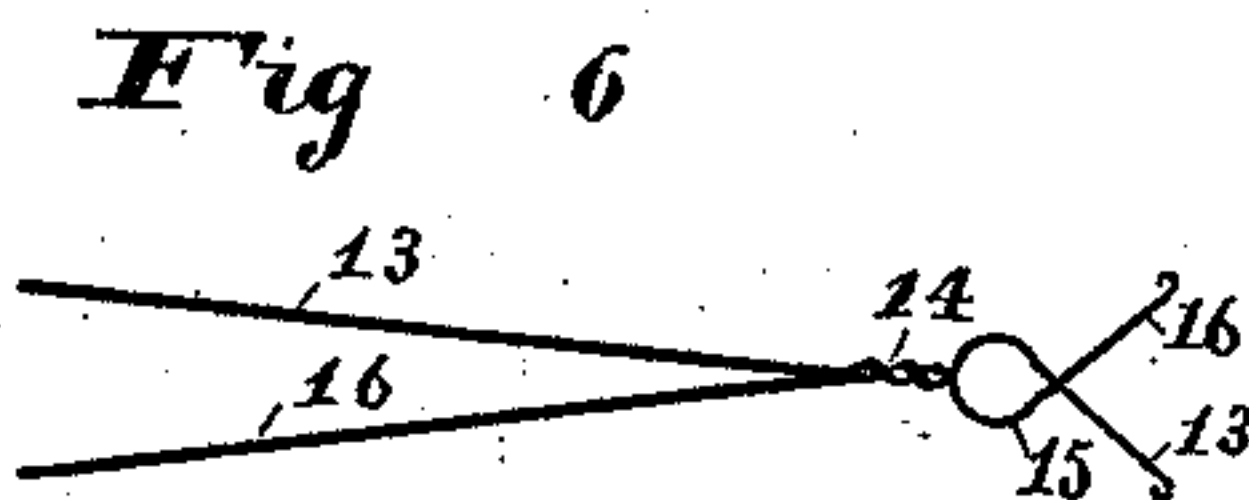
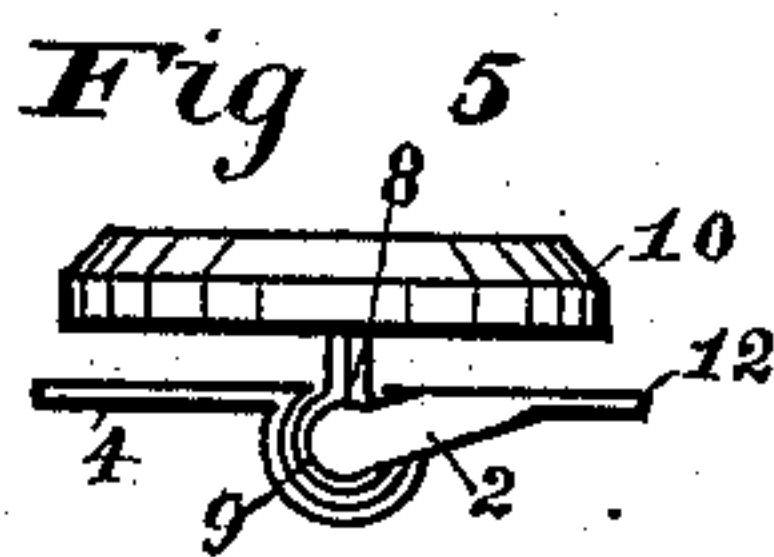
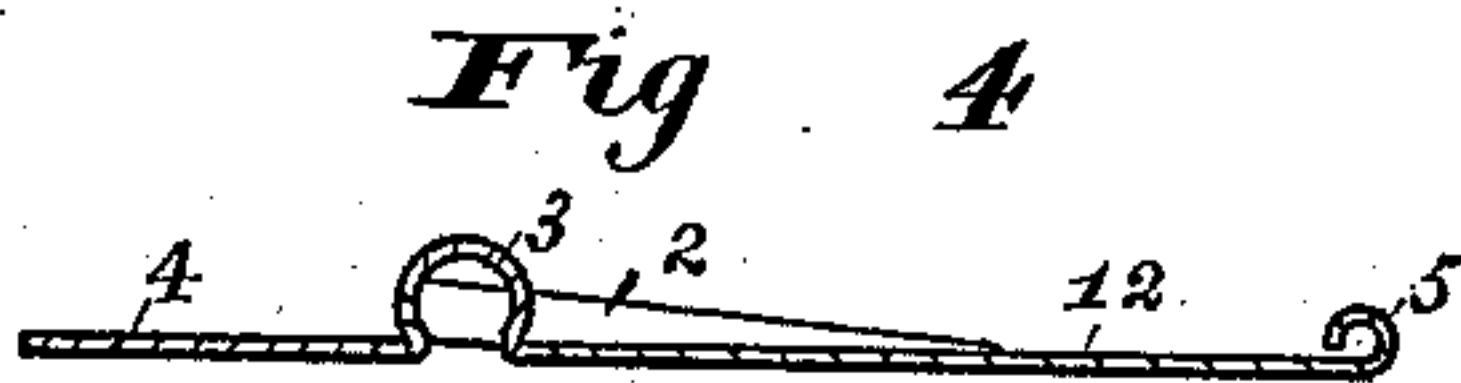
