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Fig 1

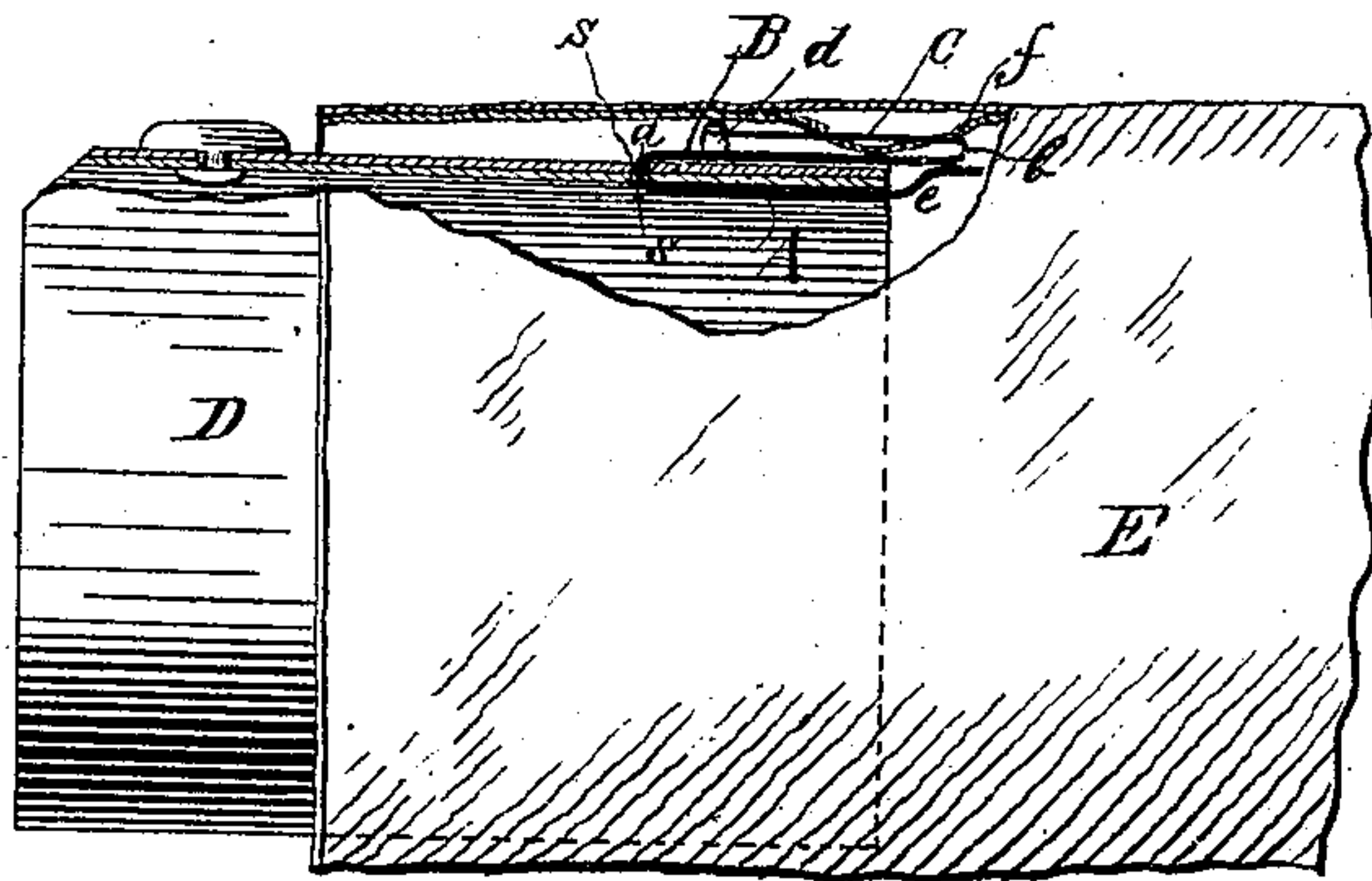


Fig 2

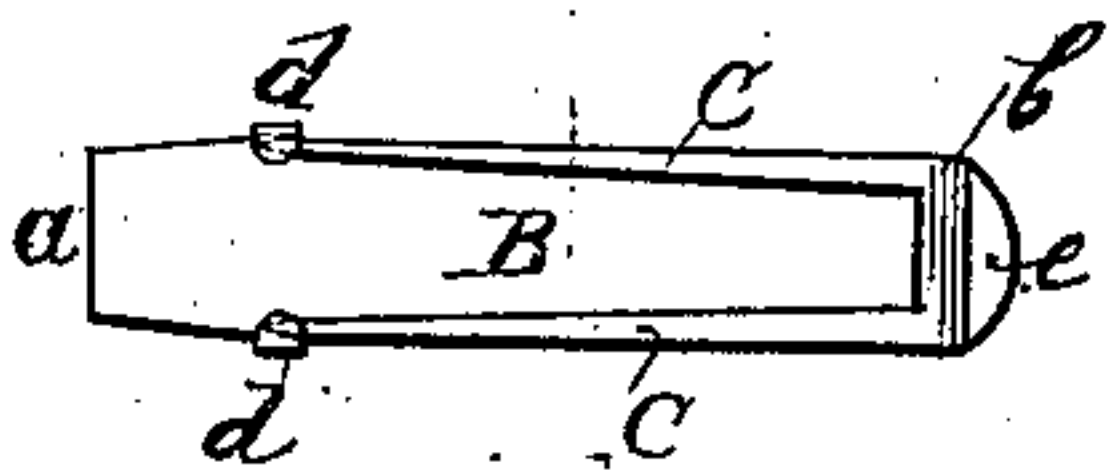
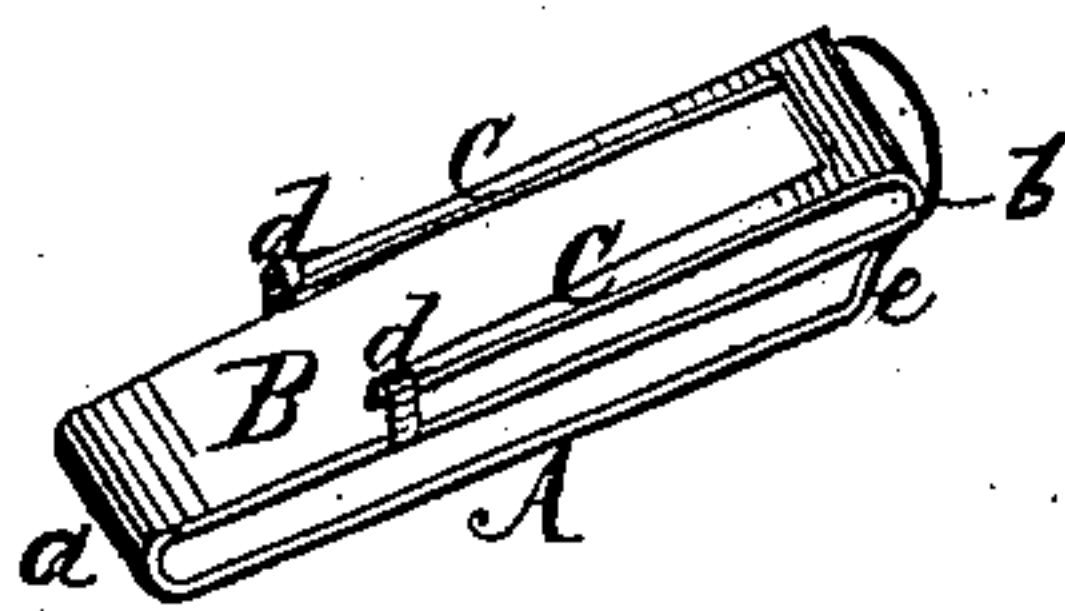


Fig 3



Fig 4



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JAMES J. FAY, of New Bedford, in the county of Bristol and State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and Improved Shirt-Cuff Fastener, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

