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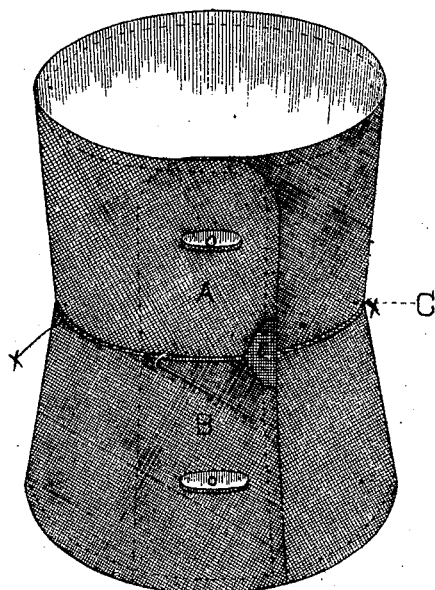
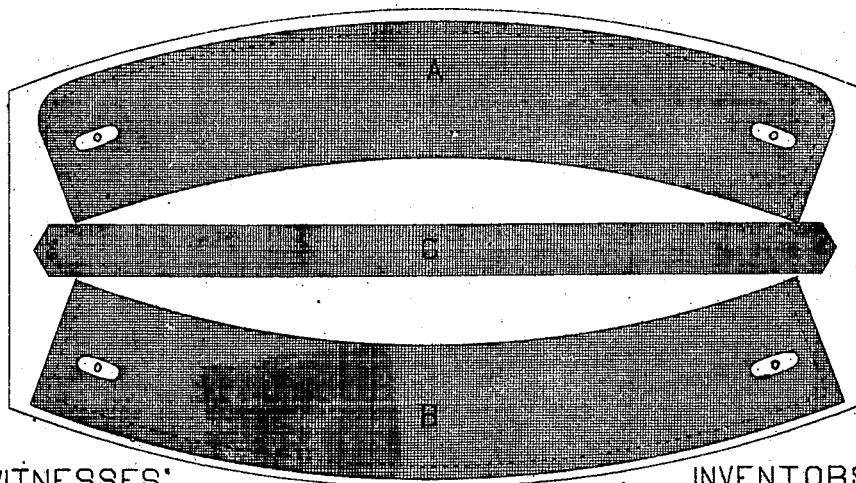


FIG. I.



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IMPROVEMENT IN PAPER CUFFS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, SUMNER A. BEMIS, ALBERT E. FOTH, and JAMES W. GOODRICH, all of the city of Springfield, in the county of Hampden and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Paper Cuffs; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, making a part of this specification.

Figure 1 represents a perspective view, and Fig. 2 represents a plan view, of the parts composing the cuff, showing the forms of the parts before they are attached to each other.

The nature of our invention consists in the construction of a reversible cuff or wristband made of paper or of paper and cloth combined, as will be more fully hereinafter set forth.

Our cuff is made of three pieces, A, B, and C, as shown in Fig. 2 of the drawings. The parts A and B are curved on their inner edges, as shown, and are connected together by the narrow strip C, which is cemented or pasted upon the curved edges of the parts A and B on the inside of the cuff. The strip C is made of cloth, suitable paper, or other flexible material, and, when connected to the parts A B, acts as a hinge for the cuff, as will be more fully hereinafter described.

It will be understood that our cuff, being made of paper or paper and cloth combined, similar to that of the usual paper collars, is provided with a button-hole, O, at each end of each section A and B, and is stayed at each end of the joint or hinge, where the parts come together, by the strip C, which is made longer than the parts A and B, and is lapped over the outside of said parts, as shown at E E in Figs. 1 and 2. Our object is to make a cheap and neat cuff for use, and one that can be easily reversed, will not "crack" or "break," and can be worn with comfort.

We are aware that a linen cuff made of two parts cut on a curve, and united by passing the two plies of the one between the two plies of the other, and sewed together, is known; also, that

a linen cuff made of two parts or half-cuffs with straight edges, united centrally by a single ply of cloth covering its face, and a similar piece on its interior, is known; also, that a garrote paper-collar piece having an inner curved edge, to which is attached a straight-edged band by means of a curved paper strip pasted over the edges of both, is known; also, that a "turn-down" paper collar having its two distinct parts, (one having a straight and the other a curved edge,) and another having concave and convex edges, united by a strip of cloth, are known; also, that a cloth patch projecting over to protect the fold of paper goods is known; also, that a cloth connecting-band turned over the edge of paper goods, so as to stay the joint, is known; but these materially differ from our invention. The parts A and B of our cuff are so connected to the inner strip, C, that a narrow space (see *x*, Fig. 1) is left between the two parts A and B, so that in wearing the cuff the hand or wrist of the wearer will not receive an unpleasant feeling or be cut by the bending of the hand or arm; and when the cuffs are placed in packages for the market they can be readily folded backward with their faces lying flat against each other, so as to prevent their outer surfaces from soiling, and will take up but little room in a package. A cuff made with our invention possesses the advantages of cheapness, comfort, and comparative durability.

Having thus fully described our invention, what we claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

As a new article of manufacture, a paper or paper and cloth cuff consisting of two parts or half-cuffs, A B, having coinciding curved inner edges, flexibly united by a straight band of textile materials, so as to provide a space between their edges and adapt them to be folded and packed, all substantially as set forth.

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