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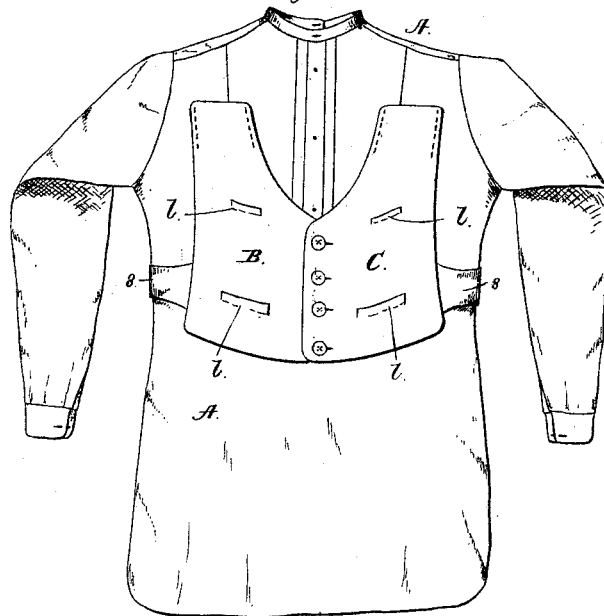
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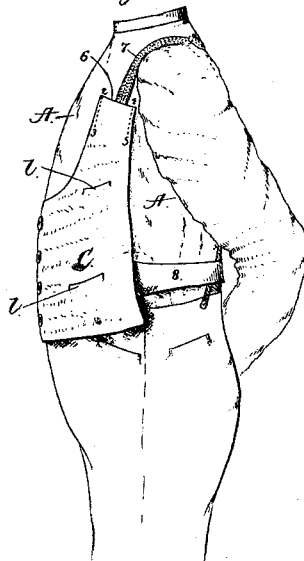
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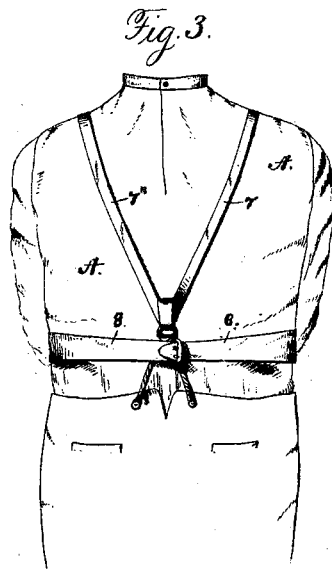
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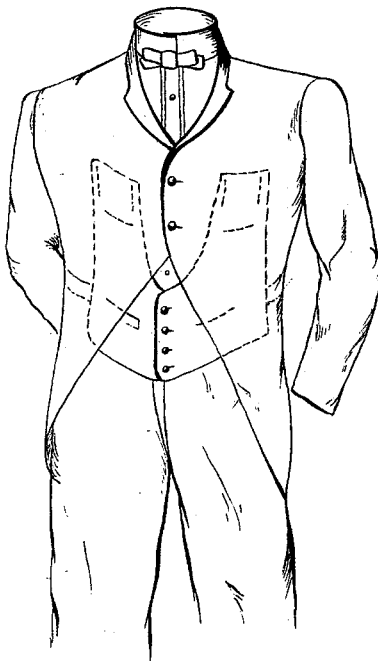
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## COMBINED SHIRT AND VEST.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, CLARENCE WAGNER, of Charleston, in the county of Charleston and State of South Carolina, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Combination-Garments; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

My invention relates to an improvement in combination-garments, and more particularly to an improvement in a combined shirt and vest, the object being to furnish a shirt with a pair of vest-fronts so attached that they may be easily removed, if desired, and will give the same neat appearance which an ordinary shirt and vest presents, with the additional advantages of economy in manufacture, as well as lightness, convenience, and comfort to the wearer, this garment being cooler than a full shirt and vest, and at the same time preventing the untidy appearance presented when a vest is not worn.

With this end in view my invention consists in a combined shirt and vest, and also in certain other novel features of constructions and combinations of parts, as will be hereinafter fully described, and pointed out in the claim.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a front view showing the shirt and vest combined. Fig. 2 is a side view. Fig. 3 is a rear view. Fig. 4 is a front view showing the vest under a buttoned coat.

A represents a shirt, which may be made in the usual style and shape, or slightly modified, if necessary, to serve the double purpose of a shirt and means of support for the vest.

B and C represent the vest-fronts attached to the shirt. These are preferably made alike and in substantially the shape shown—namely, that of an ordinary vest-front, having pockets 1 1 therein and being cut at the neck and at other points to suit the prevailing style, and buttoned at the front from the neck down. The vest may be of piqué or

linen, or of other light fabric, as these garments are intended more especially for summer wear, when an ordinary vest, even though made of light material, is too warm and cumbersome.

The fronts B and C may be variously secured; but generally I prefer to stitch them along the lines 2 3 and 4 5 at the upper ends, leaving the upper edges 6 unattached, so that the suspenders 7 may pass freely between the fronts and the shirt at these points, thus leaving the vest loose along the lower portion, at which point it is provided with straps 8 8, adapted to be buckled together at the back, as shown in Fig. 3, to loosen or tighten the vest to suit the wearer.

If desired, when the shirt and vest are washed they may be taken apart by cutting the stitches; or they may be kept together, if desired, and in cold weather, by simply detaching the vest, the shirt may be worn and the vest preserved for the next season. This is the object of stitching them together for as short a distance as possible, so that it requires but a moment's time to attach or detach the fronts.

It is obvious that the fronts might be attached with metal or other fastenings, if desired.

When the coat is placed on, no one can tell the difference between this vest and one in ordinary use, and so, besides performing all of the functions of an ordinary vest, it also possesses the additional features mentioned herein.

It is evident that slight changes might be resorted to in the form and arrangement of the several parts described without departing from the spirit and scope of my invention, and hence I do not wish to limit myself to the particular construction herein set forth; but,

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

The combination, with a shirt, of vest-sections the upper ends of which terminate below the shoulders, each section being secured at its side edges near their upper ends to the

shirt, leaving the central portions of said  
upper ends disconnected for the passage of  
the suspenders between the shirt and vest-  
sections, and back straps secured to the rear  
5 lower edges of each section, substantially as  
set forth.

In testimony whereof I have signed this

specification in the presence of two subscrib-  
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