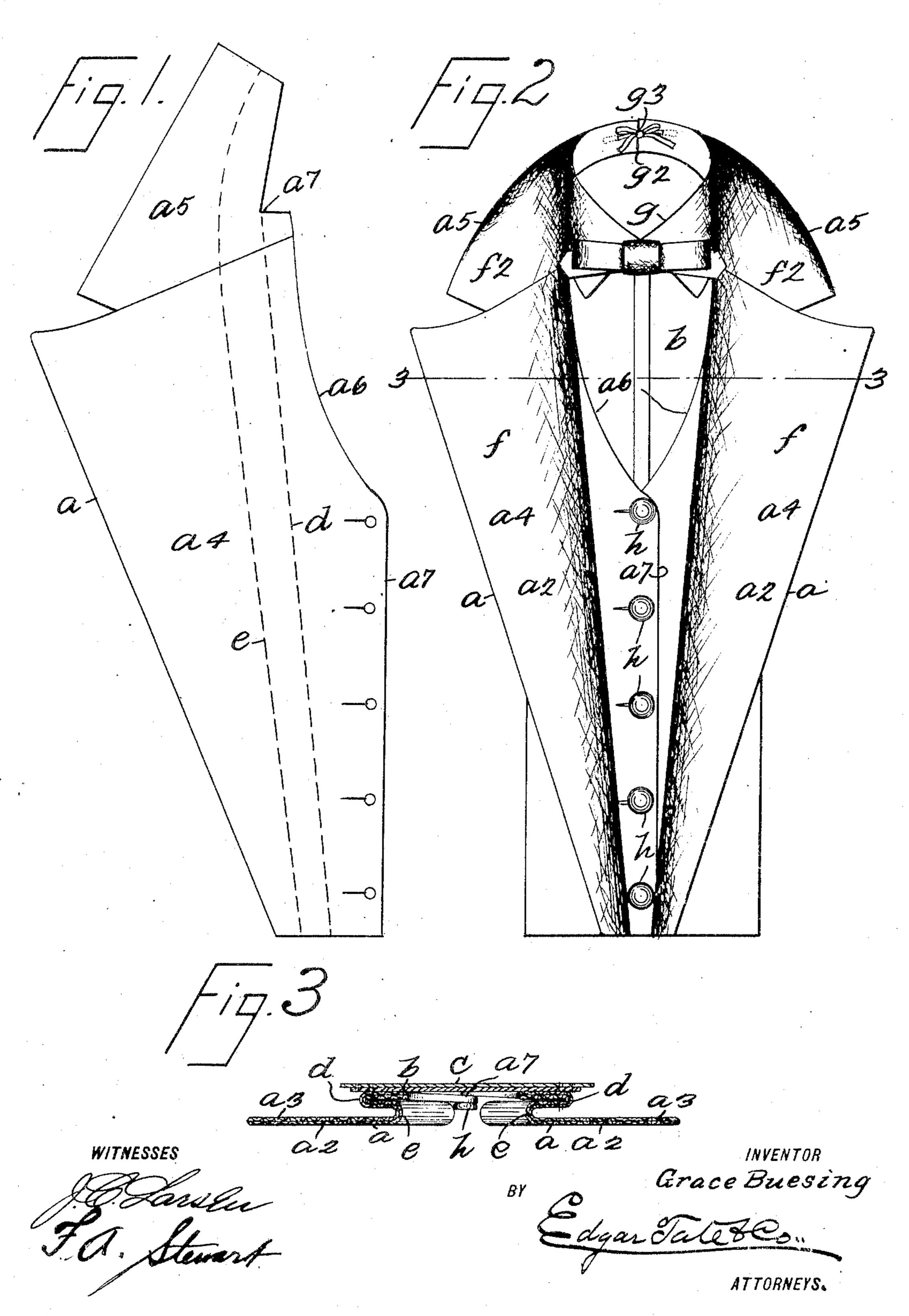
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## BURIAL-GARMENT.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Grace Buesing, a citizen of the United States, residing at New York, in the county of New York and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Burial-Garments, of which the following is a specification, such as will enable those skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

This invention relates to burial-garments; and the object thereof is to provide an improved garment of this class which may be employed in connection with an ordinary shroud in which the body is incased and which will give the body the appearance of being fully dressed when viewed in a casket.

The invention is fully disclosed in the following specification, of which the accompanying drawings form a part, in which the separate parts of my improvement are designated by suitable reference characters in each of the views, and in which—

Figure 1 is a plan view of one part of my improved burial-garment, two of which parts are employed; Fig. 2, a front view of the garment complete, and Fig. 3 a section on the line 3 3 of Fig. 2.

In the practice of my invention I provide two similar parts or blanks a, one of which is 30 shown in Fig. 1, and these parts or blanks are composed of a front portion  $a^2$ , of cloth, and a back or lining  $a^3$ , of any suitable material, preferably of stiffening material, so that the fronts  $a^2$  when the garment is complete and 35 said fronts folded, as hereinafter described, will be retained in proper shape. The parts or blanks a consist of a main or body portion  $a^4$  and a collar portion  $a^5$ , and the main or body portion  $a^{4}$  is wider at the collar end there-40 of than at the other end and is of a length equal to that of the required garment, and the said main or body portion  $a^4$  is tapered from the collar end to the waist end, and said main or body portion is also cut out at the front 45 edge thereof to form a breast-opening  $a^6$ , when the garment is complete. The neck part or portion  $a^{4}$  is of such shape as to form one-

half of a complete collar, and the neck edge

thereof is cut out to form a triangular recess  $a^{7}$ , and in practice a shirt-bosom b is stitched 50 to a pasteboard or cardboard back c, and the parts or portions a of the garment are stitched to the shirt-bosom b and to a pasteboard or cardboard back c along the dotted line d, and the parts or portions a, including the collar 55 portions  $a^5$ , are then folded outwardly along a dotted line e, so as to form the lapels f of the body portion of the garment, together with the flaps or flies  $f^2$  of the collar portion. A collar g is then secured to the shirt-bosom 60 around the neck-opening, and this collar is preferably open at the back, as shown at  $g^z$ , and the ends of the collar of the garment are then tied at the back and to the back of the collar, as shown at  $g^3$ . The front adjacent 65 edges  $a^{\tau}$  of the separate parts a of the garment overlap, as shown in Fig. 2, and are connected by means of buttons h, and in this way the garment is made to represent both a vest and coat, and the vest may also be provided with 70 lapels, if desired.

It will be understood that this garment is made complete in all respects, as shown in Fig. 2, and ready to be applied whenever necessary, all that is necessary in applying the 75 garment being to place the collar around the neck and tie the ends thereof at the back, and in this way I provide a burial-garment which is comparatively inexpensive.

The back member c, which forms a base or 80 support for the other parts of the garment, may be made of other material, and the front parts a of the garment may also be composed of any preferred material, and changes in the form of said parts may be made without de-85 parting from the spirit of my invention or sacrificing its advantages.

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

The herein-described burial-garment, composed of two parts, said parts each comprising a body portion and a collar portion, the body portion being wider at the collar end than at the waist end, and the front edge ad- 95 jacent to the collar portion being cut out to

form a breast-opening for the garment, the collar portion being so shaped as to form one-half of the collar of the garment and the neck edge thereof being provided with a triangu-5 lar recess, substantially as shown and described.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as

my invention I have signed my name, in presence of the subscribing witnesses, this 22d day of October, 1904.

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