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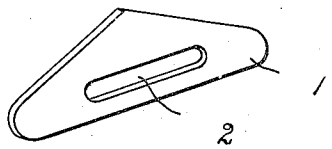
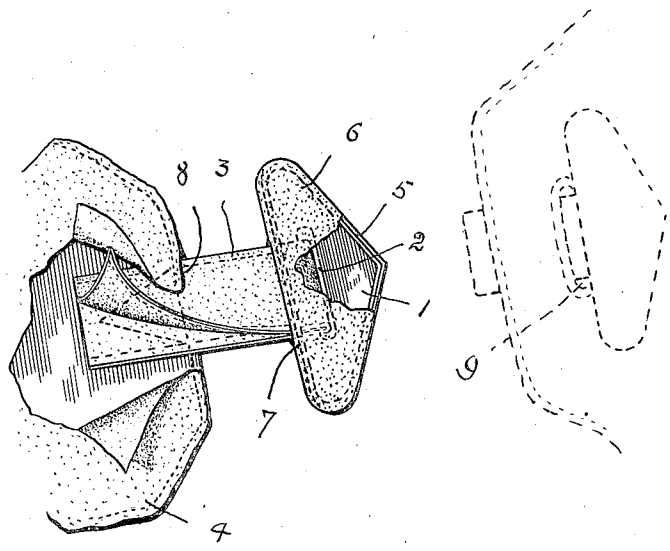


Fig. 1.



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This invention relates to garment fasteners and has special reference to such a device comprising a pendant portion attached to a part of the garment and having an arrow head-like free end for engagement within a slot or buttonhole structure in the other portion of the garment.

The principal object is to produce a practical and easily adjusted pendant of this type.

Another object is to produce such a fastener that readily passes through a wringer during the process of washing or the like without damage either to the machine operating upon same or the fastener itself.

Other objects and advantages of the peculiar construction will appear in the following deseription thereof.

Referring now to the accompanying drawings, forming part of this application, and wherein like reference characters indicate like parts:

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the core of the fastener; and

Figure 2 is a perspective view of the ultimately completed fastener attached to the garment having portions of same broken away for convenience in illustration.

1 represents the core of the fastener which is preferably composed of some suitable comparatively non-yieldable metal, such as sheet metal or composition material, and if of sheet metal must be either galvanized or otherwise rust proof so as not to become damaged or subject to deterioration by virtue of the washing process.

The ones already in use are principally of galvanized iron and have proved to function admirably.

This core is preferably of substantially triangular shape, in length approximately three times its greatest width, with the two opposed corners somewhat rounded for appearance as well as convenience in passing same through a buttonhole, and is provided adjacent and parallel its longest side with an elongated hole or slot, illustrated at 2, it being materially less in length than that of the core; this being for the reception of the strap like strip of cloth 3, preferably likened to the cloth of which the garment is composed, and which strap is passed through the slot 2 in the core, folded backwardly upon itself for engagement with the garment illustrated at 4. When the core is thus threaded upon the strap 3 it is then covered first with a lining indicated at 5 of suitable fabric and subsequently covered with a neatly shaped covering indicated at 6 of the same material as that of which the garment is composed, and the lining as well as the outer cover with the arrowhead shaped extremity of the fastener are stitched directly through the two thicknesses of the connecting strap 3, as indicated at 7. The two portions of the strap 3 are preferably unattached intermediate of the head of the pendant and the garment, but firmly united transversely in the garment adjacent the outer edge thereof as at 8, and also along a course running diagonally therefrom towards the center of the inner terminus of the strap, thus making a practical and serviceable pendant attachment for the garment; it being understood that the arrow shaped head is designed to be slipped through a buttonhole like aperture as indicated at 9 in an adjoining or cooperating portion of the garment; the double feature of the strap functioning at all times to support the buckle in an upright and flexible position as well as tending to hold the buckle in its flat parallel position with the garment when passing through a wringer or the like.

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

1. A triangularly shaped garment fastener comprising a rigid core member having a through slot adjacent one straight edge thereof, a strap passing through said slot and folded back upon itself to form a tether for the core, said strap like tether being fixed to the garment, and a cloth cover wholly surrounding the core and upon either side of the tether through which it is stitched transversely.

2. In combination, a flat core for the head of a garment fastener of the type described having one major straight side and two minor diagonal straight sides forming a substan-

tially three cornered member, further characterized by having an elongated slot parallel with and adjacent said major side, a strap passing through said slot, folded back upon itself, and attached to the garment, and a covering for said core and strap connection.

3. A triangularly shaped garment fastener for cooperative engagement with a buttonhole comprising a relatively thin rigid member being in length approximately three times its greatest width and having a slot adjacent its longest side, said slot being materially less in length than that of the fastener, and a strap extending through said slot, folded back upon itself, and attached to the garment, the ends of the fastener extending upon either side of the strap overlapping the edges of the buttonhole when engaged therein.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature.

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