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Head Muffs.

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Fig: 1

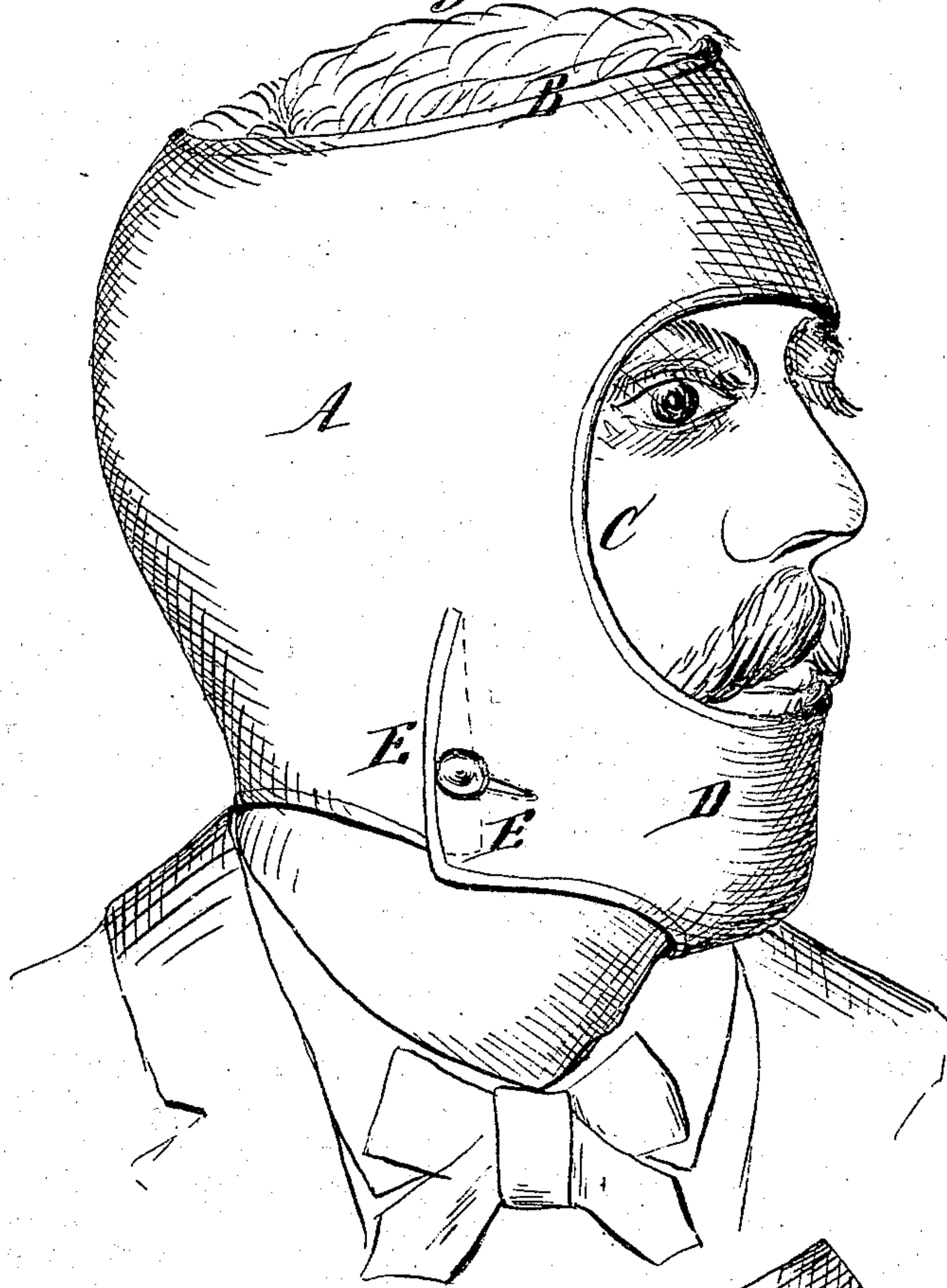
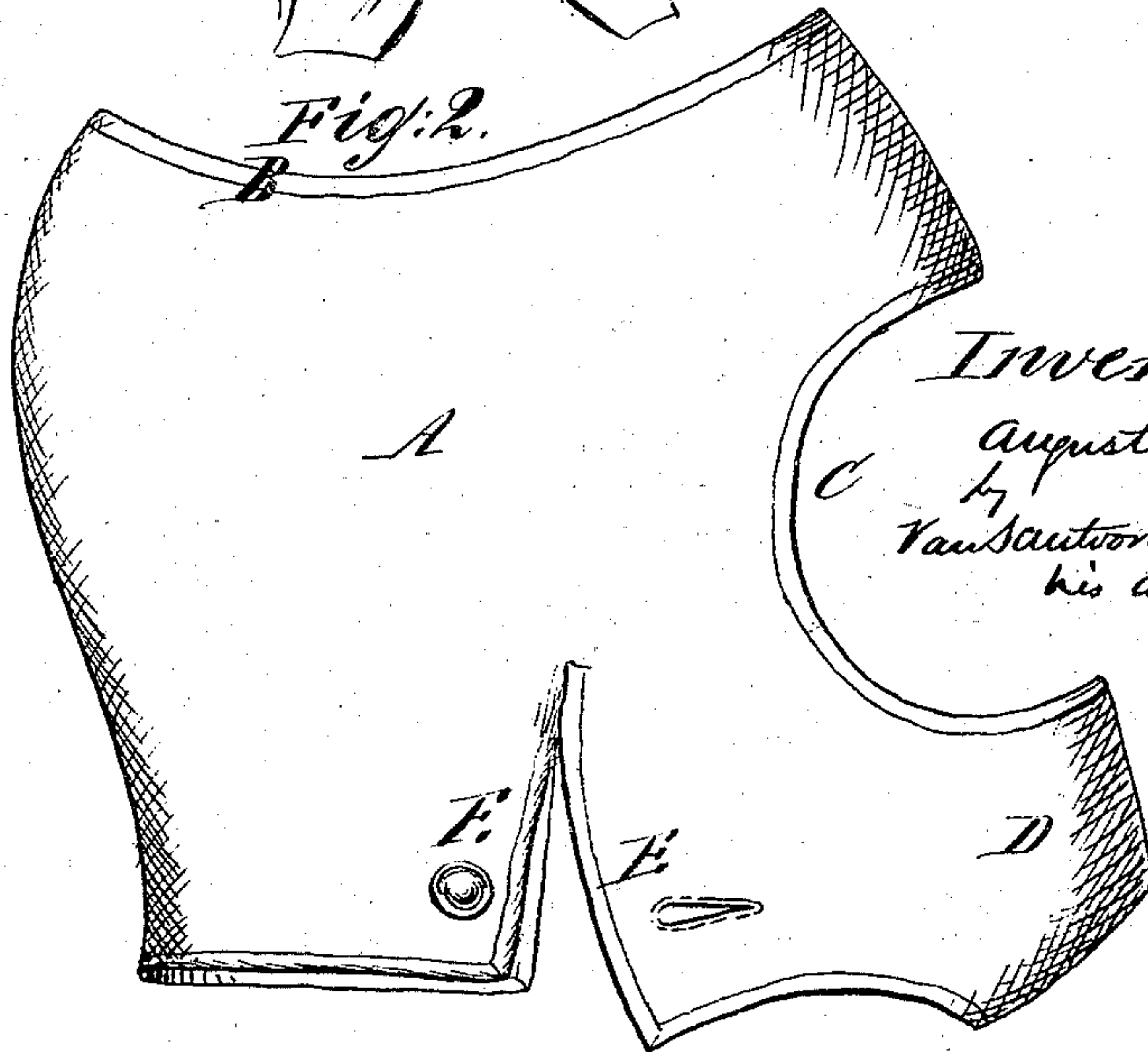


