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Fig. 1

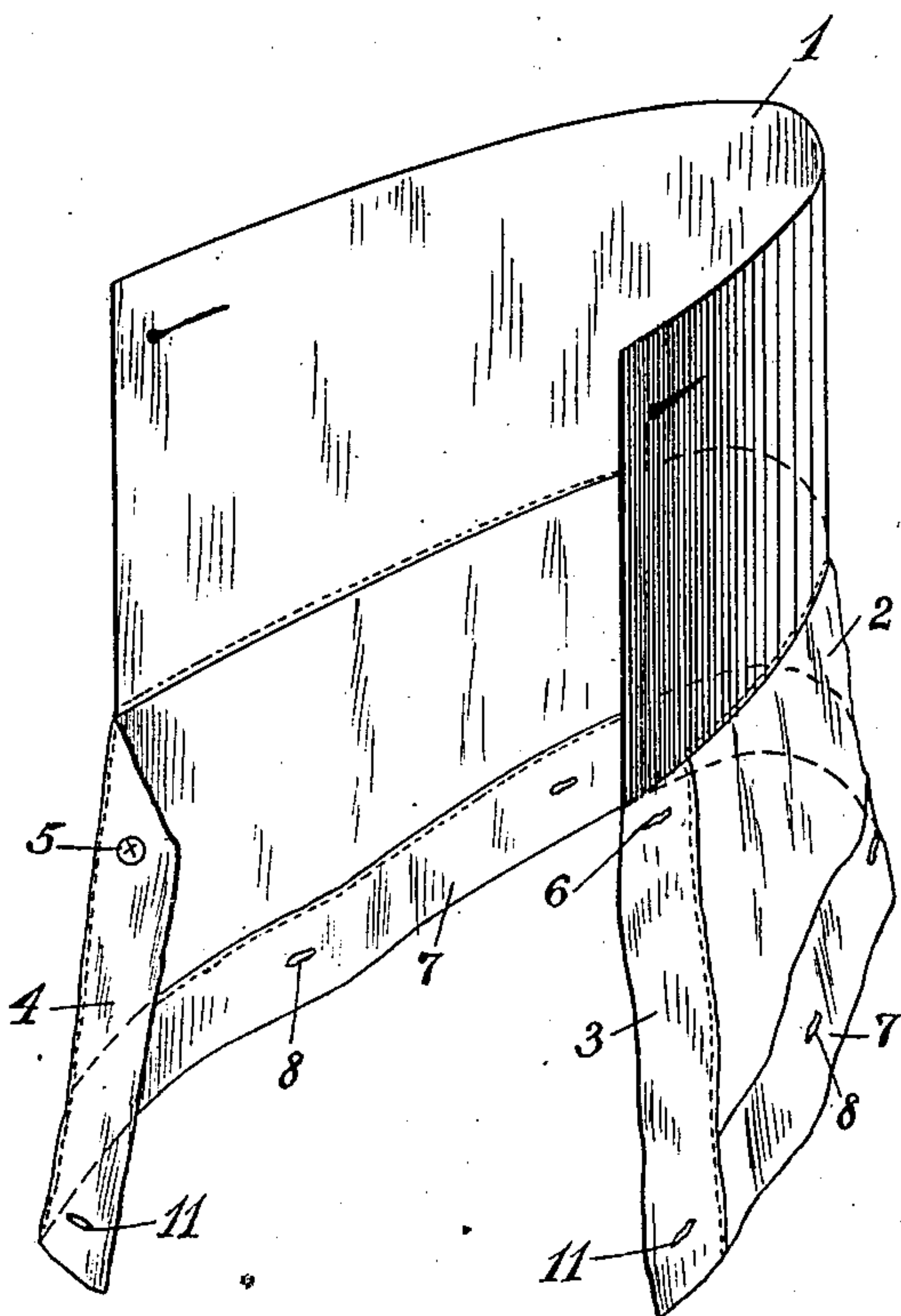
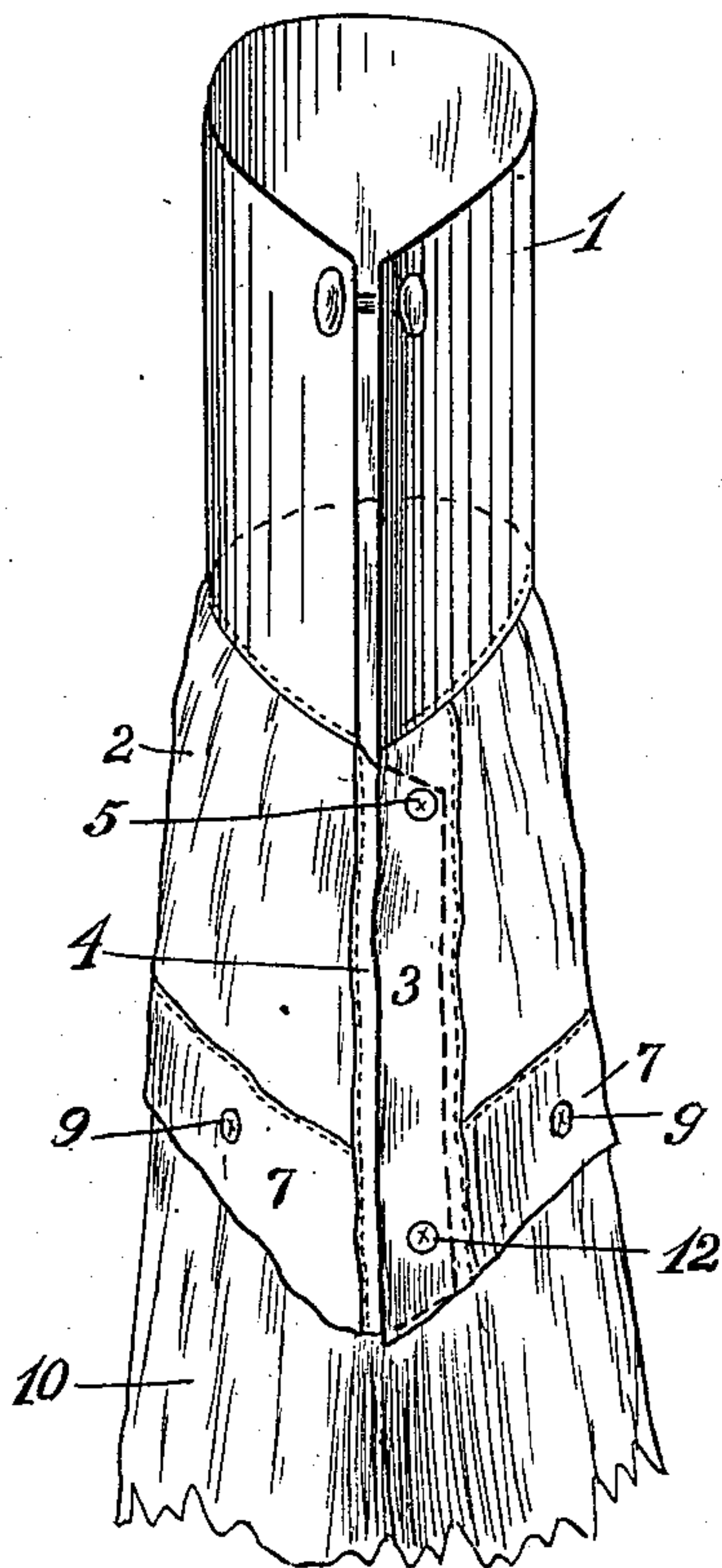


