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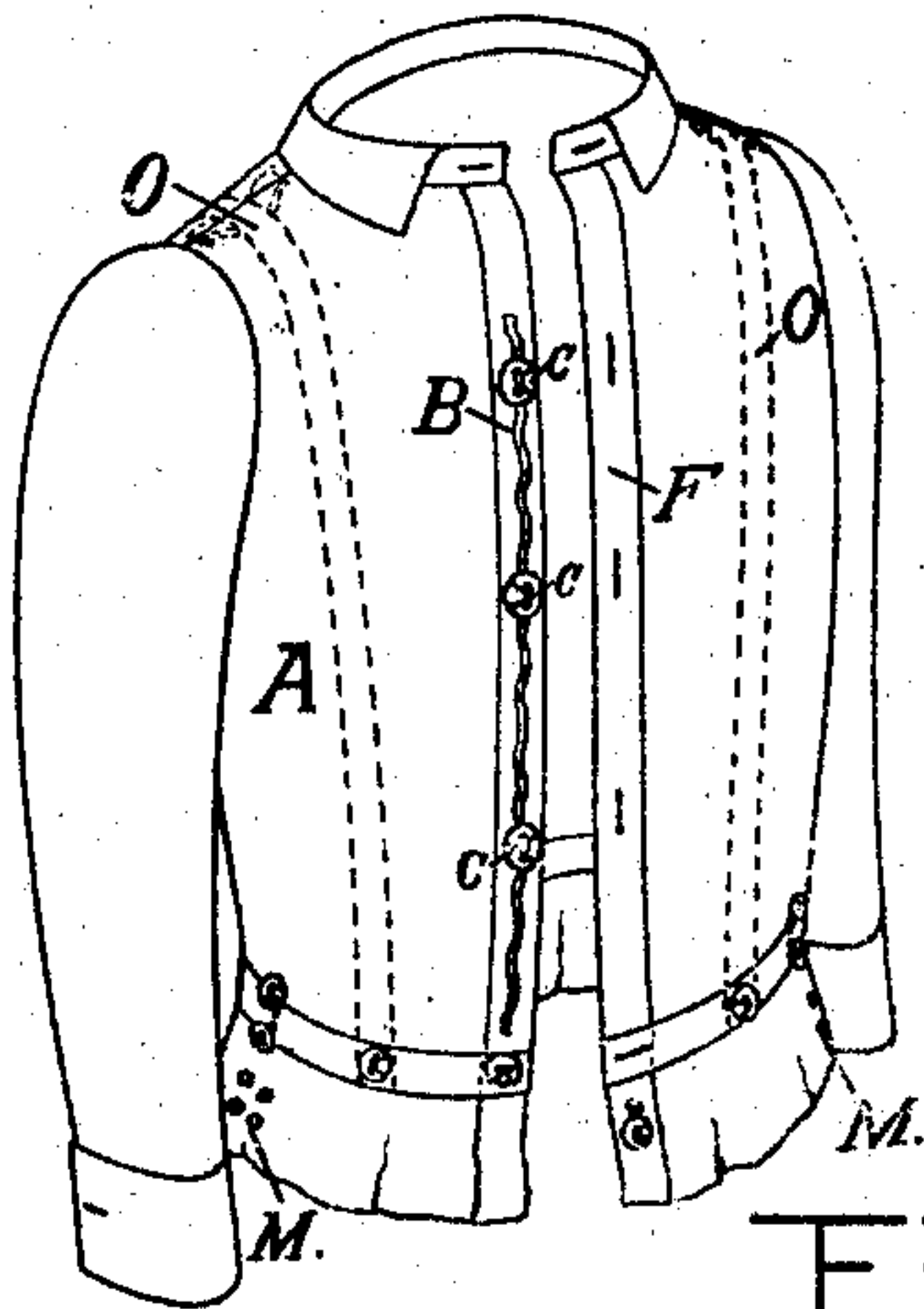


