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Button Fastener.

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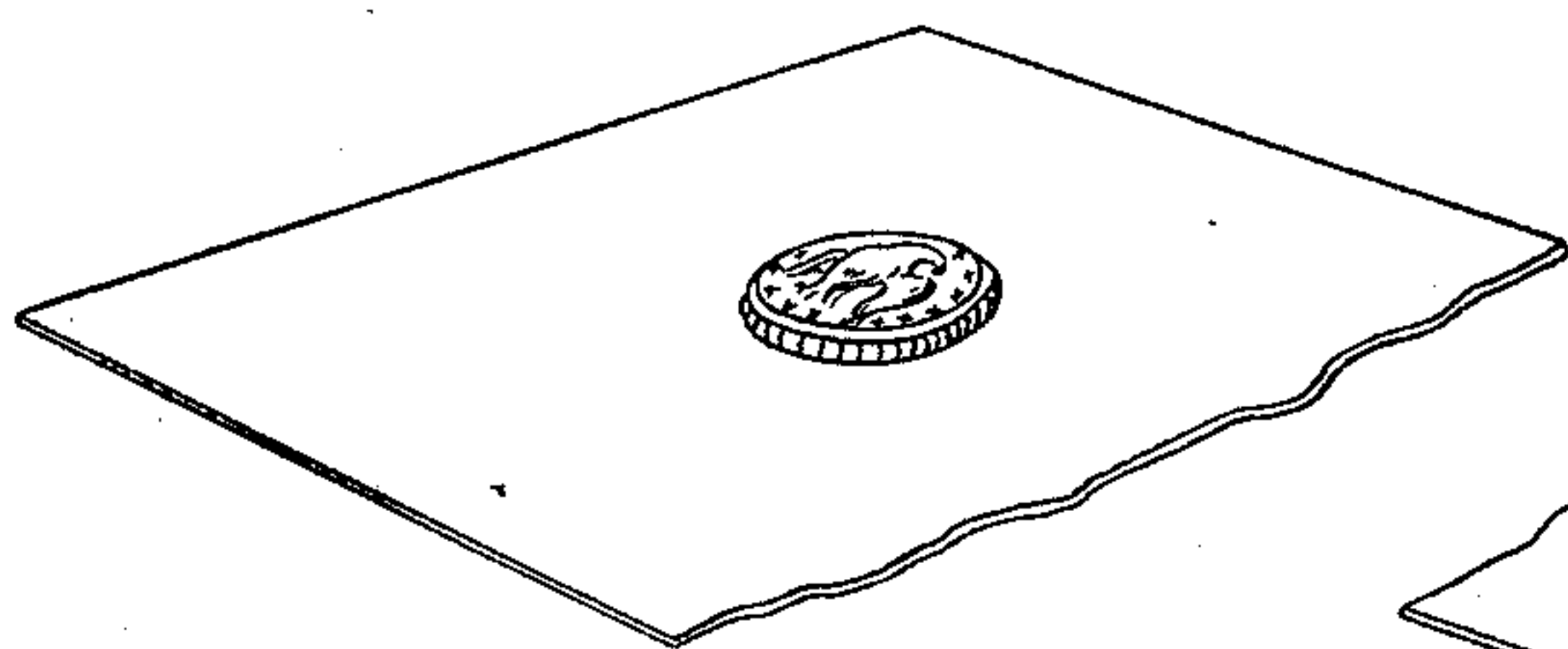


Fig: 1.