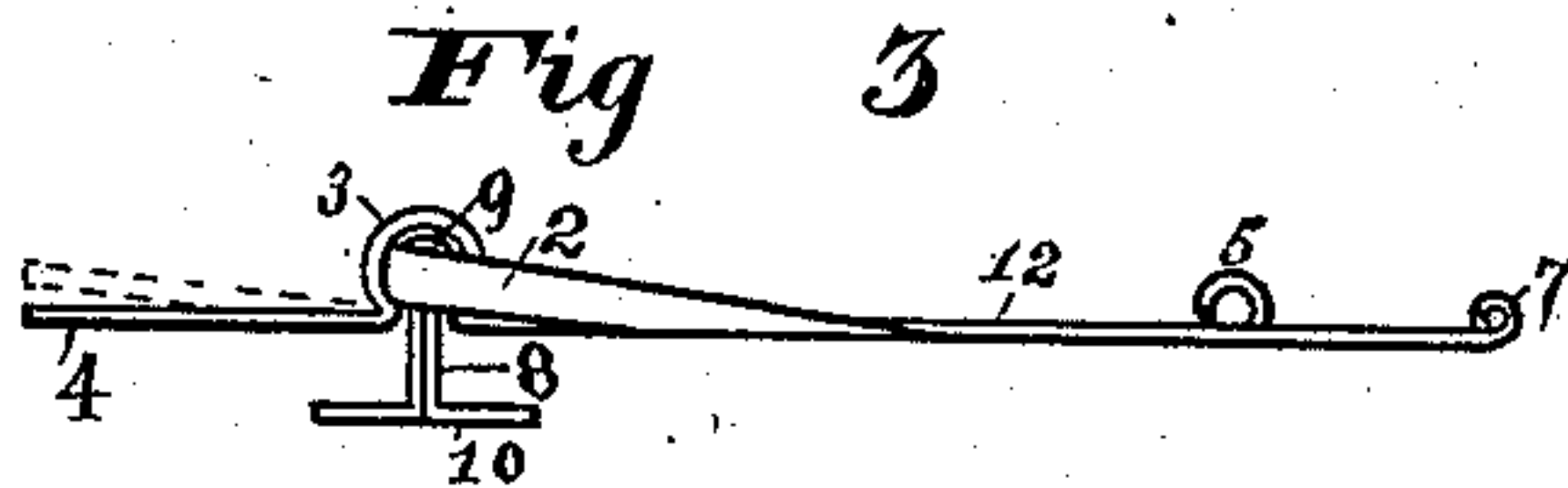
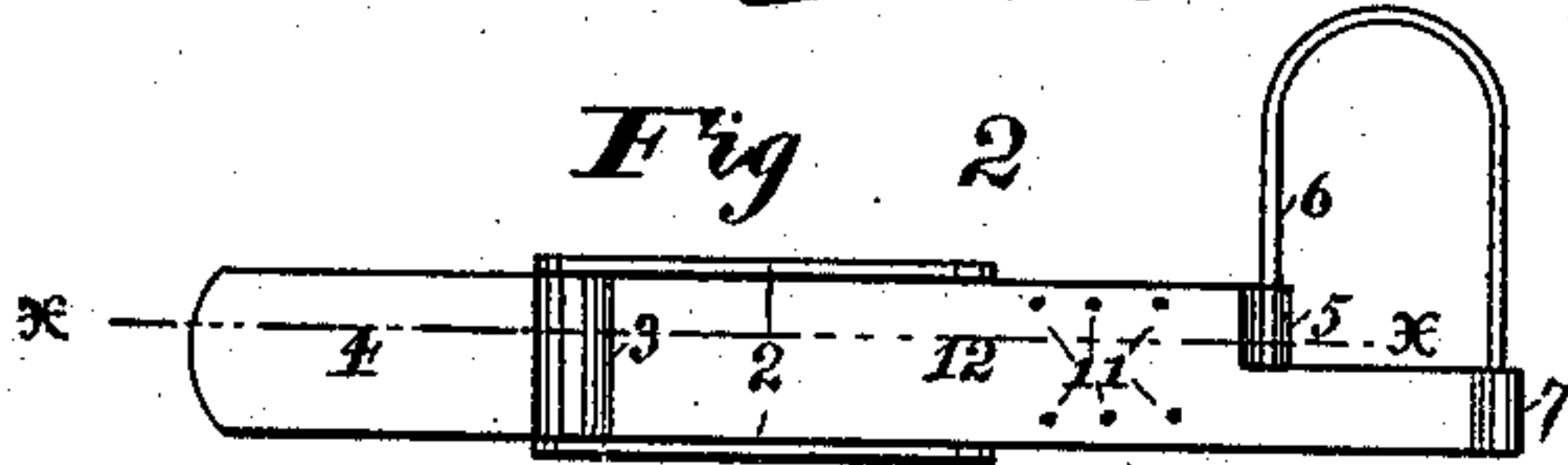
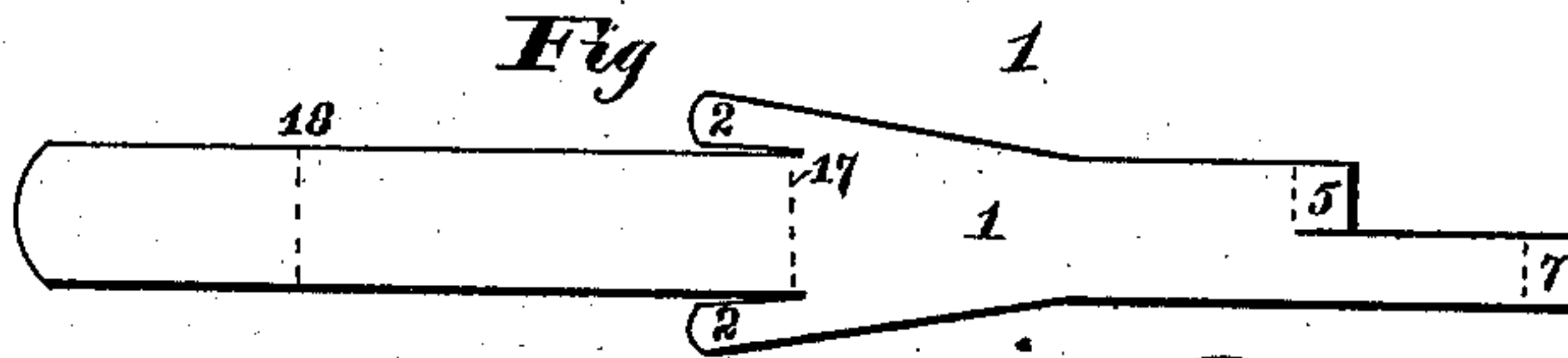