Fig. 1

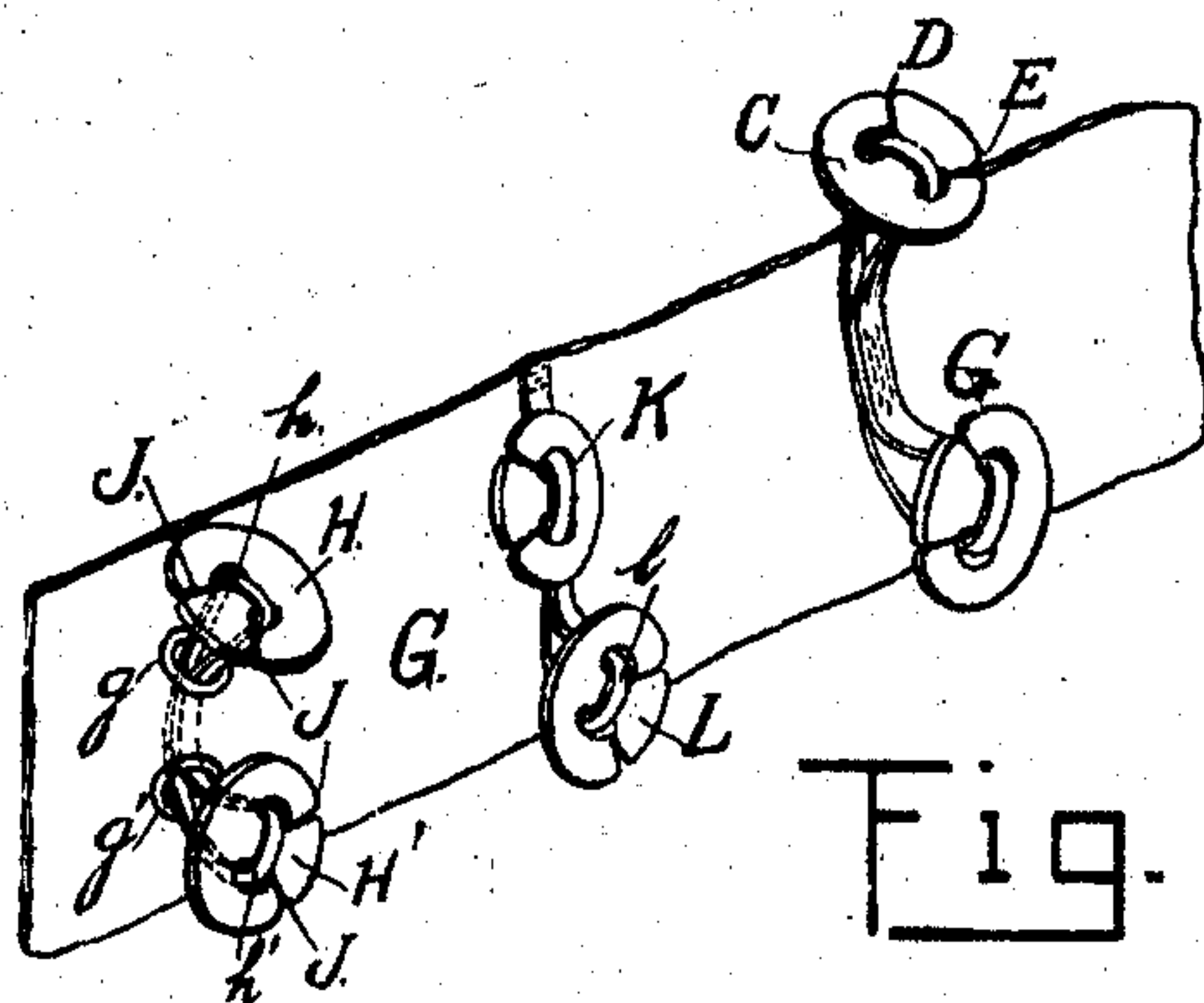


Fig. 2.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ELIZABETH GREENE TEBBUTT, a citizen of the United States of America, and a resident of the city and county of Albany, State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Waists, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to waists; and the object of my invention is to provide a waist arranged in such a manner that the buttons may be removed or changed in their position when desired and in which the trousers and drawers and hose-supporters may be secured to the waist in a positive and convenient manner without making it necessary to place the buttonholes of two garments upon a single button. I accomplish this object by means of the mechanism illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a waist. Fig. 2 is a detail view of the waistband.