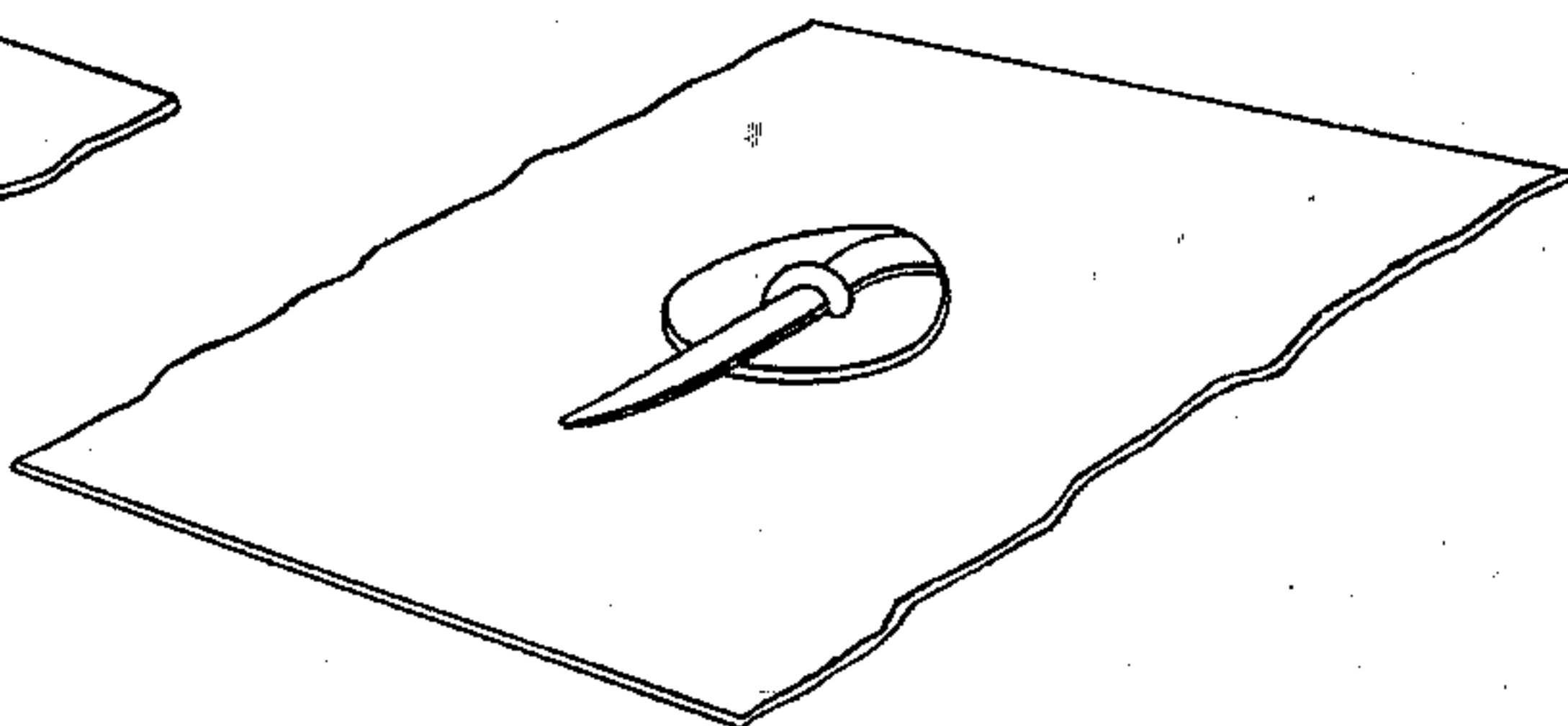


Fig: 2.

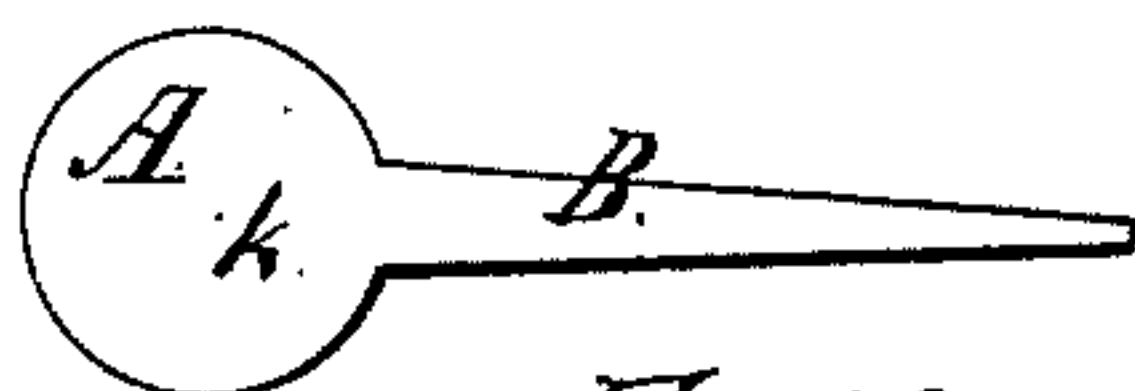


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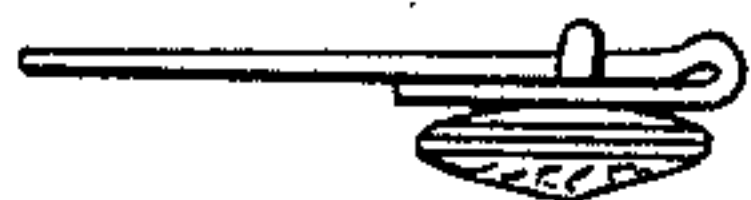


Fig: 4.

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IMPROVEMENT IN BUTTON-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, EZRA RIPLEY, of the city of Troy, in the county of Rensselaer, and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in "Garment-Button Fasteners;" and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description of the same, reference being hereby had to the accompanying drawings, which form and make a part of this specification.

Like letters represent and refer to like or corresponding parts.

Figure 1 is a view of a piece of cloth, having attached on the surface thereof a button, by means of my said fastener, hereinafter fully described.

Figure 2 is a view of the under side of said piece of cloth, showing my said improved fastener, and the manner of applying the same, as fully hereinafter described and set forth.

Figure 3 is a view of my said fastener, separated from the cloth and button; and

Figure 4 is a cross-section, clearly showing the manner of applying my said improved fastener, for the purposes hereinafter fully described and set forth.

The nature of my said invention consists in the employment of a suitably-shaped piece of leather, or other material, A, having a tongue, B, and slot C, by means of which buttons and like articles may be securely fastened and attached to any garment or article of clothing, substantially in the manner and for the purposes hereinafter specified.

To enable others skilled in the art to which my invention relates to make and use the same, I will here proceed to describe the construction and operation of the same, which is as follows, to wit:

I make the body A and tongue B, of my said fastener, of any material that will answer the required purpose, but leather has been found to be best adapted for that purpose, and the cheapest and most readily obtained.

The size, shape, and strength of said button-fastener may be varied as deemed best, but that shown in the drawings is the best adapted to the required purpose.

The slot C is cut in the body of the fastener A, and of a size to correspond to the size of the eye of the button. When desired to fasten a button to a garment with my said improved fastener, the eye of the button is passed through a slot in the garment, and then through the slot C in the body of the fastener. The tongue B is then passed through the eye of the button, as shown at figs. 2 and 3, thereby making the button fast to the garment without the use of thread and needle.

The advantages claimed for my said button-fastener are, that by the use thereof, buttons may be securely fastened to garments by any person in less time and at less expense than heretofore, and, being detachable, the buttons may be removed at pleasure.

Having thus described the nature of my said invention and improvement, what I claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States, is—

A new and improved button-fastener, consisting of a suitably-shaped piece of leather, or other suitable material, A, having a tongue, B, and slot C, constructed and arranged substantially in the manner and for the purposes herein fully described and set forth.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, this 18th day of October, A. D. 1867.

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