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Fig. 1

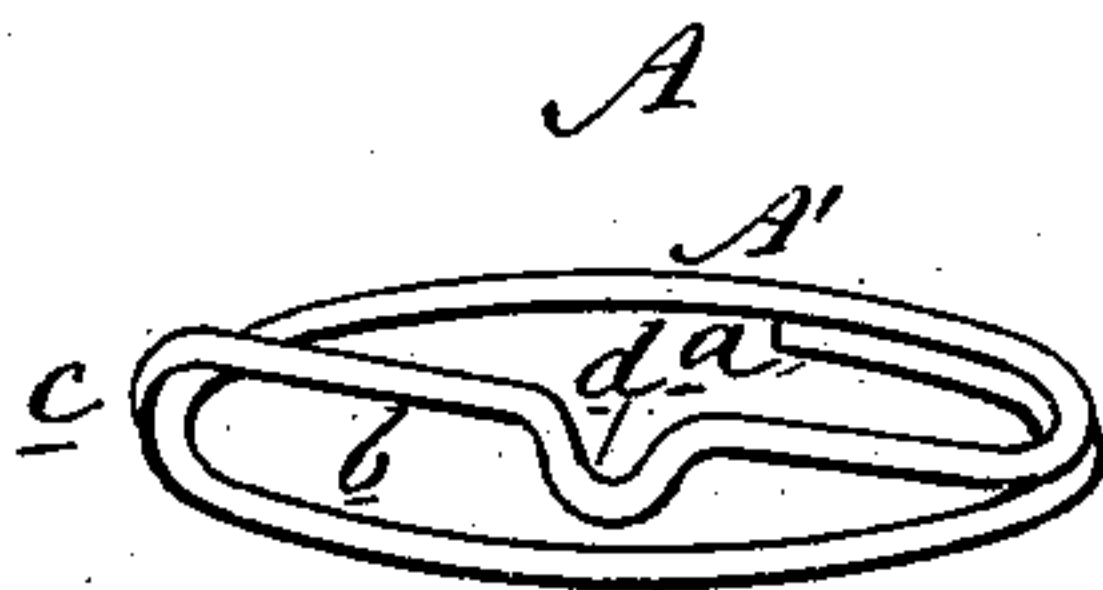


