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Cuff-Fasteners.

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FIG. 1

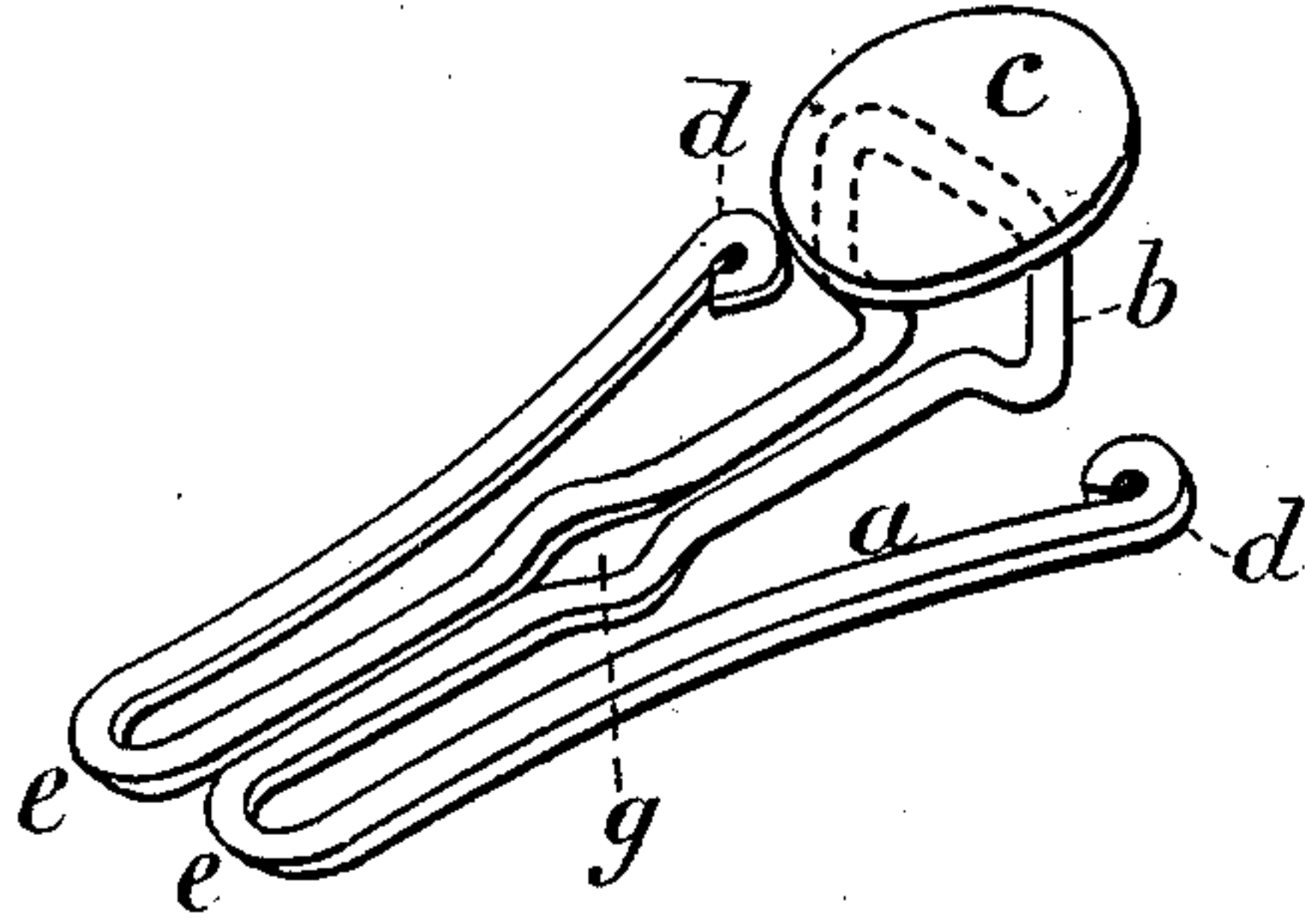


FIG. 2

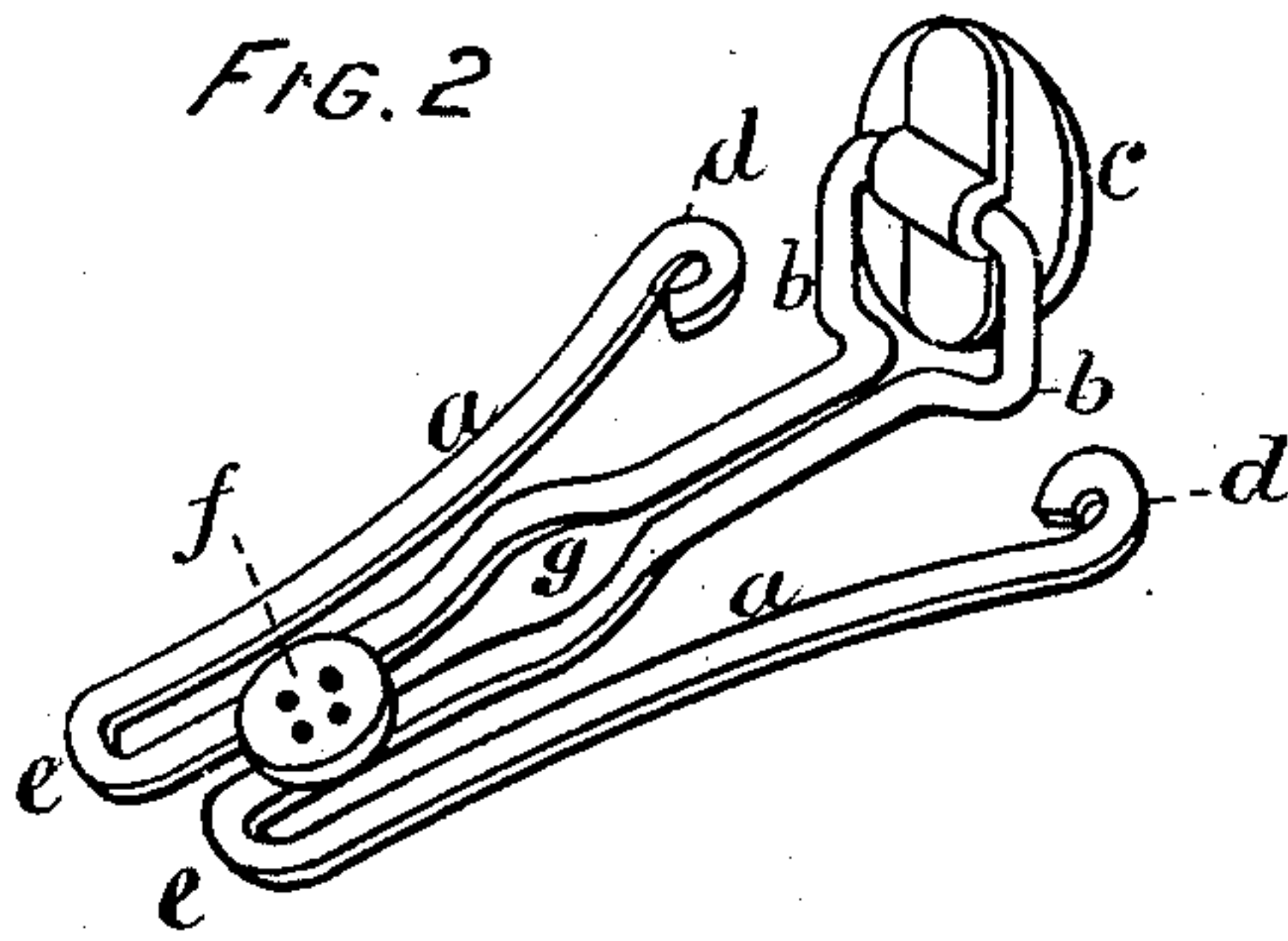
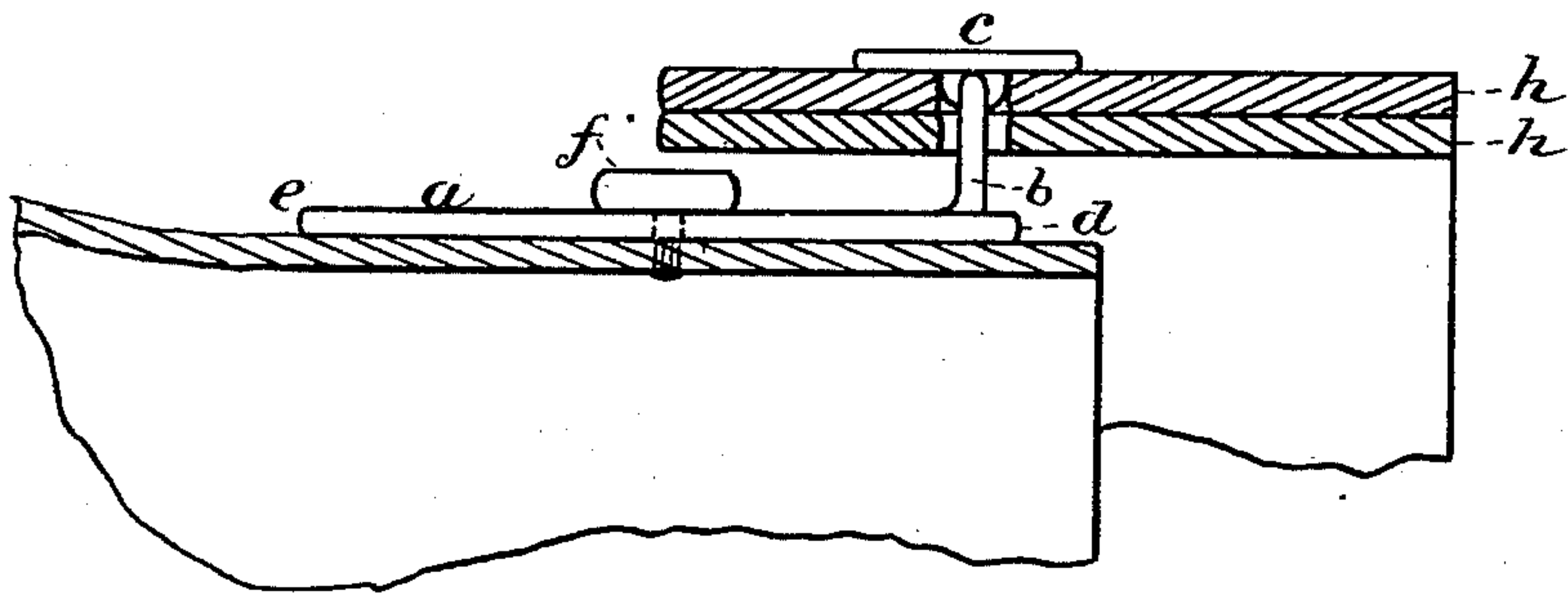