Fig. 2



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SLEEVE-CUFF.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES BROWN POTTER, of New York, State of New York, have invented certain Improvements in Sleeve-Cuffs, of which the following description, in connection with the accompanying drawings, is a specification, like letters on the drawings designating like parts.

This invention relates to wearing-apparel, and has for its object the production of a detachable cuff of improved construction.

The tight wristbands of shirts to which detachable cuffs are secured ordinarily constitute a source of discomfort to the wearer which is not lessened by the common means for attaching the stiff cuffs to the bands, whether by studs passing directly through cuff and band or by metal clips or similar devices, the presence of which is always unpleasant to the wrist and which frequently catch in and tear the linings of coat-sleeves, &c. Cuffs have been devised with a short portion of sleeve attached, so that the union with the apparel-sleeve will come above the wrist; but none of these has presented a cuff at all comparable with the ordinary attached cuff in point of comfort and neatness of appearance, and certain details which make for these essentials of comfort, style, and capability of ready manipulation comprise the improvements in sleeve or gauntlet cuffs forming my invention. Among the more important of these improvements are the division of the cuff and its flexible attaching extension from front to rear, enabling the device to be washed and ironed readily, and the stiffening and shaping means which give style to the cuff when in place. These with the various other features of my invention will be illustrated and described fully in the accompanying drawings and specification and pointed out in the claim.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a view in perspective of a cuff in the construction of which my improvements have been embodied, and Fig. 2 is a similar view of an apparel-sleeve with the cuff in place.

In the embodiment of my invention selected for illustration and description as a convenient form to enable a ready and complete understanding of my improvements the part designated by the reference-numeral 1 is a

"cuff," which may be of any convenient and suitable shape, while the part designated by the reference-numeral 2 is the attaching portion of my improved cuff, the latter being of more flexible material than the cuff portion proper, which preferably will be stiffened, as usual. In accordance with my invention the attaching portion is secured to the cuff portion along the rear edge of the latter, and both portions are divided from front to rear, one free division edge 3 of the attaching portion being preferably in a continuous line with the corresponding free edge of the cuff portion and preferably having a broad hem, as illustrated, to render stiffness. The opposite free division edge of the attaching portion has a stiffened extension 4 protruding beyond the corresponding division edge of the cuff portion and so constructed that it may be turned inside the free division edge 3, as best seen in Fig. 2, suitable means being provided to secure the free division edges together—as, for example, the button 5 entering a buttonhole 6. To enable attachment of the attaching portion to an apparel-sleeve, the rear edge 7 of the attaching portion will in accordance with my invention have a broad hem to render a suitable degree of stiffness, buttonholes or other suitable attaching means 8 being provided to cooperate with buttons or the like 9 upon the apparel-sleeve 10. It will be found convenient to have the corner buttonholes 11 engage the same button 12, since thereby the registry of the division edges, which forms an important feature of my invention, will best be obtained.

The mode of operation of my improved "gauntlet-cuff" and the neatness of appearance, combined with comfort to the wearer which it presents when in place, will readily be appreciated from the drawings, and having thus fully illustrated and described my invention I wish it understood that I do not limit myself to slight constructional details nor in general otherwise than as pointed out in my claim read in connection with this specification.

What I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

A gauntlet-cuff comprising a stiffened cuff portion, and a flexible attaching portion secured to the rear edge of said cuff portion,

said portions being divided respectively from front to rear, one of the free division edges of said attaching portion having a stiffened extension protruding beyond the corresponding division edge of said cuff portion and to
5 be turned inside the opposite free division edge of said attaching portion; means to secure said free division edges together, and means to enable attachment of said attach-

ing portion to an apparel-sleeve, substantially as described.

Signed at New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, this 17th day of September, A. D. 1902.

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