Fig. 2

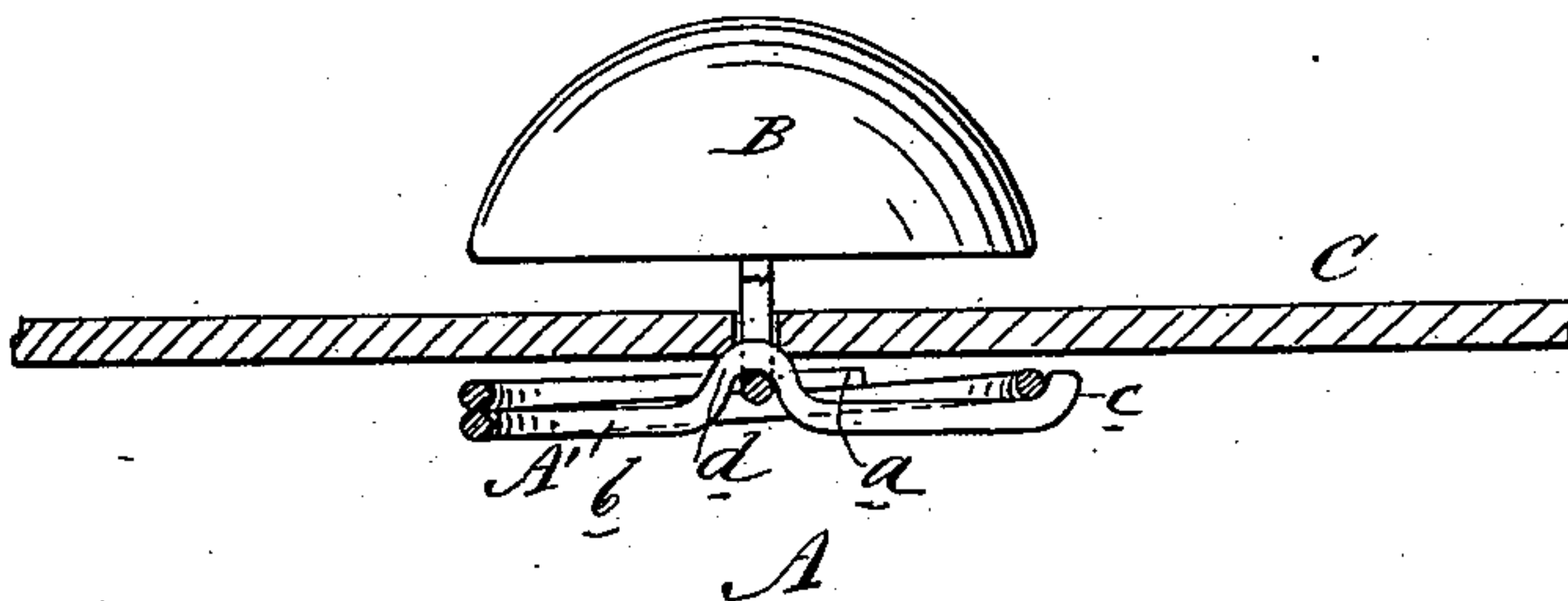
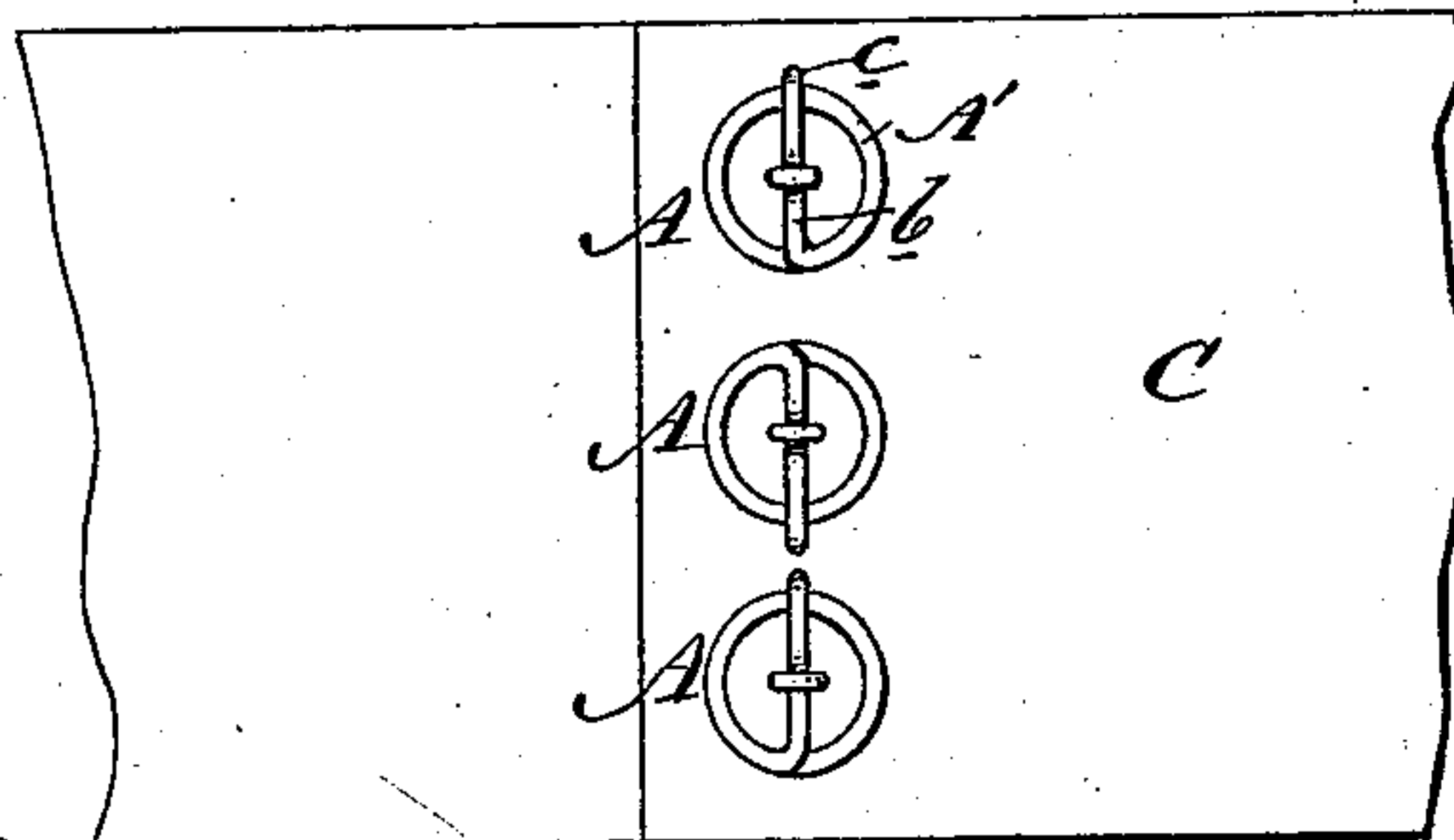


