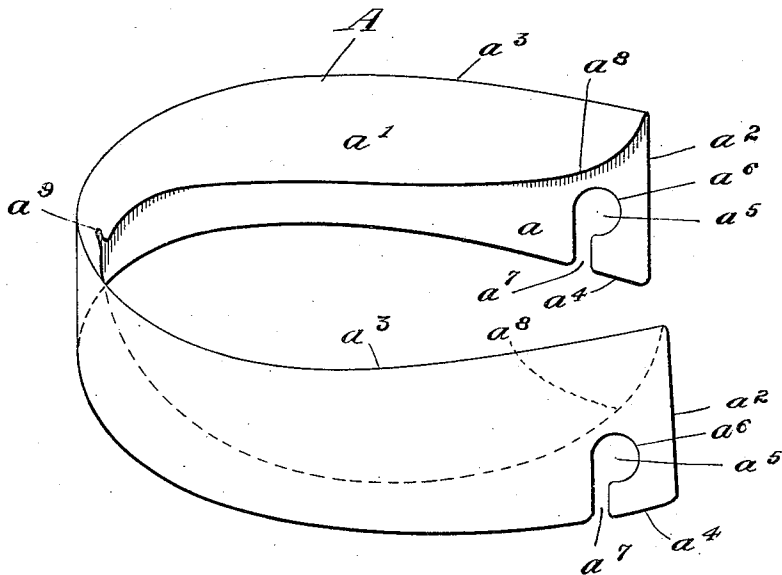


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, NICOLA CERRI, a subject of the King of Italy, resident of Cleveland, county of Cuyahoga, and State of Ohio, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Cuff-Protectors, of which the following is a specification, the principle of the invention herein explained and the best mode in which I have contemplated applying that principle so as to distinguish it from other inventions.

My invention relates to cuff protectors adapted to be slipped over the outer ends of shirt cuffs, the ends of which latter are connected with double headed link or bar buttons extending across the inside of the cuff from buttonhole to buttonhole.

The invention has for its object the provision of a cuff protector of the above described character which will be economical in its structure, readily attached and detached, and which may be caused to engage the link cuff button so as to be firmly and securely held in place.

The said invention consists of means hereinafter fully described and particularly set forth in the claim.

The annexed drawing and the following description set forth in detail a certain form of cuff protector embodying my invention, the disclosed form, however, being but one of various forms in which the principle of the invention may be applied.

In said annexed drawing, the figure is a perspective view of my cuff protector.

Referring to the drawing, the protector A is formed preferably of celluloid or similar material, and is provided with an outside flap a and inside flap a' . The ends a^2 of the protector are made substantially perpendicular to the front edge a^3 , so as to project slightly beyond the edge of the cuff and thereby protect the latter. The inner edge a^4 of the ends of the outside flap is formed with incisions a^5 consisting of an inner enlarged portion a^6 and an outer contracted neck portion a^7 . The contracted neck portion a^7 is made of a sufficient width to readily admit of the insertion thereof through of a link of the cuff button. The distance from the center of the enlarged portion a^6 to the edge portion a^3 of the protector is made substantially equal to the

average distance of the buttonhole from the front edge of the cuff. A variation of the distance of the cuff button from the front edge of the cuff is permitted by the provision of this enlarged portion a^6 . It will therefore be seen that the protector may be readily attached to cuffs of varying sizes, such variation being limited only by the height of the enlarged portion a^6 . A variation of the distance of the buttonhole from the side edge of the cuff may also be permitted, and the protector may still be properly attached to the cuff, such variation being limited by the width of the enlarged portion a^6 , as will be readily understood.

The inside flap a' is cut away as at a^8 to avoid being placed contiguous to the incisions a^5 , and thereby interfering with the proper placing of the protector by reason of its avoidance of engagement with the link of the cuff button. This inside flap is divided in the middle as at a^9 in the usual manner so that it may be readily bent at that point, and thereby allowed to assume and maintain its normal bent position.

I am aware that cuff protectors have been made and used in which the two ends of the inside flap have been provided with notches for engaging the link of the cuff button. This form of protector, however, has been limited in its use in that it could only be properly applied and secured to a cuff wherein the buttonhole was located a distance from the front edge thereof, equal to the distance of the notches from the front edge of the protector, it being understood of course, that the proper position which the protector occupies with relation to the cuff is that in which the front edge of the cuff is in direct contact with the inner surface of the front edge portion or loop of the protector. These previously constructed protectors were also capable of proper application to cuffs of but one given size.

My improved protector however, as above described, may be attached to cuffs of varying sizes and in which the location of the buttonhole therein varies. Its construction furthermore permits it to engage a link of a cuff button which is of a flexible character, as when made in the form of a chain, and be securely held, as will be readily understood.

Having fully described my invention, what I desire to claim and secure by Letters Patent is:—

As a new article of manufacture, a cuff protector comprising connected inside and outside flaps adapted to slip over the front end of a cuff, the inner edge of the ends of the outside flap being provided with incisions for engaging the link portion of a cuff

button, the inside flap being cut away at its outer ends so as to be non-contiguous to said incisions.

Signed by me, this 27th day of February 1909.

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