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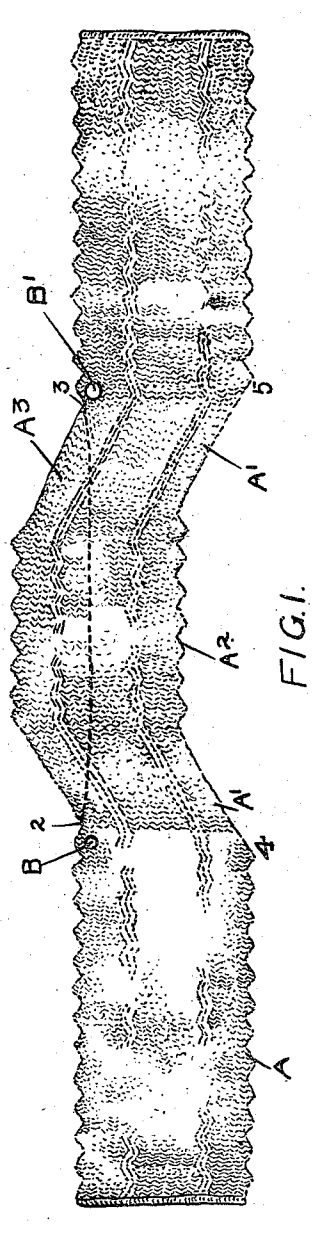


FIG. 1.

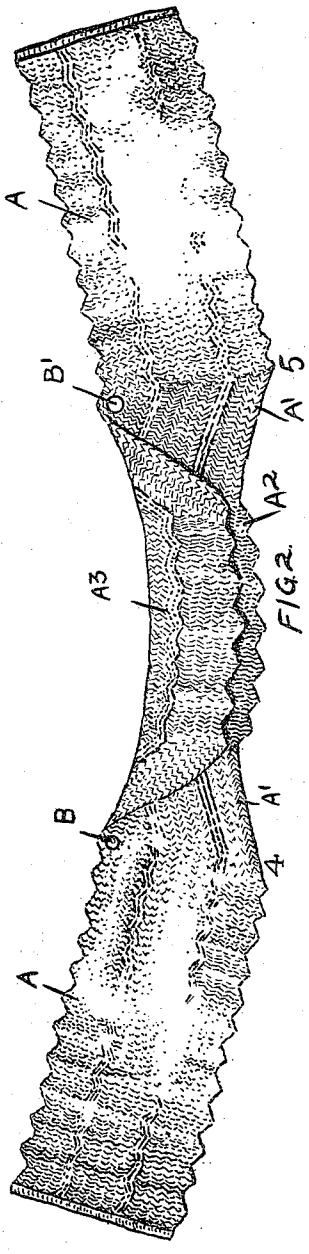


FIG. 2.

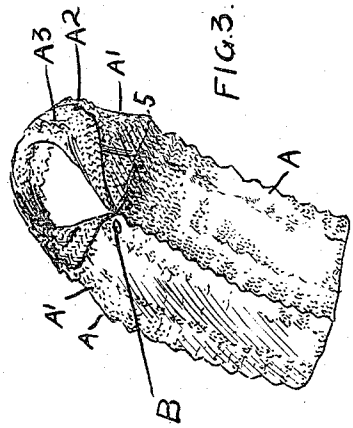


FIG. 3.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE HENRY ORME, of the town of Dunnville, in the county of Haldimand, in the Province of Ontario, Canada, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Neck-scarfs or Mufflers, of which the following is the specification.

My invention relates to improvements in mufflers, and the object of the invention is to devise a simple and handsome form of knitted muffler, which may be knitted throughout with an equal number of needles, that is without changing the number of needles in use knitting the muffler throughout, so as to form a turndown collar, which will be narrower than the aprons of the muffler, and thereby fit the neck comfortably and smoothly. In order to provide a collar-like double thickness about the neck of the wearer, both for added protection and improved appearance, my muffler is knitted of sufficient width in the neck portion, so that it may be doubled back upon itself, in the semblance of a collar.

A further object is to make the muffler full fashioned and such that when placed in position no tucking in of the muffler around the neck is necessary as required in mufflers at present in use.

My invention consists of a muffler having the aprons formed in the usual manner, and the central portion deflected to one side when being knitted in diagonal or inclined fashion with the edges parallel and the central portion correspondingly knitted to the aprons and having the edges parallel to the edges of the aprons, the one projecting side being folded back from the line where it projects beyond the muffler on to the central portion, thereby forming a narrow neck as hereinafter explained.

Figure 1, is a plan view of my muffler as knitted. Fig. 2, is a plan view when formed up in the shape ready for use. Fig. 3, is a perspective view of the muffler as it would appear when placed in position around the neck and over the waist of the wearer.

In the drawings like letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in each figure.

The method of knitting my muffler is to knit the apron portion A in the form known as the square open or honey-comb knit or rack stitch, and then to change the stitch at the portions A′ into what is known as the one in one stitch, the edges of the portion A′ being arranged parallelly and diagonally, so as to deflect or throw the form of the muffler to the inclined position or project beyond one side of the apron. The central portion A^2 is knitted similarly to the end portions A. It will now be seen that the central portion is in the shape of a U, and the one portion projects beyond the edge of the aprons. This portion I designate A^3 and such portion is folded on the dotted lines 2 3, so that the central portion lies parallel to the opposite edge, and thereby forms a turn-over collar (see Fig. 2).

The usual fastener B B′ is provided in the muffler beyond the ends of the folded portion A^3 forming the collar.

In placing my muffler in position on the body the recessed central portion from 4 to 5 fits around the neck and over the shoulders, and, therefore, as it does not project appreciably below the wearer's collar there is practically no tucking necessary. The central portion is narrow and the collar A^3 fits around the collar of the coat or the like.

By constructing the neck portion of the muffler as herein shown and described, the added protection, in the form of an overfolded collar, is obtainable for the wearer's neck, although the article is integrally knitted of relatively light material. Of course, said neck portion intermediate of the diagonal sections must be knitted of sufficient width to admit of folding the same back upon itself, while the diagonal portions may be relatively short in order to provide merely the desired offset for forming the collar. I lay no claim, however, to such offset neck portion, but

My said invention resides in the following combination, to wit:—

1. In an integrally knitted muffler, the combination with two end-portions, of an intermediate neck portion adapted to encircle the wearer's neck, comprising two relatively short offset sections, and an intermediate relatively wide rectangular neck section of even width folded back upon itself to form a double thickness or collar portion for encircling the neck only, whereby the appearance and protective effect of said muffler are enhanced, substantially as set forth.

2. A muffler of knitted fabric having its

end portions in approximate alinement and its central portion offset therefrom and of approximately the same width throughout to afford a projecting central portion to form a collar, and fastening means at the edge of the end portions from which the collar projects, substantially as set forth.

3. A muffler of knitted fabric of approximately the same width throughout having straight end portions in alinement with each other and a central neck portion offset from the end portions and connected therewith by oblique connecting portions to form a projection at the middle of the muffler, said projection being adapted to be folded along the line of the edges of the end portions to form a collar, and fastening means along the edges of the end portions from which the collar projects, substantially as set forth.

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