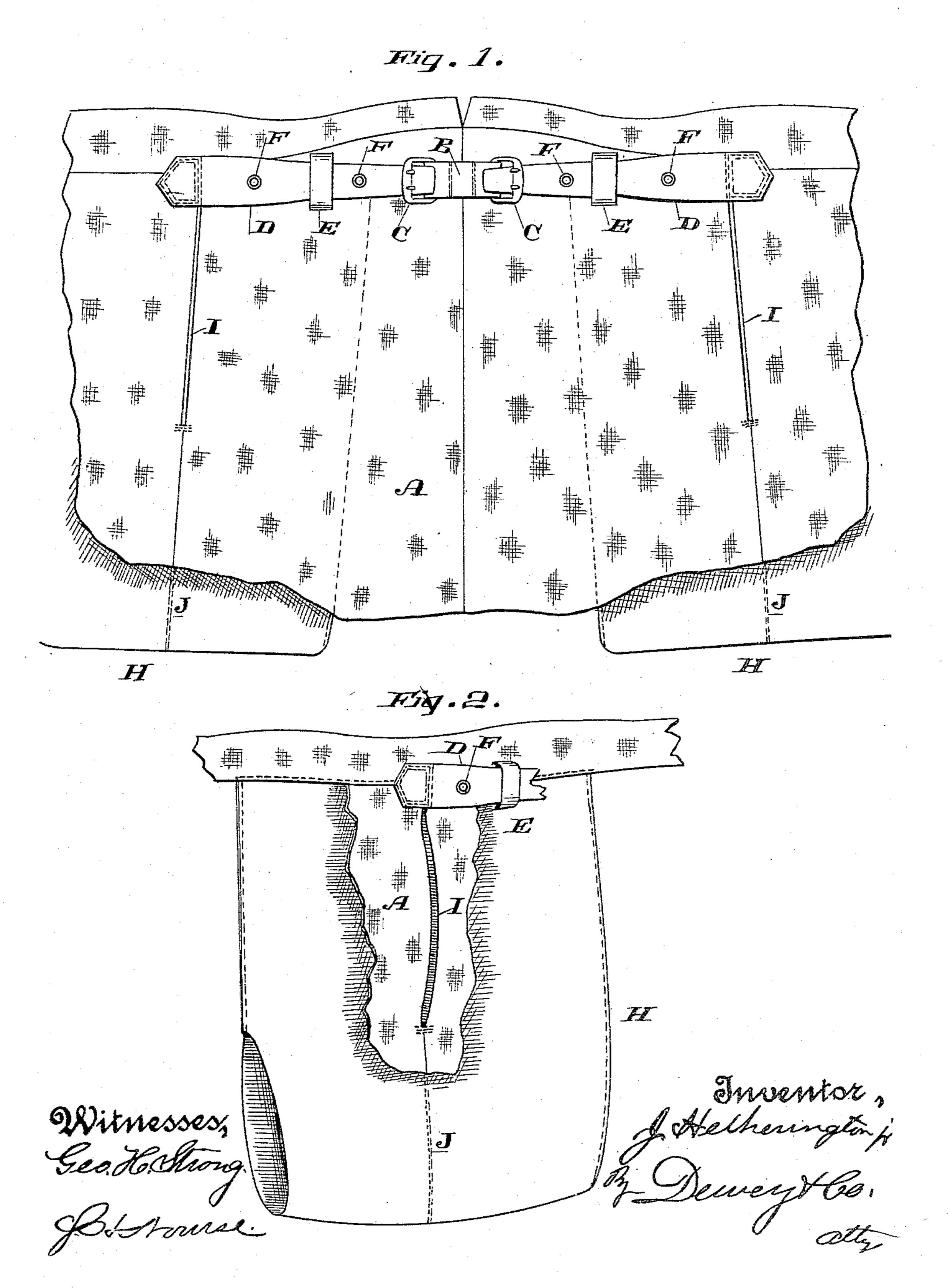
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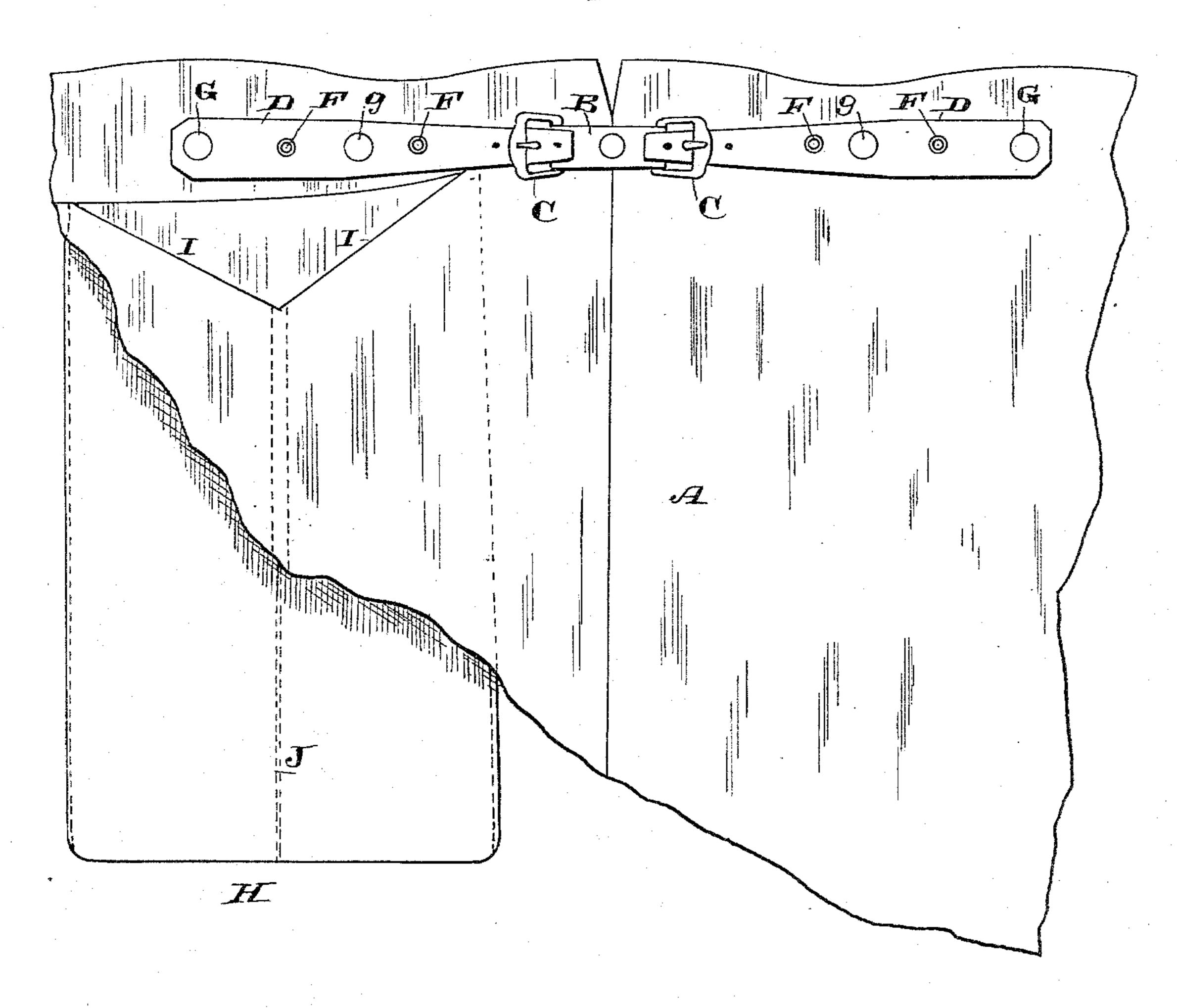
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, John Hetherington, Jr., of Haywards, Alameda county, State of California, have invented an Improvement in Pantaloon Garments; and I hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same.

