

S. Chapman.
Corset Fastening.

N^o 43,094.

Patented June 14, 1864.

Fig. 2.

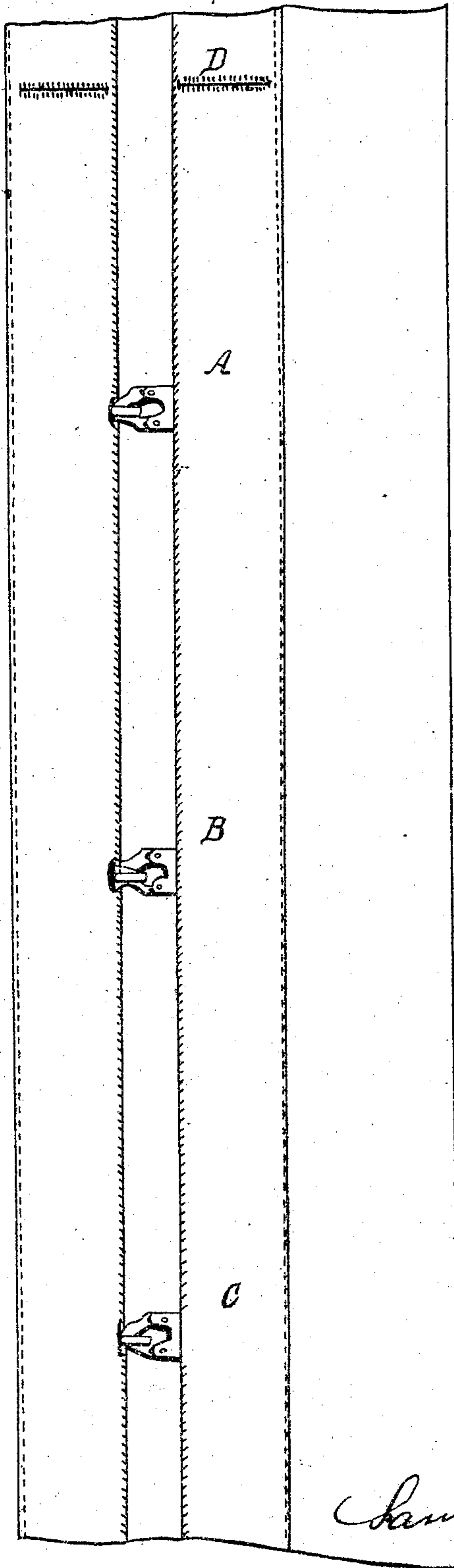


Fig. 1.



Witnesses

J. W. Bowditch

J. C. Ingalls

Inventor

Samuel Chapman

UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE.

SAMUEL CHAPMAN, OF NEW YORK, N. Y.

IMPROVEMENT IN CORSET-FASTENINGS.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 43,094, dated June 14, 1864.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SAMUEL CHAPMAN, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and improved mode of constructing, attaching, and detaching the mountings of corset-clasps; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawing, and to the letters of reference marked thereon.

The nature of my invention consists in the construction and use of detachable band-mountings of corset-clasps and the mode of attaching and detaching the same to and from the springs and the corsets, in the manner and for the purposes as hereinafter specified and described.

To enable others to make and use my invention, I will proceed to describe its construction and operation.

Of metal or other suitable material I form bands of sufficient length to pass around the springs and terminate in or connect with some known or desirable form of hook and eye, knob, or catch, as shown by Figure 1, in the accompanying drawing, (a perspective view of one pair detached from the springs,) in which—

A represents a metallic band, looped over and the ends conjointly riveted to B, the eye formed of a thicker plate and pierced for the reception of the hook C, formed of a piece of round wire, in combination with the band, by turning one end into a hook and flattening the remainder gradually to the other end, which is looped over and slipped under the point of the hook, and set in such a manner as to form a spring with its tension pressing the under point, forming a guard to prevent

displacement, except by design. These bands I connect with the springs and therewith to the corset, as shown by Fig. 2, (a perspective view of the inside of a portion of the clasped edges of the garment,) by placing the bands in slots A, B, and C, prepared for the purpose, then passing the spring through a transverse slot, D, prepared therefor, at or near the point or upper end of the spring when in its place, thus securing the bands to their place, and forming an arrangement by which the entire clasp can be readily detached from the garment when necessary for laundry or other purpose, and the ordinary inconvenience of ripping and restitching a portion of the work avoided, as also the tendency of the spring to turn edgewise by being drawn by a knob riveted in the ordinary clasp at right angles to one side of the spring, thereby rendered less elastic and more liable to wear the cloth and to an uncomfortable chaffing and pressure of the person, all of which, together with the liability of breakage at the part where the springs are pierced and riveted, is in my mode also avoided, as the springs are not pierced or riveted and are drawn and held to their place equally upon both sides and in direct line of tension, and being in detached parts a defective portion may be supplied without incurring the ordinary expense of an entire set.

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

A corset-fastening arranged and applied with detachable mountings, substantially as described.

SAMUEL CHAPMAN.

Witnesses:

T. W. COWAN,
T. C. INGALLS.