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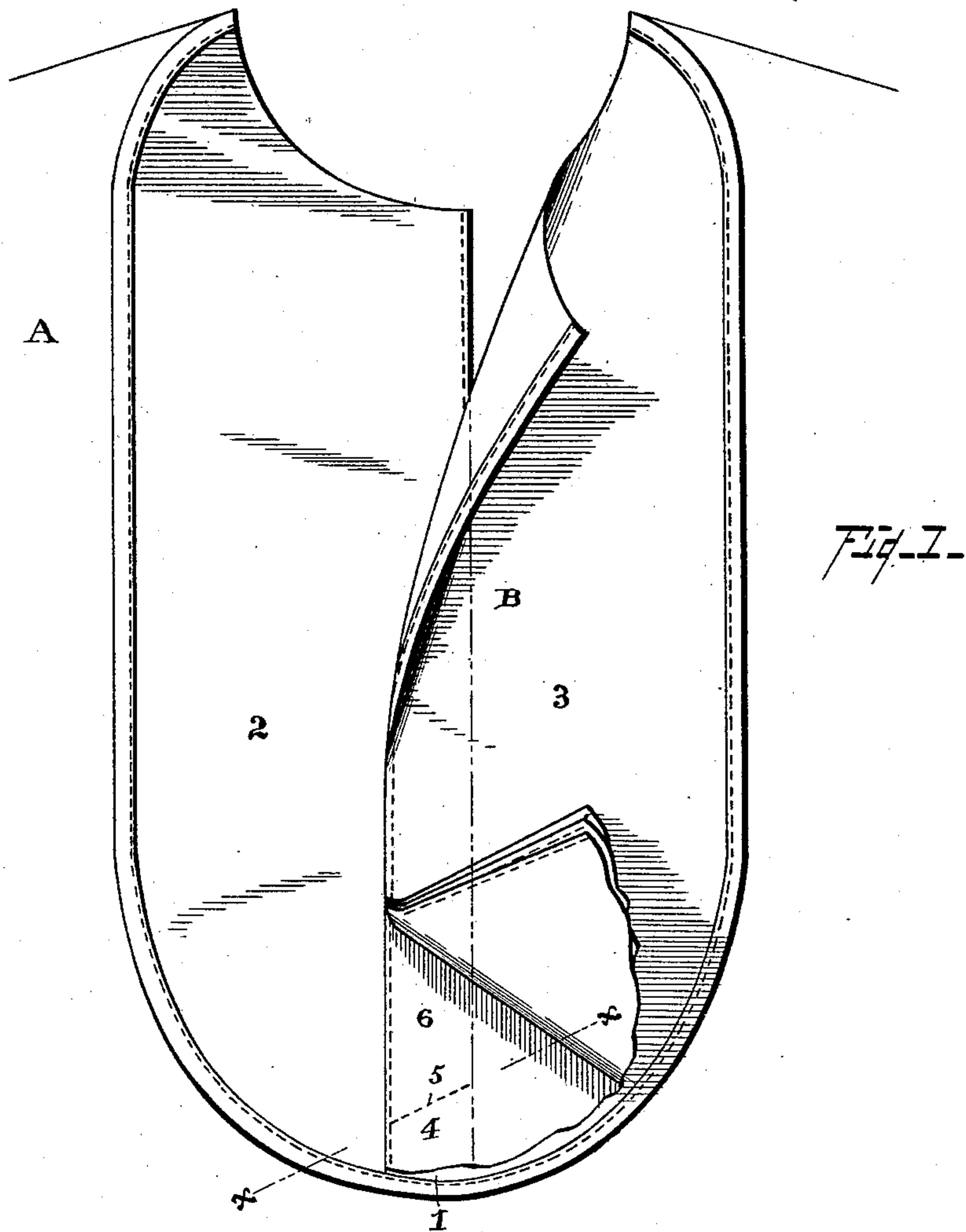


Fig. 1.

