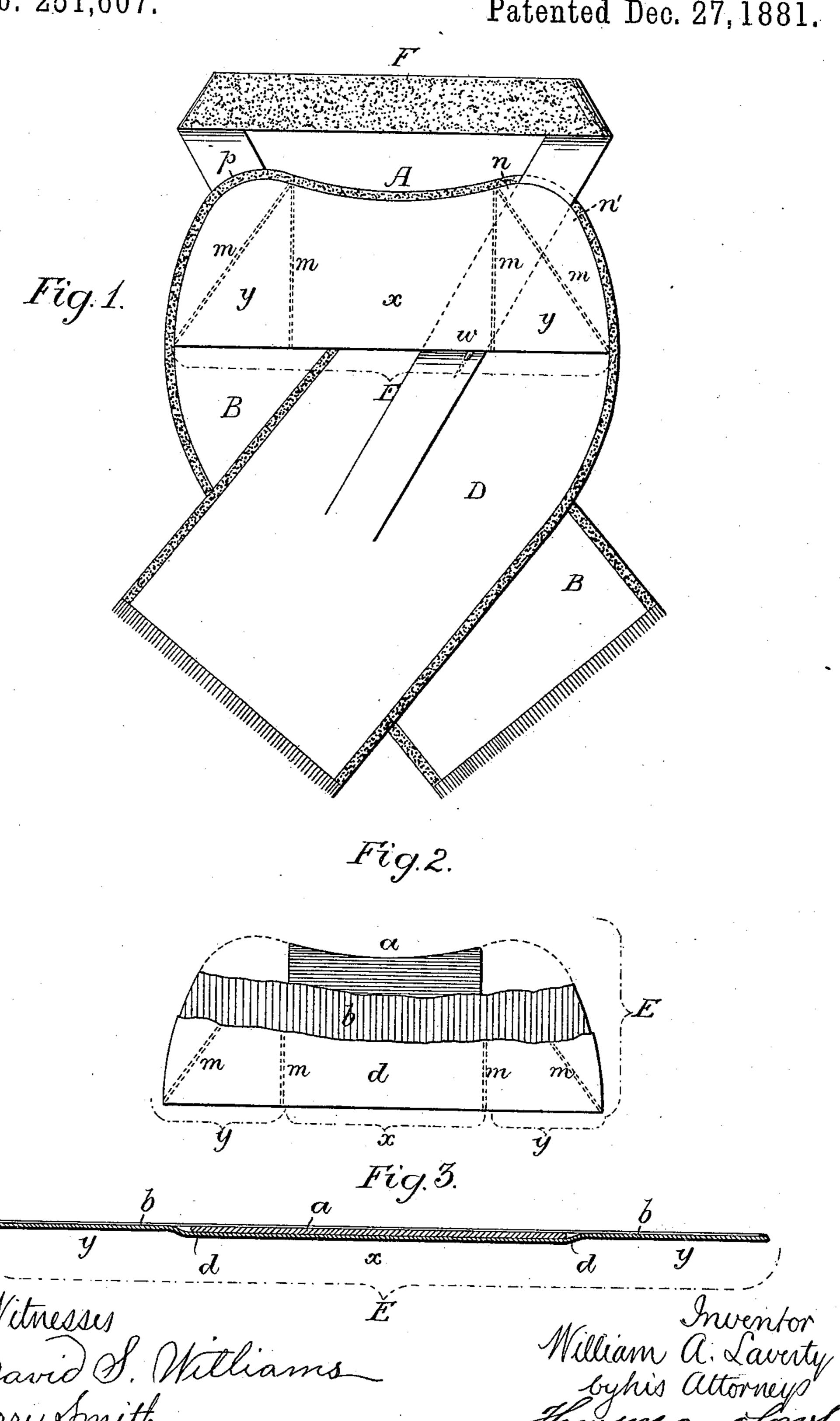
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM A. LAVERTY, a citizen of the United States, residing in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, have invented certain Improvements in Neckscarfs, of which the following is a specification.

The object of my invention is to construct a neckscarf which will possess the proper rigidity at the center, but in which the upper and outer edges of the crossed aprons will be free to accommodate themselves to the person of the wearer, so as to permit a snug fit of the scarf. This object I attain in the manner which I will now proceed to describe, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a rear view of my improved neckscarf; Fig. 2, a detached view of part of the same, with portions removed to show its structure; and Fig. 3, a sectional plan view of Fig. 2 on a larger scale.

The body of the scarf comprises the usual center piece, A, and crossed flaps or aprons B D, and is constructed as usual, my invention having no relation to this portion of this scarf, but being restricted to the construction of the portion E, which, as shown in Fig. 1, extends completely across the upper end of the scarf, and, as shown in Fig. 2, is composed of three parts—namely, the pasteboard stiffener a, the lining b, of canton-flannel or like material, and the covering d, usually of silk or satin.

The stiffener a occupies a central position and is contracted in width, so that the portion E of the scarf presents a central stiffened portion or shield, x, and two wings, y y, formed by the lining b and covering d, these wings projecting laterally beyond the opposite edges of the stiffener, and being flexible, so as to accommodate themselves to the shape of the neck and lie snugly beneath the vest.

In addition to securing the covering fabric d to the scarf around the edge of the same, I prefer to secure it to the lining b by lines of stitches m m, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2.

The portion E is secured to the body of the

scarf at its upper edge and ends, with the exception of the space from n to n', Fig. 1, which is unsecured, so as to form an opening for the admission of the free end of the neckband F, the opposite end of the latter being secured to 50 the scarf at p, and the free end of the band being retained, after insertion, by a pin, w, projecting from the lower edge of the stiffener a.

It will be seen that in my improved scarf the central portion is kept in shape and prevented 55 from wrinkling by the central stiffened portion or shield, a, while the portions of the scarf to which the neckband is attached, when the scarf is on the neck, are free to bend to accommodate themselves to the curve of the neck- 60 band, thus insuring a snug fit and a neat appearance of the scarf.

I am aware that it is not new to provide a neckscarf with a shield extending entirely across the scarf and stiffened throughout, and 65 that it is also old to make a scarf with stiffened wings and without any stiffening in the center; but both of these constructions are essentially different from that which I adopt, and are not capable of attaining the objects of 70 my invention.

I claim as my invention—

1. The combination of the central stiffener, a, forming the shield, with a lining, b, and covering d, projecting beyond the edges of said 75 stiffener, so as to form flexible wings yy, as set forth.

2. The combination of the center piece, crossed aprons, and neckband of a flat scarf, with a central shield, x, having a retaining-80 pin, w, and with laterally-projecting wings y y, one of which serves as a pocket for the free end of the neckband, as set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two sub-85 scribing witnesses.

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