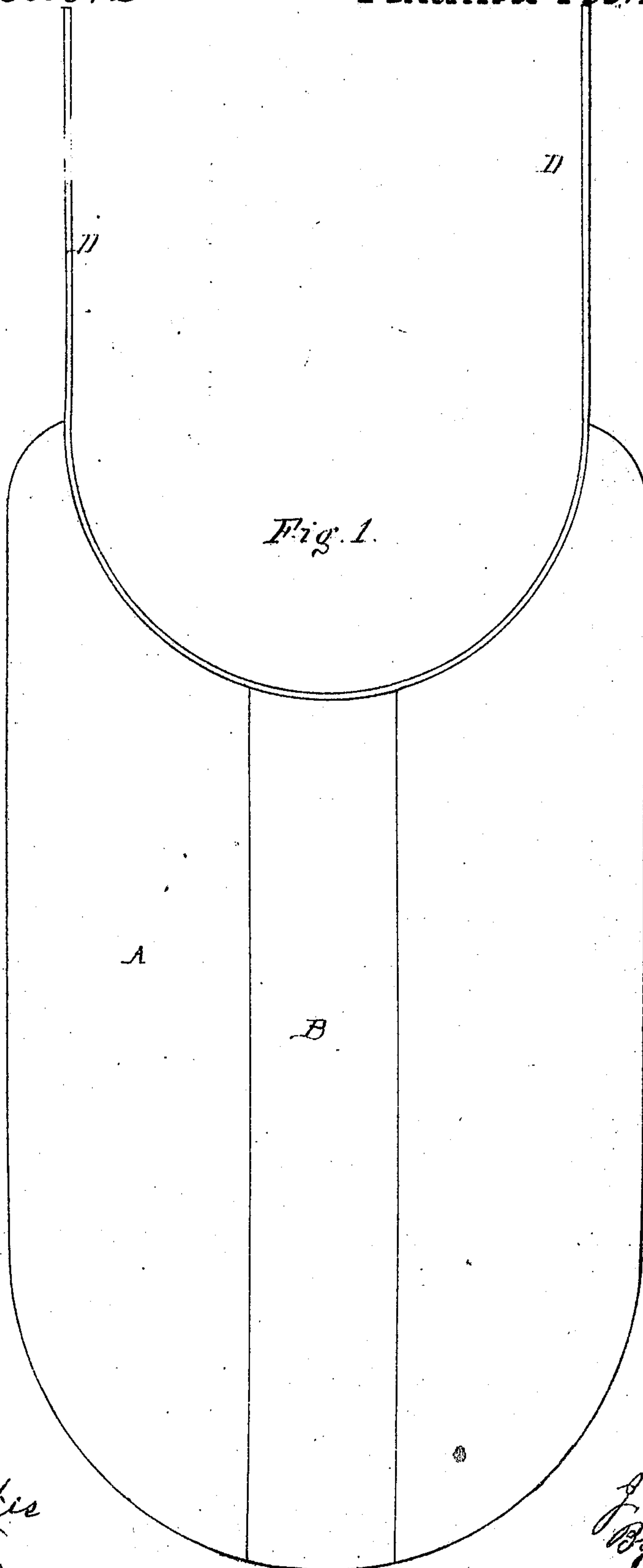


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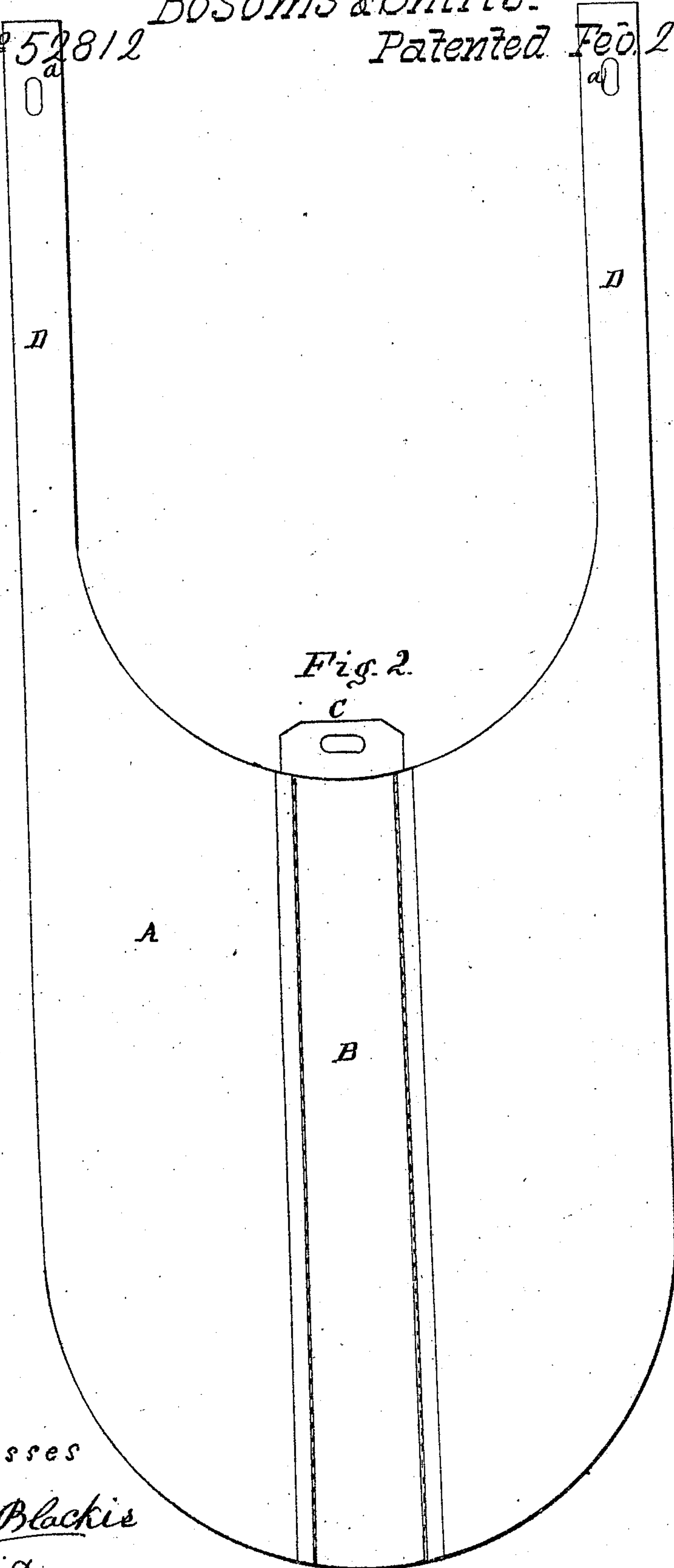
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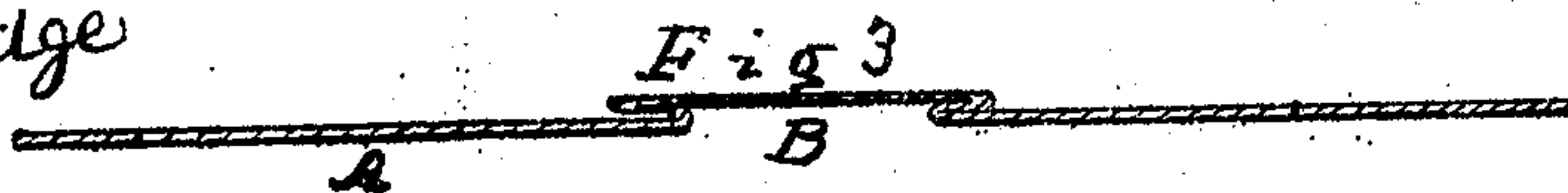
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IMPROVEMENT IN PAPER SHIRT-BOSOMS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, J. C. ARMS, of Northampton, in the county of Hampshire and State of Massachusetts, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Paper Bosoms; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making part of this specification, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, like letters indicating like parts wherever they occur.

To enable others skilled in the art to construct and use the invention, I will proceed to describe it.

A represents the body of a paper bosom or shirt-front constructed in the usual manner.

B represents a central vertical plait, which I form by folding the body A as shown in cross-section in Fig. 3. The edges of this plait are fastened down by stitching it, as represented in Fig. 2; or it may be secured by means of any suitable cement, in which case the plait will be embossed to represent stitching.

C represents a piece of cloth secured to the top of the bosom at the center of the front and projecting above the bosom, as shown, where it is provided with a button-hole for attaching the bosom to the shirt-band at front.

D represents the band of the bosom, which consists of the points of the bosom itself, extended at its upper corners far enough to reach around the neck and meet behind, each of

these points or straps D being provided with a button-hole, *a*, as shown in Fig. 2. In Fig. 1 the band D is represented as being made of a separate piece or strip of paper and attached in such a manner as to be inclined forward, so that when applied to and bent around the neck it will stand vertically, or nearly so.

It will be understood that either of these forms of band may be used as may be found most convenient in the manufacture, and that they will be made of various sizes and numbered, the same as collars are now made.

By these means I am enabled to produce a bosom which can be applied at once without the use of eyelets, strings, cords, hooks, buttons, or other fastenings of any kind attached to the bosom itself, thereby forming a very neat and cheap article, which, when used, can be thrown away without the loss of anything else than the paper itself.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I claim is—

A paper bosom having a central plait formed by folding the paper as shown and described, with or without the points D, of sufficient length to reach around the neck, and provided with the button-holes *a*, the whole constituting a new article of manufacture.

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