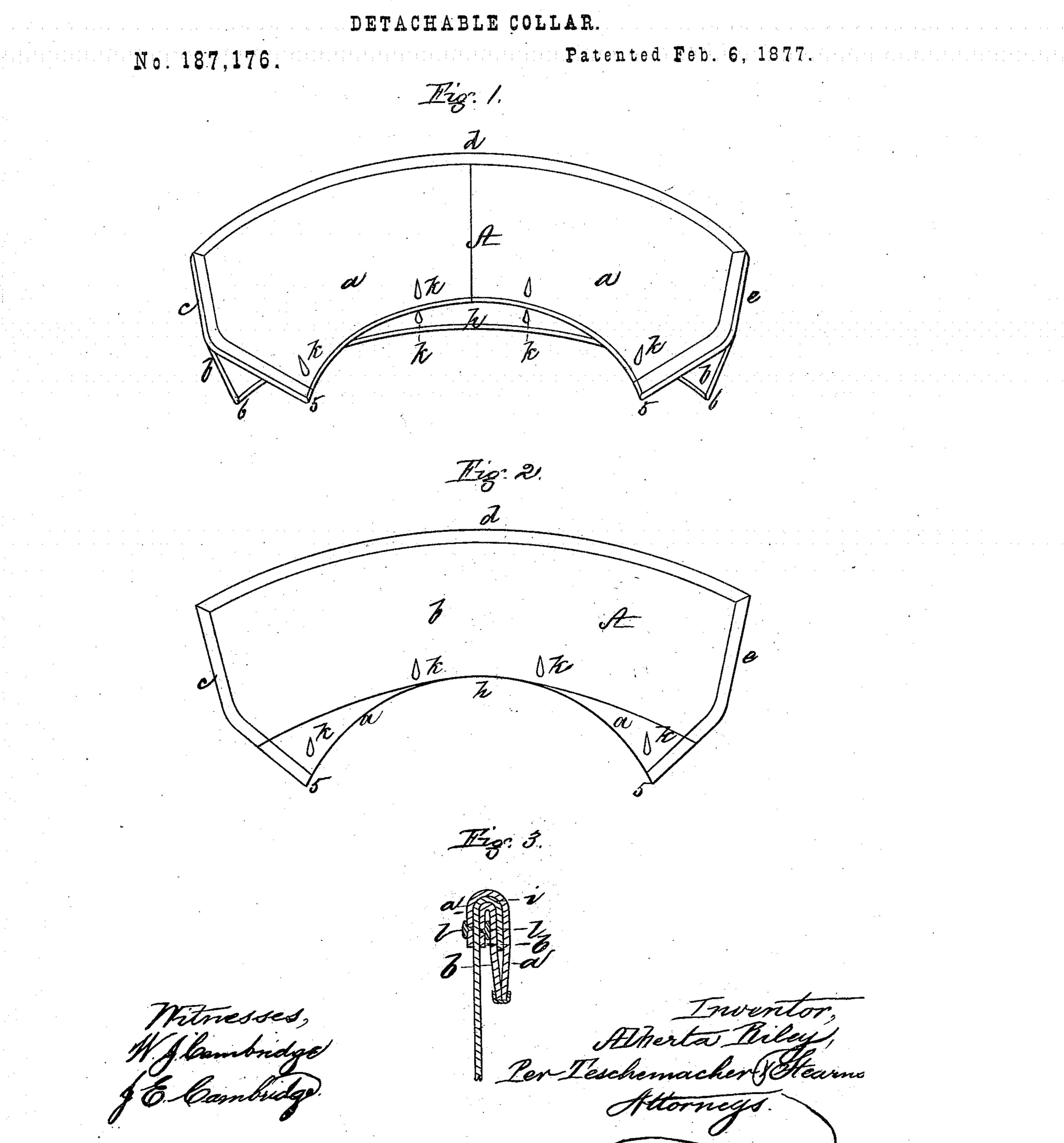
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IMPROVEMENT IN DETACHABLE COLLARS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Alberta Riley, of Cambridgeport, in the county of Middlesex and State of Massachusetts, have invented a Detachable Collar for Coats, Sacques, Capes, and other Similar Garments, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of my detachable collar. Fig. 2 is a plan of the same. Fig. 3 is a section representing the application of my detachable collar to the collar of an ordinary overcoat.

The ordinary "Ulster" overcoat is provided with a heavy wide collar to protect the neck, face, and ears against the severity of the weather; but this coat is unnecessarily heavy and clumsy for ordinary wear, and, consequently, it is customary for a person to provide himself with two coats, one for fine and the other for stormy weather, involving considerable expense and the necessity of frequently changing one for the other, which is not always practicable, and in sudden changes of weather a person is often either without the desired protection, or is inconvenienced by the weight of a heavy garment.

My invention has for its object to overcome this difficulty; and consists in a detachable collar, which may be temporarily secured to the collar of an ordinary coat, cape, or other similar garment, and when not required for use may be readily removed and placed in the pocket, whereby the desired protection is afforded at a trifling cost without the necessity of having two separate garments.

To enable others skilled in the art to understand and use my invention, I will proceed to describe the manner in which I have carried

it out.

In the said drawings, A represents a wide collar, formed of two pieces or thicknesses, a

b, of heavy cloth, closed or sewed together on three of its edges, c d e, the inner side h being left open, as seen in Fig. 1, to admit of the introduction of the collar i of an ordinary coat or other garment, between the two thicknesses a b, as seen in Fig. 3. Each of these pieces a b is provided, near its inner edge h, with button-holes k, placed at suitable distances apart for the reception of buttons l, sewed to the inside and outside of the coat or other garment at or near the line on which its collar is folded. The corners 5 5 of the piece a project out beyond the corners 6 6 of the piece b, in order that the former corners 5 5, and the buttons by which it is secured in place, may be concealed from view, thus giving the detachable collar A the same appearance as one sewed on and forming a part of the coat.

It is evident that hooks or other suitable detachable fastenings may be used instead of

buttons, if desired.

The above-described removable collar occupies but little space, and can be easily carried in the pocket of an ordinary coat, ready for immediate use, thus saving the expense of a separate garment for stormy weather, and the trouble of making frequent changes.

A removable collar made in accordance with my invention may be applied to coats, sacques, capes, and similar garments for men, women, and children.

What I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, as a new article of manufacture, is—

The detachable collar A, having the open edge h and flaps a b, each provided with button-holes k, substantially as described.

Witness my hand this 10th day of January, A. D. 1877.

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In presence of— N. W. STEARNS, W. J. CAMBRIDGE.