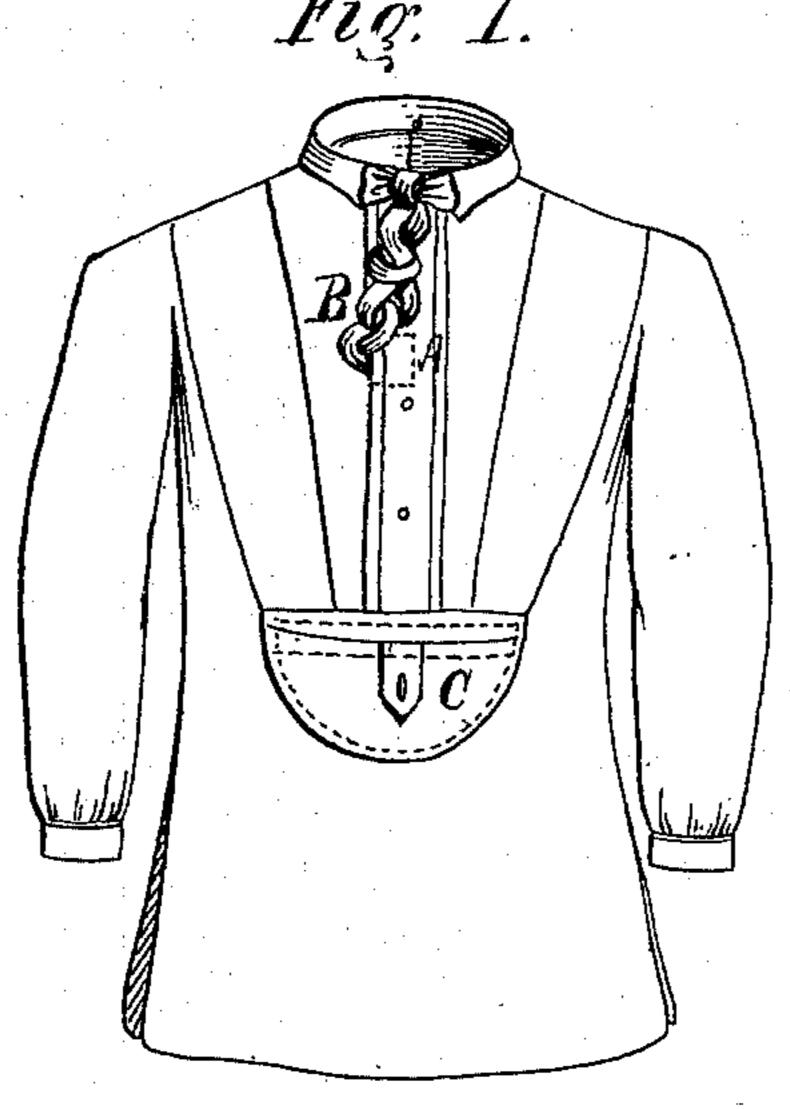
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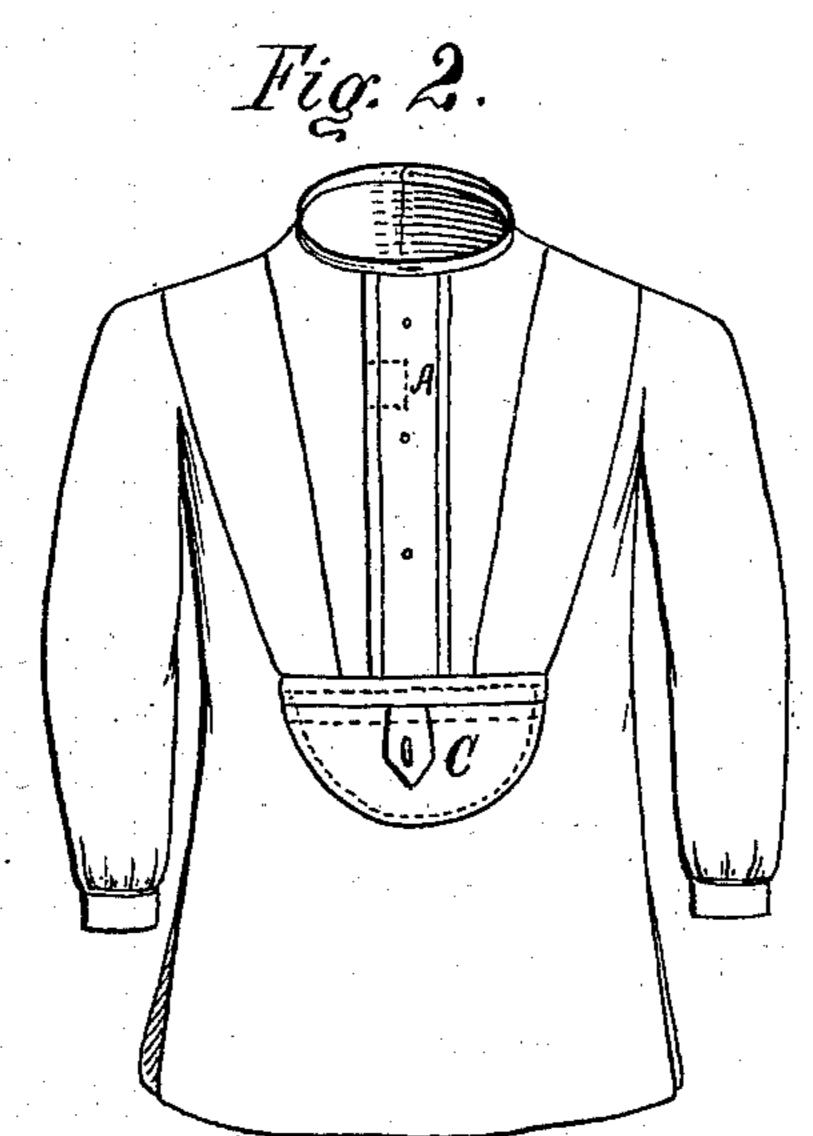
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MAGGIE J. Connors, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Shirts; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification.