Similar letters refer to similar parts throughout the several views.

The waist A is constructed of suitable material and is provided with the tape B. Along one edge of the front the tape is sewed at frequent intervals to the waist, leaving spaces between the sewed portions, which are separated from the waist and which will allow for a button C being placed on the tape. The button C is provided with slotted openings D E, each slot extending toward the center of the button. The tape passes through slots D and E and over the central portion of the button and serves to retain the button securely in position on the tape. The buttons, it will be noticed, may be moved on the tape to the position required by the buttonholes, which are on the adjoining lapping-over portion F of the waist. On the waistband G, I place the buttons for securing the drawers and trousers when the waist is used as a boy's waist.

I may attach the buttons by means of a tape passing through openings $g g'$ in the waistband G, as shown at the extreme left of Fig. 2. The tape passing through the openings $g g'$ is secured together, forming a loop at each end, so that protruding from the opening g there is a loop h and from the opening g' there is a loop h' and at each end $h h'$ of the tape a button H H' is secured. The tape passes through the slotted opening J J in each button. It is not necessary, however, to attach the tape in the manner described to

the waistband, since instead of having the holes $g g'$ and passing the tape through the band by means of said openings the tape may be secured to the band by sewing, as shown at the extreme right of Fig. 2. I sometimes secure the buttons by means of the tape attached to the waistband, as shown in the central portion of Fig. 2, in which the tape is secured to the waistband near the top of the waistband and about midway of the width of the band, leaving a space between the points of securing where the tape is separated from the band and upon which a button K, made as described, may be slipped. On the end of the tape, where a loop l is found extending below the button K, is placed the button L.

It is desirable often to have the buttons with considerable space between the button and the waistband to provide for the thickness of the cloth of trousers to be secured thereto, which is the reason why the buttons on my waistband are arranged in this way. It is not, however, necessary that both buttons should be loose, and therefore the upper button K is secured closer to the waistband than the lower button L. I also arrange on my waist on what is commonly known as the "skirt" thereof, below the waistband thereof, eyelets M, to which may be secured hose-supporters. (Not shown.)

I have in this manner produced a waist by means of which an underwaist or suspenders may be done away with, since the trousers and drawers may be suspended from the waist itself. I arrange for the securing of the trousers and the drawers directly from the waistband of the waist, and to the skirt of the waist I provide a means for keeping the hose in position.

For the purpose of producing a blouse effect of my waist I place suspenders O under the waist, attaching them at the shoulders or passing them through a loop on the under side of the waist at the shoulders and attaching each end of the suspenders to buttons on the reverse side of the waistband.

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

1. In a waist having along its front strip a row of buttonholes; a tape secured at frequent intervals to the outside of the front strip corresponding to the one containing the buttonholes, upon which tape a series of adjustable and detachable buttons are secured, which permits said buttons to be moved

thereon, to place the same in position to register with the buttonholes on the corresponding strip.

2. The combination of a waist-garment
5 and a waistband secured thereto; said waistband provided with a series of holes; a series of detachable and adjustable buttons arranged in pairs; a tape connecting each pair of buttons; said tape secured to said waist-
10 band by passing through two of said holes which are adjacent to each other, substantially as described.

3. The combination of a waist-garment

and a waistband; a series of detachable and adjustable buttons; a means for securing 15 said buttons in pairs, to said waistband, and adjustably securing the connections between the buttons forming the pairs, substantially as described.

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