

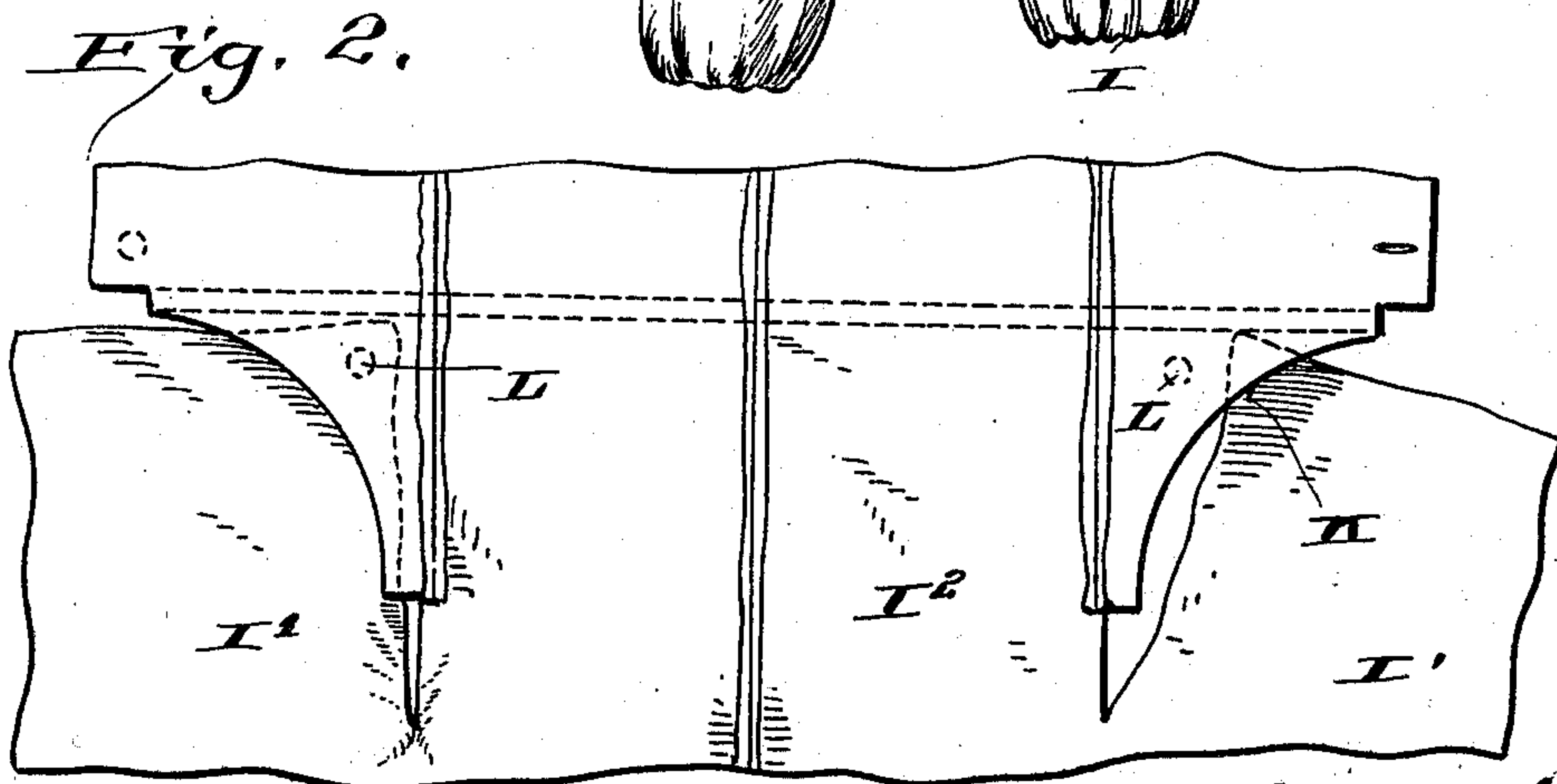
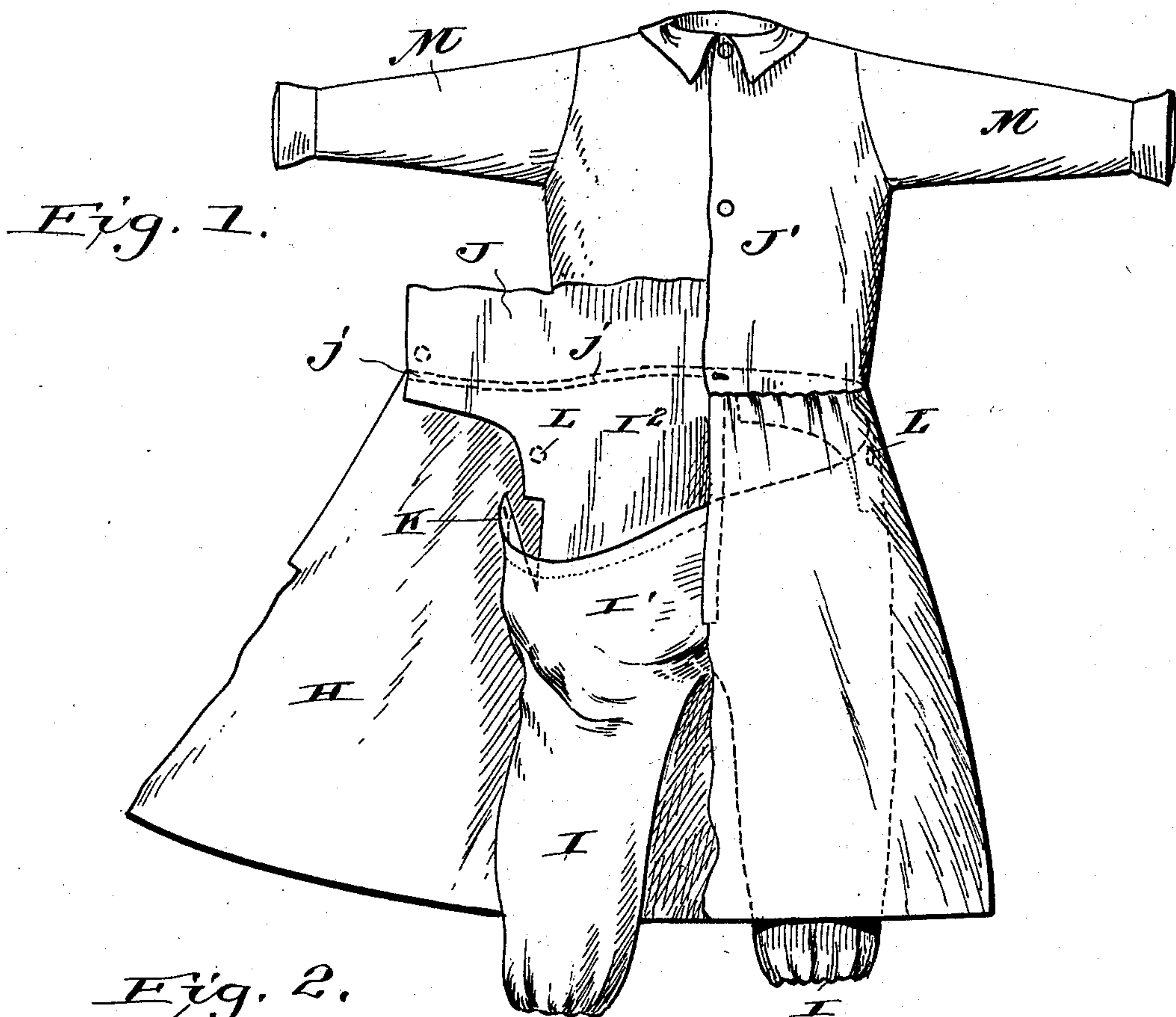
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