My invention relates to improvements in shirt-fronts; and it consists in an opening or pocket made under the center plait of the bosom, and also in a strengthening or guard piece attached to the bottom of the bosom and body of the shirt, as hereinafter described.

Figure 1 is a front elevation showing the opening or pocket, necktie, and ruffle. Fig. 2 is a front elevation showing the opening or pocket, also the strengthening or guard piece.

I construct my improved shirt of any suitable material, open in the back and with an opening or pocket made under the center plait of the bosom and near the upper stud-opening, as shown at A, Figs. 1 and 2. The object of this opening or pocket is to allow the ends of the necktie to pass in under the bosom and out of sight, thereby enabling the wearer to make a variety of knots, ruffles, and bows, and conceal the ends of the ties, as shown at B, Fig. 1.

I also construct my improved shirt with a strengthening or guard piece firmly attached

to the bottom of the bosom and body of the shirt, as shown at C, Fig. 2. This piece may be made of any shape, thickness, or size required. The object and advantage of this guard or strengthening piece above described is that it prevents the body of the shirt breaking off at the bottom of bosom, which is a great objection to the double or re-enforced fronts 40 now in general use. My improvements add but little to the expense of manufacturing, but they make the shirt doubly durable.

I am aware that shirts with bosoms open from the neck to the bottom of the bosom have 45 been made and are old. These I do not claim; but I am not aware that any have been made substantially as described by me.

Having thus fully described my invention, what I desire to claim, and secure by Letters 50 Patent, is—

1. A shirt constructed of any suitable material, open in the back and with a pocket, A, made under the center plait of the bosom for the purpose of receiving the ends of the neck- 55 tie, substantially as shown and described.

2. The combination, with a shirt, of the opening or pocket A and the strengthening or guard piece C, substantially as described and shown.

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