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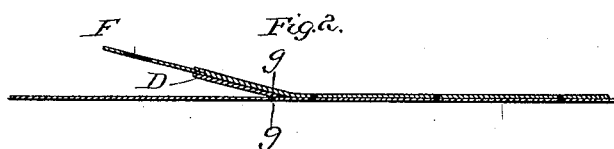
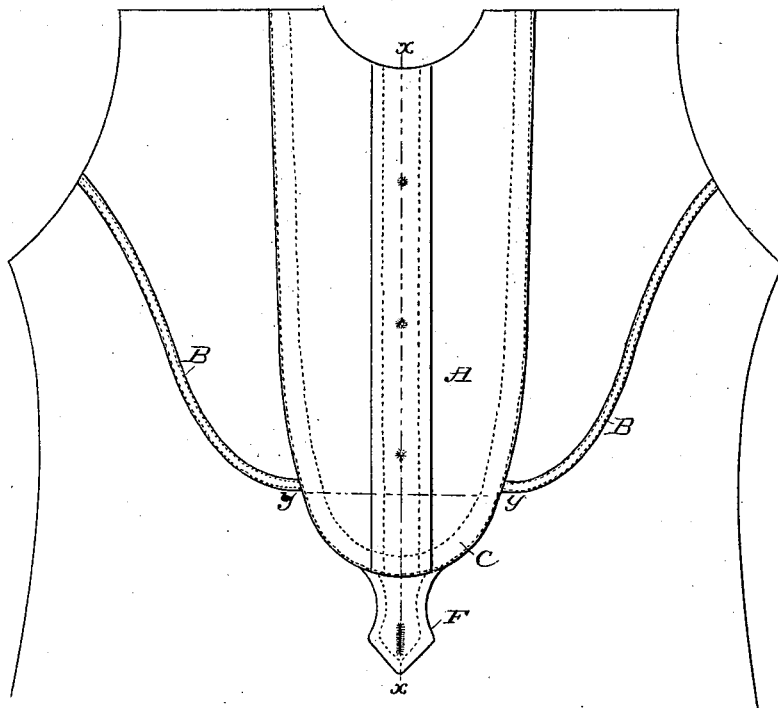
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*Fig. 1.*



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## SHIRT.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, PAUL E. DUBREUIL, of Baltimore, in the State of Maryland, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Shirts; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same.

My invention relates to dress-shirts of that class in which an extension-piece or flap is formed on the lower part of the bosom, having its lower end disconnected from the shirt. In this class of shirts as heretofore made or proposed to be made this flap-piece has usually been connected to the shirt by stitching through the bosom itself, directly connecting it to the shirt. The objection to this is that the line of stitching shows, and the still greater objection that it causes a sharp bend or break in the bosom on the line of the stitching, thus at the same time disfiguring and permanently injuring the shirt-bosom. It has also been suggested to attach the shirt-bosom to the front only at the sides, leaving the flap or lower extension entirely disconnected from the shirt, excepting as it is held by the stitching on the sides. This plan is defective, for the reason that the tag upon the lower end of the flap would draw upon the bosom only, and not upon the shirt, or only upon the shirt through the side stitching, leaving it liable to wrinkle in the middle, and is also an imperfect construction, as is well understood by those skilled in this art.

The object of my invention is to obviate these objections by providing a connection between the extension or flap and the body of the shirt across the line of the bosom without directly connecting the upper margin of the flap to the shirt by a transverse line of stitching. The special construction is hereinafter fully set forth and distinctively claimed, and is applicable to a shirt provided with the ordinary re-enforce.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 shows a plan view, and Fig. 2 a section or line *xx*, Fig. 1. In these drawings I have shown an entire bosom adapted to an open-back shirt, but the bosom may be open as well.

A represents the bosom, and B B the outline re-enforce. The flap is indicated at C by merely an extension of the bosom, preferably cut rounded and of ordinary shape. Underneath the flap of the bosom, and on a line in-

dicated by *yy*, I place a heavy piece of butcher's linen or any other heavy goods suitable for the purpose, marked D, cut to correspond in shape to the flap C, and I stitch this directly to the shirt-front on the line previously indicated. It will be understood that when this re-enforce D has been thus connected to the shirt the bosom is connected thereto by a line of stitching around the edges at the lower end, so that the bosom is firmly secured both at the sides and end, and is connected to the shirt across the line of the upper edge or portion of the flap indirectly through the flap itself; but there is no line of stitching across the flap, and no liability arising therefrom of a sharp bend or break in the bosom on that line.

The tag F may be inserted between the flap and the lining D and be held by the stitching. Where the re-enforce is used the pieces extend under the bosom, so as to be caught by the outside line of stitching thereof. I prefer the re-enforcement for strengthening and aiding the extension-piece or flap C in yielding more readily along the bosom on both sides.

The shirt-bosom may be of three or four ply, as desired.

I may also attach my improvement to shirts other than those as ordinarily made. For instance, instead of the parts composing the bosom being stitched directly upon the shirt-front and covering the same, the portion of the front may be cut away within the stitching, and at the upper end of the flap the material may be doubled in order to secure greater strength.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim is—

The combination, in a shirt, of a re-enforce strip, D, secured to the body by a line of stitching, *yy*, so as to form an integral part of such body, and the bosom C, secured without lateral stitching to the body of the shirt and to the said re-enforcing strip by a row of stitching passing around its outer edge, substantially as described.

In testimony whereof I have signed my name to this specification in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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