

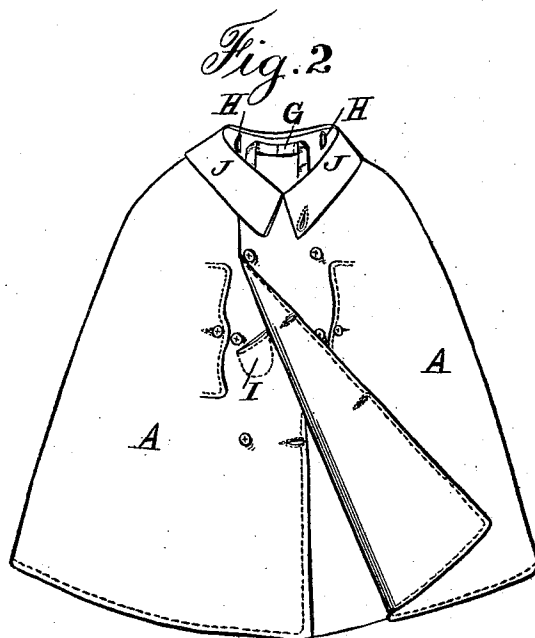
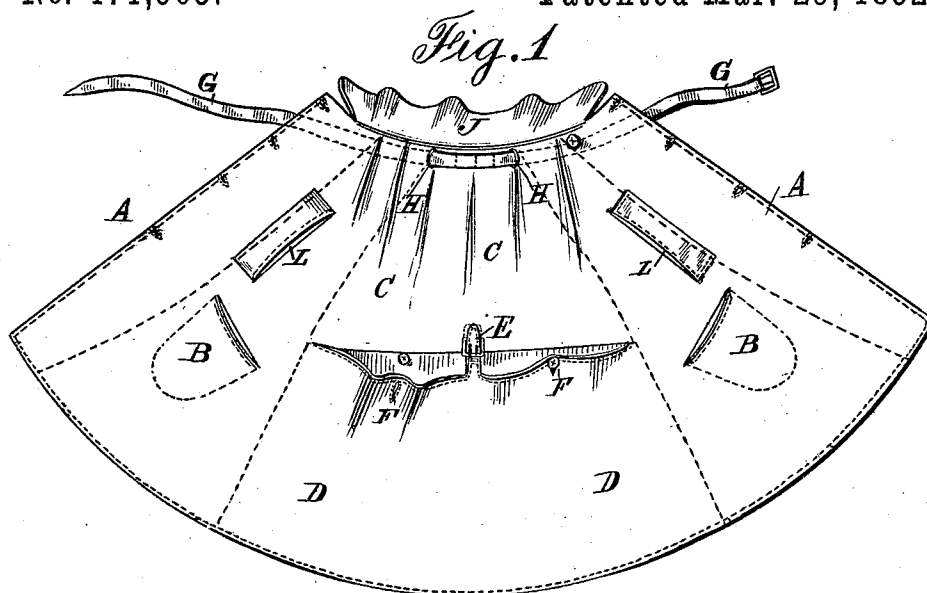
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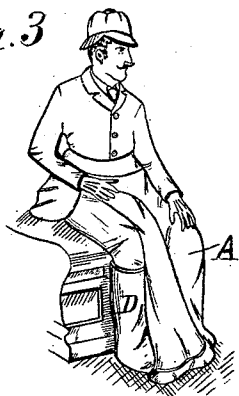


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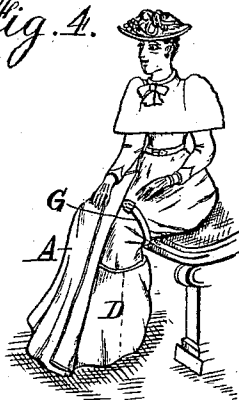


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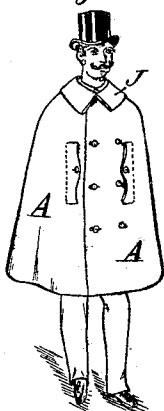


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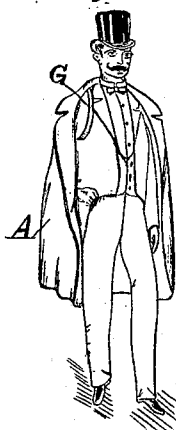


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COMBINED RUG AND CLOAK.

