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Fig. 1

Fig. 2

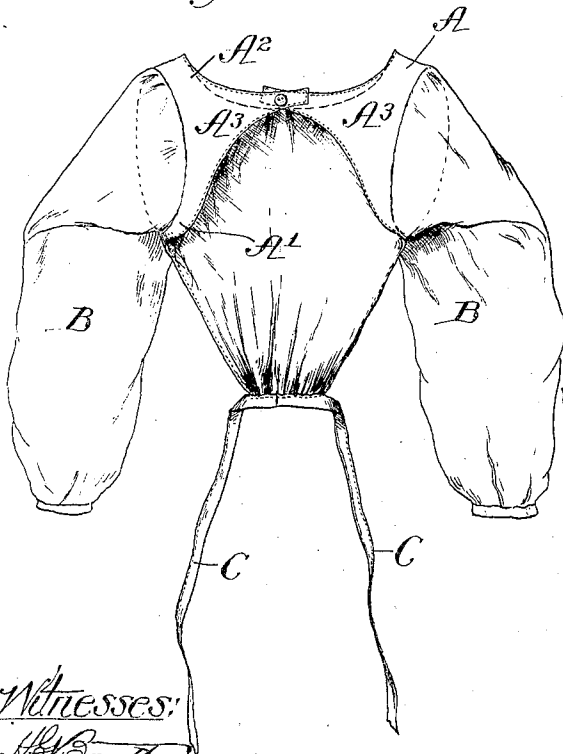
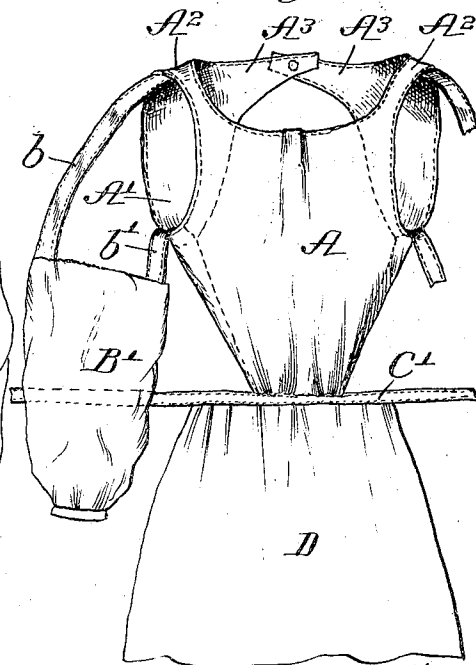


Fig. 3



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MOSES ALSHULER, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of Waukegan, in the county of Lake and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Protectors for Shirt-Waists and the Like; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates to a novel article in the nature of a shirt-waist or dress protector for type-writer operators, bookkeepers, or other persons whose occupation requires that they should be well dressed, but is such as is liable to result in the soiling or wearing out of the front of the waist or sleeves of a shirt-waist or other garment worn.

The invention consists in the matters hereinafter described, and pointed out in the appended claim.

A shirt-waist protector made in accordance with my invention consists generally of a front piece which covers the front portion of the shirt-waist or body-garment and sleeves attached to the said front piece, together with rearward flaps or extensions at its upper part, which are adapted to extend around or across the back of the wearer to hold the upper part of the protector in place, said front piece being adapted to reach downwardly to the waistline of the wearer and being provided at its lower edge with strings or a waistband, which may be fastened or tied around the waist of the wearer to confine in place said lower edge of the front piece. Said front piece is preferably made full and gathered at its upper and lower edges, so as to afford ample room for the fullness in the front of a shirt-waist or like garment which the protector is designed to cover.

The invention may be more readily understood by reference to the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a shirt-waist protector made according to my invention, the same being shown as viewed from the front and applied to the person of the wearer. Fig. 2 is a perspective view of the

protector shown in Fig. 1 as seen in rear view. Fig. 3 is a front view of a protector embodying my invention which differs from that shown in Figs. 1 and 2 by having an apron attached to the waistband and partial instead of complete sleeves.

As shown in said drawings, Figs. 1 and 2, A indicates the body portion or front piece of the garment. This is made wide enough to extend the full width of the shoulders at the upper part of the body and has extensions A' and A² adapted to pass beneath the arms and over the shoulders and terminating in rear flaps A³, which extend across the back and are adapted to be buttoned or otherwise joined to hold the upper part of the protector in place on the body. To the body part A are attached sleeves B B, which are secured in arm-openings formed by the upper side edge of the front piece and by or in the extensions A' A² and rear flaps A³. The said body part A may be made either high or low necked, but is preferably cut somewhat low between the shoulders, so that it may sufficiently protect the dress without adding too much to the warmth thereof. The said front piece A is provided at its lower edge with strings C C, preferably formed by means of a band, to which the lower edge of the front piece is attached. The lower part of the front piece is designed to be wide enough only to properly protect the lower part of the shirt-waist; but the lower edge of said front piece may vary in width according to the tastes or wishes of the wearer. As herein shown and preferably constructed, the lower part of the front piece is made with considerable downward taper and its lower edge is gathered at the band, to which it is attached, and is relatively short or narrow. The upper margin of the front piece may be also gathered, as shown. When so gathered at its upper and lower edges, the protector is given a considerable degree of fullness, adapting it to fit over dress-waists or shirt-waists which are made with considerable fullness in front, as now common in such garments.

The protector described may be very easily put on and taken off by the wearer. In putting on the same it is merely necessary to

slip the arms through the sleeves B B, join the ends of the flaps A³ A³ at the back, and pass the strings C C around the waist and tie them.

5 In the slightly different form of protector shown in Fig. 3 the body portion or front piece A is made, as before described, with extensions A' and A² and rear flaps A³. In this instance, however, partial sleeves B' B' are
10 used, which are adapted to cover the lower parts only of the arms. These partial sleeves are joined to the body part A by means of straps b b', which are attached to the upper
15 margins of the sleeves and sewed in the arm-openings of the said body portion. The protector shown in Fig. 3 is also shown as provided with an apron D, sewed to a band C', which is attached to the lower edge of the
20 front piece A. The ends of said band C' in this instance form the strings C C.

The partial garment or protector described is adapted to cover the parts of a lady's shirt or dress waist most liable to be injured or soiled—namely, the front and sleeves thereof—
25 while at the same time such protector is of simple form and contains a small amount of material only, may be readily made with lit-

tle labor, and may be manufactured so cheaply as to be sold at a small price.

I claim as my invention—

30 A shirt-waist protector comprising a front piece made sufficiently wide at its upper end to cover the upper front part of the shirt-waist between the arms and tapered toward
35 its lower end, said upper end of the front piece having at each side continuous lateral extensions in which are formed armholes, said extensions comprising the parts A' and
40 A² adapted to pass beneath and above, respectively, the arms, and terminating at their rear ends in flaps, means for detachably fastening said flaps at the back, sleeves attached
45 to said lateral extensions around the arm-openings therein and a band attached to the lower narrower end of the front piece and adapted to be fastened around the waist.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention I affix my signature, in presence of two witnesses, this 25th day of February, A. D. 1904.

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