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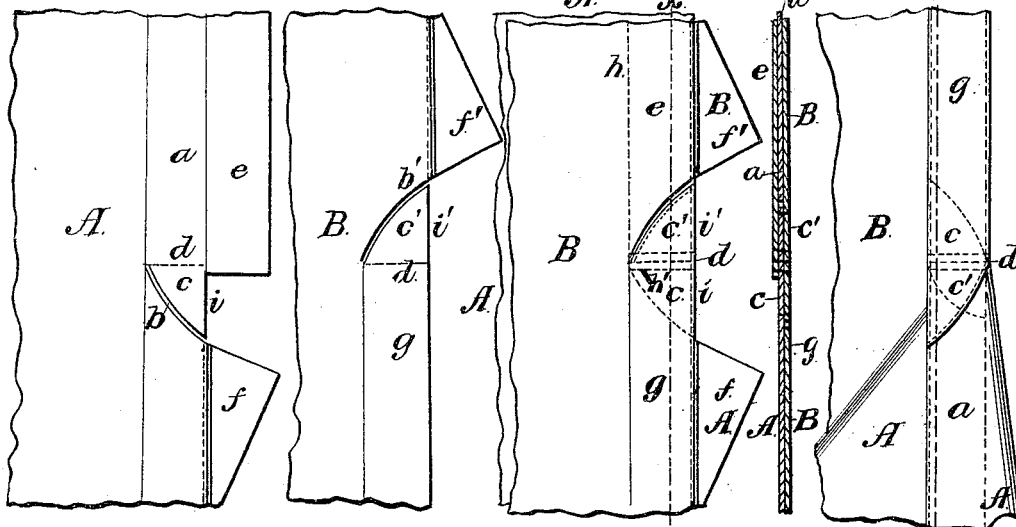


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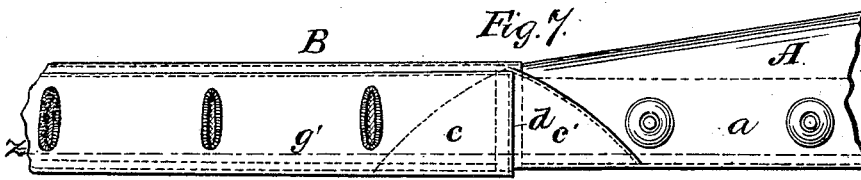


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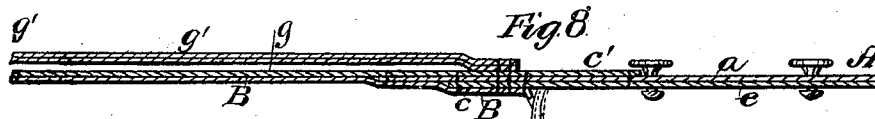


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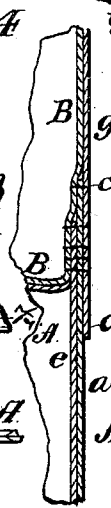


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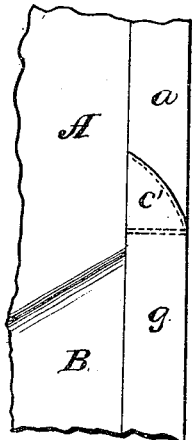


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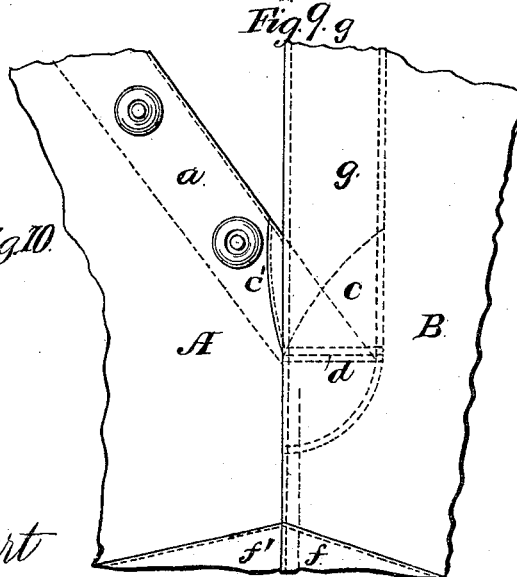


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IMPROVEMENT IN OVERALLS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, STEPHEN LASKEY, of Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Overalls; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 represents a diagram of a detached portion of that part of the front of the garment which forms the button side of the "fly" of a pair of overalls or other pantaloons garment as cut out in applying my improvements thereto, and Fig. 2 the corresponding part of the other side. Fig. 3 represents the two placed together and stitched at the point which forms the connection between the two parts of the fly-opening, and Fig. 4 a section through the line *x x* of Fig. 3, looking toward the right-hand side. Fig. 5 represents a face view of a portion of the two halves of the fly as stitched together at their point of union, showing the lap of the stay-pieces *c* and *c'*; and Fig. 6, a sectional view taken through line *y y* of Fig. 5, looking toward the right-hand side. Fig. 7 represents a similar view to Fig. 5 on an enlarged scale, showing its appearance as finished, with the fly *g'* attached; and Fig. 8, section through the line *z z* of Fig. 7. Fig. 9 represents a front elevation of the lower part of the fly-opening, showing in dotted lines the continuation of the lower ends of its two half parts, and which form its stay-pieces *c* and *c'*. Fig. 10 represents a plan view of a modification.

