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FIG. I

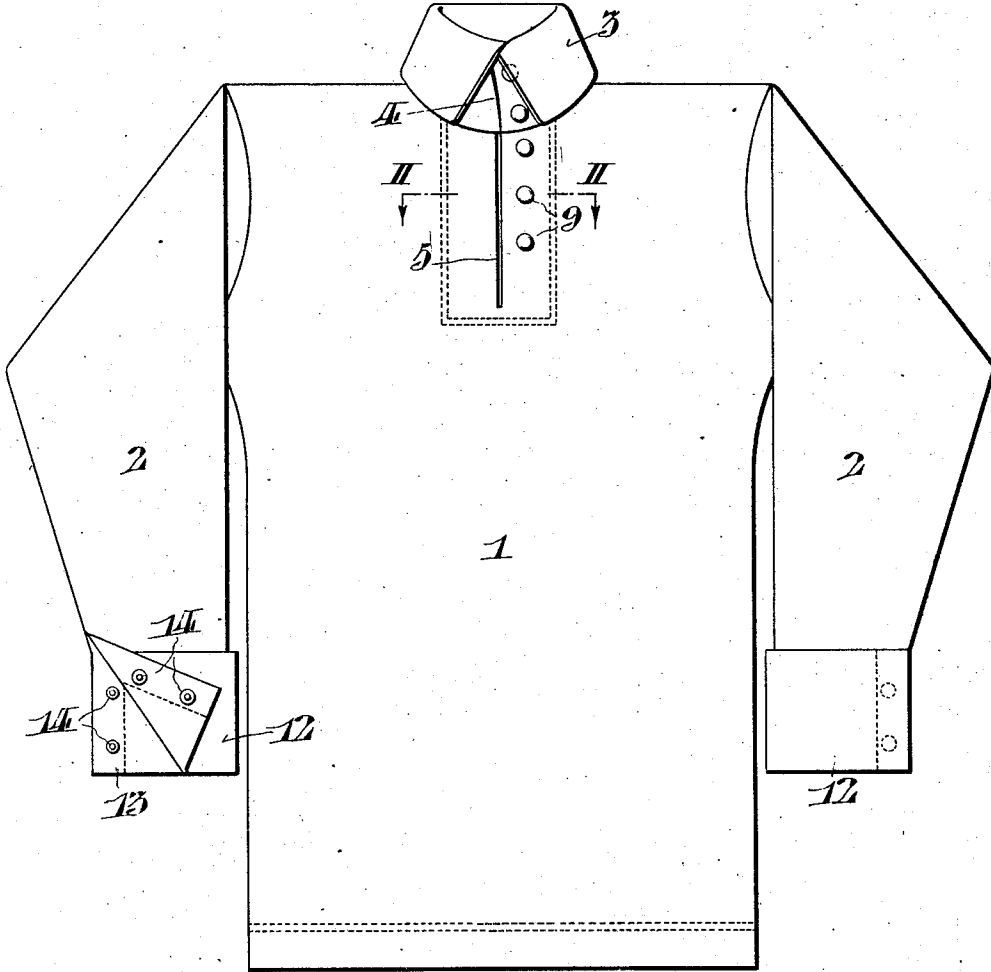


FIG. II

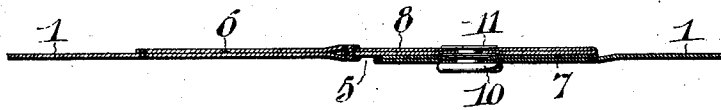
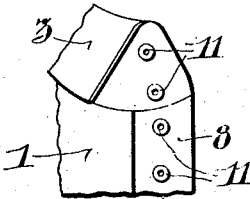


FIG. III



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN HOWARD WAY, of St. Davids, in the county of Delaware and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Knit Garments, whereof the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

The invention relates more particularly to that class of knit garments known as sweaters.

An object of the invention is to provide a sweater having a body portion and a rolled collar of knitted fabric, which is opened at the front by a separation extending through the rolled collar into the body portion, together with means for closing the opening.

A further object of the invention consists in providing a sweater with a cuff portion which is separated so as to allow the arm to be freely inserted in the sleeve or the cuff turned back, which separated cuff portion is closed by suitable fasteners.

In the drawings, Figure I, is a front view of a sweater embodying my improvements. Fig. II, is a sectional view on the line II, II. Fig. III, is a detail showing one side of the body portion, the flap and one end of the collar.

The sweater consists of a body portion 1, and sleeve portions 2. The body and sleeve portions are of knitted fabric, as usual. Attached to the body portion 1, is a rolled knitted collar 3. The rolled knitted collar 3, is separated as at 4, and the body portion is separated as at 5. This separation of the collar and body portion allows the sweater to be freely placed over the head of the wearer.

One side of the separation in the body portion is reinforced by a strip 6, while the other side is reinforced by a strip 7. A flap 8, is secured between the body portion and the reinforcing strip 6, and is adapted to underlie the other side portion adjacent the separation in the body portion. The collar is so formed that the lower edge thereof is not only attached to the body portion, but is also attached to the flap 8, and extends to the outer edge thereof. The other edge of the collar portion is in line with the side edge forming the separation in the body portion of the sweater. By this construction of collar, when the edges of the separation in the body portion are brought

together, one edge of the collar overlaps the other edge thereof. As a means for securing the separated portions of the sweater, I have shown herein a plurality of ball and socket fasteners 9. The portions 11, of the fasteners are attached to the flap and the under part of the collar, while the socket portions 10, are attached to the body of the sweater and to the overlapping part of the collar.

By this construction, the sweater may be readily opened to allow the same to be freely inserted over the head of the wearer after which the sweater may be closed and the collar tightly secured about the neck of the wearer. It is found in practice, where the sweaters are in one piece without any separation, that the collar soon becomes stretched so as to roll down away from the neck of the wearer. In the present construction, however, where the collar may be opened in order to place the sweater over the head of the wearer and afterward secured by fastening devices, this objectionable stretching is avoided so that the sweater always fits closely about the neck of the wearer.

The cuff portions 12, are formed with side separations 13, which carry fasteners 14, so that the cuff may be easily placed over the hand of the wearer, after which the clasps may be fastened. Furthermore, by this construction, the cuffs may be opened and turned back over the wrists of the wearer when indoors, or when a coat is worn over the sweater, and when desired, the cuff may be securely fastened about the wrist of the wearer.

Having thus described my invention, I claim:

A knitted sweater comprising a body portion and sleeve portions; an integral knitted rolled collar attached directly to the body portion from one end of the collar to the other, said body portion having a separation located substantially centrally in front of the sweater and extending a short distance into the body portion thereof; a separate and independent flap secured to one edge of the separation in the body portion and extending underneath the other edge thereof, said rolled collar having a separation so disposed that one end of the collar extends to the outer edge of the flap and the edge of the collar forms with the flap a continuous

line extending to the top of the collar, and the other edge of the collar extends to the separation in the body portion and the edge of the collar forms with the separation a
5 continuous line extending to the top of the collar, whereby when said body portion is overlapped on the flap, one end of the collar will overlap the other end of the collar; and fastening devices for securing the flap

to the body portion and said overlapped 10 portions of the collar.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto signed my name at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, this eighth day of May, 1911.

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