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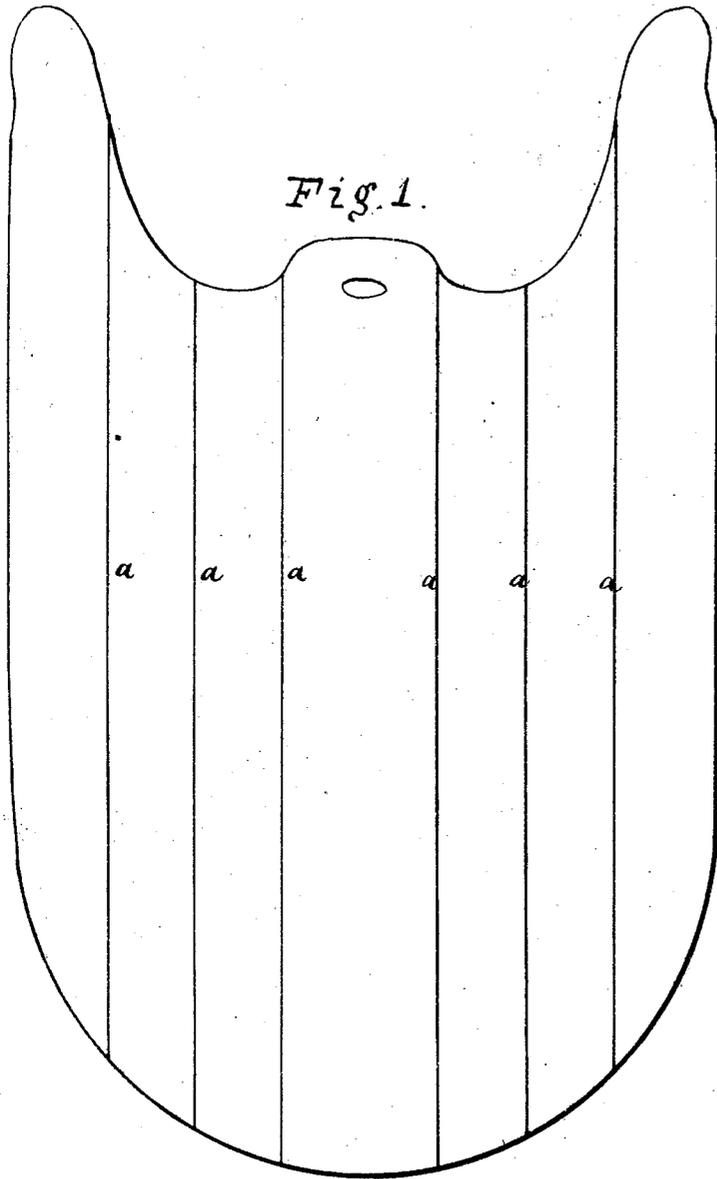