My invention relates to that class of garments which may be distinguished by the qualifying term "pantaloon," and includes what are ordinarily known as "pants" or "trousers, overalls, &c.;" and my invention consists in the improved pantaloon garment hereinafter described and claimed.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a back view. Fig. 2 is a view of the pocket, the lower corner being shown ripped. Fig. 3 is a slight modification.

A is a portion of a pair of pants. Across the back seam is fastened a strip, B, in each

end of which is a buckle, C.

D is the tongue-strap, one on each side, the ends being here shown as fastened about in line with the side seams of the pants, and the ends of these tongue-straps are adapted to be engaged by the buckles. It will be seen that

this forms practically a double strap, and by reason of the length of the tongue pieces the latter practically becomes a belt, as well, and 30 can be used as such.

E is a loop through which the tongue strap passes, and thus divides it into spaces or compartments, as it were, so that implements—such as hammers, hatchets, &c.—may be readily stuck in the spaces and held there.

F are eyelets formed in the tongue-pieces, which may be used for holding suitable hooks for the purpose of carrying articles—such as caps, canteens, &c.—when the garment is used by soldiers. The double strap also affords a double security, for if, by any chance, one should fail, as by the breaking loose of a buckle, the other would be sufficient to hold the garment in position.

For overalls, such as shown in Fig. 3, I would make the straps all of leather and secure them by the rivets G instead of stitches, and also make the spaces by means of rivets g.

The pocket H is made of a single strip of drilling folded to form the bottom, so as to avoid a seam at that place and having the seams only at the sides. A single opening, I, in the side seam of the pants affords access to the pocket, and said pocket is divided into two

portions or receptacles by means of a longitudinal seam, J, which is run in the material of the pocket down its center from about the bottom of the pocket-opening, so that practically a double pocket is formed, access to which is had through the single opening, one 60 of the pockets being forward and the other back. This manner of making the pocket affords economy in time and lends strength to it by not having the seam at the bottom, so that any rip takes place in the side where it 65 is not usual for a rip to occur, and the formation of the double pocket affords convenience to the wearer.

Where, instead of a side pocket, I wish what is known as a "top pocket"—such as is shown 70 in Fig. 3—the pocket is formed in the same manner by the piece of drilling, and the division is made in the same way, though by reason of carrying the seam up to the top I practically divide the opening into two parts. 75

I am aware of double pockets formed by the vertical intervention of a partition strip or piece of material, and I do not, therefore, claim such broadly.

Having thus described my invention, what I 80 claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. In a pantaloon garment, the strap B, centrally secured to the garment near its back seam and having its free ends provided with 85 buckles, in combination with the independent straps secured to the sides and engaging said buckles, said straps having eyelets for tools, and the loops E, through which the side straps pass, whereby spaces or compartments are 90 formed, substantially as described.

2. In a pantaloon garment having a single side opening, a pocket formed of a single piece seamless at the bottom and having a longitudinal seam in line with the opening, 95 whereby an independent pocket is formed upon each side of the opening, as herein described.

3. In a pantaloon garment having a single side opening, a pocket having a longitudinal seam in line with the opening, thereby form- 100 ing an independent pocket upon each side of said opening, substantially as described.

In witness whereof I have this day set my hand.

JOHN HETHERINGTON, Jr. Witnesses:

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