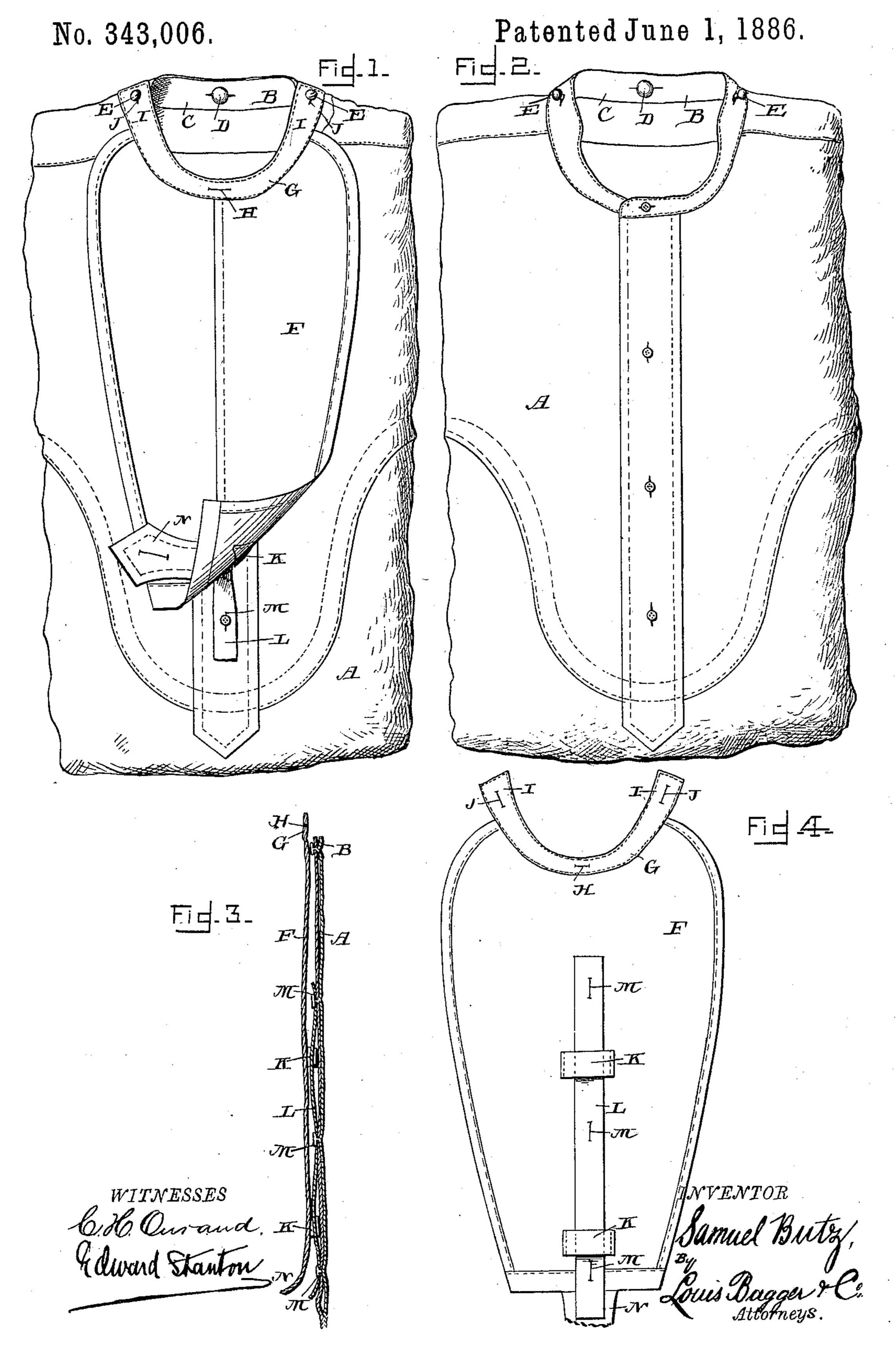
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SAMUEL BUTZ, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Easton, in the county of Northampton and State of 5 Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Shirts; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, which will enable others skilled in the art to which 10 it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification, and in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the up-15 per front portion of a shirt provided with my improvement. Fig. 2 is a similar view of the shirt without the bosom. Fig. 3 is a longitudinal sectional view of the front of the shirt and of the bosom, and Fig. 4 is a rear view of

20 the bosom.

