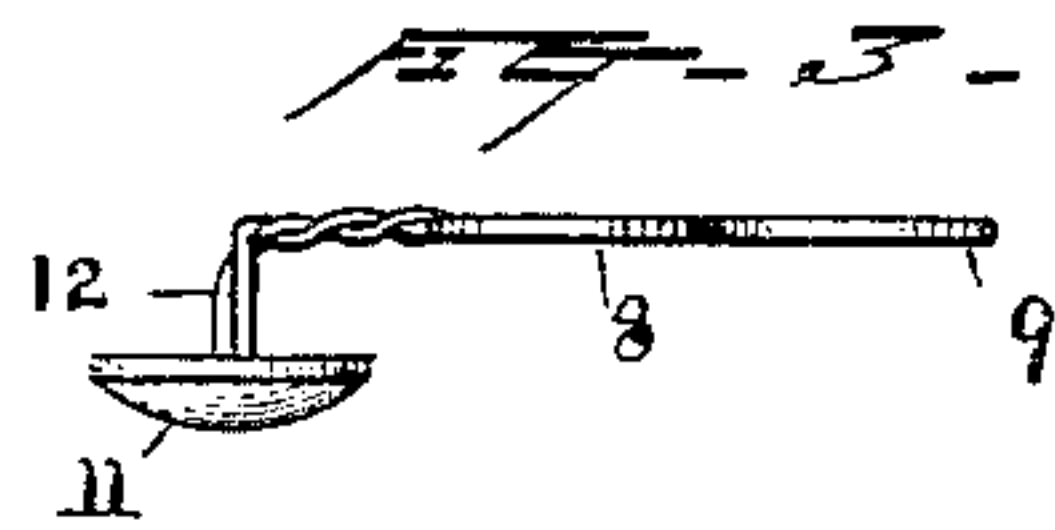
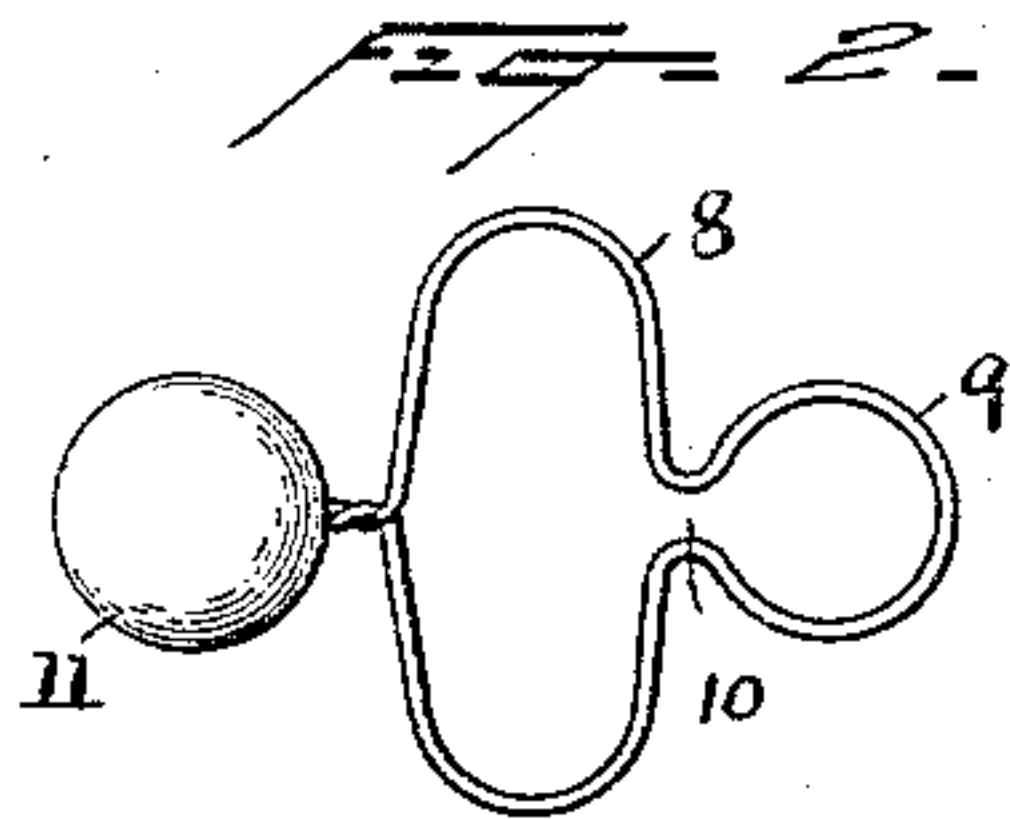
