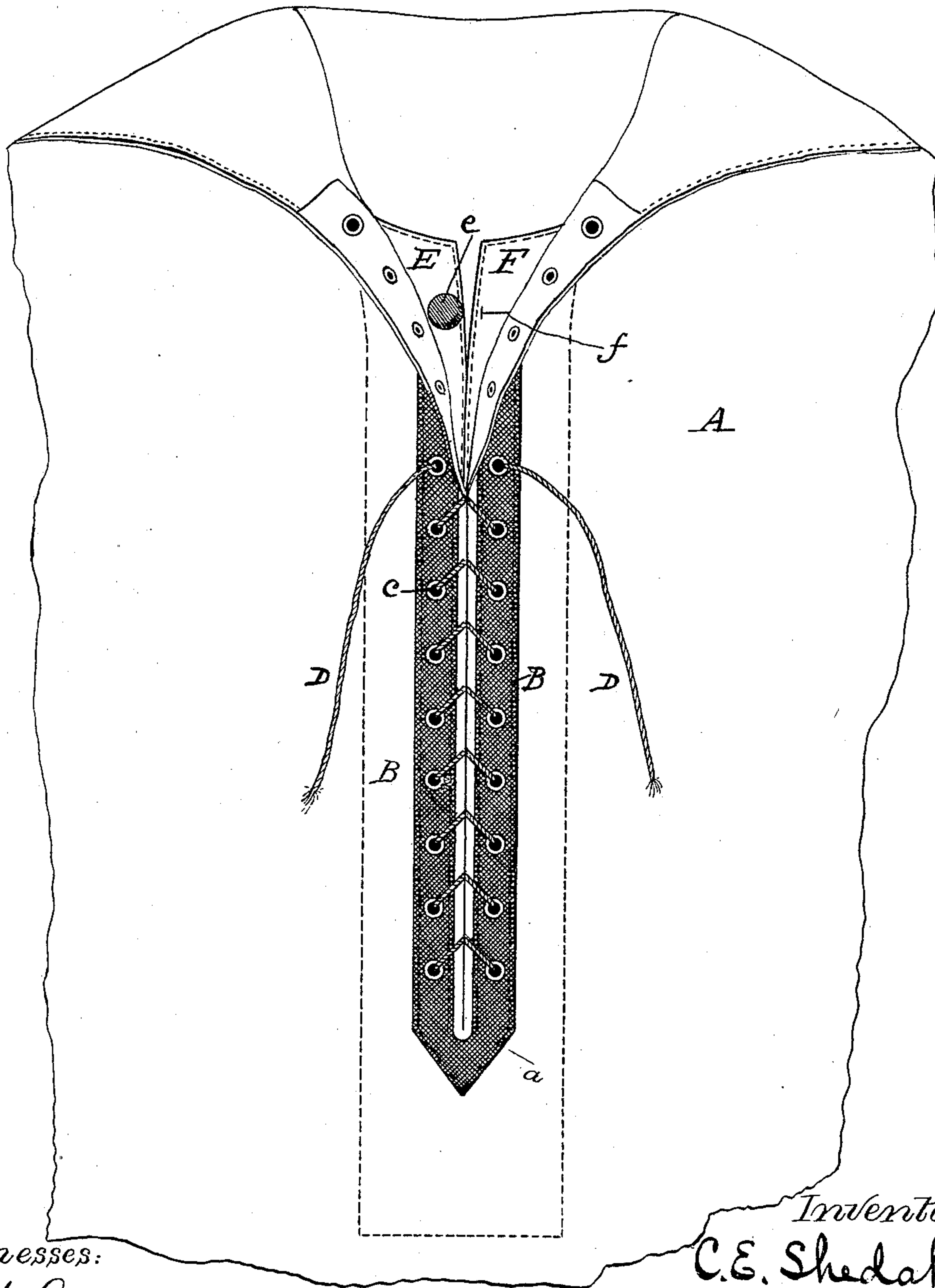


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HUNTING-SHIRT.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES E. SHEDAKER, a citizen of the United States, residing at Philadelphia, in the county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Hunting-Shirts; and I do declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, and to the letters and figures of reference marked thereon, which forms a part of this specification.

This invention has relation to that class of shirts in use by sportsmen, bicyclers, and the like, in which the shirt-front is provided with double flaps, eyelet-holes, and lacing-cord; and the novelty consists in the front or bosom of the same, as will be hereinafter more fully described, and particularly pointed out in the claim.

In the figure in the drawing is represented a front view of the bosom of a shirt embodying the improvements of my invention.

A is the front of the shirt, and is made of one piece of material, and has a straight cut, *a*, extending a suitable distance downwardly. On each side of this opening *a*, at its edges, are securely stitched strips of braid, B, or similar compact material. Through this braid B and the body of the material A are inserted metallic eyelets C, through which is laced the cord D. On the inside of front A, on each side of the cut *a*, are stitched flaps E and F. The flap E is pro-

vided with buttonse and the flap F with button-holes *f*.

In operation the cord D is loosened and the shirt slipped on the body. Then the flaps E and F are buttoned up and the cord D properly laced up through the eyelets C and tied at the neck, and it will thus be seen that the shirt will be secured against unfastening during even violent exercise. The eyelets prevent the shrinking of the cord-holes when wet, and the re-enforcement of braid furnishes a firm base for securing the eyelets in place and prevents their tearing out, as would be the case were they secured directly and only on the body of the shirt A, as that is usually made of woolen or other less dense and compact material. The flaps E F prevent the eyelets and cord from rubbing or coming in contact with the flesh where no undershirt is worn with it.

Having thus described my improved shirt, what I claim as new and useful, and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States, is—

As an improved article of manufacture, the shirt A, provided with flaps E F *e f*, front opening, *a*, the sides, having re-enforce strips of braid or other suitable material, provided with metallic eyelets *c* and lacing-cord D, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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