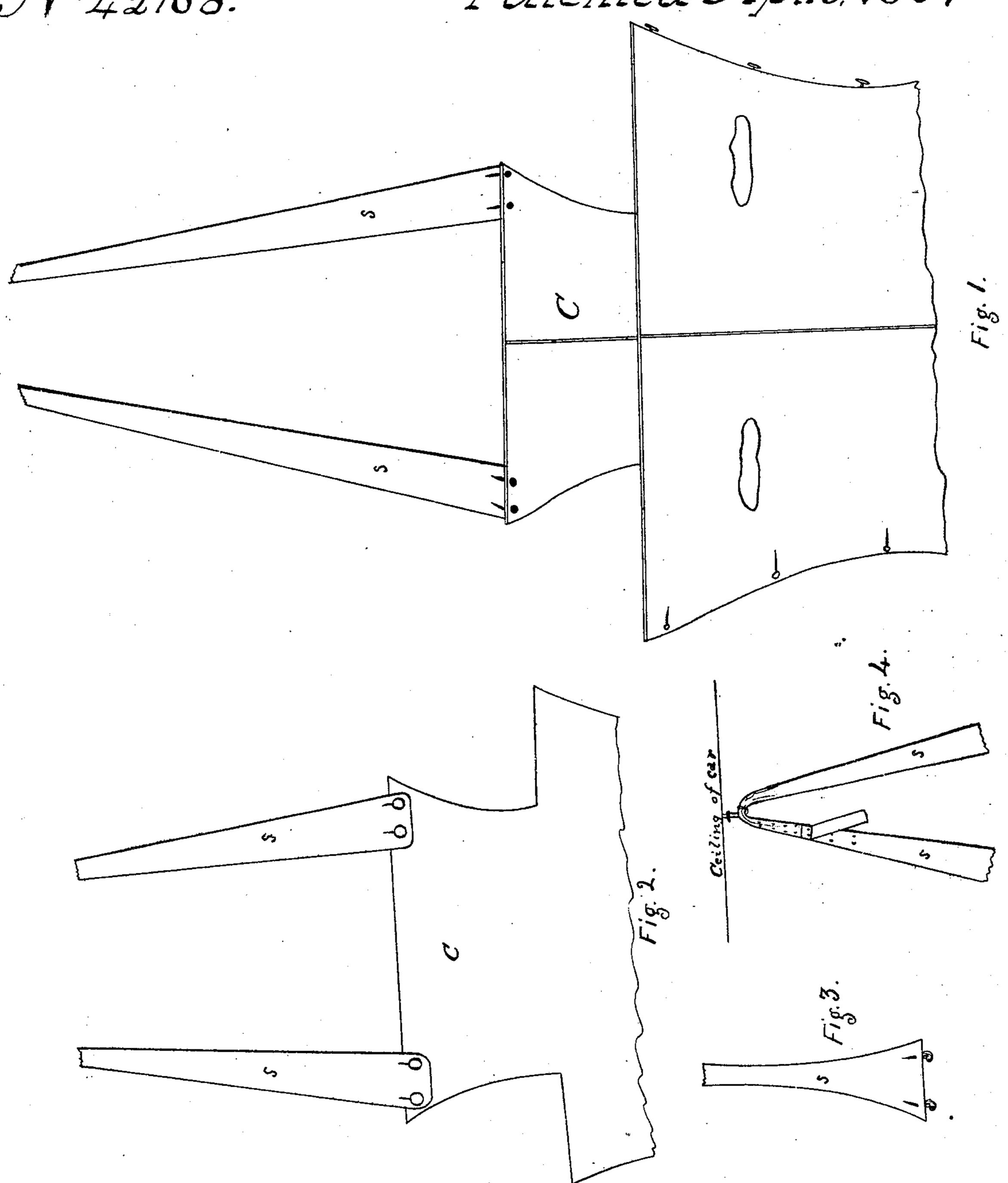
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Sleeping Garment for Travellers.

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IMPROVEMENT IN SLEEPING-GARMENTS FOR TRAVELERS.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 42,168, dated April 5, 1864.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, VIRGIL P. CORBETT, of the city of Washington, in the District of Columbia, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Sleeping-Garments for Travelers; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 represents a portion of the garment with the straps attached, and Fig. 2 the reverse side of the same. Figs. 3 and 4

are detail views.

The object of this invention is to convert the ordinary overcoat, sack, or cloak into a comfortable sleeping-garment for travelers by attaching thereto supporting straps or cords.

The collar C is made wide, and provided at the outer corners with buttons, hooks, or eyelets, to which are attached the straps ss. The straps ss may be fastened by means of hooks or rods attached to the ceiling of the car or coach, or the straps may be fastened to the seat in front, or may be supported by the foot or knee of the traveler. When the straps are

attached to the collar of the garment and fastened as above described, the head of the wearer rests against the collar, and is so supported as to allow the traveler to sleep comfortably and securely. The collar forms a sort of cap, and while it holds the head securely protects it from cold drafts of air, to which the traveler is often exposed. The head also partakes of the motion of the body, and is not subject to the jar of the car or coach, as is the case when the head-rest is fastened to the back of the seat. The straps s s may be made elastic, if desired, or of cloth, leather, or other material, and adjusted by buckle or otherwise. By a slight alteration an ordinary duster may be converted into a comfortable sleeping-garment for ladies or gentlemen.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to

secure by Letters Patent, is—

The combination of straps or cords s s with the collar C of a traveler's garment, as and for the purpose specified.

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