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Fig. 2.

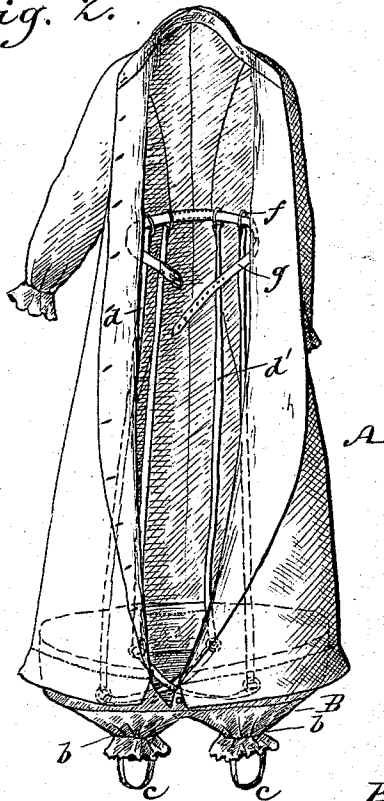


Fig. 1.

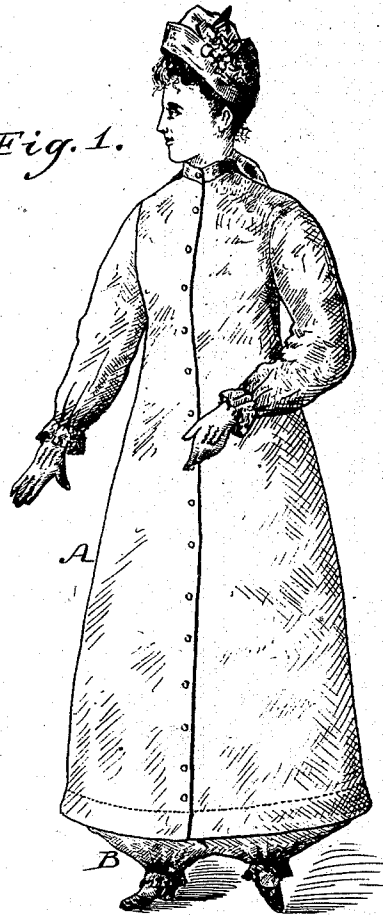
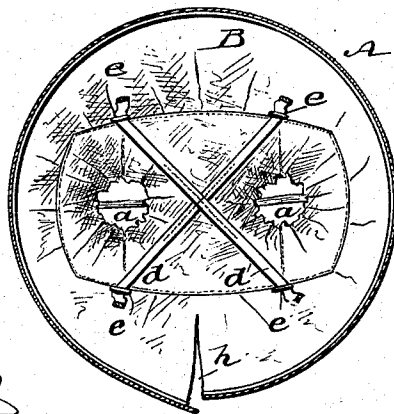


Fig. 3.



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SKIRT-PROTECTING GARMENT.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ELIZABETH EMILY WOOD, of Topeka, in the county of Shawnee and State of Kansas, have invented new and useful Improvements in Water-Proof Garments, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the annexed drawings, forming a part thereof, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view showing my improved water-proof garment applied. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the garment, showing the supporting-straps; and Fig. 3 is a plan view with the upper portion of the garment removed.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the views.

The object of my invention is to provide an attachment for water-proof cloaks for protecting the limbs and keeping the skirts clean and free from mud and moisture.

The invention consists in the particular construction and arrangement of parts, as will be hereinafter fully described, and pointed out in the claims.

The water-proof cloak A, which is of the usual form, is preferably provided with elastic bands for drawing the sleeves tightly around the wrists, and to the skirt of the cloak, near the bottom thereof, is secured a flexible disk B of rubber cloth or other suitable material, the said disk being provided with apertures *a* for receiving the feet and ankles, the material around the said apertures being provided with an elastic band *b* for drawing it tightly around the ankles. The disk B is provided with straps *c*, which extend underneath the instep and serve to hold the disk down, and to the said disk, at the center

thereof, are secured straps *d d'*, which cross each other and pass through loops *e*, secured to the disk B, thence upward, their upper ends being provided with rings *f*, which are placed on a waistband *g*, adapted to buckle around the waist. The straps *d d'* serve to support the disk and prevent it from sagging.

For convenience in putting on and taking off the garment, the disk B is provided with a slit *h* at the front of the garment, space being allowed between the apertures in disk to enable the wearer to step into a carriage or go up and down stairs without inconvenience.

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

1. The combination, with the water-proof garment A, of the disk B, secured to the garment near the bottom thereof, and provided with the openings *a*, the loops *e*, secured to the disk, the cross-straps *d d'*, secured to the center of the disk and passing through the said loops, and provided with the rings *f* at their free ends, and the waistband *g*, passing through the said rings, substantially as described.

2. As an improved article of manufacture, the water-proof garment A, provided with the slitted disk B, having openings *a*, with puckering-strings *b*, the loops *e*, secured to the disk, and the cross-straps *d d'*, secured to the center of the disk and passing through the said loops, and provided with the rings *f* at their free ends to receive a waistband, as set forth.

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