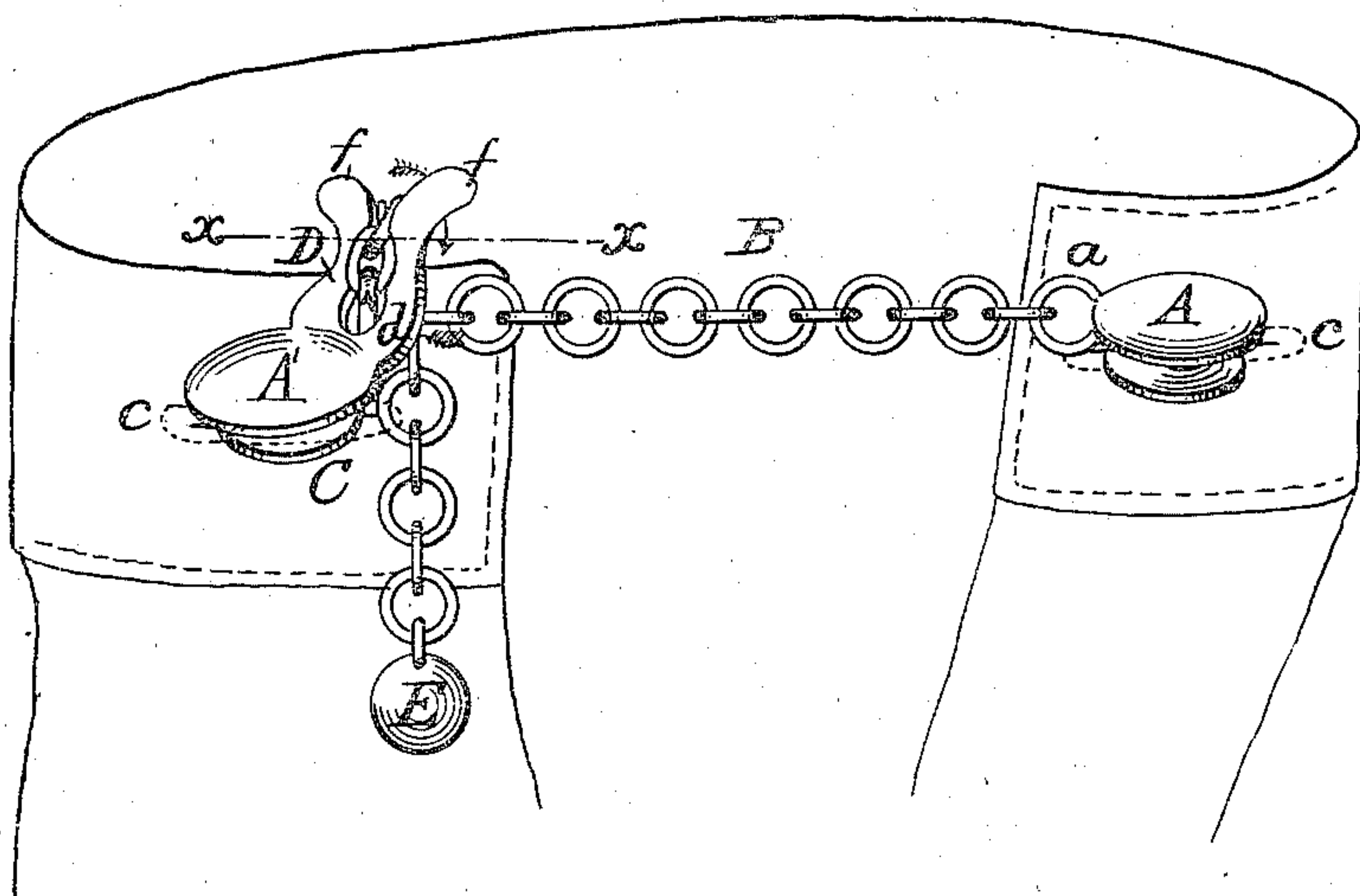


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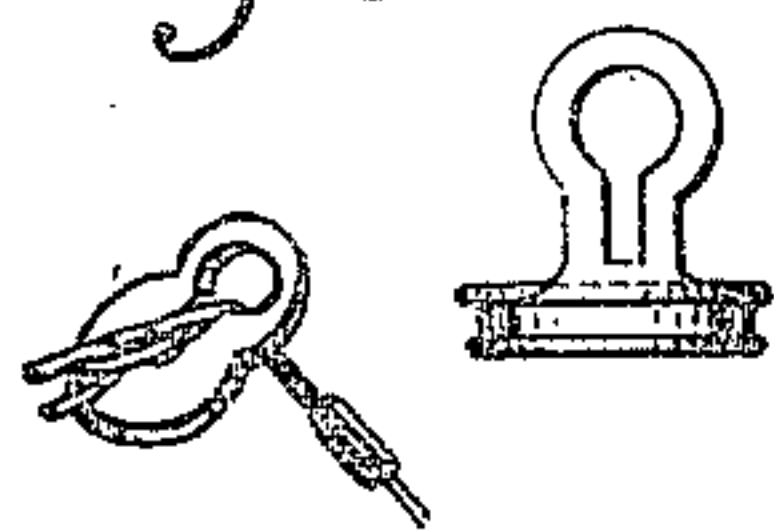
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