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES O. McCASLAND, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Denver, in the county of Arapahoe and State of Colorado, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cuff Buttons and Holders, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

My invention relates to cuff buttons and holders, and more especially to that class in which the button proper is composed of two parts separable and detachable from each other.

Both cuff-buttons and cuff-holders as hitherto devised and used have been for the purpose of attaching the cuff to the shirt-sleeve. In such use and the attachment of the cuff to the shirt there have been found to be some objections and annoyances. For instance, when the cuff is secured to the shirt there is a continuous change of relative position of the cuff and the coat-sleeve, the two moving or sliding upon each other with almost every motion of the arm, producing a constant rubbing and friction on the cuff. This not only tends to wear the cuff more than is necessary, but also soils it rapidly, the action of the coat-sleeve tending to grind dust, dirt, &c., into the fabric of the cuff, as well as destroying the polish which may have been given thereto in laundering. Again, one may desire to have a certain definite margin of cuff showing below the end of the coat-sleeve; but it is impossible to maintain such a desired margin constantly, on account of the changes in relative positions referred to. If the margin desired to be shown be a small neat one, the cuff at one moment may be entirely obscured or hidden within the coat-sleeve and at another moment show several inches. Many men on reaching their offices prefer to lay aside their street or walking coat and don an office coat before commencing their labors at the desk. In such cases, if it be desired to also remove the cuff, another and separate operation is required, and if such be not performed the cuff is left in position to be worn and soiled by contact with the desk. All these objections and others are inherent to the practice of attaching the cuff directly upon or to the shirt-sleeve, some of which are sometimes obviated by the

wearing of a false sleeve slipped upon the arm and over the cuff. It seems desirable, therefore, that the cuff should be attached to the coat-sleeve itself, instead of to the sleeve of the shirt, and it also seems that such attachment would be largely used if means for easy and secure engagement and ready disengagement of the cuff and coat-sleeve were provided. So attached, the coat-sleeve and cuff would always maintain the same relative positions, avoiding unnecessary wear and soiling of the cuff and always showing just the desired margin of cuff, the cuff would be laid aside with the coat, and on the latter being put on the cuff would be in position without further operation or trouble.