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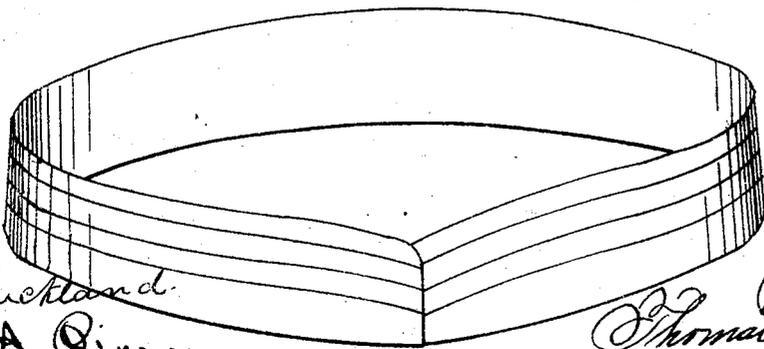
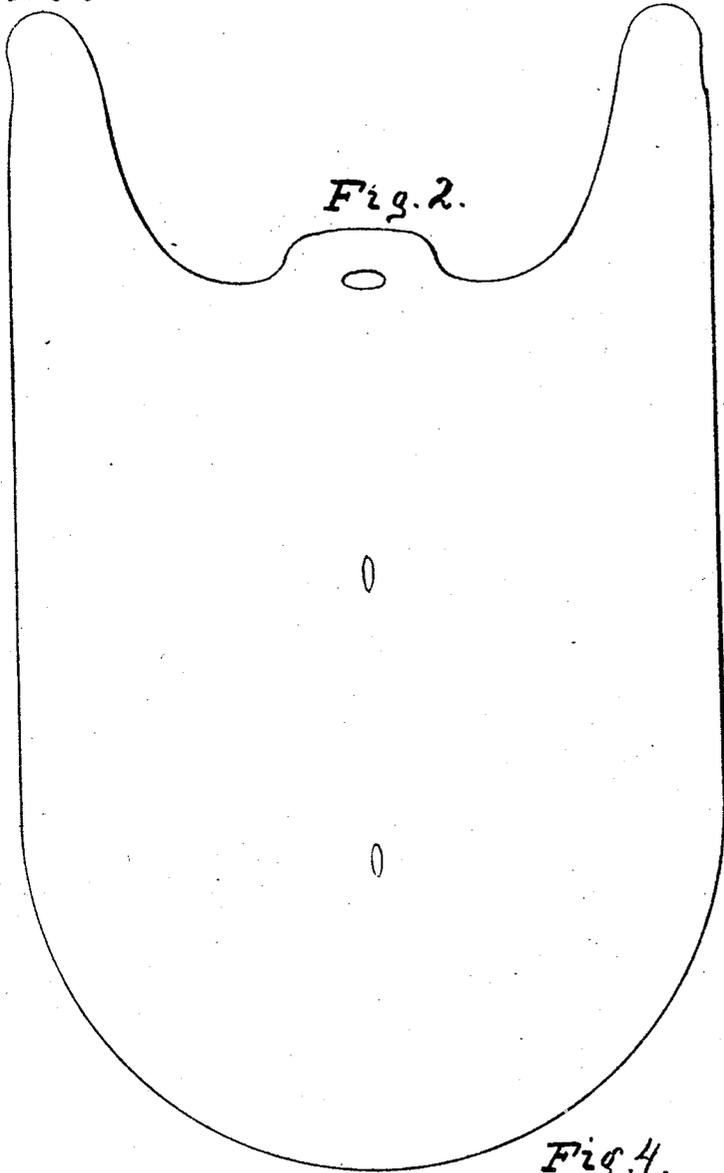
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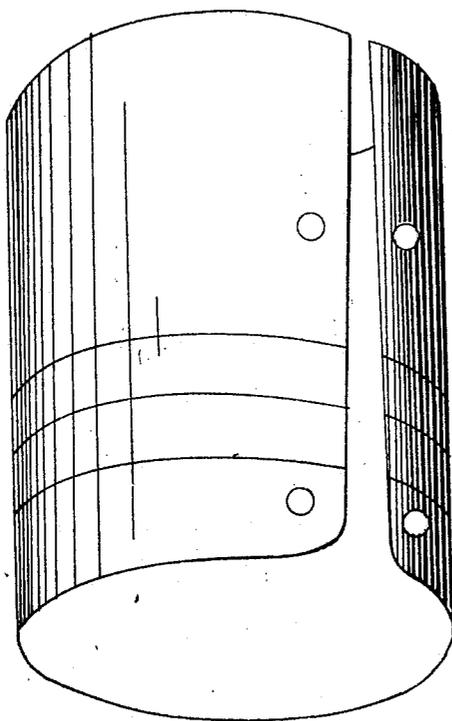
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## IMPROVEMENT IN PAPER WEARING APPAREL.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

### TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that I, THOMAS W. MANN, of Holyoke, in the county of Hampden, and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Paper Articles of Wearing Apparel; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a view of a bosom, showing front.

Figure 2 is a back view.

Figure 3 is a perspective view of a cuff.

Figure 4 is a perspective view of a collar.

The nature of my invention consists in folding or plaiting the paper of which the outside of a collar, cuff, or bosom is to be made, so as to represent tucks or plaits, and then attaching to the other side flat or smooth paper over the entire surface, so as to render the whole strong and durable.

To enable others skilled in the art to make and use my invention, I will proceed to describe its construction.

I first fold or plait a strip of paper, which may be thin and pliable that it may readily take the fold or plait, either by a machine or any other suitable means, so that the folds or plaits shall imitate the plaits usually given to articles of wearing apparel made of linen or other textile fabrics, as represented at *a a*, fig. 1; and I then apply glue, or any other adhesive material, to the back side of the paper thus folded or plaited, or to the piece to which I wish to attach the plaited piece, and I then pass the doubled strips between rolls, or use any other suitable means to press the two pieces firmly and strongly together; and, when dry, any desired article of wearing apparel may be cut from the strips or pieces thus put together, and they may be ornamented by imitation of stitching, or any other desired ornamentation.

I am aware that attempts have been made to imitate the plaits or tucks usually given to articles of wearing apparel made from textile fabrics, but these have been done either by embossing, upsetting, or by sticking or sewing on a narrow strip the width of the plait; but these attempts have either resulted in faint and undecided imitations of the plait by embossing or upsetting, or an uncouth and bungling imitation by sewing or sticking on the separate plaits; but by my method I am enabled to more perfectly imitate the plait or tuck given to textile fabrics, and to render the article of paper wearing apparel much stronger, firmer, and, consequently, much more durable and perfect than if made in the usual manner and of only one thickness of paper.

I do not claim sticking, glueing, or sewing on separate plaits or tucks, but, having described my invention, what I do claim as a new article of manufacture, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

Articles of paper wearing apparel, when folded or plaited and backed or strengthened throughout its entire surface, substantially as herein described and set forth.

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