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SHIRT WRISTBAND.

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Fig. 1.

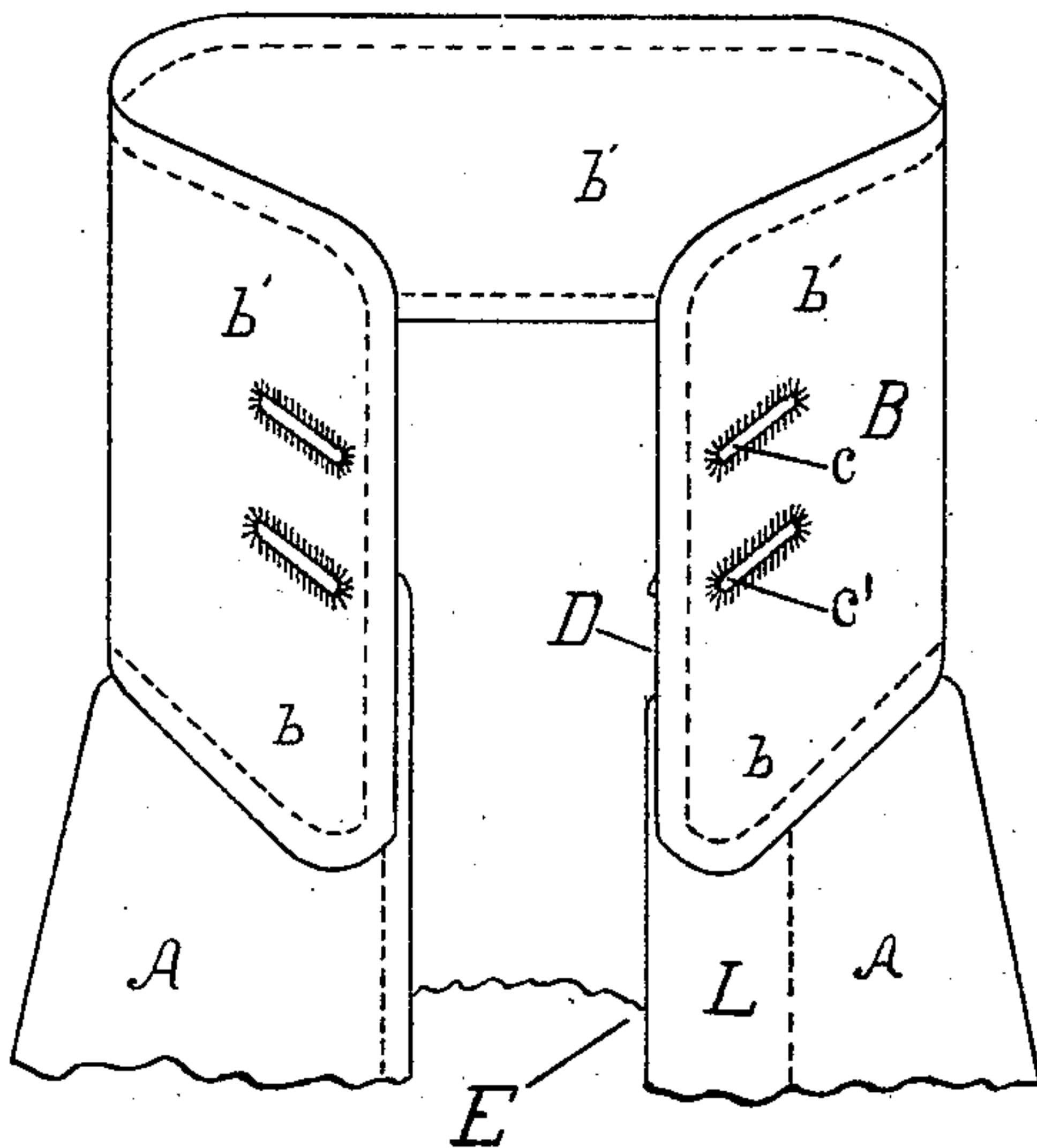


Fig. 2.