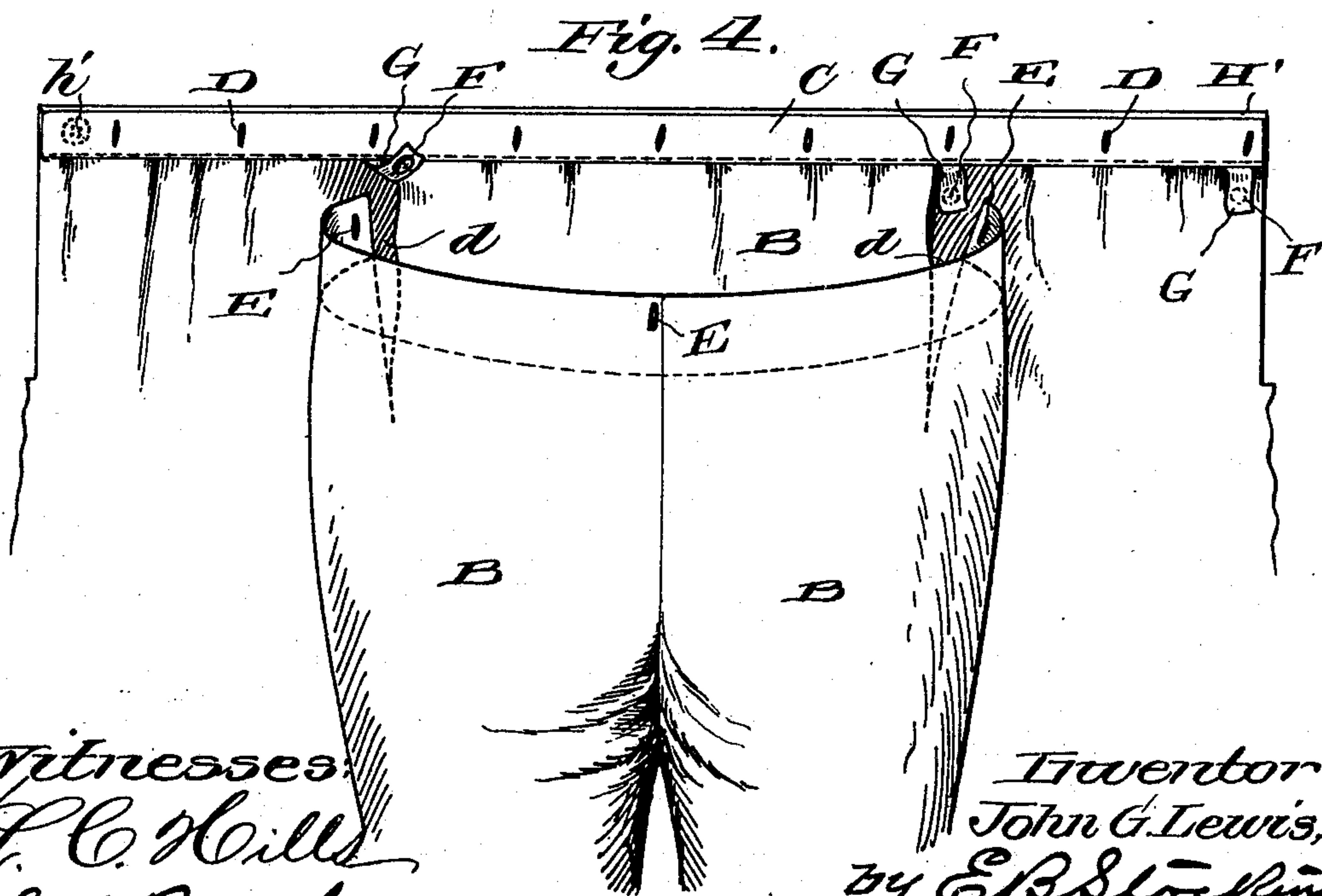
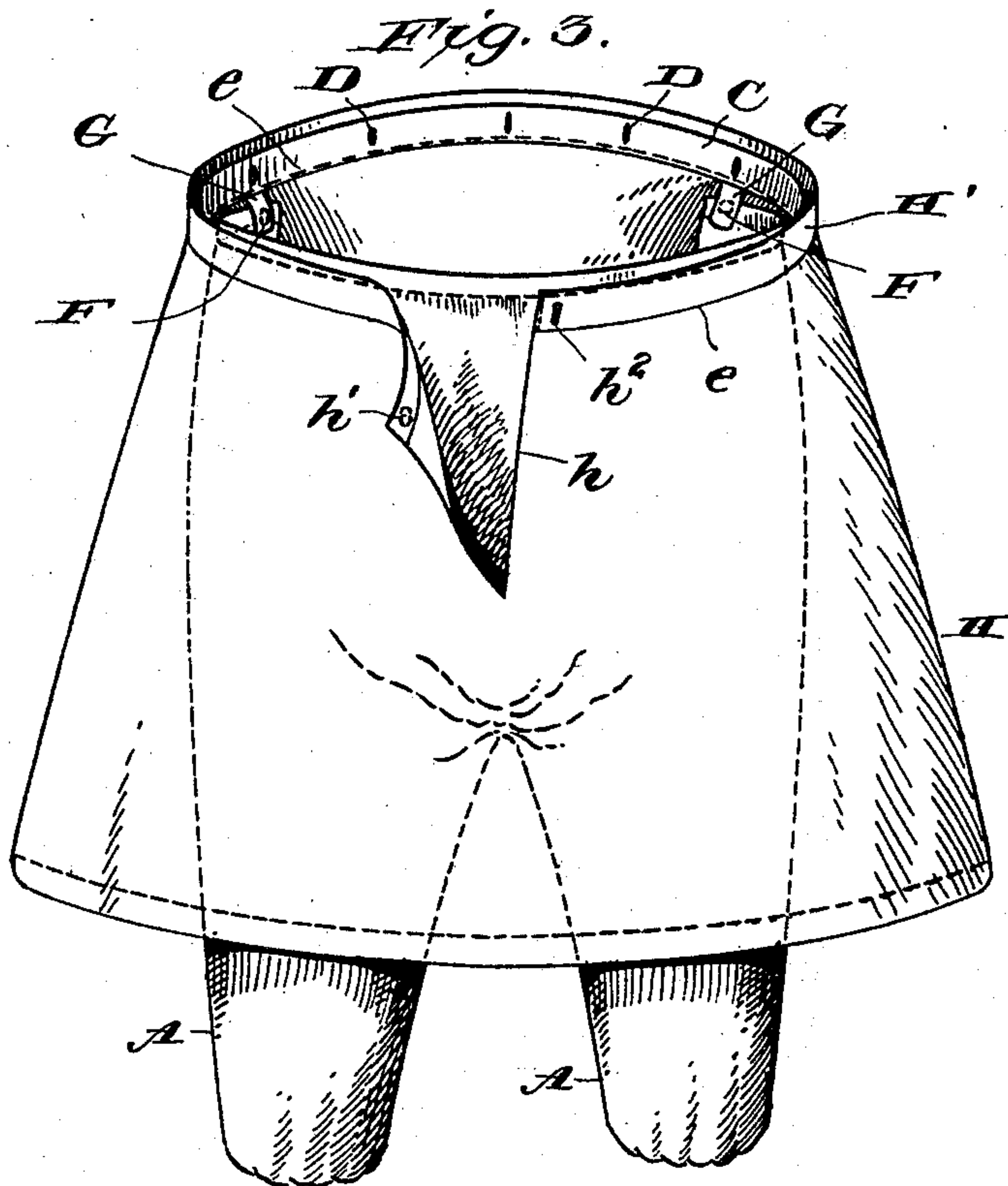
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## CHILD'S GARMENT.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOHN G. LEWIS, a citizen of the United States, residing at St. Louis, in the State of Missouri, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Children's Garments, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

