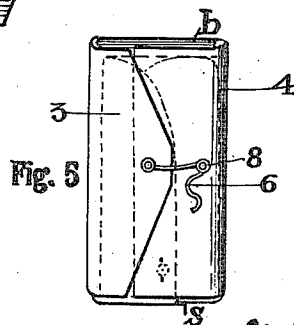
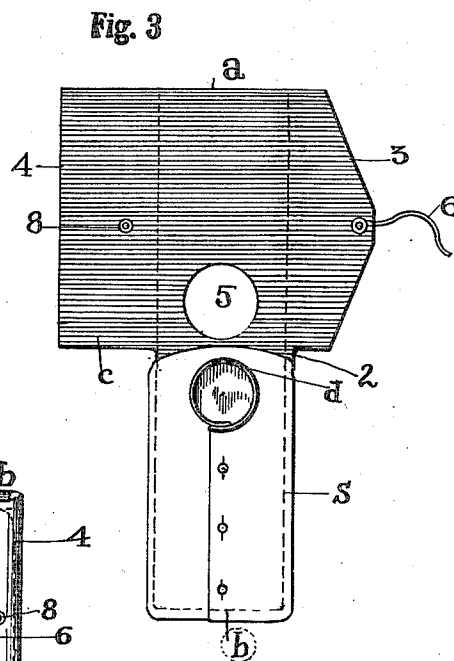
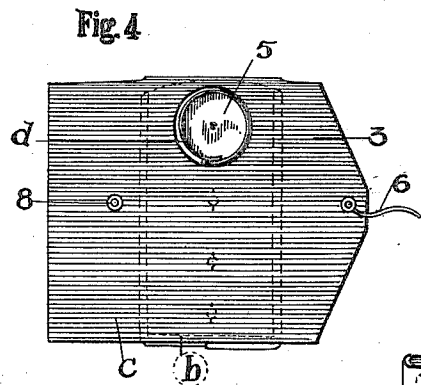
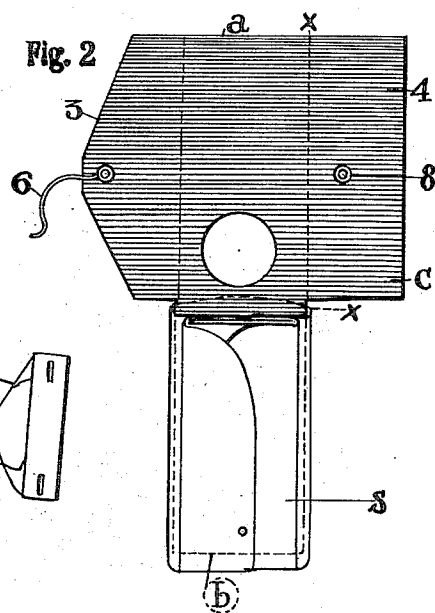
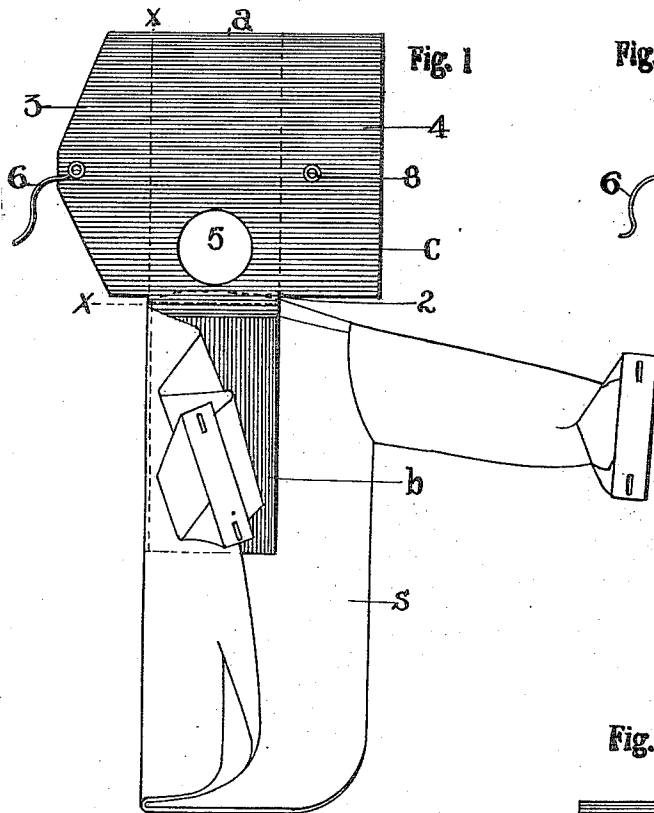


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LUDWIG HERMAN, citizen of the United States, residing at Cleveland, in the county of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Laundry Wrappers or Packages for Men's Shirts, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to a laundry wrapper or package for men's shirts, and particularly for the style or kind of shirt having soft and unstarched bosoms.