The objects of my invention, therefore, are, first, to provide a button of two readily-separable parts, in order that when one part is secured within the coat-sleeve the cuff may be readily attached thereto or removed therefrom by the uniting to or separating from the part so secured within the sleeve of the removable part, and, second, to provide and combine therewith means by which the one part may be readily, firmly, and reliably attached to and within the coat-sleeve, to which ends the invention consists in the features and combinations more particularly hereinafter described and claimed.

Devices embodying and illustrating my invention are shown in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a plan view of a blank for forming a holder for attachment within the coat-sleeve; Fig. 2, a top or plan view of such a holder; Fig. 3, a side view of the holder and button; Fig. 4, a section on line *x x*, Fig. 2; Fig. 5, a side view of a button embodying part of the invention shown in the preceding figures; Fig. 6, a plan view of a modification.

In the figures the reference-numeral 1 (see Fig. 1) indicates the body of a blank for the manufacture of a cuff-holder and part of the button used therewith. It is formed with the side wings, 2 2, and the rear extensions, 5 and 7, the full lines indicating the shape of the blank and the cuts to be made therein, while the dotted lines indicate where portions are to be bent or turned, for purposes hereinafter described. The portion between the dotted lines 17 18 is bent up and formed into the

curve or loop 3, the loop having a narrow opening at its base and across the body 1, which it divides into two portions, 4 12. The wings 2 2 are bent upwardly to a right angle or about a right angle to form guards at the sides of the opening of the loop 3. These wings also stiffen the part 12, while 4, not being stiffened, is somewhat elastic, turning, when pressed up, as shown in dotted lines in Fig. 3, with 3 as a pivot, moving one edge of the opening of the loop from the other, so as to somewhat enlarge such opening.

The extension 5 is bent over and fastened upon one end of a pin, 6, securing it in place. This pin extends outwardly somewhat, then curves and returns to 7, which is bent over to form the guard and catch for the free end of the pin, by which the holder thus far described may be attached to any desired garment or part thereof.

10 represents the body of a button, from which projects the shank 8, having a head, 9, which is rounded, flanged, or notched, and is somewhat larger or thicker than the shank.

In operation the holder is secured at the proper point within the sleeve, the shank 8 is passed from the outside through the regular button-holes of the cuff, and the head 9 then snapped or pushed into the loop 3, wherein it is securely held. To disengage it therefrom, the end 4 is pushed up or back, as in dotted lines in Fig. 3, opening the mouth of the loop sufficiently to permit the head 9 to be withdrawn.

It will be seen that the body 10, shank 8, with enlarged head 9, and loops 3 form a button composed of two detachable parts, and they may be so used, as seen in Fig. 5. The pin is added thereto to afford means for the ready engagement with or disengagement from the sleeve, the addition then converting the mere button into a cuff-holder. If, however, it be desired to permanently secure the holder within the sleeve, the pin may be dispensed with and the holder sewed therein, holes 11 being formed for that purpose; or, instead of the pin, any other usual or suitable means of fastening may be used. It will also be seen that the button proper is

composed, as stated, of a body having a shank with an enlarged head in one part and a loop adapted to receive and retain the head, and to be opened to permit its disengagement in the other part. The same principle is embodied in the modification shown in Fig. 6, where two wires, 13 16, are affixed to any suitable base, (not shown,) whence they converge to 14, where they are twisted or wound together. They are then curved to form the loop 15, beyond which they cross each other and their ends diverge. If these diverging ends are forced together, the loop is enlarged to permit the passage thereinto or withdrawal therefrom of the head 9.

Thus constructed the objects of my invention, as before set out, are secured. The holder is easily and firmly secured to the coat-sleeve, and the cuff is easily attached thereto, securely held thereby and readily removed therefrom, and it is simple, cheap, and durable.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim is—

1. The combination of the body having or carrying a shank with an enlarged end or head, a base having a spring-loop adapted to open and pass over and receive such head, and to be opened to permit the head to be passed therefrom, and means, substantially as described, upon the base for securing the same in position upon the garment, substantially as set forth.

2. The combination of the body 1, having the loop 3 and the ends or parts 4 and 12 on either side thereof, wings 2 2, base 10, shank 8, having enlarged head or end 9, and pin 6, substantially as set forth.

3. The combination of body 1, having the loop 3 and ends or portions 4 and 12 on either side thereof, wings 2 2, base 10, and shank 8, having enlarged head or end 9, substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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