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Fig. 1.

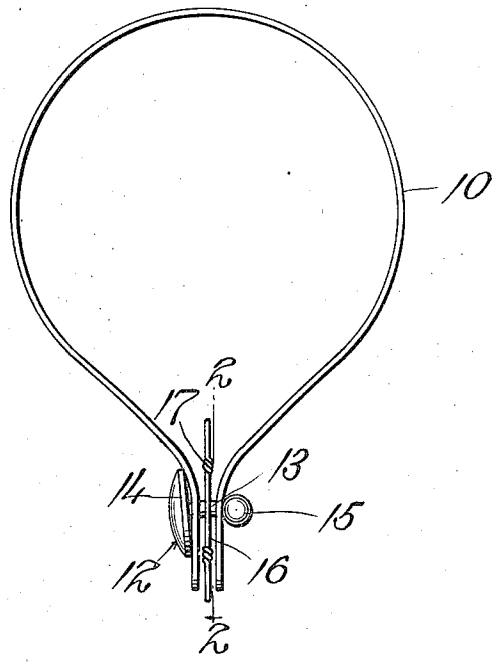


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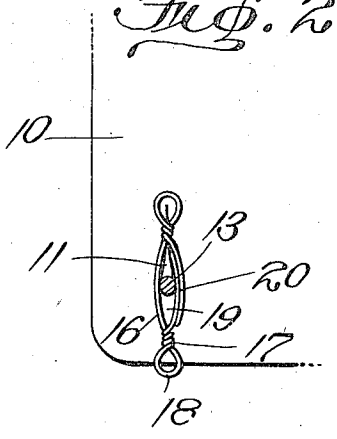
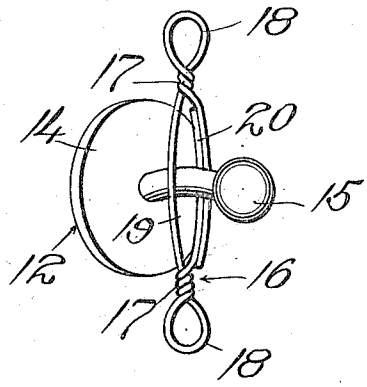


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ANNA C. HAGE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Toronto, in the county of Deuel, State of South Dakota, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Guards for Link Cuff-Buttons; 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.

This invention, relates to improvements in guards, and particularly to guards for link cuff buttons.

One object of the present invention is to provide a novel and simple device which is adapted for use in connection with the link cuff button which button has a large flat head at one end and a small or ball head at the other end, for the purpose of preventing the loss of the button should the small head slip from the buttonhole.

Another object is to provide a device of this character which is simple in construction, easy to manipulate, as well as effective in its operation to prevent the loss of the button, and one which can be manufactured at a very low cost.

Other objects and advantages will be apparent from the following description when taken in connection with the accompanying drawing.

In the drawing:

Figure 1 is an end elevation of a cuff showing my invention in operative position on the cuff link button.

Fig. 2 is a vertical sectional view taken on the line 2—2 of Fig. 1.

Fig. 3 is an enlarged perspective view of the guard and cuff button showing the relative sizes of the ball head and the shank engaging loop of the guard.

Referring particularly to the accompanying drawing 10 represents a cuff which has disposed through the buttonholes 11 thereof the link cuff button 12. This button includes a shank 13, a large flat head 14 and the smaller ball head 15. Engaged on the shank 13, between the portions of the cuff closure, is the guard which is represented as a whole by the reference character 16.

The guard is formed from a single length of wire, which may be gold, silver, platinum, or other suitable stiff, yet resilient material. The guard is bent from both ends and twisted, as at 17, to form the two loops 18, while the intermediate portion is formed into a larger elongated loop 19, the ends of the wire being arranged in overlapping relation at one side of this loop 19, as shown at 20.

In applying the guard to the button, the head 15 is inserted in the buttonhole at one side of the cuff closure, and then this head slipped through the large intermediate loop 19, this action being facilitated by the fact that the ends of the wire will yield as the head is inserted. After having placed the guard on the shank of the button, the head 15 is passed through the other buttonhole of the cuff. Should the said head become disengaged from the buttonhole, the guard, which is of sufficient length to prevent its passing through the first buttonhole, will effectively prevent the head from passing through said buttonhole. The loop 19 being of a width considerably less than the width or diameter of the head 15, will hold said head from disengagement from the loop and also prevent the head from passing through the buttonhole. Thus the loss of the cuff button is effectively guarded against, the same being retained in one hole of the cuff. This is assured by the fact that the larger flat head is too large to pass through the buttonhole. Thus the button cannot slip in either direction through the buttonhole.

When the device is used with link buttons which have the smaller heads of too great diameter or size to permit of being passed through the loop 19, the shank of the button is passed into the said loop between the said ends of the wire, at one side of the loop.

What is claimed is:

As an article of manufacture a guard for preventing the loss of a link cuff button comprising a single length of resilient wire having its ends extending toward each other and arranged in overlapping relation, the wire being twisted at points adjacent the end thereof to form closed loops, the intermediate portion of the wire being formed into an enlarged loop, the said overlapping ends being arranged for resilient movement.

In testimony whereof, I affix my signature, in the presence of two witnesses.

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