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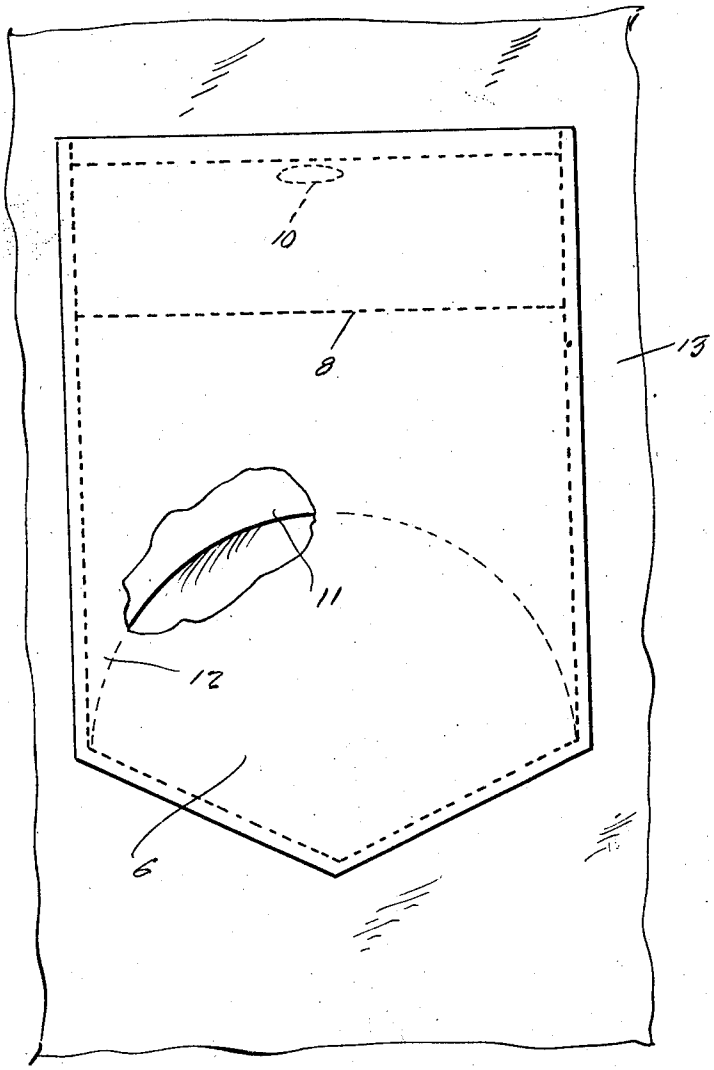
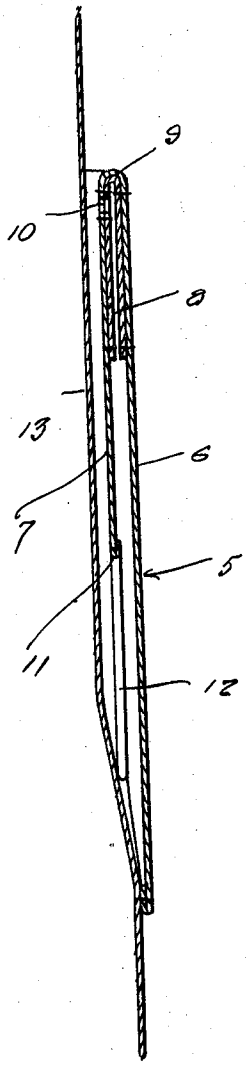


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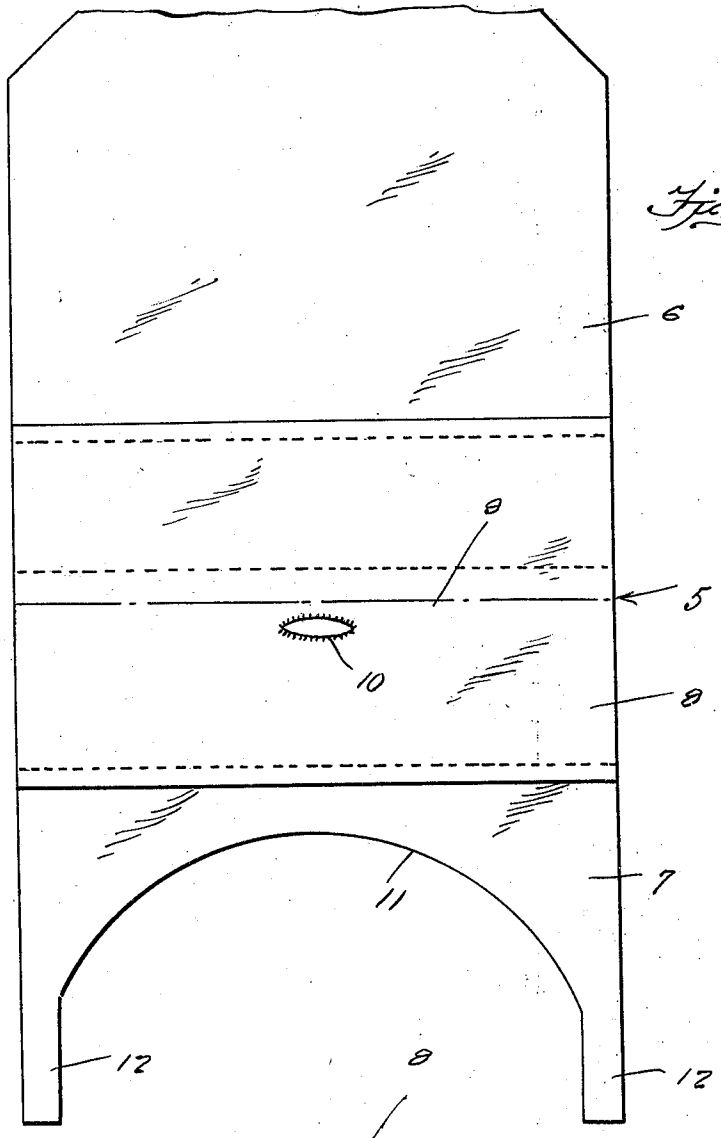


