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Fig. 1.

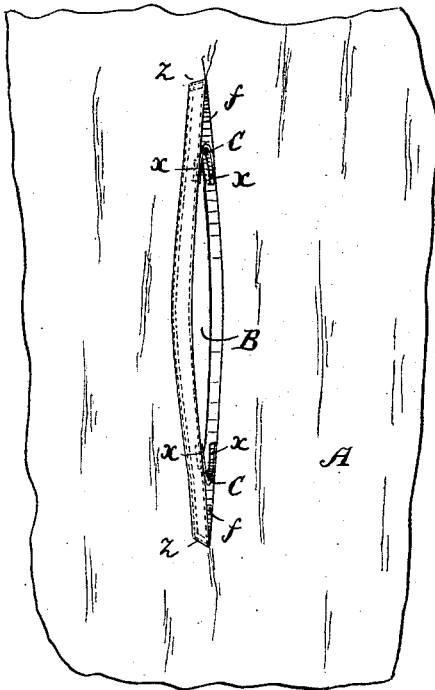
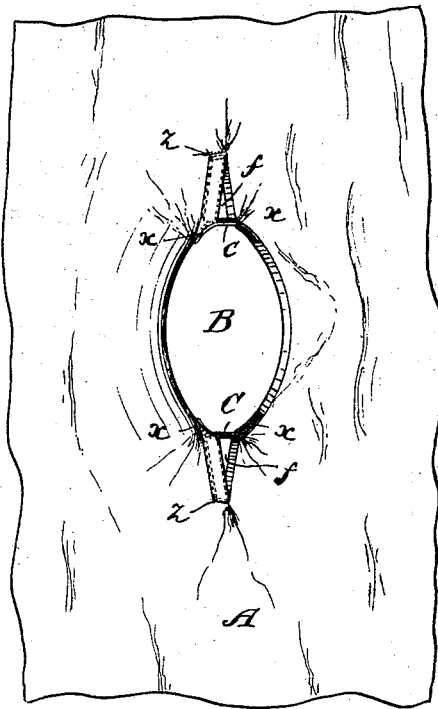


Fig. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSEPH M. JACOBS, of Baltimore, in the county of Baltimore, State of Maryland, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Circular Cloaks, of which the following is a description sufficiently full, clear, and exact to enable any person skilled in the art or science to which said invention appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 is a diagram showing the arm-slot of the cloak provided with my improved stay, the scye being represented as in its normal position; and Fig. 2 a like view representing the slot distended.

Like letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the different figures of the drawings.

My invention relates more especially to that class of circular cloaks and other garments which are designed for ladies' wear and composed of gossamer rubber cloth, or similar waterproof material; and it consists in a novel construction and arrangement of the parts, as hereinafter more fully set forth and claimed, by which a more desirable article of this character is produced than is now in ordinary use.

It is well known that the bodies of circular cloaks and other similar garments composed of waterproof materials are very liable to be torn out at the arm-slot in putting them on and taking them off, and also in use, thereby greatly injuring their appearance and frequently rendering them worthless.

My invention is designed to obviate this difficulty or objection, and to that end I make

use of means which will be readily understood by all conversant with such matters from the following explanation:

In the drawings, A represents the body of the cloak or garment, and B the arm-slot or opening through which the arm protrudes when the garment is in use. A stout elastic stay, C, is inserted in the slot near either end of the same, the ends of the stays being secured firmly by stitching or other suitable means to the garment at the sides of the slot, as shown at *x*, thereby leaving a small space, *f*, between each of the stays and the adjacent end of the slot to enable the stays to yield to their fullest extent, if necessary, without exerting a strain on the garment at the ends *z* of the slot and tearing it at those points.

The stays are preferably composed of elastic rubber tape or webbing, and may be of any suitable length and tension to perform their functions properly.

I do not confine myself to using two of the stays in each arm-slot of the garment, as only one may be employed, if preferred—for instance, near the lower end of the slot, which is usually most liable to tear out.

Having thus explained my invention, what I claim is—

A circular cloak or other garment provided with a stay in the arm-slot thereof, said stay comprising an elastic strip securely fastened at each end to opposite sides of said slot near one end of the latter.

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