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APRON

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Fig. 1.

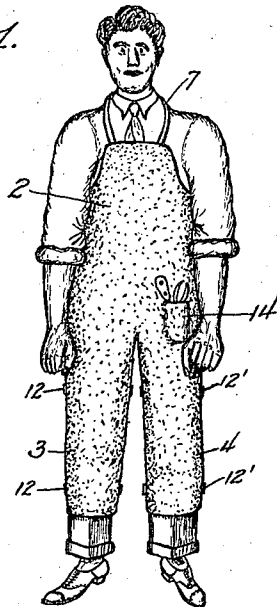


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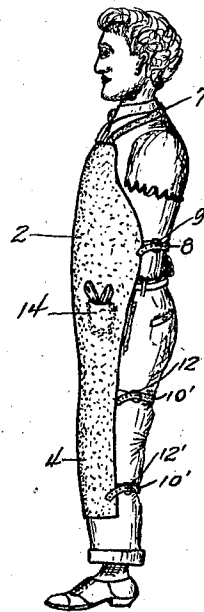


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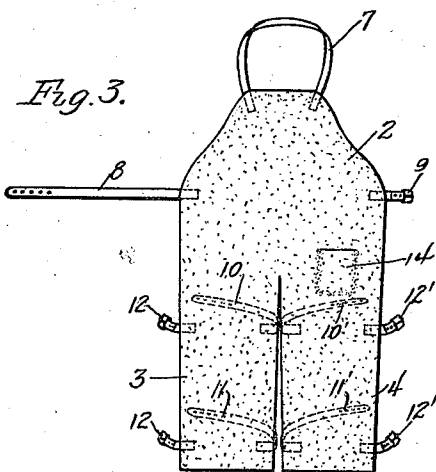


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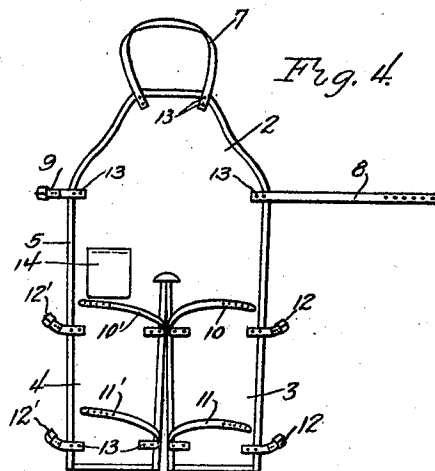
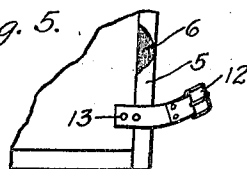


Fig. 5.



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## APRON.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, GUSTAVE F. GREENE, a citizen of the United States, residing at South Manchester, in the county of Hartford and State of Connecticut, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Aprons, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to an apron. The title selected is a more or less convenient one in that the article of apparel can function as an apron. It also possesses the attributes of pants overalls. The article is capable of general use although it is of particular importance when used as an adjunct by a worker in a garage. I have a number of objects in view among them being the provision of wearing apparel of the character set forth which is capable of inexpensive and ready production and which when it is in operative relation will effectually protect the clothing of the wearer. While as I have indicated the piece of apparel is capable of general use it is of particular importance when used in automobile work in that the wearer will have his clothing protected from the solutions which come from batteries and which are ordinarily ruinous upon trousers.

In the drawings accompanying and forming part of the present specification I have shown in detail one of the several forms of embodiment of the invention which to enable those skilled in the art to practice the same will be set forth fully in the following description. Clearly I am not restricted to this disclosure. I may depart therefrom in a number of respects within the scope of the invention defined by the claim following said description.

Referring to said drawings:

Figure 1 is a front elevation of the apron showing a way of using it.

Fig. 2 is a side elevation of the same.

Fig. 3 is a front elevation of the apron detached.

Fig. 4 is a rear elevation of the same.

Fig. 5 is a view on a slightly enlarged scale of a corner of one of the leg portions.

Like characters refer to like parts throughout the several views.

The article is desirably made from some flexible fabric such as rubberized textile material as is found in raincoats and similar things. It involves a body portion as 2 having pendent leg portions 3 and 4 cus-

tomarily made in one piece with the body portion. In fact the whole thing thus far described may be cut in one piece from a suitable sheet of waterproof fabric which as I have already intimated is usually of some rubber composition as is found in rain-coats and ponchos. The body portion and the pendent leg portions generally have around their edges a hem 5 which I prefer not to maintain in position by stitching, but rather by some adhesive or gum as 6 as in this way the hem can be held down properly and its securing means not attacked by such things as acids as would be the case were the hem maintained by fabric stitching.

The garment may be held in place tightly or loosely to the wearer in any suitable way. Its body may have along the upper edge the loop 7 which fits over the neck of the wearer the body portion of course covering the chest and abdomen to below the crotch. The body portion can be held properly in position in any proper manner, the strap 8 being shown for the purpose and being held in closed position as by the buckle 9.

The body portion 2 and leg portions 3 and 4 are initially or before being applied to the wearer, flat although naturally when they are in operative position they are transversely curved. The leg portions 3 and 4 fit or receive against their backs the forward sides of the trousered legs of the wearer, the leg portions being drawn about the legs of the wearer so as to protect the legs of the trousers from dirt and particularly acid attacks. They may be maintained in active relation in any convenient way. The leg portion 3 as shown is furnished with superposed straps 10 and 11 furnished with buckles 12 so that the straps 10 and 11 can be removably fitted behind the legs of the wearer. The leg portion 4 is furnished with practically similar straps 10' and 11' furnished with buckles 12' by which the leg portion 4 can be held properly to the leg of the wearer.

In action the loop 7 will be placed over the neck of the user with the body portion 2 hanging down, this body portion being then fastened in place by the strap or band 8 through the agency of the buckle 9. When this is done the leg portions 3 and 4 will lie against the fronts of the trousered legs at which point the straps 10 and 11 and 10' and 11' are respectively connected by the buckles 12 and 12'. The legs of the

wearer are wholly free and are not subjected to any restraint but what is vital are effectually protected. The loop 7, the belt or strap 8 and the straps 10 and 11 and 10' and 11' are connected to the garment in any proper manner, desirably however, not by stitching, but rather by hollow rivets or eyelets 13 and may be drawn tight or loose as desired. The garment may also have on its front one or more pockets as 14 to receive tools or the like.

What I claim is:

A device of the class described for human wear, comprising a body portion in one piece, and of rubberized textile material having a loop to fit around the neck of the wearer and also a strap by which the body portion can be detachably held to the body

of the wearer, said body portion also having separate leg portions to fit around the front portions and sides of the legs of the wearer, each leg portion having straps to fit around the back side of the legs of the wearer, below the crotch, said leg portions having additional straps near the lower ends thereof, the garment having a hem throughout the entire extension of the same on the inner face and along the edge thereof, which is adhesively held in position, and eyelets for fastening the straps to the body portion.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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