FIG. 3



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CUFF-FASTENER.

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To all whom it may concern :

Be it known that I, GEORGE C. BACON, of Lynn, in the county of Essex and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and useful Improved Cuff-Fastener, which invention is fully set forth in the following specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings.

My invention relates to a fastener for securing the usual laundried cuffs to the shirt-wristbands; and the invention consists in a fastening comprising a base adapted to receive and hold onto the wristband-button, an arm projecting from such base adapted to pass easily through the button-holes in the edges of the cuff, and an adjustable attachment pivoted on said projecting arm, and also adapted to pass with the arm through said holes, and to be adjusted across the holes to secure the cuff to the fastening, all substantially as hereinafter described and claimed.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of my invention as formed chiefly of wire. Fig. 2 is a similar view of the same, indicating the manner of attaching it to the wristband-button. Fig. 3 is an edge or side view of the same, indicating the manner of its attachment to both the wristband and the cuff.

The fastener may be made of any suitable material, and the precise form shown is not an essential of the invention. *a* is the base; *b*, the projecting arm, and *c* the adjustable attachment to the arm. The base and its projecting arm, as shown, are made of spring or elastic wire, and formed of a single piece, while the adjustable part *c* is formed of sheet metal and jointed to the top of arm *b*.

By pressing the ends *d d* of the base toward each other the ends *e e* will be sprung apart, so as to be more readily passed under the wristband-button *f* on either side of its fastening, as indicated in Fig. 2, until the button rests over

the eye *g*, when, the ends *d d* being released, the ends *e e* will, by the elastic force of the wire, close together, or nearly so, and thus the eye *g* will be made to nearly or quite encircle the threads or fastenings of the button, and thereby the cuff-fastener will be secured to the wristband. The attachment *c* being next placed in a vertical position, or in the plane of arm *b*, as in Fig. 2, the cuff may be folded around the wrist of the wearer, who has thus secured the fastening to his wristband, and the button-holes of the cuffs be readily passed over both *b* and *c*, and then, being pressed closely upon base *a*, between which and the lower edge of part *c* there is sufficient space to accommodate the double thickness of the cuff, part *c* may then be swung into a horizontal position, and thus, lying across said holes, will secure the cuff *h h* to the fastening, as indicated in Fig. 3.

By the use of this simple invention the wearer is enabled to easily secure or release his cuffs without the effort usually required to secure them when laundried stiff, and to avoid the wrinkling and defacing of the same and the wear and tear of the button-holes, and the frequent annoyance of pulling off the wristband-buttons by the necessary exertion required to secure the cuffs in the ordinary way.

What I claim as my invention is—

1. A cuff-fastener comprising a base, *a*, a projecting arm, *b*, and an adjustable attachment, *c*, operating together substantially as and for the purposes specified.

2. A cuff-fastener formed with an expansible base, *a*, opening into an eye, *g*, and a projection, *b*, provided with a pivoted attachment, *c*, all substantially as and for the purposes specified.

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