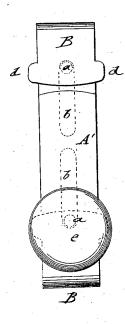
J. WEHL. Collar and Cuff Fastener.

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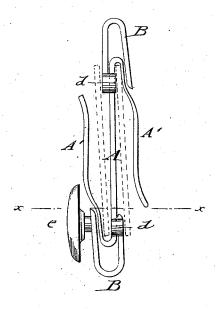


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IMPROVEMENT IN COLLAR AND CUFF FASTENERS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JULIUS WEHL, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Collar and Cuff Fasteners, of which the following is a specification.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 represents a front view of my improved collar and cuff fastener; Fig. 2, a side view; and Fig. 3, a horizontal section of the same on line x x, Fig. 2.

Similar letters of reference indicate corre-

sponding parts.

This invention relates to an improved fastener for collars, cuffs, and other articles, by which a reliable connection of the parts of the same may be obtained without the use of button-holes; and the invention consists of a fastener bent of spring-steel or other metal, and with reversely-bent spring ends, and of separate clasp-pieces, which are guided on the spring ends, and provided, respectively, with side projections or ears for taking hold of the clasps.

Referring to the drawings, A represents the spring-hook of my improved fastener, which hook is made of flat S shape, of spring-steel or other material, and with reversely-bent

clamping spring ends A'.

To both spring ends of the hook are applied V-shaped clasp-pieces B, which are guided by means of a pin, a, and slot b, and by side guidelugs, d, along the straight middle portion of the hook.

The spring ends are bent in such a manner as to facilitate the entrance of the neck-band, collar-band or cuff, one of the side clasps having, furthermore, a small button, e, for the more convenient working of the clasp.

The fastener is applied in the following manner: The inner spring end of the double hook is applied to the neck-band of the shirt and to one end of the collar-band, and the upper clasp-piece then forced down by pressing with

the finger thereon, so that the spring end clamps tightly the neck-band and collar-band. The opposite end of the collar-band is then inserted into the lower spring end, and the lower clasp forced in an upward direction by means of its button. The collar is thus firmly retained and adjusted to the exact fit desired.

The fastener is applied in the same manner to cuffs, of which one end is inserted into the lower, the other end into the upper, spring end, and compressed by the clasps.

The side lugs facilitate the opening of the upper clasp and the holding of the lower end of the fastener, without at the same time sliding the lower clasp over the spring end.

The fastener may be cheaply manufactured, and finished with nickel or gold plating, so as to form a neat and useful device for collars, cuffs, and other articles.

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

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- 1. The combination, in a cuff and collar fastener, of a hook having reversely bent clamping spring ends, provided with sliding and guided **V**-shaped clasp-pieces, adapted to pass over the spring ends, substantially as set forth.
- 2. The combination, in a cuff or collar fastener, of a hook having a straight middle portion with guide-slots and reversely-bent clamping spring ends, and provided with sliding **V**shaped clasp-pieces, guided by connectingpins and side lugs on the spring ends, substantially as specified.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention I have signed my name in presence of two witnesses this 3d day of March,

1879.

JULIUS WEHL.

Witnesses:

PAUL GOEPEL, CARL RARP.