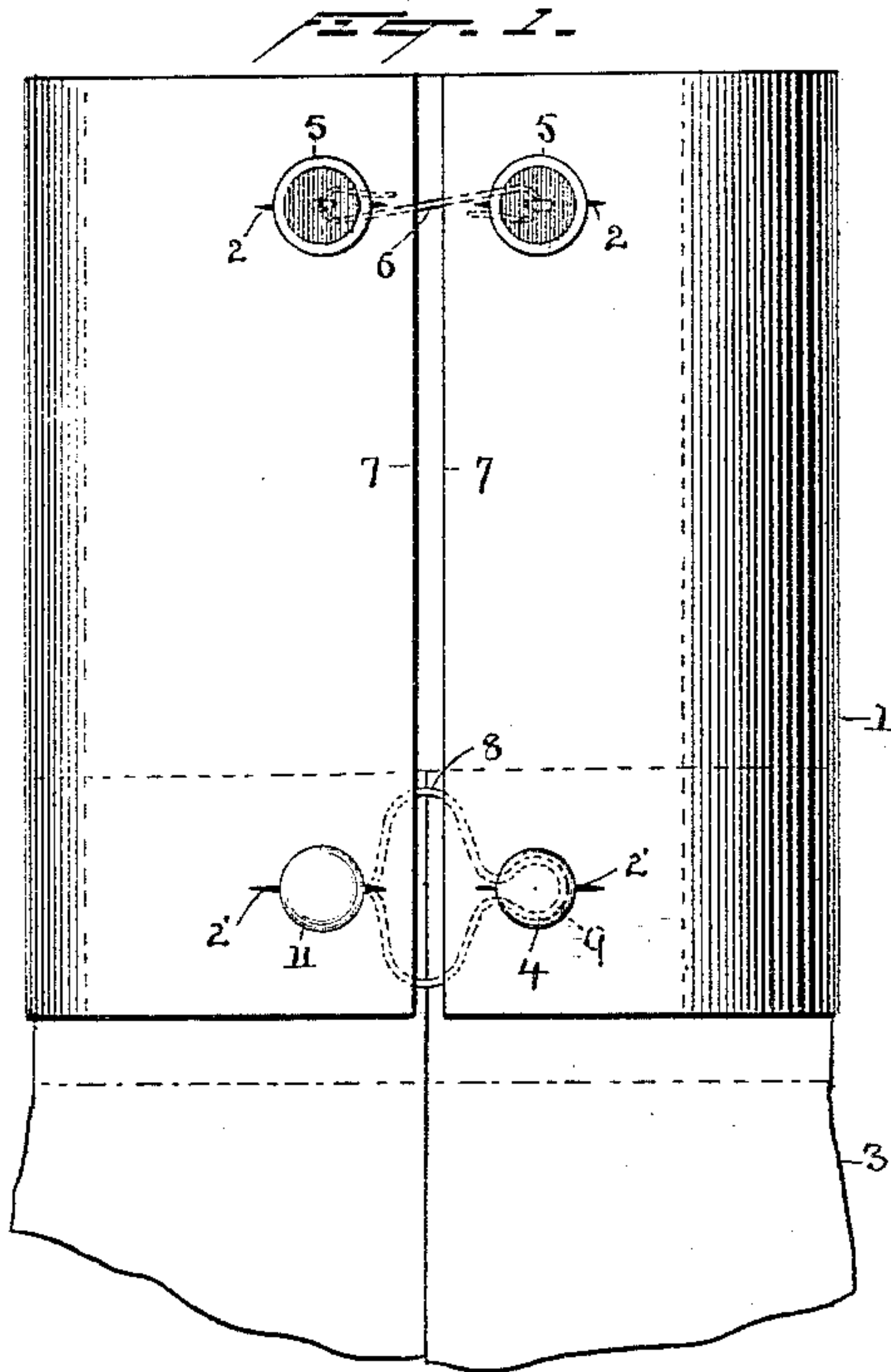


