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Fig. 1.

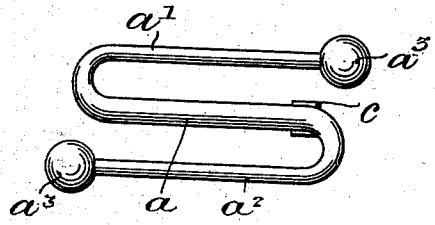


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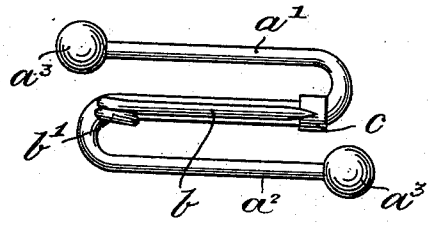


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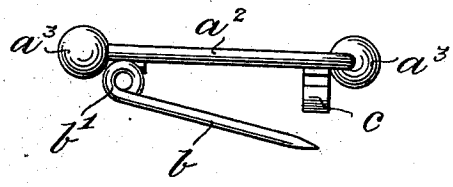


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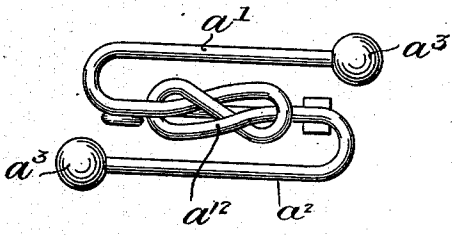
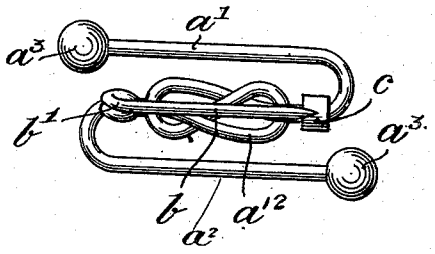


Fig. 5.



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GARMENT-FASTENING.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, MARIAN MAY McGRATH, a citizen of the United States, residing at Germantown, in the county of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Garment-Fastenings, of which the following is a specification.

My invention has relation to a device for fastening veils, neckties, handkerchiefs, or flowers, and in such connection it relates to the construction and arrangement of such a device.

The principal object of my invention is to provide a simple, efficient, and comparatively inexpensive device for fastening or holding veils, neckties, handkerchiefs, or other articles of adornment or utility, consisting, essentially, of a central rigid member forming the top or bar of a safety-pin and of two spring members projecting from opposite ends of the central rigid member into parallel relationship with said central member, the whole forming a substantially S-shaped device, wherein the free ends of the device are yielding or springy and the intermediate connecting member is rigid.

The nature and scope of my invention will be more fully understood from the following description taken in connection with the accompanying drawings, forming part hereof, in which—

Figure 1 is a top or plan view of a fastening device embodying main features of my invention. Fig. 2 is a rear elevational view of the same. Fig. 3 is a side elevational view thereof, and Figs. 4 and 5 are respectively top and underneath plan views of a slightly-modified form of the device.

Referring to Figs. 1 to 3 of the drawings, a represents the central member of the device, consisting of a rigid portion forming the bar for the pin-member b of a safety-pin. From the under face of the bar a projects the keeper c for the pin-point. The coil b' of the pin member b is soldered or otherwise secured to the under face of the bar a. From opposite ends of the central rigid member or bar a project the two spring arms or members a' and a^2, each parallel to the central member and preferably having at their free ends a ball or knob a^3. These arms a' and a^2 are of a thickness less than the central bar a and form, in conjunction with said bar a, an S-shaped device, wherein the arms a' and a^2 are yielding or springy and the intermediate portion a is rigid. The arms a' and a^2 being springy are capable of being bent upward or sidewise away from or toward the central bar a to permit of the entrance and passage of the veil or other article under each arm a' or a^2 and over the central bar a. The balls or knobs a^3 serve to retain the veil or ribbon on the arms a' or a^2 and prevent slipping or accidental disarrangement of the material of the veil or ribbon upon said arms. In Figs. 4 and 5 the construction is substantially the same as heretofore described; but in this form the rigidity of the central bar is secured by looping or plaiting the bar as at a^{12}.

Having thus described the nature and object of my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

1. A garment-fastening, comprising a central rigid bar, two spring-arms each projecting from an end of said bar into parallel relationship with the central rigid bar, and a pin member forming with the central bar a safety-pin, substantially as and for the purposes described.

2. A garment-fastening, comprising a central rigid member, forming the bar for a safety-pin, a pin member coacting with said central rigid member, and two spring-arms projecting from opposite ends of the central rigid member into parallel relationship therewith, each arm having at its free end a ball or knob, substantially as and for the purposes described.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my signature in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

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