

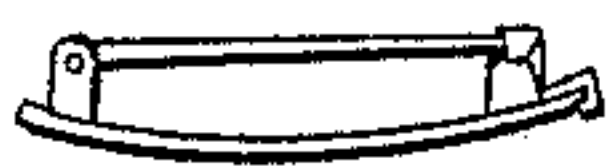
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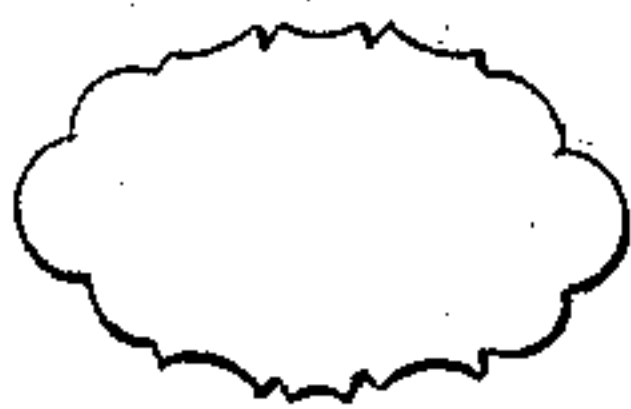
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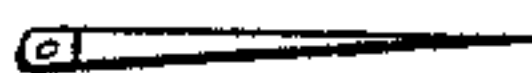
*Fig: 1.*



*A*



*D*



*C*



*E*



*F*



*B*



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## FASTENING FOR JEWELRY.

Specification of Letters Patent No. 18,277, dated September 29, 1857.

*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOHN T. FOLWELL, of the city of Philadelphia, in the State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and improved mode of fastening in a secure manner various articles of jewelry, to wit, sleeve-buttons, chatelaine-pins, collar-buttons, cuff-pins, breast-pins, armlets, etc.; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings and to the letters of reference marked thereon.

The figure is a view of the sleeve button when closed, as it is when on the sleeve.

15 A is the ornamental front of the button, and may be made of any shape or design.

20 B is a round or oval post, with a slit filed in it to receive the thick end of the tongue for a joint, which works as a hinge, with a rivet passing through the center of both.

C is the round post or catch with a notch filed in it to receive D, which is the tongue

which reaches from B at one end to C at the other.

E is a sheath, fitting tight around C, and is shifted by a lever F, which reaches the edge and is turned over on the front edge, so that it can be moved by the thumb nail.

F is the lever attached to E, to shift it.

What I claim as my invention and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The round post with a notch filed in it, to receive the pin or tongue in, and a sheath fitting tight around the post, and shifted by a lever, so that when in one position the tongue can be put into the notch, and when put into the opposite position it secures the tongue in its place so that it cannot come out without shifting the lever as described.

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