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Fig. 1.

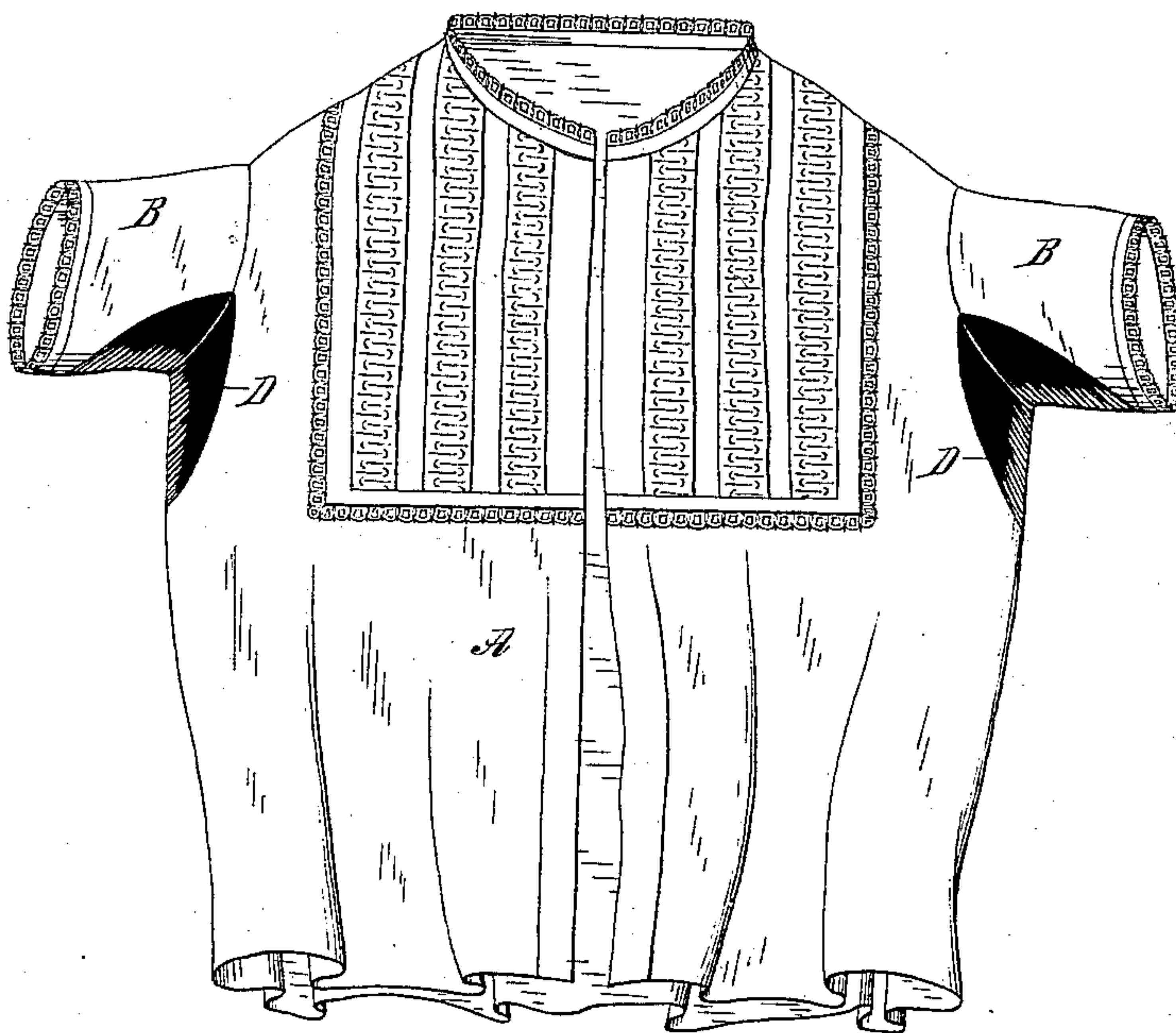
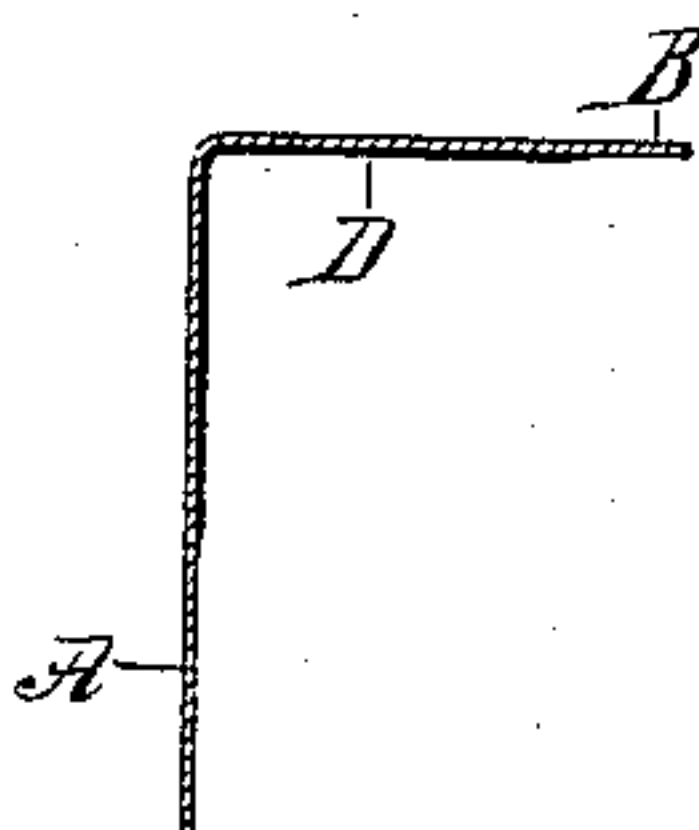