Fig: 2.



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IMPROVEMENT IN HEAD-MUFFS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, AUGUST SCHULTE, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a certain new and Improved Head and Face Muff, of which the following is a specification:

This invention is illustrated in the accompanying drawing, in which Figure 1 is a side view as it appears when put on the head and fastened. Fig. 2 is a similar view when unfastened and taken off.

Similar letters indicate corresponding parts.

This invention relates to a muff which is intended to cover the head and a portion of the face of a person, to protect the same from cold and other influences, and which can be worn with any form of hat or cap. My invention consists of a distended chin portion, combined with lapels, which are provided with buttons or other fastening devices in such a manner that, by the said distended chin portion, the muff can be put on and taken off with great ease, while, when the lappels are fastened, it fits snugly, and is not liable to shift and become displaced on the head of the wearer.

In the drawing, the letter A designates the body of my muff, which is made of cloth, fur, or any other suitable material, and is cut out to conform, as nearly as possible, to the shape of the human head. The top or skull portion of the muff is provided with an opening, B, for the purpose of ventilation; but it can also be made entire or closed. In the face portion of the muff is an opening, C, of such dimensions as to expose the eyes, nose, and mouth of the wearer. It is obvious, however, that separate openings may be provided for each of these organs. The lower end of the muff is open, and the chin portion D is made of such

a pattern that it assumes a distended position when let loose, as shown in Fig. 2, the said chin portion being thus brought out of the line of the most prominent facial angle of the wearer; wherefore the muff can be drawn down over the head and face without inconvenience, or without disturbing the pose of the face. In the lower end of the muff are lapels or flaps E E, which are formed by cutting or forming a slit at that point, as represented, which lapels are provided, respectively, with a button and button-hole, or with any other devices suitable for fastening the two together, such as hooks and eyes, or any ordinary catch.

In fastening the muff on the head of the wearer, the said lappels E being flexible are made to overlap each other, and are buttoned or fastened as shown in Fig. 1, which brings the portion D snugly against and under the chin, whereby the muff is held and prevented from shifting or becoming displaced.

I prefer to locate the lapels E E, as in this example, opposite each other on the sides of the muff; but they can be located in front and rear, with like result.

What I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A head-muffler provided with the distended chin portion D, in combination with lapels E E, which are provided with a button and button-hole or other fastening devices, substantially as herein described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing I have hereunto set my hand and seal.

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