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Fig. 1.

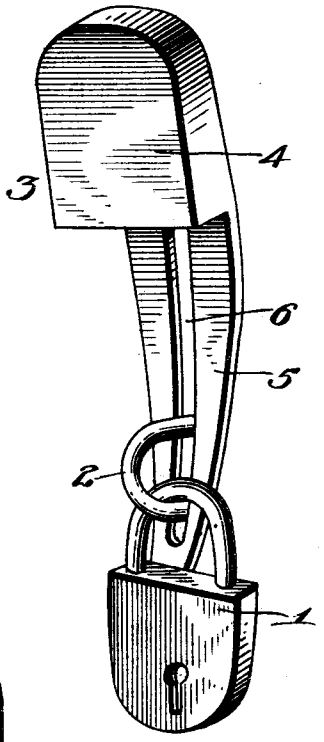


Fig. 2.

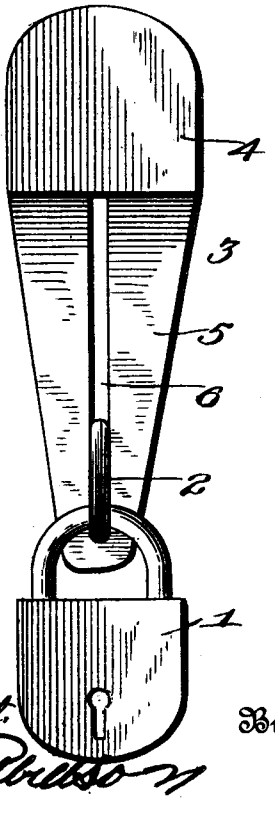
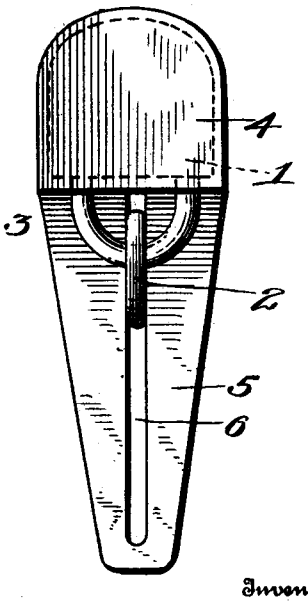


Fig. 3.



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SHIELD FOR LOCKS.

SPECIFICATION forming part of Letters Patent No. 676,001, dated June 11, 1901.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOHN JARVIS, a citizen of the United States, residing at Annapolis, in the county of Anne Arundel and State of Maryland, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Shields for Locks; and I do 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.

The invention relates to shields for padlocks.

The object of the invention is to provide a shield which may be easily and quickly slipped over the padlock and protect all its open parts from exposure to rain, snow, and sleet, and thus prevent freezing of the padlock and rendering it easy to be operated, if the lock should freeze, without the necessity of thawing it out.

With these and other objects in view the invention consists of certain novel features of construction, combination, and arrangement of parts, which will be more fully described, and particularly pointed out in the appended claim.

In the accompanying drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a padlock, a staple, and my improved shield before it is adjusted to engage the padlock. Fig. 2 is a plan view of the parts in the same position. Fig. 3 is a similar view to Fig. 2, showing the padlock in protected position.

In the drawings, 1 denotes a padlock of any well-known form, and 2 the staple to which it is locked.

3 denotes a shield which consists of an inclosing cap 4 and a tongue 5, having an elongated aperture or slot 6, closed at its ends and adapted to receive the staple 2 before the padlock is engaged therewith. This shield is engaged with the staple, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2, and the lock connected to the staple in the usual manner. To engage the padlock with the shield, the padlock is tilted or swung upwardly and the shield lowered, so that the hood or cap 4 surrounds and entirely incloses the padlock, and thus prevents it from freezing. There is no danger of the shield becoming lost or stolen, for the reason that it cannot be removed until after the padlock has been removed.

From the foregoing description, taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, the construction, operation, and advantages of my invention will be readily understood without requiring a more extended explanation.

Various changes in the form, proportion, and minor details of construction may be made within the scope of the invention without departing from the spirit or sacrificing any of the advantages thereof.

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

A shield for padlocks, comprising a hood or cap provided with a fixed tongue having a longitudinal slot adapted to receive a staple and permit of the sliding of said tongue vertically to inclose the padlock within the hood or cap when the tongue is slid downwardly and to expose the padlock when the tongue is slid upwardly, substantially as set forth.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand in presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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