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PREFACE.

In this work, I have given the results of my experience as a cutter and manufacturer of fine shirts, which I have followed for a number of years; at the same time adding every detail connected with the trade that would make it both practical and instructive, having spared no labor to fully explain and illustrate every essential part with engravings, showing all the different parts in course of construction.

The method of drafting will be found so simple and plain, that any one can understand the principles.

With a view of making this work still more complete, I have added an article on how to choose the materials, which will be found very useful to the inexperienced, when selecting from the different grades of cottons and linens, which are necessary for fine shirts.

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