This invention relates to certain new and useful improvements in garments of that style known as "children's" garments; and it has for its object, among others, to provide an improved garment of this character designed for children's wear, comprising a nether garment and an attached skirt in one of its forms embodying also an attached waist. The garment is so constructed that it may be quickly and easily put on and taken off and when applied will be neat in appearance and comfortable to the wearer. The trousers or pants portion in both forms is secured to the skirt portion, so as to form practically one piece, so that both may be applied at once or together. When the waist portion is present, the said waist portion may or may not be cut from a single or integral piece of cloth with either the pants or skirt portion and the other part attached thereto by proper stitching. In both forms they constitute practically a single piece or garment.

The invention is clearly illustrated in the accompanying drawings, which, with the letters of reference marked thereon, form part of this specification, and in which—

Figure 1 is a rear view of the improved garment with attached waist. Fig. 2 is a detailed view in elevation with portions broken away, showing the upper part of the pants portion and the adjacent part of the waist. Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the garment without the waist, and Fig. 4 is a like view with the skirt portion broken away and thrown open.

Like letters of reference indicate like parts in all the views.

Referring now to the details of the drawings by letter and calling attention, first, to Figs. 3 and 4, A A designate the leg portion of the garment, and B B the body or seat portion of the pants. These are formed, preferably, as indicated, and the bottom of the leg portion may be provided with an elastic

cord or a band or other means, so that the same may be held closely about the legs of the wearer. The waistband C is provided with a plurality of buttonholes D to receive buttons upon the waist or garment and by which the bloomers are held in position, or same may be supported by straps, belt, or other means. The front portion of the pants is secured to this waistband as indicated best in Fig. 4, and the rear or seat portion is provided at the sides adjacent to the openings *d* with the buttonholes E, adapted to receive buttons F on the straps or tabs G or other suitable support, which are secured to the waistband or belt portion, as indicated, the buttons being upon the outer or front side of the tabs or straps, as indicated, so as not to engage the body of the wearer. H is the skirt portion, attached to the band H', which is stitched to the waistband or belt D, as seen at *e*, and this skirt portion has an opening *h*, which may or may not extend part or the entire length of the skirt at the rear, and is provided with button and buttonhole *h'* and *h*<sup>2</sup> or other means of fastening the band and closing all or part of the opening in the back of the skirt, respectively. The ease with which the garment can be applied will be readily understood from the drawings.

Referring now to Figs. 1 and 2, I I designate the leg portions of the garment; I', the rear or seat portion; I<sup>2</sup>, the front and body portion, and J the front portion of the waist. J' is the rear portion of the waist, the waist being formed integral with the pants portion, and the skirt H formed separate therefrom and secured thereto by a line of stitching along the line *j*, or the waist may be formed integral with the skirt part and the pants portion attached thereto with proper stitching. The flap portion of the rear of the pants in this instance is provided with buttonholes K, adapted to engage with the buttons L upon the front portion of the trousers, as indicated. This flap portion may be provided with more buttons or other suitable means of support. The skirt is opened at the back, as is also the waist, and designed to be closed by suitable buttons and buttonholes, as indicated. The sleeves M of the waist are formed separate from the body portion and secured thereto in the ordinary man-



ner. It will be observed that in both instances the front portion of the pants is fixed securely to the skirt portion and that the habit or suit as a whole constitutes but a single garment, and in both instances the skirt covers all or the major portion of the pants.

The garment may be made of any desired material and of any required size.

Modifications in detail may be resorted to without departing from the spirit of the invention or sacrificing any of its advantages.

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

15 A combination-garment comprising a pants

portion open at the sides, a skirt portion having a waistband secured only to the front of said pants and provided with an opening at the rear, the rear portion of said pants being independent of the skirt, and means for detachably securing the rear portion of the pants below the front portion of the waistband of the skirt; substantially as specified.

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

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