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Fig. 1.

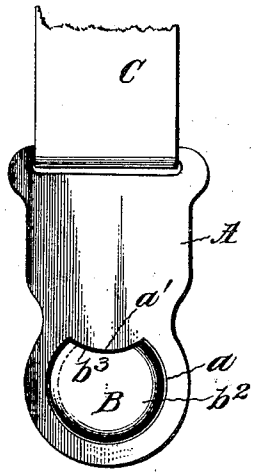


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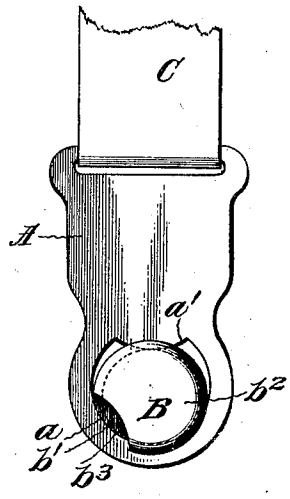


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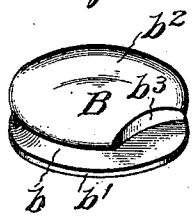


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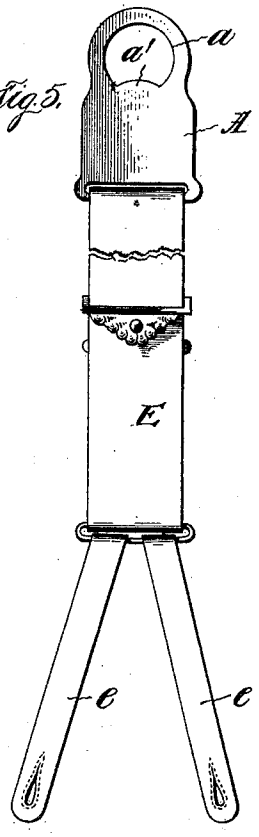
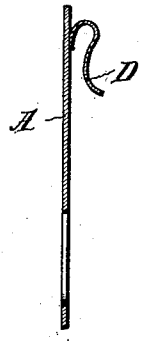


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LOUIS PHILIPPE CHAUVET, manufacturer, a citizen of the Republic of France, and a resident of 8 Rue de Mulhouse, Paris, France, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Fastening Devices for Garment-Supporters; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the invention, such as will enable others skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

My invention consists of an improved attachment which serves for supporting articles of clothing—for example, for securing stockings or socks to suspension-straps known as "suspenders," or for supporting trousers, replacing the ordinary braces usually employed, or for supporting a napkin during a meal, or to suspend hangings or hold up certain parts of the same, or to maintain a tent, or generally to fix at a point of attachment an object of any kind made of a material sufficiently supple to adapt itself to the deformation necessitated by my attachment, as will be described farther on.

The attachment is an improvement on that which has already been employed for supporting stockings or socks and constitutes a kind of oblong link in which a button or disk is introduced after having been adjusted to the material of the stocking in such a manner that the material is grasped between the two pieces at their point of contact—that is to say, at the back part of the button. The improvements on this known method are for the purpose of increasing the safety of the attachment and consist in providing the link or plate which receives the button with a tongue adapted to engage the button. Not only is the accidental displacement of the button prevented by this means, but the material is maintained folded on the button equally well at the top as at the bottom thereof, which renders slipping practically impossible and which prevents any tearing of the fabric, the strain being distributed on a large surface.

My invention is clearly illustrated in the accompanying drawings, in which—

Figure 1 is a front elevation of my improved garment-supporter, showing the clamping-button in the proper position for insertion into the plate. Fig. 2 is a similar view showing the button in its locked position in the plate. Fig. 3 is a detail perspective view of the button. Fig. 4 is a detail view of the plate or link, showing a modified means for attaching it to a support. Fig. 5 is a modification of the use of the device.

A designates a link or plate provided with perforation a and a tongue a', projecting into the perforation.

B designates a button having a circumferential groove b formed therein, said groove forming a short shank between the base b' and head b^2. The head b^2 is provided with a notch b^3 to permit the head to be pushed through the perforation in the plate A past the tongue a' for the purpose to be hereinafter explained.

When used as a stocking-supporter, the plate A is provided with a suspension-strap C, (shown in Figs. 1 and 2;) but the device is also applicable for supporting a napkin or apron, in which case the plate may be provided with a hook D, as shown in Fig. 4, as a means of suspension or attachment on the wearer. The same means is also applicable for securing heavy or light curtains, as no slipping need be feared. For this application the plate may be fixed directly on the wall or terminate in a cord, ribbon, or a strap fixed to the wall at its other extremity. The button B may be visible, if desired, in which case the plate is arranged behind the curtain and the button placed on the right side of the material.

For applying my improved attachment for replacing braces it is sufficient to reverse the position of the device, as shown in Fig. 5, replacing the support C (shown in Fig. 1) by eyed straps e, which are attached to the buttons on the trousers. These eyed straps are attached to an adjustable strap E for regulating their length. To secure the device, it is sufficient to place the button inside the shirt or fabric and to introduce the same, covered with the fabric, into the opening a of the plate A, the notch b^3 in the button registering with the tongue a' in the plate, and when the head b^2 of the button has passed the tongue the whole button is turned, as

shown in Fig. 2, causing the tongue to take into the groove, which also forces the lower portion of the plate into the groove, thereby preventing the withdrawal of the button until it is turned back, so that the notch registers with the tongue.

My device can be employed with success as an attachment for braces or straps in saddlery, as a clasp for bracelets, gloves, shoes, and many other usages, replacing buckles, hooks, swivels, rings, hooks and eyes, &c., for when the button is placed uncovered into the tongued plate it cannot disengage itself accidentally, being firmly retained by the tongue. The button can be attached in any manner on one of the parts to be united and the plate on the other, the engagement being effected without the interposition of any fabric.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim is—

The combination with a perforated plate and a tongue projecting into said perforation, of a button, a circumferential groove therein and a cut-away portion in one of the walls of said groove to admit entrance of the tongue into the same, substantially as set forth.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention I have signed my name in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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