My invention relates to a new and improved mode of "staying" the joint formed by the junction of the two sides of the garment at the fly-opening. Heretofore this junctional point has been stayed by an extra piece of cloth, so arranged as to overlap both sides of the joint.

My improvement consists in forming the stay or lap out of a continuation of that part or parts of the cloth of the garment itself which form the fly-opening, and which heretofore have been cut off and thrown away, whereby

the junction is better stayed, is stronger, cheaper, and simpler, and cannot be ripped off.

To enable others skilled in the art to make and use my invention, I will describe it in detail.

In the drawing, Figs. 1 and 2, is illustrated the mode of cutting out those portions of the two sides of the front of the garment which form the junction of the fly-opening at its lower end.

In Fig. 1, *A* represents a portion of the button side of the body of the garment, and *a* that portion of it to which the buttons are secured. *b* represents the curved cut, the lower edge of which forms one side of the front crotch-seam, and the upper edge an angular point on the lower end of button-piece *a*, and which forms my improved lap or "stay piece" *c* at the junction formed by the two halves of the garment in front at the lower end of the fly-opening. *c* represents a portion left on, to be turned over on the inside to form a stay for the buttons, but which may be formed of a separate piece, if desired. Dotted line *d* in the various figures represents the line which forms the lower end of the fly-opening when finished. *f* represents one of the seat-gussets when such are used.

In Fig. 2, *B* represents a portion of the fly or button-hole side of the garment; *g*, that part to which the fly is to be secured in the usual manner; *c'*, the lap or stay piece formed on the lower end of piece *g* by the crotch-cut *b'*, as in Fig. 1; and *f'*, the seat-gusset corresponding to that in Fig. 1. In Fig. 3 is represented the manner in which these parts are put together. For this purpose, where button stay-piece *c* of Fig. 1 is used, it is first turned inward and then stitched down to piece *a*, as represented by dotted lines *h h'*, Fig. 3. Part *B*, Fig. 2, is then placed upon part *A*, Fig. 1, in such manner that the dotted lines *d d* of Figs. 1 and 2 shall coincide and the stay-pieces *c* and *c'* overlap, as shown in Fig. 3. The part *c'* of *B* is then stitched to the part *a* of *A* along its curved edge and the part *c* of *A* to the part *g* of *B*, in the same manner, after which their straight edges *i i'* are then stitched down, the one, *i*, of *A* to the part *g* of *B*, and the other, *i'*, to the part *a* of

A. This done, the garment is ready to be put together in the ordinary way. The two parts *c* of A and *c'* of B thus put together form the stay-pieces at the junction of the lower end of the fly-opening, as well illustrated in Figs. 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9.

In Fig. 10 is illustrated a modification, in which but one stay-piece, *c* or *c'*, is used instead of the two. For this purpose, in cutting out the garment, either one of the stay-pieces *c* or *c'* can be cut off, as usual, but leaving the other one on. In the drawing, the stay-piece *c*, which forms the continuation of the part *a* of the button side A of the garment in Fig. 1, is cut off, and the stay part *c'* of the side B left on and stitched down on part *a*, as in Fig. 3, so as to overlap the joint at the lower end of the fly, as clearly shown in said Fig. 10. This will be sufficient to form a good and substantial stay-piece, and in some classes of goods may be preferred to the use of the two stay-pieces *c* and *c'*.

It is obvious that my improvement is equally applicable to pantaloons, overalls, and drawers.

I am aware that the angles of seams of overalls, such as the pockets, have heretofore been re-enforced by a stay-piece formed of a side extension of the body fabric of the garment, and therefore do not claim such a device as of my invention; but, on the contrary, my invention

consists in the mode of utilizing, as hereinbefore fully set forth, such parts of the garment as have heretofore been cut off and thrown away, for the purpose of re-enforcing the crotch of the fly-opening.

Having described my invention, I claim—

1. Overalls or other pantaloon garments constructed with a fly stay-piece, *c* or *c'*, formed of a continuation of the body fabric of the garment at either side of the fly-opening, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. Overalls or other pantaloon garment constructed with fly stay-pieces *c* and *c'*, formed of a continuation of the body fabric of the garment at the sides of the fly-opening, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

3. The improvement in the manufacture of overalls and similar pantaloon garments herein set forth, which consists in forming the stay piece or pieces for re-enforcing the crotch of the fly of the body fabric, in the manner substantially as described and shown.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my own I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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