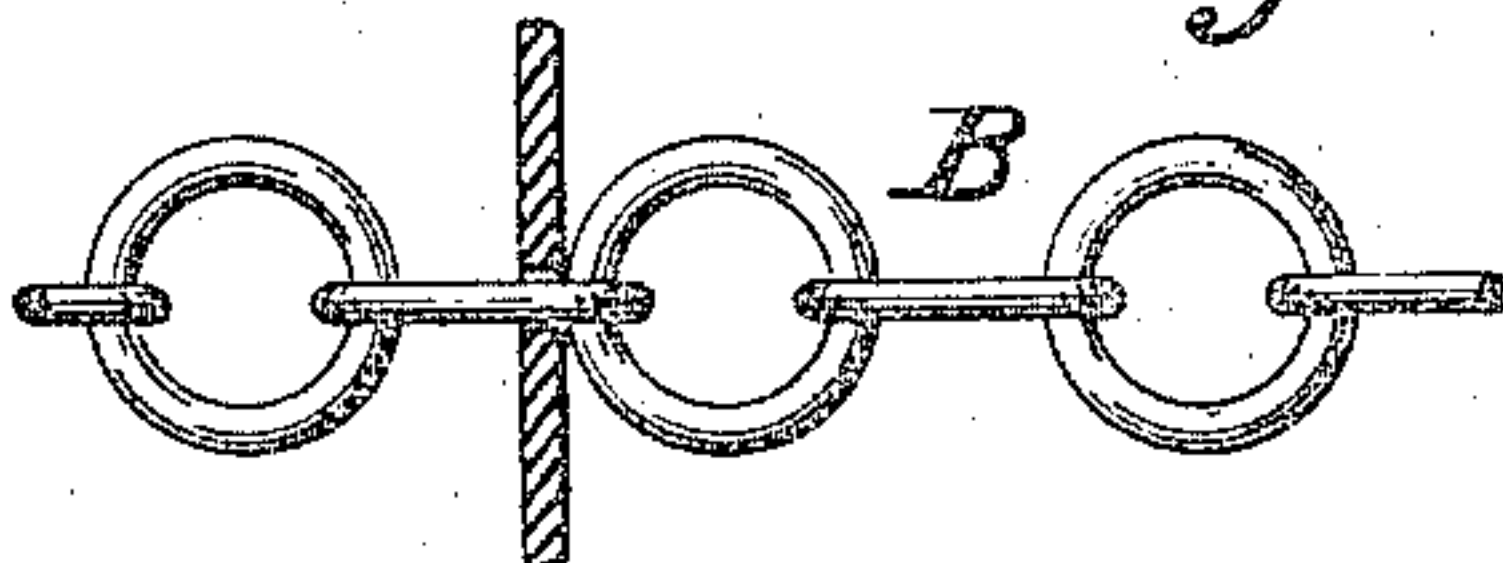
*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 3.*



*Fig. 2.*



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## IMPROVEMENT IN GARMENT-FASTENERS.

