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Fig. 1.

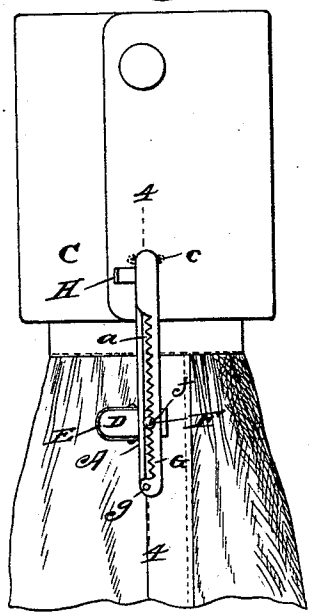


Fig. 2.

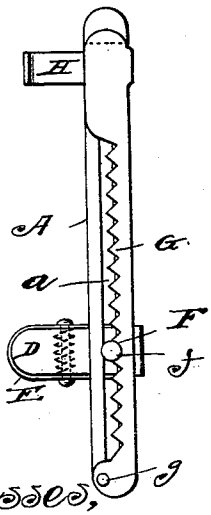


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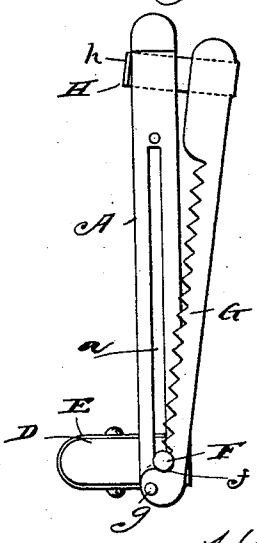
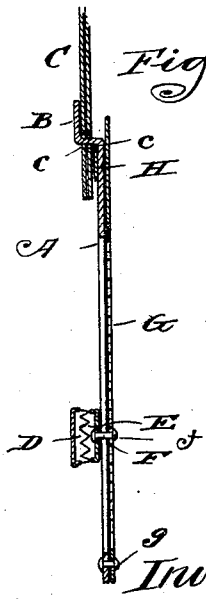


Fig. 4.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, HAIG DER MUGERDITCHYAN, a subject of the Sultan of Turkey, residing at Chicago, Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cuff-Holders, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to an improvement in cuff-holders; and the object of the invention is to provide a cuff-holder by means of which the cuff may be readily adjusted without detaching the holder from the shirt or from the cuff.

In carrying out my invention I provide a plate or bar having an offset end adapted for engagement with the button-holes at the inner end of the cuff, and said bar is longitudinally slotted to adapt it for a sliding connection with a clasp to engage the sleeve of the shirt. The means for making the sliding connection which I prefer to employ comprise, in addition to the slotted bar, a headed pin, the shank of which slides freely in the slot of the bar, the head being above the slot and the lower end of the pin being connected to one of the jaws of the clasp. This connection permits the clasp to be turned about the pin and at any desired angle with relation to the bar, and also permits the bar to be adjusted endwise in adjusting the cuff. In order to lock the bar and clasp together, I employ a toothed plate pivoted at one end to the inner end of the slotted bar and having by preference a keeper at its outer end to prevent its entire separation from the slotted bar and yet permit of its being swung with relation thereto.

In the drawings, Figure 1 shows my improved holder applied to a cuff. Fig. 2 is a plan view of the holder detached and shown in the closed position. Fig. 3 is a similar view with the toothed bar swung out to permit of the adjustment of the cuff, and Fig. 4 is a sectional view taken on line 4 4 of Fig. 1.

In the drawings, A represents the slotted bar, which may be stamped or cut out by dies from sheet metal. The forward end of said bar has an offset portion B, which is adapted to be inserted through the button-holes *c c* of the cuff C.

D E represent the two jaws of a clasp of ordinary construction, the jaws being pivotally connected together and held normally closed by means of a spring. To the upper jaw, between its pivot and engaging end, is secured a pin F, the shank of which works freely in a slot *a* in the bar A, and the headed end *f* of which is above the slot.

G represents a toothed plate which is pivoted at *g* to the inner end of the holder, and this plate has at its forward end, by preference, a keeper H, the upturned end *h* of which limits the outward-swinging movement of the plate and holds the plate closely to the surface of the bar, whereby the upper end of the pin is projected so as to be engaged by the plate.

In applying the holder the offset end B of the bar A will be inserted through the openings *c c* of the cuff, as clearly shown in Fig. 4. The clasp will then be affixed to the sleeve at any point desired, and the swinging plate will be closed so that its teeth will embrace the pin F, as shown in Figs. 1 and 2.

It will be observed that the clasp may be swung freely, so as to cause it to engage the shirt either upon one side or the other of the bar, as desired, and at right angles thereto; or it may be engaged with the sleeve at any intermediate position. The offset end B, of the bar A will securely hold the cuff, the forward end of said offset portion having an upward pressure on the under side of the cuff, while the keeper bears upon the upper side of the cuff on the opposite sides of the button-holes or openings. The friction between this keeper and the cuff will tend to prevent accidental swinging of the plate and the releasing of the pin; but when it is desired to adjust the cuff out or in the plate is swung as shown in Fig. 3, and the cuff may be slipped out or in without detaching the clasp from the shirt or the holder from the cuff.

An advantage of using a clasp which can be rotated freely with relation to the bar is that it permits of the engagement of the sleeve at any desired point, and it is also a distinct advantage to apply the pin F at a point between the engaging ends of the jaws of the clasp and their pivot, because when the pin is engaged by the toothed bar the fastener is rigidly held and is much stronger than if the pin F were secured to the clasp upon the opposite side of its pivot-pin.

I claim—

1. A cuff-holder comprising, in combination,

a bar adapted for attachment to the cuff, a clasp to engage the sleeve and having a sliding connection with the bar, and a toothed or notched locking-plate pivotally connected to the bar at one end and adapted to be swung on its pivot to engage the clasp whereby to lock it to the bar, substantially as described.

2. In a cuff-holder, the combination, with a longitudinally-slotted bar having one end adapted for engagement with the cuff, of a clasp to engage the sleeve, a pin secured to the clasp and having its shank adapted to work in the slot of the bar, and a locking-plate pivoted at one end to the bar and adapted to be swung on its pivot to engage or release the pin, substantially as described.

3. In a cuff-holder, the combination, with a slotted bar having an offset end adapted to be passed through the rear opening of the cuff, of a clasp movably connected to the bar by means of a headed pin passing through the slot and connected to the clasp, and a toothed locking-plate pivotally connected at one end to the bar and having a keeper at its opposite end to engage the bar, whereby to limit the lateral movement of the plate, substantially as described.

4. In a cuff-holder, the combination, with a slotted bar, of a clasp having a sliding connection therewith by means of a pin secured with the clasp between its point of engagement with the sleeve and the pivot of its jaws, said pin adapted to work in the slot, and a locking-plate pivoted to the bar, substantially as described.

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