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, THOMAS P. TAYLOR and M. BURDETT HAMMOND, citizens of the United States, residing at Bridgeport, in the county of Fairfield and State of Connecticut, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Corset-Covers; and we do hereby 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.

Our invention has for its object to produce a corset-cover which shall be thoroughly perspiration-proof at the armpits, so that the necessity for using dress-shields will be wholly avoided. It is of course well understood that dress-shields have gone very extensively into use as a protection for dresses. In practice, however, a separate pair of shields must be used with each dress, or else the shields must be changed each time the dress is changed, which is in one instance a source of considerable inconvenience and expense, and in the other instance a source of perpetual trouble and loss of time. Corset-covers also have come so generally into use that at present they are an indispensable article of feminine wearing-apparel.

Our present invention enables us to combine the conveniences of a corset-cover and a dress-shield in a single garment, while, at the same time, we are enabled to meet the three essential requirements in this class of articles, viz: that they shall be economical in cost, trouble to the wearer shall be avoided, and they shall be very durable in use. With these ends in view we have devised the novel corset-cover, of which the following description, in connection with the accompanying drawings, is a specification, similar letters indicating the same parts in all the figures.

Figure 1 is an elevation of a corset-cover illustrating our invention. Fig. 2 is a greatly-enlarged section of a portion of the body of

the garment, the sleeve and the water-proof material applied thereto.

A represents the body of the corset-cover, B the sleeve, and D a layer of water-proof material applied to the exterior of the body and the sleeve at the portion covering the armpit. The garment and sleeve may be of the ordinary or any preferred construction.

Any suitable vulcanizable water-proof material may be applied to the garment and sleeve to make it perspiration-proof. We preferably, however, use india-rubber dissolved in naphtha or any other suitable solvent. In practice this water-proof material is applied to the garment and sleeve with a brush or in any suitable manner, the garment being held in place by a suitable form or mold. The form or mold, with the garment held in place thereon, is then exposed to sufficient heat to vulcanize the rubber, after which the garment is ready for use.

For convenience in illustration we have shown the water-proof material as black. It should be understood, however, that in practice the water-proof material will be made light or flesh colored.

Having thus described our invention, we claim—

A combined corset-cover and dress-shield consisting of a body, A, and sleeves B, of ordinary textile material, and a layer, D, of water-proof material on the exterior of the body, under the sleeves, and on the exterior of the under portions of the sleeves or the parts thereof covering the armpits, substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof we affix our signatures in presence of two witnesses.

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