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BUTTON FASTENER.

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FIG. 1.

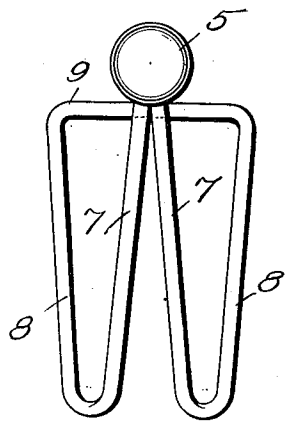
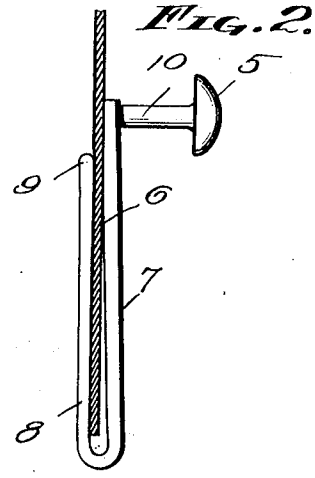


FIG. 2.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, LYMAN H. DAVIS, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at 2722 S. Fourth St., Louisville, in the county of Jefferson and State of Kentucky, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Button-Fasteners, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to button or stud fasteners, and its object is to provide a novel and improved device of this kind designed more particularly for buttoning shirt fronts and dispensing with the necessity of sewing the buttons on the inner plait of the shirt, and holding the shirt front more securely closed. The device is also so constructed that it is not liable to loss by rolling to inaccessible places if it should be accidentally dropped on the floor.

With the objects stated in view, the invention consists in a combination and arrangement of parts to be hereinafter described and claimed, and in order that the same may be better understood, reference is had to the accompanying drawing forming a part of this specification.

In the drawing—

Figure 1 is a front elevation of the device, and Fig. 2 is a side elevation thereof.

The device shown in Figs. 1 and 2 consists of a button head 5 carried by a resilient clasp which is so constructed that it may be slipped over the edge of the inner plait of a shirt so that the device is held in place without being sewed or otherwise permanently connected to said part, and at the same time it can be easily applied or removed. The part to which the clasp is applied is indicated by the reference character 6 in Fig. 2.

The clasp herebefore referred to is made of spring wire which is bent to form a front and back portion, these portions having a normal tendency to come together so that when the part 6 is inserted therebetween it is securely gripped. The two ends of the wire meet and from the meeting ends they extend divergingly to form two spaced limbs 7 having rearward bends at their outer ends, from which the two ends are given return bends 8 connected at their extremities by a cross bar 9.

The button head has a rearwardly projecting shank 10 which is rigidly connected to the meeting ends of the two diverging legs 7, which locates the button head a suitable distance outward from the front member of the clasp and at the end of said member which is opposite the end which is joined to the rear member, and hence when the device is in place on the part 6, the button head is spaced the proper distance from the edge thereof for insertion into the button hole in the outer plait of the shirt.

The preferred embodiment of the invention has been shown, but it will be understood that changes and modifications can be made without a departure from the spirit and scope of the invention as claimed hereinafter.

I claim:

A fastener comprising a clasp composed of front and rear resilient members having a normal tendency to come together, the front member being composed of a pair of diverging limbs meeting at one end and having rearward and return bends at their outer ends to form the rear member, with a cross bar connecting the extremities of said bends, and a button head having a rearwardly projecting shank rigidly connected to the meeting ends of the aforesaid limbs.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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