Similar letters of reference indicate corre-

sponding parts in all the figures.

My invention has relation to that class of shirts in which the bosom is attached to but-25 tons at the sides of the neckband, and it contemplates certain improvements upon the shirt for which Letters Patent of the United States No. 335,505 were granted to me on February 2, 1886; and it consists in the im-30 proved construction and combination of parts of the same, as hereinafter more fully described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, the letter A indicates the shirt, which is of the same 35 construction as the shirt shown and described in the former application, having the neckband B, which is broader at its rear portion, C, and which is provided with the central back button, D, and the side buttons, E E, 40 which buttons may either be permanently or removably secured to the said neckband, the distance between said buttons EE being alike on all sizes of shirts. The shirt is preferably formed with its opening in the front, as shown 45 in the drawings; but a shirt buttoning in the back or at the side, or any other construction, may be constructed with the same neckband and be equally as applicable, the construction, material, or ornamentation of the 50 shirt being immaterial, the neckband being

the only important part of the shirt. The distance from J to J on the neckband of the bosoms will be of different lengths, and the bosoms will have different slopes, so that when any desired neck-measure is wanted—say fifteen 55 and one-half inches sloped bosom being attached to the neckband of the shirt, the desired fifteen and one-half inches neck-measure will be obtained, and, in like manner, any measure can be obtained according to the 60 spirit of my invention. The bosom F has a neckband, C, which is provided with the usual central button-hole, H, and with projecting ends or tabs I.I., projecting beyond the edges of the bosom and formed with button- 65 holes J, which may be buttoned upon the side buttons of the neckband of the shirt, E E. The rear side of the bosom is provided with two transverse straps, K K, one above the other, and a strap, L, is buttoned by its but- 70 ton-holes M to the front buttons of the shirt, and passes through the loops or straps upon the rear side of the bosom, securing the bosom to the shirt at its lower end, and preventing the bosom from working out while wearing it. 75 The lower end of the bosom is provided with the usual fly-tab, N, for the purpose of preventing it from sliding up, the tab being secured to a button of the drawers or pantaloons in the usual manner.

It will be seen that by having the ends of the neckband of the bosom projecting beyond the side edges of the bosom, forming tabs, the bosom will not be obliged to be as broad as where the neckband of the bosom is only of 85 the same length as the upper edge of the bosom, in which case the side edges of the bosom are liable to bear against the shoulders of the wearer and to cause a crumpled fit of the bosom, or the buttons at the sides of the oc shirt-neckband must be placed considerably toward the front of the neckband. In this manner a neater fit and a less bulky bosom is obtained, and crumpling of the bosom is avoided.

By having the detachable strap upon the front buttons of the shirt passing through the loops upon the rear side of the bosom, the bosom may be used with any kind of shirt having buttons placed upon its front, without 100

the necessity of having the straps secured to the shirt, as in the shirt described in the former application.

If desired, the tabs of the neckband of the 5 bosom may be passed through loops at the sides of the neckband of the shirt and be buttoned on the back button.

Having thus described my invention, I claim and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the 10 United States—

The combination, with a shirt, of the withindescribed supplemental shirt-bosom, consist-

ing of an ordinary shirt-bosom, a semi-neckband, straps attached by their ends to the back of said bosom, and a strip provided with 15 button - holes movably inserted under said straps, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I have hereunto affixed my signature

in presence of two witnesses.

SAMUEL BUTZ.

Witnesses:

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