Fig. 3



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BUTTON-FASTENER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN B. STEWART, of St. John's, Clinton county, Michigan, have invented a new and Improved Button-Fastener, of which the following is a specification.

The object of this invention is to provide an effective, cheap, and simple device for fastening buttons on clothes, and it may be used as a belt-fastener and for kindred purposes.

The invention consists of a wire bent in the shape of a ring, a square, an oval, or any desired shape, with one end slightly overlapping on the curve of the ring and the other end turned longitudinally across the greater diameter of the ring, and having its tip turned up against the outer face of the ring, said cross-bar of the device having a bend or eye made in its center for more securely and immovably engaging the device with the eye of a button.

Figure 1 is an enlarged perspective view of the device in reverse. Fig. 2 is an enlarged partly-sectional elevation of the same holding a button on cloth or other material. Fig. 3 is a reverse of a piece of cloth or other material, showing the manner in which the fastener holds the button.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

In the drawings, A represents the wire fastener, constructed preferably of steel wire bent into the shape of a ring, A', one end, *a*, of the wire being overlapped on the circumference of the ring A', as shown, while the other end is turned centrally across the ring A' to form the cross-bar *b*, the extreme end of which is bent to form a lip, *c*, and the center of this cross-bar *b* is bent upward, so as to form an eye or loop, *d*, for engagement with the eye of a button, B.

C represents a piece of cloth or other material, upon which a button or buttons, B, are held by a fastener or fasteners, A. A slit or hole being made in the cloth C or other material, the eye of the button B is entered through said slit or hole, and then the end *a* of the fastener A is sprung open and entered into the eye of the button B, and the said fastener A is then turned around until the tip *c* of the cross-bar *b* comes in contact with said button-eye. The tip *c* is then raised to permit the fastener A to be moved farther around until the opposite end of said cross-bar *b* is brought in contact with said button-eye, and then said cross-bar *b* is pushed through said button-eye until the loop or eye *d* is engaged in said button-eye.

This fastener A can be used to secure buttons on clothing of all kinds and on shoes and other articles, and when in place it lies flat with an equal strain on all parts of the ring A'. It is strong and easily adjusted and removed, and cannot accidentally become disengaged from the button-eye.

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

As an improved article of manufacture, a button-fastener constructed substantially as herein shown and described, consisting of a wire ring, A', having an overlapping end, *a*, a cross-bar, *b*, with a turned-up tip, *c*, and loop or eye *d*, as set forth.

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