It is well known that shirts of this kind have come to be very generally worn at this time, and their use has brought a problem to the laundryman as to the best way of wrapping the same so that they can be handled and delivered without crimping or creasing the bosom.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a plan view of my wrapper and of a shirt partly folded thereon. Fig. 2 is a corresponding view to Fig. 1 but with the shirt completely folded. Fig. 3 is a plan corresponding to Fig. 2, but turned bodily over or inverted, thus bringing the shirt front to the wrapping top. Fig. 4 is a view corresponding to Fig. 3, but showing the sheet folded down over the shirt and with the neck band entered the hole in the bottom thereof. Fig. 5 shows the package complete with the wings of the wrapper folded inward one upon the other and bound closely together on the back of the package.

In the manufacture of this wrapper I employ a pasteboard body *b* of a size proportioned to the width and length of the shirt bosom and fairly stiff so as to form a base which will keep its form, and upon one end of this board I secure a piece of suitable wrapping paper indicated by *c*, the said paper having a short tongue 2 by which it is pasted or otherwise suitably affixed to said board. In general contour the said wrapper has something of an ordinary envelop shape with side wings or flaps 3 and 4 and a circular hole 5 at its bottom and center. The wing 3 is cut with a retreating side edge like an envelop and is provided with a tie or string 6 adapted to engage over a button 8 on the back of wing 4.

The said wrapper is open and flattened out as appears in Fig. 1 before using, and hence can be piled up in compact bundles for storing and shipping. It may also be creased on its fold lines *x-x*, if preferred.

Now, having a wrapper as shown, and coming to its use, the shirt *S* is first laid out on a table or board with the bosom down and the said wrapper is then placed over the same with the body *b* directly over the bosom as seen in Fig. 1. The sleeves and sides of the shirt are then folded one after the other over or upon the said board, the first folds being shown in Fig. 1 and the complete folding in Fig. 2. The next step is to fold the envelop or wrapper. This is done by first inverting or reversing the parts from position Fig. 2 to Fig. 3. This brings the bosom of the shirt on top where its condition can be seen and any tendency to fold or overlap or crease can be detected and straightened out by strokes of the hand. This being done the sheet *c* is folded bodily down from position Fig. 3 over the bosom of the shirt as in Fig. 4. This brings the starched and suitably stiffened neck band *d* of the shirt within the hole 5 made for this purpose and which not only takes care of said band so that it will not be crushed but causes the band to become a means of holding the shirt in the wrapper as against endwise movement in either direction,—there being no closure at said ends. The two flaps or wings are then folded inward one over the other and the tie or cord 6 is fastened and the work is done. The wrapper thus made takes up very little room and perfectly protects the shirt bosom under all conditions from the laundry to the final delivery and use, and the entire package can be put away in a drawer or laid on a shelf or other place until the shirt is to be removed for wearing.

If there be collars they can be folded into the package.

It will be noticed that the wrapper *c* lies transversely as to the length of the board or base *b* so that the wings 3 and 4 are formed in the ends of the wrapper, and the width thereof corresponds substantially to the length of the board. It will also be observed that the body portion *a* of the wrapper *c* folds down upon the folded shirt on one side of board *b* while the wings 3 and 4 fold on the other side over the bosom and more or less upon each other, so that when string or cord 6 is tightened the wrapper is or can be stretched tight upon the shirt and a flat compact package is produced.

The wrapper *c* may be attached to either end of the board *b*, and the shirt may be folded in other ways than as shown, and

opening 5 may be circular or otherwise formed. Of course the opening might also be dispensed with and the wrapper still have utility, but not to the extent as pointed out
5 herein. The shape or outline of the wrapper may also be different from the showing and no limitation in this respect is intended

What I claim is:

10 A wrapper for men's shirts consisting of a sheet of suitable paper having a body portion substantially the size of a shirt bosom and sides adapted to be folded over the

same, and a board substantially the size of said body portion secured to one end thereof and adapted to have the said wrapper 15 folded thereon, the said wrapper having a hole in one end to receive the neck band of the shirt.

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

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