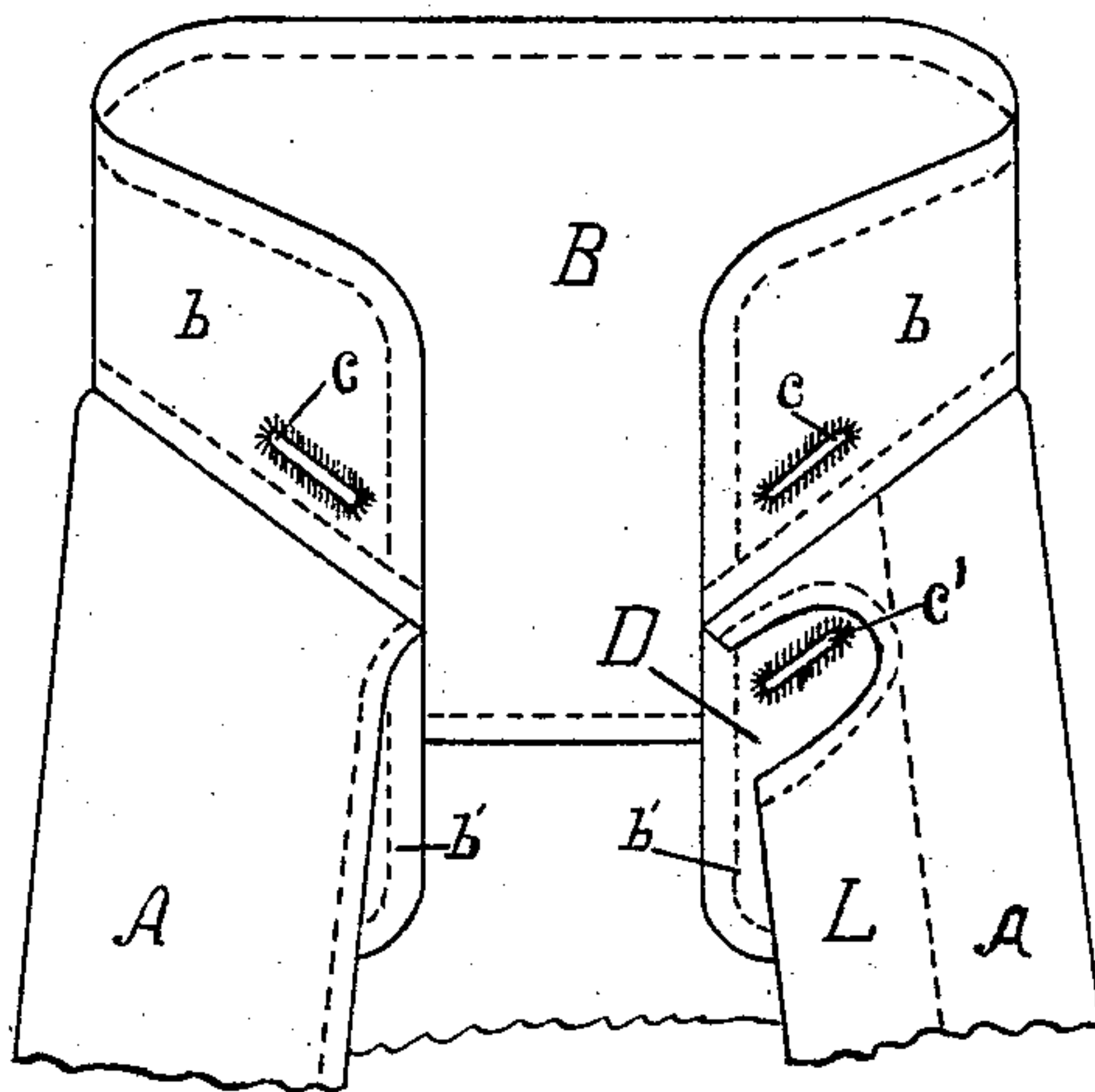
