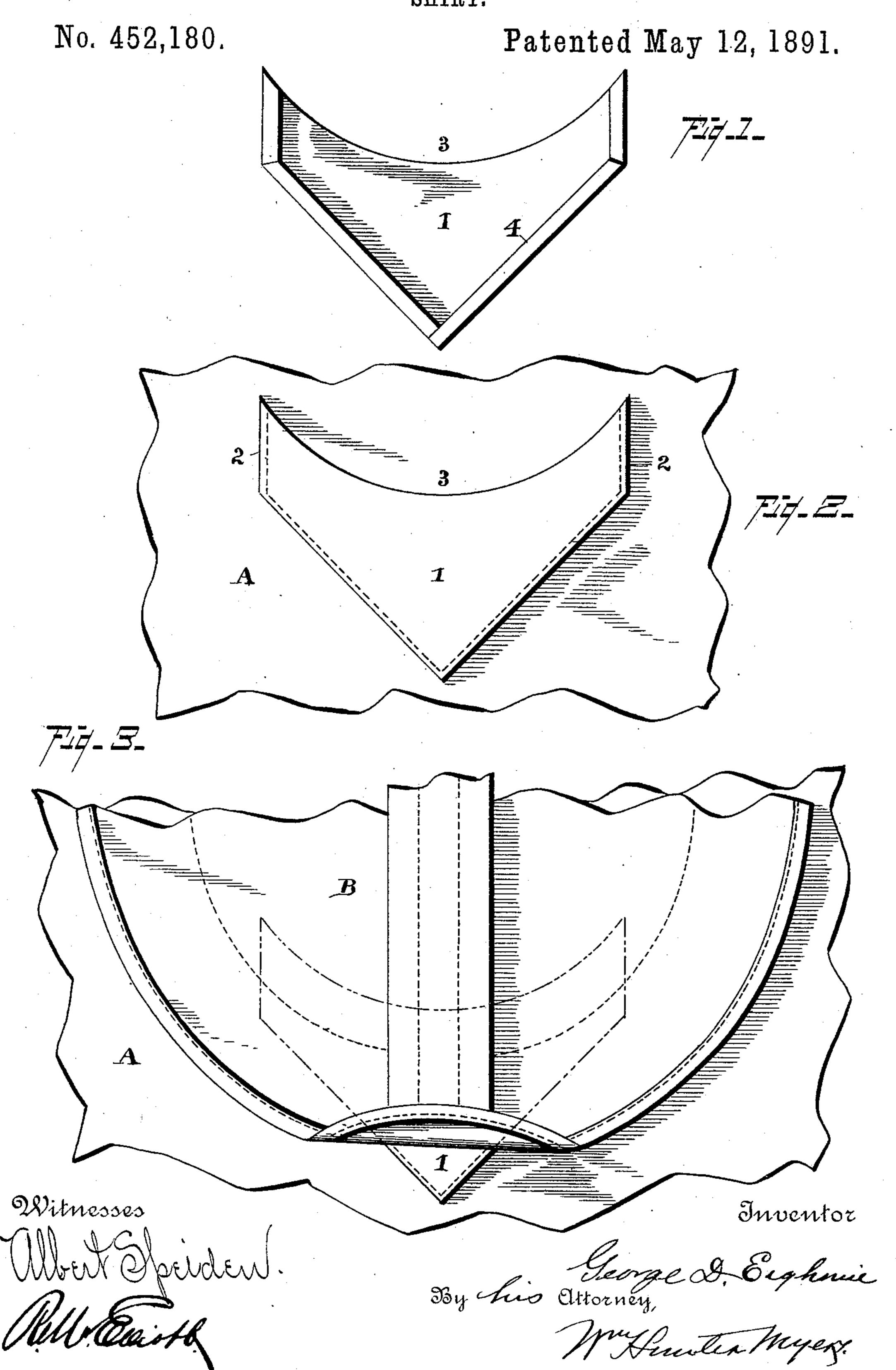
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To all whom it may concern:

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.

This invention relates to an improvement in dress-shirts; and it has for its object to provide means for re-enforcing the shirt-front in such a manner as to prevent tearing or cutting at the point where the lower end of the

15 bosom is secured to the front.

The invention will first be described in connection with the accompanying drawings, and

then pointed out in the claims.

stay designed to be secured to the shirt-front at a point adjacent to the bottom of the bosom. Fig. 2 is a similar view showing a portion of the shirt-front and the stay secured in place thereon. Fig. 3 is also an elevation showing the lower portion of the bosom, a portion of the shirt-front, and the stay, the latter being shown in dotted lines in the position it occupies when the bosom is secured in place.

Referring to the drawings, A designates the shirt-front, and B the bosom, which is shown to be that style known as a "fly-edge" bosom, or, in other words, one whose outer edge is free, the stitching which secures the bosom to the shirt-body being at a distance from said

35 edge, as shown.

D designates my improved re-enforce stay, constructed by preference with a pointed lower end 1, straight sides 2, and a circular top 3; but it is to be understood that I do not limit myself to this particular shape, as I may vary the same to meet the requirements of different cases. The edges of the stay are

turned in upon themselves, as shown at 4, for an obvious purpose. The stay is first secured to the shirt-front, and the bosom is then 45 stitched to the front and stay in such a position with reference to the latter that the lower edge of the bosom will bear loosely upon the stay instead of upon the shirt-front. By this construction I am enabled to overcome the 50 tendency of cutting at the point where the lower end of the bosom bears upon the shirt-front, and also of tearing when strain is applied to the garment in straightening it out previous to ironing, inasmuch as two plies of 55 material are placed at the point where but one has heretofore been employed.

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

Letters Patent, is—

1. A shirt comprising the body portion, a bosom stitched at a distance from its outer edge to the body portion, and a re-enforce stay also stitched to said portion, the stitching which secures the lower part of the bosom 65 passing through the upper part of the stay, said stay being overlapped by and terminating slightly below the free lower edge of the bosom.

2. A shirt comprising the body portion, a 70 bosom stitched at a distance from its outer edge to the body portion, and a tapered reenforce stay, also stitched to said portion, the stitching which secures the lower part of the bosom passing through the wide upper part of 75 the stay, the pointed lower end of the stay being overlapped by and terminating slightly below the free lower edge of the bosom.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in

presence of two witnesses.

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