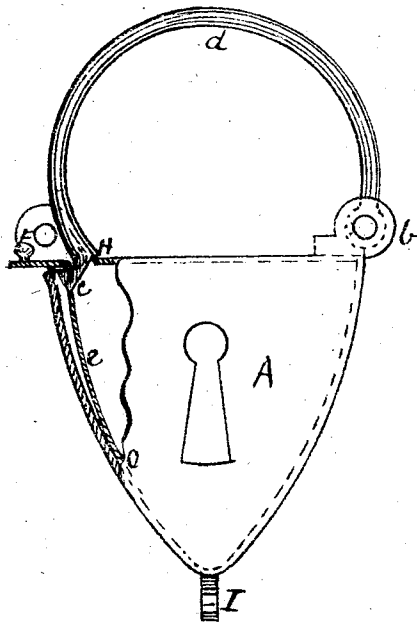


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IMPROVEMENT IN WATCH-CHAIN FASTENINGS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, DANIEL F. MYERS, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and Improved Watch-Chain Fastening; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawing forming part of this specification.

My invention relates to the construction of a padlock in such a manner that the hasp of the same may be fastened to the button-hole and serve the purpose of a watch-chain fastening.

The accompanying drawing represents my invention.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

A is the case, the form of a padlock, having at the upper and largest end a hasp, *d*, hinged at *b*, provided at one end with a hook, *c*. A spring, *e*, which can be made of any suitable metal, is fastened on the inside of the case at *o*, running upward to the top of the case, where it is bent over and made to project outside of the case sufficiently to allow it to be operated by the guard F. The said spring has, at its upper end, an opening to receive the hook *c*. At the rear

end of the hook *c* is a small projection, marked H, which, when the hasp is forced downward, strikes against the case and prevents the hook from being forced beyond its proper place. I is a ring, fastened at the small end of the case for attaching the watch-chain. When in use the hasp is inserted in the button-hole, when it is forced down to the case until the hook comes in contact with the spring, and the opening in the spring engages with the hook, which locks it firmly and prevents the hasp from becoming disengaged, and, by pressure being exerted on the guard F, disengages the hook from the spring and allows the hasp to be removed from the button-hole.

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

A watch-chain fastening, composed of a case, A, containing a spring, *e*, provided with a guard, F, a hinged hasp, *d*, having at one end a hook, *c*, for locking the same, when brought in contact with the spring *e*, substantially as and for the purposes specified.

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