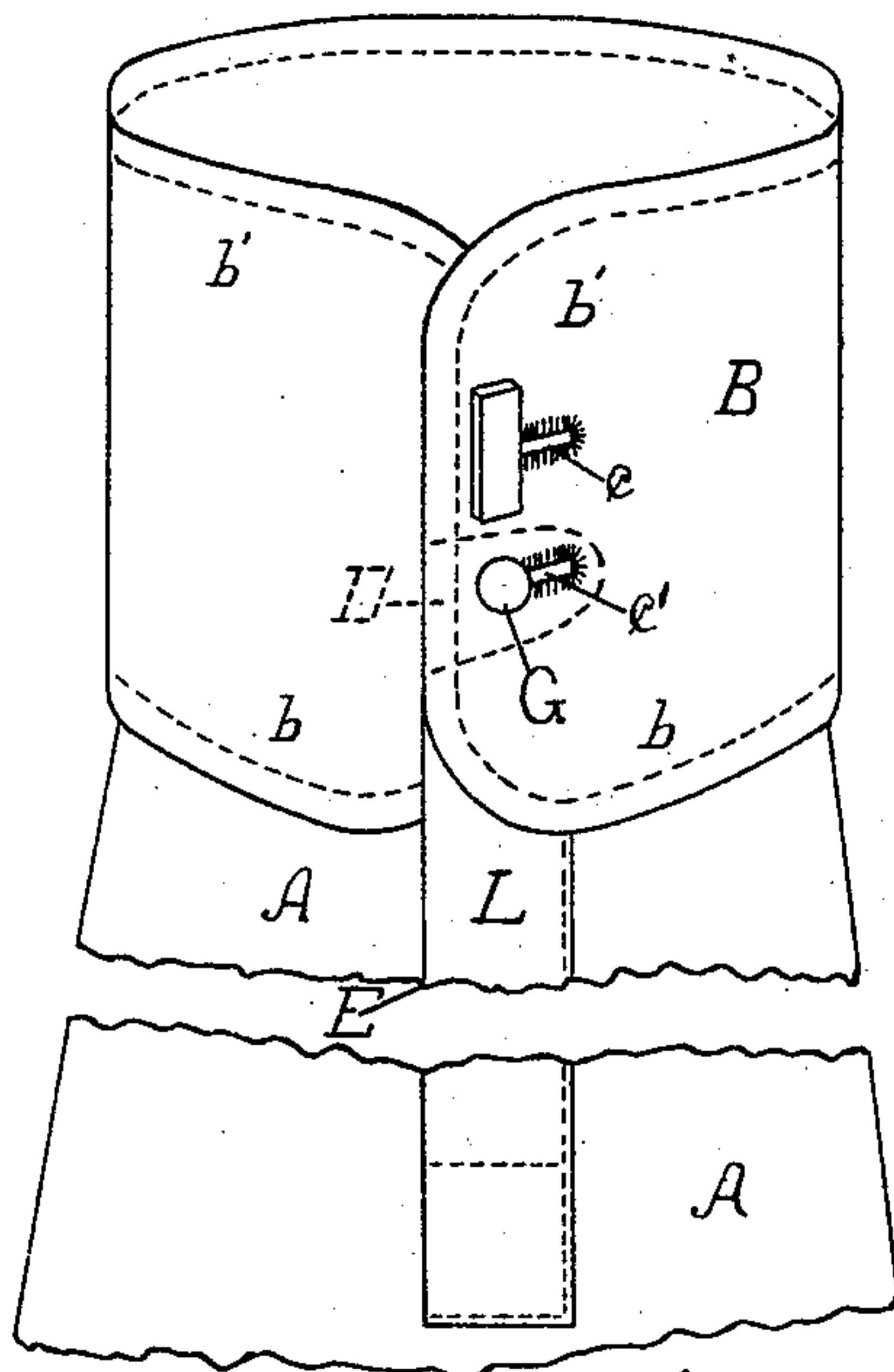


