arm, and will return to substantially concealed position when the arm is in normal position.

These and other objects will in part be obvious and will in part be hereinafter more fully disclosed.

25 In the drawings which show by way of illustration one embodiment of the invention—

Figure 1 is a view from the back, showing a garment embodying the invention;

30 Fig. 2 is an enlarged view with parts broken away to show the construction and arrangement of the inserted portion;

Fig. 3 is a view similar to Fig. 2, showing the arm of the wearer swung forward, and the inserted fabric joining the sleeve to the body permitting such movement;

35 Fig. 4 is a view showing the shape of the blank which is folded to form the inserted fabric section, and

40 Fig. 5 is a view of the same folded as it is stitched into the garment.

The invention relates to a garment, and more particularly to the construction of the garment whereby the sleeve is joined to the body portion. The invention is especially applicable to a blouse or similar garment. The sleeve from a point adjacent the yoke or shoulder line to a point adjacent the under arm seam, is not directly attached to the body portion of the garment, but is joined to an inserted fabric section. This fabric section is folded and is shaped so that the upper portion of the folded fabric section is joined to the yoke seam for a distance back from the armhole. The other edge of the folded fabric is stitched to the body garment along

the armhole. The lower portion of the inserted fabric is stitched into the under arm seam for a distance away from the armhole. The fold in this inserted portion of the fabric is, therefore, located at a distance back from the armhole. When the arm is in normal position, this inserted folded portion of fabric is entirely within the garment and the edge of the sleeve and the edge of the armhole 65 in the body portion of the garment are substantially coincident, so that the inserted folded fabric is concealed from view. When the arm is swung forward, then the inserted fabric can draw out and allow a free movement of the sleeve without any strain whatever on the garment between the sleeve and the body of the garment. When the arm is returned to normal position, the inserted fabric section returns to its concealed position, due to the fact that it is joined to the yoke seam or shoulder seam and the under arm seam, and when these parts of the garment are in normal position, the inserted folded fabric section is positioned so as to be concealed. 80

Referring more in detail to the drawings, the invention is shown as applied to a lady's blouse consisting of a yoke or back portion 1, a back 2 and sleeves 3, 3. The garment is of the usual form, except as to the manner 85 of joining the sleeves to the body portion of the garment at the back. The yoke 1 is jointed to the back 2 along the line 4, 4 which will be referred to as the yoke seam. The back is joined to the front portion of the blouse by an under arm seam 5. The sleeve is joined to the body portion of the blouse from the point 4 over the shoulder and down the front to the point 6 where the under arm seam begins. From the point 6, however, 95 to the point 4, along the back portion of the garment, the sleeve is not directly joined to the back 2. There is an inserted fabric section which joins the sleeve to the back portion of the garment. This inserted fabric section is shown in Figures 4 and 5, and is indicated by the numeral 7. The blank forming the inserted fabric section is substantially straight along the line 8, 8. The sides of the blank to the points 9, incline away from each other slightly, and the lower edges of the blank are tapered and joined at the point 10. The blank is folded as shown in Fig. 5. This forms a fold line extending from the point 11 to the point 10. The blank 110 along one side from 8 to 9 is joined to the sleeve, and along the other side from 8 to 9 is

joined to the body. This is done by stitching in the usual way. The folded over portions along the line 8, 8 are stitched into the yoke seam lying along the line 4, 4. The folded
 5 over portions along the lines 9 to 10 are stitched together and into the under arm seam in the usual way.

Referring to Figures 2 and 3, it will be noted that when this folded fabric section is
 10 stitched into the garment in the manner above stated, the sleeve between the points 4 and 6 is joined to one of the edges of the inserted portion, while the body fabric between the points 4 and 6 is joined to the other edge
 15 of the inserted portion. The fold line in the inserted portion from 11 to 10, is well back from the line of the seam joining the sleeve to the body portion of the garment, that is, a line passing through the points 4 and 6. This
 20 inserted fabric portion is joined to the yoke seam along the line 4, 4 and is also joined to the under arm seam along the line 6 to 10.

When the arm is in normal position, the two edges of the inserted portion of fabric
 25 are substantially in a line, and this is the sleeve line extending from 4 to 6, and therefore, the entire inserted fabric portion is concealed from view. This is apparent from the position of the sleeve at the left in Fig. 1.
 30 When, however, the arm is swung forward, as indicated at the right in Fig. 1, and also in Fig. 3, then the sleeve between the points 4 and 6 will pull out the inserted fabric portion, and all strain on the stitching which se-
 35 cures the sleeve to the body of the garment is avoided. When the arm returns to normal position, the garment along the yoke line and the under arm seam, will return to normal

and this draws the inserted fabric portion back into the position where it is concealed
 40 from view.

It will be apparent from the above that the inserted portion of the garment is the sole
 45 means which is attached to the garment to permit the free swinging of the arm. This inserted fabric portion may be made of the same material as the garment itself, as there is little or no strain on the inserted fabric
 50 portion, due to the swinging of the arm, and the manner of attaching the inserted fabric section to the garment insures its return to normal position when the arm is returned to its normal position.

It is obvious that minor changes in the details of construction and the arrangement of
 55 the parts may be made without departing from the spirit of the invention as set forth in the appended claim.

Having thus described the invention, what I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters-
 60 Patent, is—

A garment including a body portion, a sleeve, and a folded inserted fabric portion joining the sleeve to said body portion in the regions extending from the yoke at the
 65 back to the under arm seam, said inserted fabric portion being located within the body portion of the garment, the upper end of said inserted fabric portion being joined to the yoke seam, and the lower end of said inserted
 70 fabric portion being joined to the under arm seam, whereby the fold line in the inserted fabric portion is spaced away from the arm seam.

In testimony whereof, I affix my signature.
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