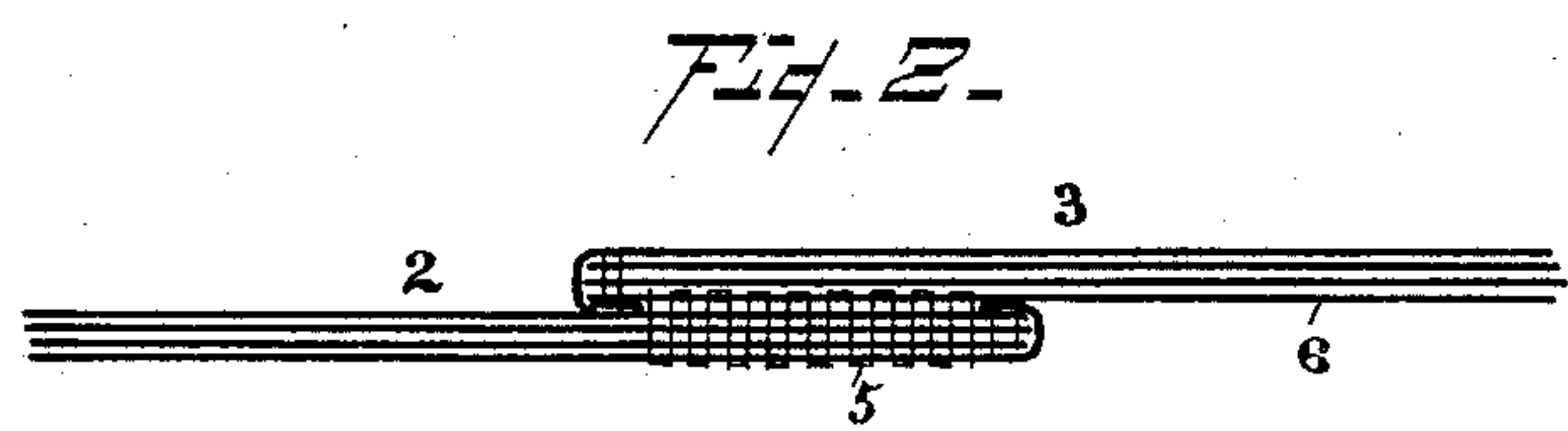


Fig. 2.

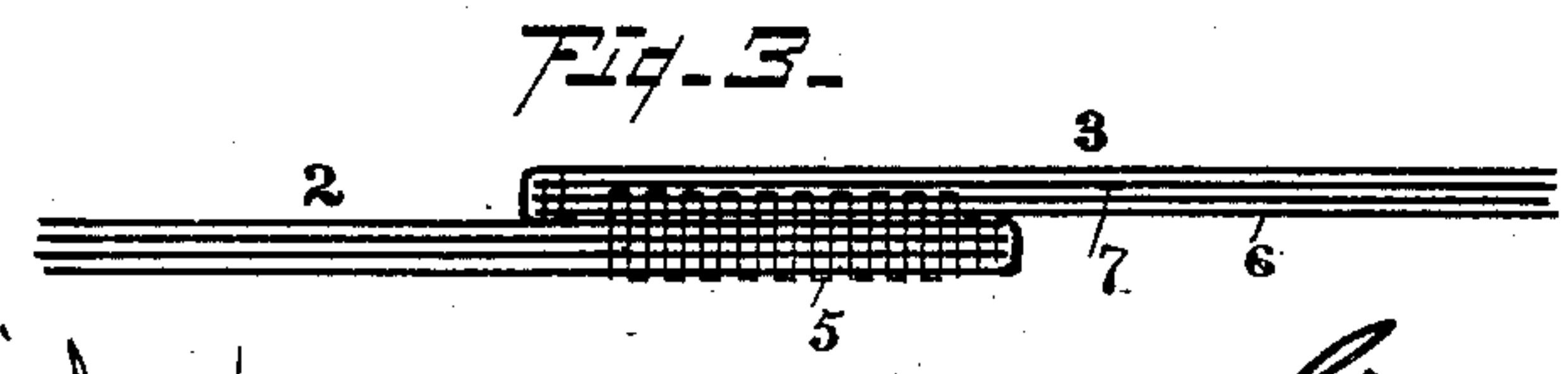


Fig. 3.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, GEORGE D. EIGHMIE, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Shirts, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

My invention relates to an improvement in gentlemen's dress-shirts having open-front bosoms; and it has for its object to stay the underlapping and overlapping folds of the bosom in such manner that tearing apart at their lower ends will be prevented and the stay will be invisible on the outer surface of the overlapping fold.

The invention will first be described in connection with the accompanying drawings, and then pointed out in the claims.

Figure 1 is a front elevation of an open-front shirt-bosom, showing a number of the plies of the overlapping fold separated and turned back, so as to show the stay engaging the backing alone. Fig. 2 is a sectional view taken on the line *xx* of Fig. 1, showing more clearly the stitching in engagement with the backing. Fig. 3 is a similar view showing the stitching in engagement with the backing and one of the interlinings.

Referring to the drawings, A designates the shirt-front, and B the bosom, of the well-known open-front style.

Above the point 1, at which the underlapping fold 2 and the overlapping fold 3 of the bosom are joined to the shirt-body, is located the stay 4, which is made by a row or by rows of stitching 5, extending entirely through the underlapping fold 2 and through the back-

ing 6 of the overlapping fold, which stitching is arranged preferably at an acute angle to the edges of the bosom, as shown.

Instead of the stitching extending only through the backing 6 of the outer fold, I may stitch through the backing and one of the interlinings 7 of the outer fold, as shown in Fig. 3, but for all ordinary purposes stitching through the backing will be sufficient.

By means of the stay described the bosom will be so strengthened that all danger of tearing, as from stretching previous to being ironed, or from the iron itself, will be overcome.

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

1. A shirt having an open-front bosom whose underlapping and overlapping folds are stayed by one or more rows of stitching above the point at which the lower ends of the folds are attached to the shirt-body, said stitching passing through the underlapping fold and engaging with the overlapping fold beneath its outer ply.

2. A shirt having an open-front bosom whose underlapping and overlapping folds are stayed at an acute angle to their edges by one or more rows of stitching above the point at which the lower ends of the folds are attached to the shirt-body, said stitching passing through the underlapping fold and through the backing only of the overlapping fold.

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

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