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES F. JENKS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Williamsport, in the county of Lycoming and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a certain new and useful Improvement in Devices for Fastening Cuffs Used with Link-Buttons to Sleeves, of which the following is a specification.

The present invention relates to devices for securing cuffs used with link cuff-buttons to shirt-sleeves and for maintaining the edges of such cuffs approximately parallel with each other without the necessity of providing the cuffs with extensions in which to form button-holes, as has heretofore been done; and the invention consists in the fastener hereinafter described.

When cuffs are used with a single-shank cuff-button, the two edges of the cuff overlap and both edges are secured to a single button or stud in the sleeve, to which the cuff is secured by means of buttonholes directly in the body of the cuff; but when cuffs are used with buttons having two parts connected by a link or links they cannot be secured to the sleeve in this manner, since it is necessary to maintain the two edges of the cuff at a short distance from and substantially parallel to each other. As above indicated, this has generally though not exclusively been done heretofore by the use of a cuff of special construction—viz., one having short extensions from the two edges with buttonholes in the extensions. It will be evident that when such extensions are placed near one end of the cuff it is thereby made non-reversible, and is therefore objectionable.

By my improvement it is possible to use ordinary cuffs with link-buttons and to maintain their reversibility.

In the accompanying drawings, which illustrate the invention, Figure 1 is a side view of a cuff attached to a sleeve. Fig. 2 is a plan view of the fastener, and Fig. 3 is a view of the same at right angles to Fig. 2.

1 is an ordinary cuff, having buttonholes at 2 2 and connected to a shirt-sleeve 3 by means of a stud or button 4, placed in said sleeve in the ordinary manner. In the upper button-holes are two buttons 5 5, connected by a link 6 of such length as to allow the edges 7 7 of the cuff to remain a short distance apart.

The fastener or device for securing the cuff to the sleeve and for maintaining the edges at a distance apart and parallel consists of a body 8, of spring brass, steel, or other wire, having at one end a loop 9 of sufficient size to embrace the shank of the stud 4, which stud constitutes the device for securing one edge of the cuff and forms a part of the fastening device. The opening 10, leading into said loop, is narrower than the diameter of the shank; but the shank can readily pass therethrough, owing to the yielding of the wire. The wire is so bent as to make the body quite wide, as shown. This form adds to the elasticity of the sides, tends to prevent the fastener from turning when in use, and makes it easy to get the holder over the sleeve-button. At the opposite end of the body 8 is a second device for the attachment of one edge of the cuff. This consists of a button 11, supported on a shank 12 at right angles to the body 8. This fastener consists of only two pieces—a button and the body 8, loop 9, and shank 12, which are formed of a single wire bent into shape and having the ends twisted together, as shown.

This fastener is used in the following manner: The fastener is first secured to the sleeve by placing the holder or loop 9 on the shank of the stud 4 with the button 11 turned away from the sleeve. The cuff is then placed in position, the stud 4 being placed in button-hole 2 and the button 11 in 2'. Since the body 8 is of practically the same length as the link 6, the edges of the cuff will be maintained in the proper position.

Having thus described the invention, what I claim is—

A fastener for securing a cuff with separate parallel edges to a sleeve, comprising a loop 9, a body 8, connected to said loop by a contracted neck, a right-angle section 12, said parts being made of a single wire bent in the form indicated, and a stud or button on the section 12, substantially as described.

This specification signed and witnessed this 19th day of March, 1891.

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