

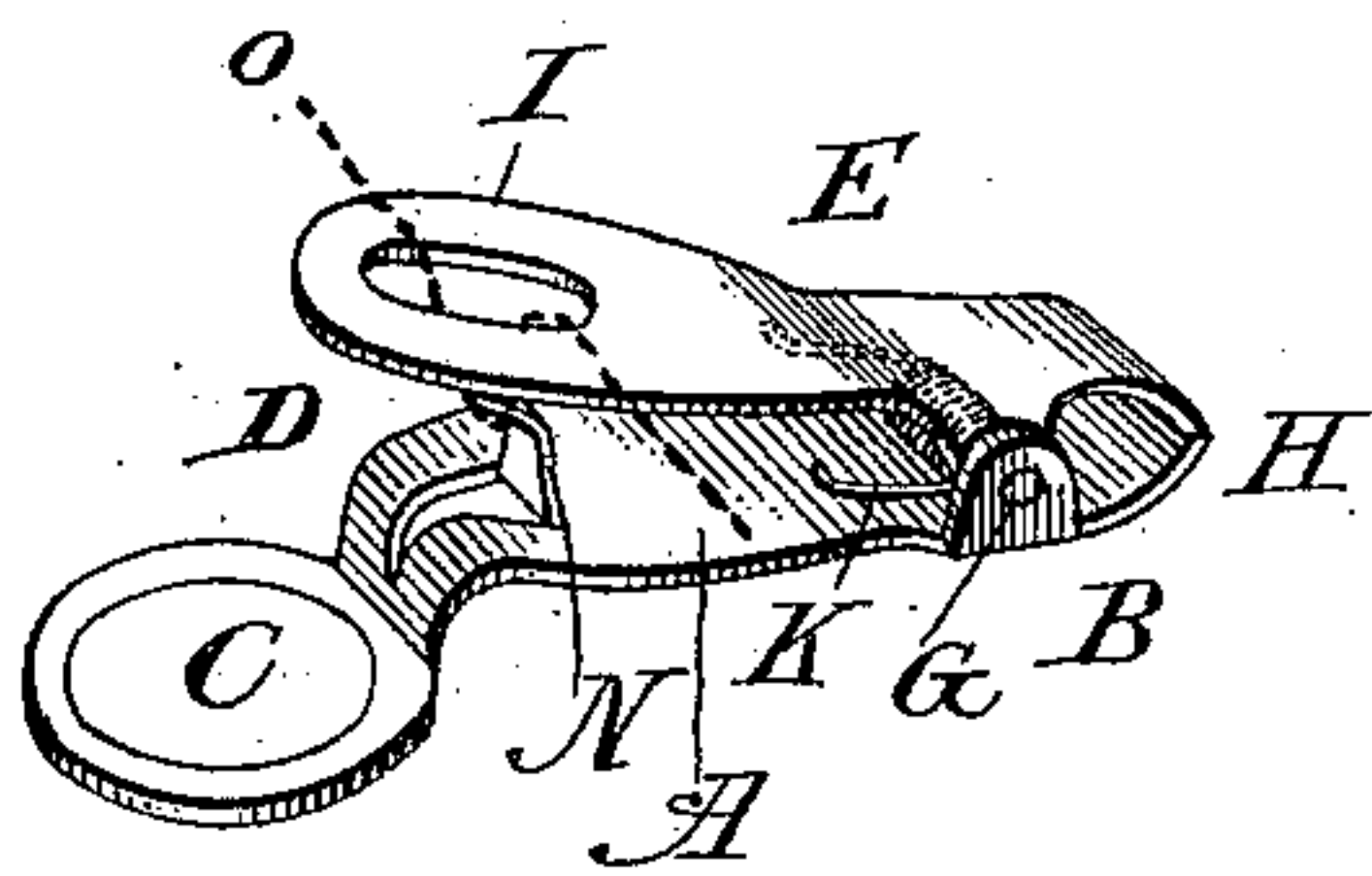
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## CUFF-HOLDER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, SYLVESTER P. BABCOCK, a citizen of the United States, residing at Adrian, in the county of Lenawee and State of Michigan, have invented a new and useful Cuff-Holder, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to improvements in cuff-holders in which a hooked tooth operates in conjunction with a button and a pivoted spring-tongue; and the objects of my improvement are, first, to provide a fastening that is light and compact; second, one that is not liable to injure the garment to which it is attached, and, third, one that is operated with ease and dispatch. I attain these objects by the mechanism illustrated by the accompanying drawing, in which the figure is an enlarged perspective view of the entire cuff-holder and showing all parts in detail.

The body A is formed with a button, C, at one end, with a short shank, D, rising at nearly a right angle from the button. Then the body extends a little way farther parallel with the button, and at the back end two ears are turned up on the opposite sides of the body. (Shown at B.) To these ears the tongue E is pivoted by passing a pin, G, through the ears formed on the body and similar ears formed on the back end of the tongue. A coiled spring, K, embraces the pin G inside the ears, and so arranged that one end presses against the tongue and the other against the body, and serves to force the two apart at the ends near the button C. The extreme back ends of the body and tongue are curved inward and strike together for a stop, as shown at H, to regulate the play of the tongue upward.

Near the button C a short curved tooth is cut out of and struck up from the body A, and is shown at N, just below the tongue. The

front end of the tongue E has a relatively large oblong hole through it. (Shown at I.) The hooked tooth N stands underneath the tongue centrally with the hole I when the holder is not in use.

The holder is used by inserting the button C through button-holes in a cuff, and when the tongue is pressed down the tooth N passes up through the hole I and the hook is inserted in the sleeve. On releasing the tongue the tooth passes back and pulls a doubled edge of the cloth down through the hole. This doubled edge (shown by the series of dotted lines o) acts as a stop through the hole I, and without any pressure on the cloth the tooth retains its hold, only to be released by crowding the hook up through the opening again.

I am aware that prior to my invention cuff-holders have been made with pins riveted to a base and holding the cloth between the pin and tongue. I therefore do not claim the tooth, broadly; but

What I do claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. The cuff-holder herein described, consisting of the main body portion A, provided with the button C and the hooked tooth N, and the tongue E, having the oblong hole I, the body and tongue pivoted together, and operating substantially as set forth.

2. The improved cuff-holder herein described, consisting of the body A, having a hooked tooth formed therein, and a button, and the tongue E, provided with the hole I, adapted to operate with the hooked tooth, all constructed and operating substantially as set forth.

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