This invention relates to that description of shirt-cuff holders or fasteners made of folded flat spring-metal, the under or inner leaf of which closes at its free end against the adjacent leaf to receive the inner ends of the cuff in between them, and which cuff-holders are provided with a longitudinal pin that engages with the garment the cuff is to be attached to, said pin being arranged upon the exterior of the outer leaf and shutting down when closed within a point guard or catch on the outside of said leaf. The invention, however, essentially differs from cuff-holders of this description in which the back end portions of the cuff are exclusively held by the clamping action of the two leaves, and in which the fastening-pin is a separate device loosely pivoted within an eye or joint socket on the one end of the outer leaf; and it consists in a special construction, combination, and arrangement of its parts, whereby it is made to form a positive lock with the two rear button-holes of the cuff, and the back or free end of its lower spring-leaf is made to form a stop to prevent the cuff from slipping unduly backward after the fastener has been adjusted to give a certain exposure of the cuff below or beyond the coat-sleeve, also whereby the fastening-pins, which are in duplicate, have a spring-like action and are of one and the same piece with the rest of the fastener.

My improved cuff holder or fastener is thus peculiarly constructed not only to give it increased simplicity and a positive hold of the cuff, but to adapt it (and it is designed to be exclusively so applied) not to fasten the cuff to the shirt sleeve or band, but to the lining of the coat-sleeve, so that when the coat is removed the cuffs remain attached to it, and when the coat is on the person the cuffs may be drawn up along with the coat-sleeve when washing the hands, to avoid soiling of the cuffs, and elastic bands, which interfere with circulation of the blood, applied to the shirt-sleeves

to hold them up or back, are dispensed with. By it, too, the cuffs may be readily attached to the coat-sleeves, either when the coat is off or on the person, and be adjusted to give the necessary show beyond the ends of the sleeves, regardless of the length of the shirt-sleeves.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this specification, in which similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures.

Figure 1 represents a partly broken and partly sectional longitudinal view of a coat-sleeve, in part, and a cuff attached thereto by my improved fastener. Fig. 2 is an outer face longitudinal view of the fastener; Fig. 3, a side or edge view thereof, and Fig. 4 a perspective view of the same.

The whole fastener is made of or from a single piece of flat spring-metal, constructed to form a lower spring-leaf, A, doubled over at its front end, *a*, to form a second outer separated leaf, B, which in its turn is bent or doubled over at its back end, *b*, and made to form duplicate outer spring side pins, C C, the points of which when closed enter within point guards or catches *d* on or near the front end of the outer leaf, B. The inner or lower spring-leaf, A, is made with a crook or stop, *e*, at its back end, where it shuts against the under side of the back end of the leaf B.

The fastener is applied by entering the free or crooked end *e* of the spring tongue or leaf A through both of the back button-holes, *s s*, of the cuff D, and sliding said leaf backwardly along the under or inner side of the cuff till the folded metal portion *a* forms a positive lock with the button-holes *s s* of the cuff, and the crook *e* acts as a stop to restrain the cuff from unduly sliding backward should the button-holes gape. The cuff is then adjusted to its proper position within the coat-sleeve E to give the required show beyond the outer end thereof, and the spring-pins C C passed through the lining *f* of the coat-sleeve, and the points of said pins afterward spring under or into engagement with the guards or catches *d d* to hold the cuff firmly to the coat-sleeve, and from which they may be readily detached, when required, by pressing on and manipulating them from the outside of said sleeve.

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

In a fastening device for securing shirt-cuffs
to the sleeve-linings of coats, the flat metal
5 spring-fastener made of one and the same piece,
and consisting of an inner spring-leaf, A, con-
structed or crooked to form a stop, *e*, at its
back or free end, and looped at its forward
end, as at *a*, an outer leaf, B, looped or folded

over at its back end *b*, the spring-pins C C, 10
formed by side extensions of the looped end
b, and the pin-point guards or catches *d d*, es-
sentially as herein shown and described.

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