Fig. 3.



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SHIRT-WRISTBAND.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM E. HOWELL, a citizen of the United States, residing at Los Angeles, in the county of Los Angeles and State of California, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Shirts, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to the wristbands of shirt-sleeves. The wristband in ordinary use comprises a band attached by one edge thereof to the end of the shirt-sleeve. The free edge of the wristband is usually more liable than any other part of the shirt to become soiled, because it is brought into contact with the perspiration of the wrist and is exposed to dust. The wristband is partially exposed to view, and for this reason a shirt is often discarded as untidy when in all other respects it is clean.

The object of my invention is to so construct the wristband and sleeve and combine them with each other that the wristband can be made to present the appearance of an ordinary cuff, and can be neatly buttoned, and when it becomes soiled at the front end can then be turned and made to present a clean wristband upon which a detachable cuff can be buttoned.

My invention consists of the combination of a double wristband provided with four button-holes, and a sleeve provided, as ordinary shirt-sleeves are, with a slit and having its end attached to one side of the double wristband between the button-holes, and provided with an opening in the outside lap of the slit arranged at such a distance from the point of attachment of the sleeve with the wristband that when the wristband is folded upon the outside of the sleeve the button-holes in the wing of the wristband folded against the sleeve will coincide with the opening.

The accompanying drawings illustrate my invention.

Figure 1 shows my improved wristband as it is intended to be arranged when the shirt is first put on. Fig. 2 shows the wristband arranged as intended for use after it has been soiled by wear. Fig. 3 shows the wristband buttoned to give the appearance of a cuff.

A is the sleeve.

B is the double wristband. $b b'$ are the two wings of the same on opposite sides of the sleeve. The double wrist-band B is provided with four button-holes, $c c'$, corresponding in position on the double wristband to the button-holes of an ordinary cuff in which cuff-buttons may be inserted.

The end of the sleeve is attached to the double wristband between the button-holes c in one wing and the holes $c' c'$ in the other wing.

It will be observed that in Fig. 1 the two wings of the wristband appear to form one plain cuff, and that the wing b is so disposed that it will be wholly protected by the sleeve of the shirt from being soiled by the perspiration of the wrist when the shirt is worn. When the wing b' becomes soiled, the wristband may be unbuttoned, and the wing b' may be turned inside the sleeve, as shown in Fig. 2. This throws the unsoiled wing b into the position formerly occupied by b' , thereby furnishing a clean wristband, to which the removable cuffs ordinarily worn may be secured.

In order to give the wristband the appearance of an ordinary cuff secured to the sleeve when worn in the position shown in Figs. 1 and 3, cuff-buttons may be inserted in the button-holes c in the same manner as they are inserted in the button-holes of an ordinary detachable cuff in fastening such cuff to the wristband of the sleeve. In order to allow this to be done, I provide the outside lap, L, of the slit E of the sleeve with an opening, D, arranged at such a distance from the point of attachment of the sleeve with the wristband that when the wristband is folded upon the outside of the sleeve, as shown in Fig. 3, the button-holes in the wings folded against the sleeve will coincide with the opening D, thereby allowing the upper or inner end of the cuff to be buttoned, as shown in Fig. 3. The button G passes through this opening and through the button-holes $c c$ to secure the ends of the wings D together.

Now, having described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The combination of the double wristband

provided with the four button-holes *c c c' c'*,
and the sleeve provided with the slit and hav-
ing its end attached to one side of the double
wristband between the button-holes *c c* and
5 *c' c'*, and provided with an opening, D, in the
outside lap of the slit arranged at such a dis-
tance from the point of attachment of the
sleeve with the wristband that when the wrist-

band is folded upon the outside of the sleeve
the button-holes in the wing of the wristband to
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