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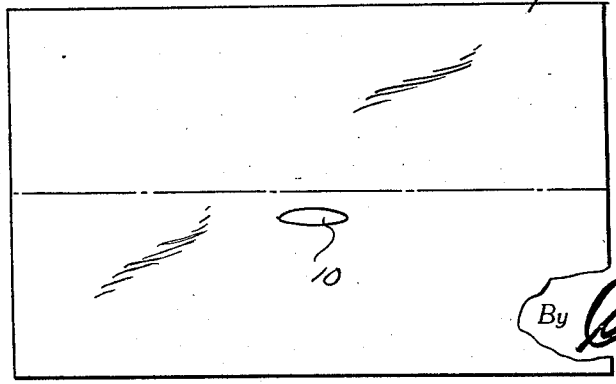


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This invention relates to an improved pocket construction which is susceptible of application to various species and types of garments and wearing apparel but which is expressly designed for use in connection with work, dress and negligee shirts of the kind generally designed for masculine wear.

The aim of this invention is to provide a simple and inexpensive patch pocket which is fashioned to provide an internal article guard which is particularly advantageous for co-operation with a watch, the arrangement being such as to prevent the watch from dropping out of the open top of the pocket as would ordinarily be the case in the event that the wearer was leaning over or in such a position as to dispose the mouth portion of the pocket in a downward direction.

In carrying the invention into practice I have evolved and produced a simple and inexpensive arrangement which is formed from a single blank of material shaped and otherwise constructed to provide a practical arrangement for guarding against accidental displacement of the watch and at the same time, permitting the user to reach the hand in the pocket and remove the latch therefrom for convenient usage.

In the drawings:

Figure 1 is a front view showing a fragmentary portion of the shirting or body of the shirt with the patch pockets attached thereto, with a portion of the pocket broken away to disclose the interior.

Figure 2 is a central vertical sectional view with the pocket construction represented in Figure 1.

Figure 3 is a plan view of the especially designed blank from which the pocket is constructed.

Figure 4 is a plan view of a cloth stiffener for use and association with the folded edge or mouth portion of the pocket.

Referring first to Figure 3, it will be observed that the blank from which the pocket is constructed is generally designated by the numeral 5. This is of appropriate texture of fabric and is patterned to form what is ordinarily referred to as a patch pocket for shirts.

It includes an outer wall portion 6 and an inner wall portion 7, the latter being somewhat in the nature of a flap. The numeral 8 designates the stiffener or patch which is of general rectangular design and stitched to the intermediate portion of the sections 6 and 7 so as to bridge the fold line 9. This is for reinforcing and edge-forming purposes.

The numeral 10 designates a reinforced eyelet which constitutes a guide and retainer for the watch chain, strap or other flexible element used for holding the watch. The lower end portion of the section 7 has a curvate edge 11 and reduced extension 12 forming a sort of a yoke.

In practice, the flap section 7 is folded inwardly on the line 9 and these spaced portions 6 and 7 are stitched around the marginal edges so as to form a pocket on the body 13 of the shirt. The reinforcing patch 8 occupies the folded state represented in Figure 2 in the complete pocket. This disposes the aperture 10 within the interior of the pocket. It is obvious that by anchoring one end of the watch chain to the buttonhole in the shirt, and passing said chain downwardly through the opening 10 and locating it between the inner and outer walls 7 and 6 respectively, the watch may then be snapped onto the fastener of the chain and allowed to slip down into the pocket, somewhat in the manner seen in Figure 2.

With this arrangement, in the event that the wearer should stoop over or occupy such a position as to dispose the mouth of the pocket downwardly, the watch instead of slipping out of the pocket, will slip into the guard or supplemental pocket defined between the walls 6 and 7. Thus we have a guard pocket within a main pocket, and the guard pocket is such that the yoke portion thereof facilitates removal of the watch through the usual mouth portion of the pocket for convenient usage.

It is obvious that I have evolved and produced a simple and economical pocket construction which is highly advantageous

and which is superior to the customary type of watch pocket which generally embodies separate cover flap, and the button and buttonhole arrangement.

Particularly is a watch pocket of this design adapted for use in connection with work shirts of workmen employing watches constantly and locating the watches in the shirt pocket for convenient use.

It is thought that persons skilled in the art to which the invention relates will be able to obtain a clear understanding of the invention after considering the description in connection with the drawings. Therefore, a more lengthy description is regarded as unnecessary.

Minor changes in shape, size, and rearrangement of details coming within the field of invention claimed may be resorted to in actual practice if desired.

I claim:

1. In combination with a garment, a patch having its bottom and side edges sewn to the garment with its top edge free to provide a pocket and an inner patch having its sides and top connected with the sides and top of the first patch with its bottom free of the first patch and the garment, the bottom of the second patch having a recess cut therein to permit an article in the pocket to enter the space between the two patches when the wearer of the garment bends over the upper portion of the inner patch having an opening therein for receiving a watch chain.

2. In combination with a garment, a piece of material folded intermediate its ends to provide an inner patch and an outer patch connected together at their upper ends by the fold line, the side edges and lower edges of the outer patch being sewn to the garment and the inner patch having lower depending portions at its outer edges sewn to the garment and the side edges of the inner patch being sewn to the garment with the intermediate lower edge portion of said patch free of said garment.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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