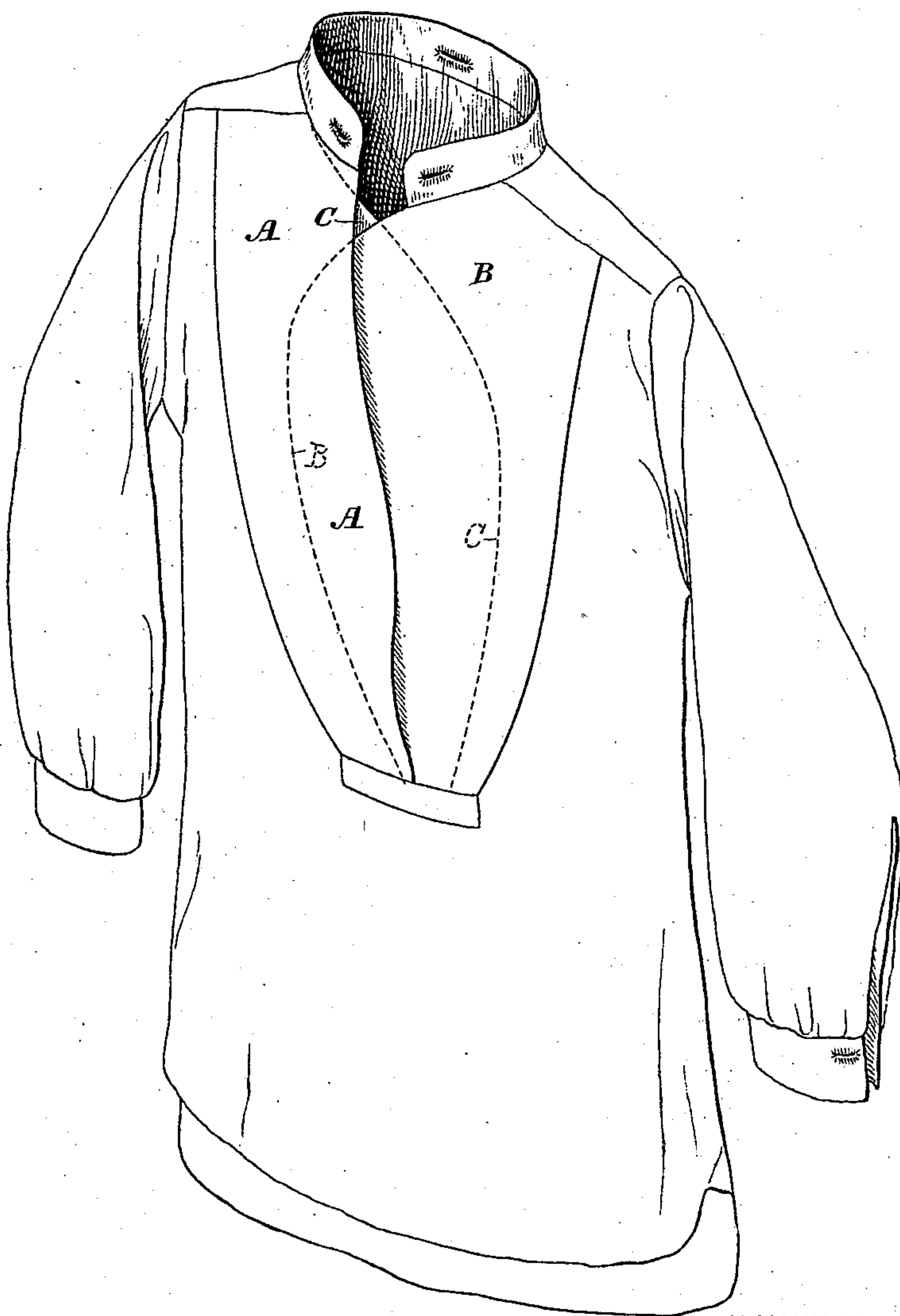


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EMILIE S. MOORE, a citizen of the United States, residing in New York, in the county and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Shirts, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates more particularly to open-front shirts; and its object is to so form the shirt-front that its parts may be secured together by means of a single button or stud, and to allow the parts or sections of which the front is composed to slide or move upon each other, thus preventing the shirt-front from breaking or bending sharply, as is frequently the result when the parts of the front are secured to each other by buttons or studs.

According to my invention the shirt-front consists of the two sections usually employed, one section overlapping the other, so as to represent a vertical plait, together with an additional section placed beneath these two sections, and secured at its bottom and one side to the corresponding portions of the outer overlapping section. The edge of this additional section is otherwise left free and made to overlap or extend beyond the point of junction of the outer sections. The two outer sections are united at the neck-band in front by means of a stud or button in the usual manner. The additional section protecting and covering as it does the opening between the two outer sections renders it unnecessary to button or otherwise secure the section at any other point than at the neck-band, and consequently great freedom of motion is secured for the body of the wearer without wrinkling or impairing the appearance of the front.

The figure represents a shirt embodying my invention, in which—

A B represent the two sections of an open-front shirt as usually made, and these are se-

cured to the body of the shirt and to the neck-band in the usual manner. The ends of the latter are designed to be united in front by a stud or button. I prefer, however, to make the section B of slightly greater breadth than is usual, as shown in the drawing.

C represents the additional section, the shape of which should be substantially that illustrated in the drawing. This section is sewed at its bottom and one edge to the body of the shirt immediately behind the section A, its free edge overlapping the free edge of the section B. When, therefore, the sections A and B are united at the neck-band, the opening between them is fully protected and covered by the section C, and owing to the shape of the latter and the manner in which it is secured to the body of the shirt the sections A and B are held closely together when the shirt is in use, and are allowed to yield freely to the movements of the body of the wearer. The section C at the same time serves the purpose of an excellent chest-protector, since it adds to the thickness of the shirt-front and prevents the cold air or wind from reaching the chest.

Ornamental studs may be attached to the free edge of the section A at the option of the manufacturer or wearer.

I claim as my invention—

The hereinbefore-described shirt-front, consisting of the outer and inner sections, A C, and the intervening section B, combined and united together substantially as hereinbefore set forth.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name this 26th day of October, A. D. 1883.

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