

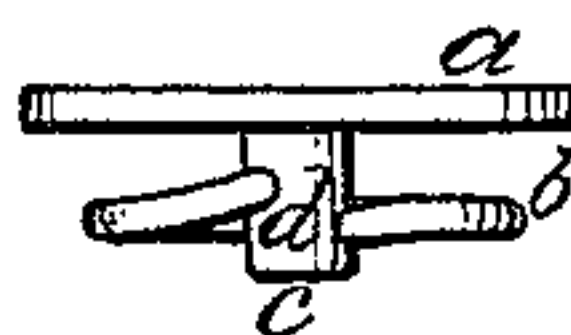
*L. Paige.*

*Button.*

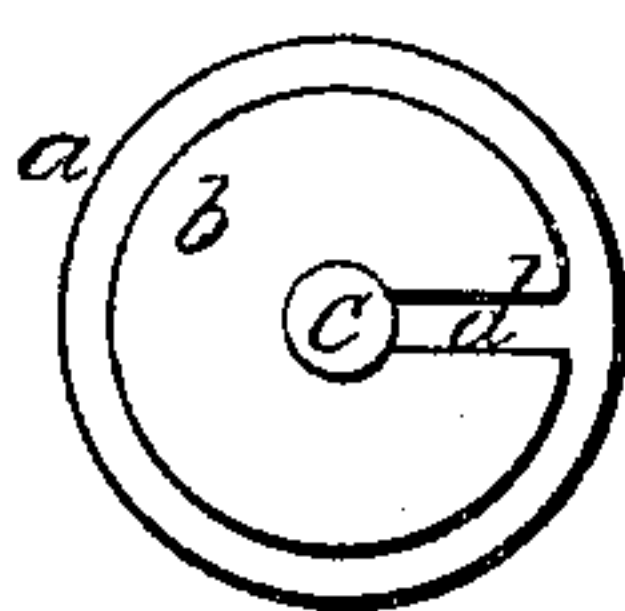
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*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



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## STUDS FOR WEARING-APPAREL.

Specification of Letters Patent No. 14,756, dated April 22, 1856.

*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, LUCIUS PAIGE, of Cavendish, in the county of Windsor and State of Vermont, have invented an Improved  
5 Shirt Button or Stud; and I do hereby declare that the same is fully described and represented in the following specification and the accompanying drawings, of which—

10 Figure 1, is a side view, and Fig. 2, a back view of one of said studs.

In carrying out my invention, I take a common shirt stud or button as constructed with a circular disk or plate holder, *a*, united to another disk, *b*, by a shank or projection, *c*, and I form said disk or plate holder with  
15 a slot, *d*, extending inward from its circumference toward its shank, and bend one edge of said slit so as to elevate the same a little above the other edge as seen in Fig. 1, and  
20 in order to enable such raised edge to be inserted in a button hole corresponding in length with that of the slit.

In the use of my improved studs or buttons, it is not necessary to employ a button  
25 hole of a length greater than the diameter of the stud holder or disk, as one of about half the diameter thereof will suffice. In applying the article to a button hole, the raised edge of the slit is inserted in the hole  
30 and the stud turned around until its holder passes entirely through the button hole. When once in a hole, so that the holder is

on one side of a piece of cloth and the disk to which it is connected is on the other side, or its shank extends through the cloth, the  
35 holder will operate in the common way to keep the stud in place, but the danger of losing the stud out of the button hole will be greatly diminished in comparison to what there would be, were the button hole made  
40 of a length greater than the diameter of the disk. In other words the chance of its accidentally working out of the same is exceedingly small.

I am fully aware that it is not new to  
45 make a shirt stud or button with a wire shank, extending from its center and bent around in a helix or spiral form. I do not claim the same, nor the principle of the screw contained therein, but  
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What I do claim is—

My improvement, which consists in constructing the back disk holder of an ordinary shirt stud or button with a slit, *d*, extending from its circumference to the shank,  
55 and having one of its edges raised with respect to the other substantially as specified.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my signature this twentieth day of March, A. D. 1856.

LUCIUS PAIGE.

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