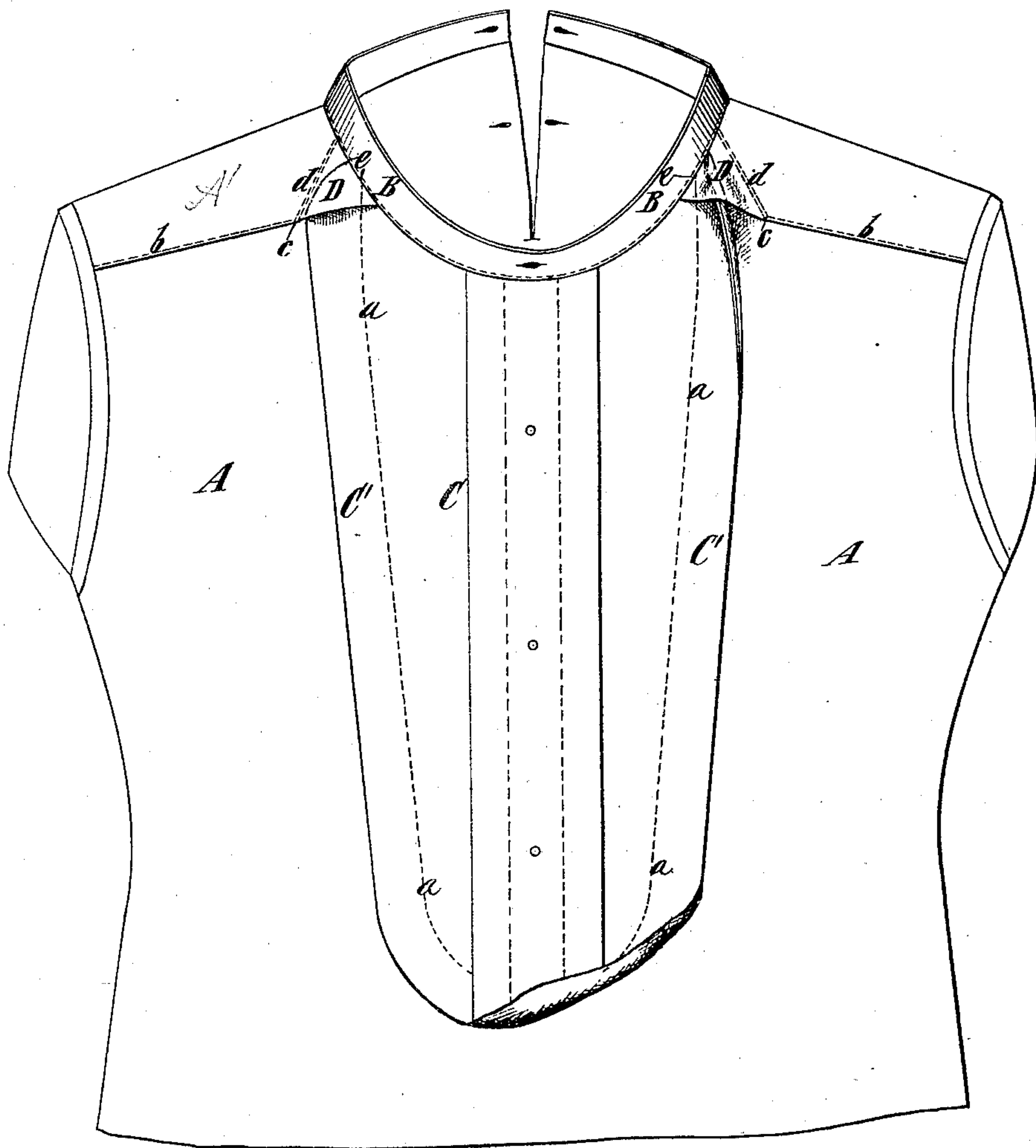


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSEPH B. SEE, of Poughkeepsie, in the county of Dutchess and State of New York, have invented a certain
5 new and useful Improvement in Shirts, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates particularly to shirts in which the lines of stitching which secure the sides of the bosom to the body are at some
10 distance from the extreme edges of the bosom, thus leaving a free or raised edge or margin; but the invention is applicable to other shirts.

The object of the invention is to give a finish to the upper parts of the free marginal portions of the bosom without connecting them
15 with the yoke, and so preventing the latter from proper play upward and downward on the shoulder of the wearer, and without exposing the contracted edge of the upper part of the bosom, as has been done in some shirts when the outer finished edge of the bosom has been brought directly into the neckband.

The invention consists in the combination, with the body and neckband of a shirt, and
25 with a yoke constructed with pockets which are formed by leaving the lower edge of the yoke unattached to the body for a little distance from the neckband and extending short diagonal seams upward from the termination
30 of the yoke-seams to the neckband, of a bosom which is secured to the body along both sides up to the yoke-seams, and which extends into said pockets and is secured to the neckband above said pockets, as fully hereinafter described.

The accompanying drawing represents a portion of a shirt embodying my invention.

A designates the body of the shirt. B designates the neckband, and C designates the
40 bosom.

The bosom C is here shown as secured to the body by seams *a*, which extend along near the side edges of the bosom up to the yoke-seam, leaving a free or raised margin, C'. The
45 raised or free margin or edge C' runs up under the lower edge of the yoke A' and is secured in the seam which attaches the neckband to the body.

The seams *b*, which secure the yoke A' to
50 the body of the shirt, are not continued entirely

to the neckband B, but are discontinued at *c*, and from that point a short diagonal seam, *d*, is carried inward and upward upon each side of and into the neckband. By this manner of connecting the yoke I form upon each side of
55 the neckband B a pocket, D, into which the free or raised edge or margin C' extends. This free edge or margin is not secured, except in the neckband-seam, and is free to move without affecting the body of the shirt.

In the drawing I have represented the upper end of the raised edge or margin as slightly curled or rolled over, to indicate that it is entirely free and is loose in the pocket D upon
60 that side of the shirt.

It will be clearly understood from this construction that the yoke and shoulder of the shirt are free to move up and down independently of the bosom, the point *e*, at which the raised or free edge or margin of the bosom C
65 runs into and is secured in the neckband, serving as a center, upon which the yoke may move freely up or down relatively to and independently of the bosom.

I am aware that it is old to secure a bosom
75 at one side only to the body of the shirt, leaving an opening at the other side of the bosom, and to extend the upper end of the free side of the bosom under the yoke, but in such case the upper free end of the bosom, although it
80 passes under the yoke, is not secured to the neckband above the yoke. In my shirt the upper and outer edges of both sides of the bosom not only pass under the yoke, but are permanently secured to the neckband above the
85 yoke, and both sides of my bosom are secured to the body up to the yoke-seam.

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

The combination, with the body A, the neck-
90 band B, and the yoke A', constructed with open pockets D, of the bosom C, secured to the body along both sides up to the yoke-seam, extending into said pockets and secured to the neckband above said pockets, substantially as
95 and for the purpose specified.

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