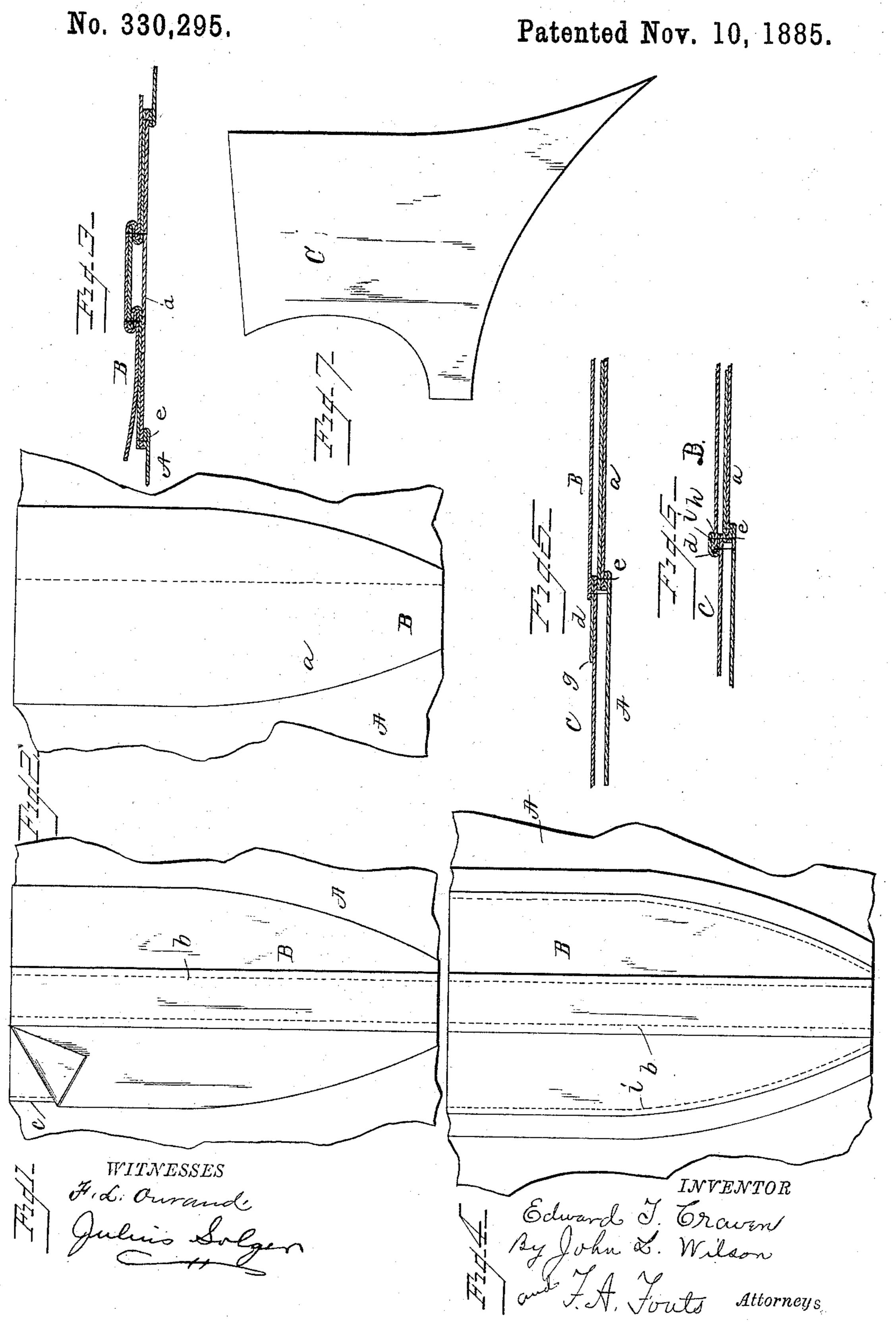
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## SHIRT.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWARD T. CRAVEN, a citizen of the United States, residing at Easton, in the county of Northampton and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Shirts, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

This invention relates to certain improvements in shirts and bosoms therefor; and it has for its objects to provide the bosom with a binding forming a re-enforced edge made up of several thicknesses of material, which will hold the starch and form a stiff edge to the bosom, keeping it in shape, and rendering the bosom much more durable than as heretofore made and secured to the shirt. These objects are attained by the means illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 represents a front view of a shirt having the bosom partly attached thereto. Fig. 2 represents a rear view of the shirt and bosom. Fig. 3 represents a sectional view of Fig. 1. Fig. 4 represents a front view of the bosom finished and attached to the shirt. Fig. 5 represents a sectional view showing the binding partially applied to the shirt and bosom. Fig. 6 represents a sectional view of the finished shirt and bosom, and Fig. 7 represents a detached view of the re-enforce.

The letter A indicates the shirt-body, and B the bosom. The front of the bosom is formed of fine linen stitched to a backing, a, of coarse material, by the stitches forming the pleat b at the front of the bosom, leaving the edges of the lining or backing and the front of the bosom free to be attached to the shirt, as hereinafter specified.

In securing the shirt to the bosom the edges

of the lining of the bosom are stitched to the 40 edges of the opening at the front of the shirt-body, as indicated by the letter c, Fig. 1, of the drawings. The edge of the re-enforce C is then set between the edges of the bosom, its lining, and the edge of the opening at the 45 front of the body of the shirt, a strip of linen, d, being placed under the edge of the bosom. The bosom strip, re-enforce, and lining are then stitched together by a line of stitching, e, leaving one edge of strip free, as indicated by 50 the letter g. The strip is then folded longitudinally, as indicated by the letter h, and turned over the edge of the bosom, and stitched down on the bosom by a line of stitching, i.

It will be seen that as thus constructed the 55 bosom is securely fastened to the shirt, and at the same time provided with a re-enforced border, which will hold a large quantity of starch, and will preserve the shape of the bosom. Moreover, the border renders the shirt and 60 bosom much more durable than heretofore.

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

The method of securing a shirt-bosom to 65 the front opening of a shirt-body, the same consisting in stitching the lining to the edge of the opening with an interposed strip and the re-enforce, and in folding and turning the strip over the edge of the bosom, and secur-70 ing the whole by a line of stitches, substantially as specified.

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

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