The Schedule referred to in these Letters Patent and making part of the same.

### TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that I, MARTIN H. N. KENDIG, of the city and county of Washington, and the District of Columbia, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Fastening for Gloves, etc.; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to which my invention appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, in which—

Figure 1 represents a perspective view of my invention as applied to a glove.

Figure 2 is a transverse horizontal section, taken in the line *x x*, fig. 1.

Figure 3 is a modification.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

My invention relates to a new and improved device for fastening gloves, shirt collars, wristbands, etc.; and it consists in adjustably connecting two ordinary shirt studs together by means of a small chain or its equivalent, one end of which passes through a hole in a forked projection formed upon one of the studs, as will be hereinafter more fully described.

A represents a shirt stud or button, which may be constructed in any of the well-known forms. To the upper plate or disk is attached a ring or hook, *a*, to which one end of a chain, B, is secured. C is also a stud, formed the same as A, excepting that upon one side of its upper plate A', and forming nearly a right angle thereto, is constructed a forked projection, D, provided with a hole, *d*, through which the chain B passes and slides, adjustably securing it to the stud A. It is prevented from being drawn entirely out of the hole *d* by means of the ball E upon its end. This ball also serves as a weight to hold the chain within the forked projection. Instead of using the ball, a tassel composed of silk or other suitable material may be used. I prefer to use a tassel made of silk and fine gold or silver threads. When it is designed to apply the fastener to a glove, the studs A and A' are buttoned into suitable holes, *c c*, (shown in dotted red lines, fig. 1,) formed in the wrist of the glove, the two parts thereof being drawn as far apart as the length of the chain will permit; or, if preferred, the studs or plates A A' may be rigidly attached to the parts of the garment to be secured. To tighten and fasten the glove, the chain B is drawn through the hole *d* in the direction of the arrows, (see fig. 1,) and when sufficiently tight, or when the parts of the glove are drawn together to the required distance, the chain B is dropped into the notch between the points *f f* of the projection D, one link fitting edgewise therein, (as seen in figs. 1 and 2,) and the next link, being at right angles thereto and towards the ball E, presses or is drawn by the tension of the chain against the projecting points *f f*, firmly securing and fastening the glove. To release the glove, it is only necessary to raise the ball E above the forked projection, and by pulling slightly upon the chain, the link is lifted out of the notch and allowed to slide through the hole. If desirable, the forked projection D may be attached by a hinge joint to the plate or stud, and thus be capable of rotating to any desired position relative thereto. The fastening may be made of gold or silver, or any other suitable material, and may be ornamented or made plain, as desired. It is not necessary to provide fastenings for every pair of gloves; one set will answer, as it can be instantly transferred from one to the other, as is obvious.

I have described my fastening device as applied to a glove, but it will be obvious to all that it is equally applicable to any or all garments, or parts thereof, as may be desired to be secured together or rendered attachable and detachable; or, in other words, may be applied in lieu of a button or stud fastening of ordinary construction.

I contemplate forming the studs or plates A in many forms, as regards the fastening of them to the parts of the garment to be attached; thus many of the improved fastenings for studs may be applied to this portion of my device without departing from my invention.

In lieu of the jaw or forked portion of the projection D, I may form but one hole in the said projection in the form shown in fig. 3, where a slot, *g*, projecting down from the hole *d*, is made to serve the same purpose as the forked projection hereinbefore described.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new therein, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The within-described fastening device, composed of studs or plates A and A', the latter being provided with a suitable retaining device, D, within which is adjustably secured a chain, B, or equivalent device, the whole constructed and arranged substantially as described.

To the above specification of my invention I have signed my hand this ninth day of March, 1867.

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