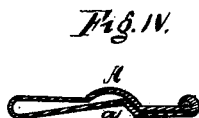
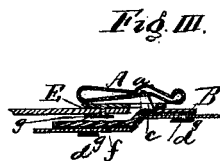
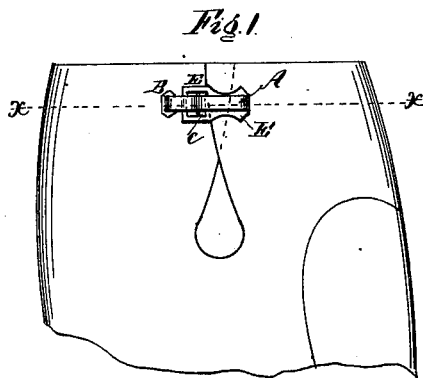


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IMPROVEMENT IN GLOVE-FASTENINGS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, FRANK G. FARNHAM, of Hanley, in the county of Wayne, State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Fastenings for Gloves and other Garments, of which the following is the specification:

My present application is for an improvement upon an application of mine allowed March 31, 1876, for a similar device.

The object of my invention is to provide reliable fastenings for gloves, corsets, garters, boots, and other garments, said fastenings to be used instead of buttons, hooks and eyes, and other such well-known devices.

These fastenings are cheap to manufacture, can be readily attached and detached from the garment, and will hold the same more firmly together than any other heretofore known or used device.

My invention consists in permanently attaching a spring-key to a hasp and staple in such a manner that the key is permitted to slide along the staple for the purpose of fastening the hasp. The key is contracted in the middle, and thereby prevented from being displaced when adjusted. The staple is permanently attached to the top of a bed-plate and placed in such position that about two-thirds of the plate extend on one side and about one-third on the other side of the staple. To the bottom of this bed plate I attach prongs, by aid of which and separate washers the same is fastened to lighter and softer garments, such as gloves; but when my fastenings are applied to heavier and harder garments, such as shoes, for instance, I dispense with the prongs and washers altogether, and attach the plate direct to the garment either by

sewing, riveting, or any other suitable means. The hasp in which the key is inserted when the fastening is applied is also held to the lighter garment by aid of prongs and washers; but when the fastenings are applied to heavier garments I dispense with the prongs and washers, and attach the hasp in the same manner as I attach the bed-plates to all kinds of heavier garments.

Referring to the accompanying drawings, which form a part of this specification, Figure I is a front view of my improved garment-fastening when closed. Fig. II is a side view representing the key inserted in the hasp for the purpose of drawing the parts together. Fig. III is an enlarged sectional view on line *x x*, Fig. I. Fig. IV is a detached enlarged view of the key.

A is the spring-key, with the described contraction at *a*. B is the bed-plate, with staple *c* and prongs *d d*. E is the hasp, with prongs *f f*. *g g* are the washers.

The object of this bed-plate B, which is secured on the outside of the fabric, is to stiffen the edge of that piece which comes underneath when the parts are united, and secures a union of the edges.

Having thus described my invention, I desire to claim—

A garment-fastening consisting of the plate B, staple *c*, spring-key A, and hasp E, said plate B extending beyond the staple *c*, substantially as described.

This specification signed this 11th day of April, 1876.

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