SPECIFICATION forming part of Letters Patent No. 471,903, dated March 29, 1892.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES ALFRED SHELTON, a subject of the Queen of Great Britain, residing at 41 and 43 Maddox Street, London, England, have invented a new and useful novel arrangement of Rug-Cloak Adaptable for Traveling and other Uses, (patented in Great Britain, No. 19,304, November 7, 1891,) of which the following is a specification.

This invention has for its object to provide a garment which is adapted for use as a cloak for ordinary wear or when on horseback, a rug for protecting the feet and legs while driving, a ground-sheet and cover for use in camping out, or a shooting or fishing garment.

To this end my invention consists in the novel construction and arrangement of the parts composing the garment, as hereinafter set forth and claimed, reference being made to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is an inside elevation of the garment spread out; Fig. 2, a view of the same as it appears when used as a cloak, one front portion being shown back to disclose a ticket-pocket. Fig. 3 is a view showing the garment when applied to use upon a male as a knee-rug, and Fig. 4 a similar view as applied to a female. Fig. 5 is a view showing the garment in use as a cloak buttoned up for protection against foul weather. Fig. 6 is a view showing the garment in use as an opera-cloak. Fig. 7 is a view showing the garment when used as a shooting-garment. Fig. 8 is view of the garment when used as a riding or driving cloak.

As shown in the drawings, the garment is made of three pieces of fabric of water-proof or other suitable material, of which A A are the front or side pieces, and C the back or center piece. To the top of the garment a collar J is secured, which may be turned up about the neck and ears as a protection against cold and damp. Instead of this collar a hood may be provided when its use is essential or desirable, such hood being secured to the garment in any convenient manner.

Each front or side piece A A is provided with an ordinary pocket, as B, and also with an arm-hole, as L, through which arm-holes the arms of the wearer may pass and be free

to handle reins and whip when riding or driving and for other purposes.

The back or center piece C is provided at its lower portion with, preferably, one large pocket D, having at its top edge a strap E, adapted to engage a buckle secured to the back piece C to prevent sagging of the pocket when in use and to avoid rucks when sat upon. The pocket is also provided with a flap or flaps adapted to be buttoned thereto to close the mouth thereof.

The upper neck portion of the garment is provided with holes H H, through which passes a strap G, one end of which is provided with a buckle or other fastening device to engage the other end of the strap, said strap serving to secure the garment to the wearer and to pass around and secure the garment when rolled up.

When the garment is used as a knee-rug, as in Figs. 3 and 4, the feet and legs of the wearer are inserted in the large pocket D, and are thus protected from drafts both in front and in the rear. In such use the strap G is passed around the waist or the legs of the wearer to secure the garment.

In Figs. 5, 6, and 7 the garment is shown in use as a cloak buttoned up to protect against foul weather, as an opera-cloak, and as a hunting or fishing garment. In each of these uses the strap is passed forward over the shoulders and under the arms of the wearer and is fastened together at his back. When used as an ordinary cloak or an opera-cloak, the large pocket D is evenly disposed, so as not to sag, by means of the strap E and engaging buckle, and when used as a fishing or hunting garment the mouth of the pocket may be left open, so that the user may readily avail himself of it as a receptacle for game.

The article is preferably made double-breasted and is sufficiently large, if used for military purposes, to cover the accouterments, as seen in Fig. 8.

When the garment is used in riding or in traveling by car, steamboat, or otherwise, the large pocket D is adapted to receive an air-cushion, and thus serve as a soft dry seat.

The garment is not shown as a ground-sheet in the drawings; but it is obvious that

it may be so used, being placed upon the ground and the lower ends wrapped around the legs of the wearer, or in such use an air-cushion may be placed in the large pocket D, and thus furnish a comfortable pillow for the head of the user, or the head of the user may be inserted in the pocket.

I have shown a small ticket-pocket I in front of the garment.

By my invention I have provided a simple neat garment which is adapted for use in many varied situations, and there are other uses to which it may be put, as will be obvious when the occasion presents itself.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim is—

The herein-described combined cloak and

rug, having a large inside back pocket and holes at the rear neck portion, and provided, also, with a strap secured to the rear neck portion to pass through said holes for securing the garment to the wearer, substantially as described.

In witness whereof I have hereto signed my name, in the presence of two subscribing witnesses, this 4th day of December, 1891.

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