

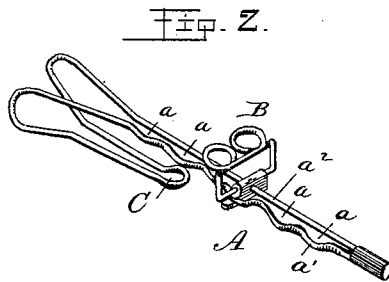
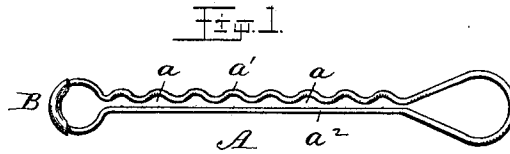
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, THOMAS E. BARROW, a citizen of the United States, residing at Mansfield, in the county of Richland and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cuff-Fasteners; and I do 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.

In Letters Patent No. 354,373, issued to me December 14, 1886, I have shown and described a cuff-fastener of the general class to which my herein-described invention belongs—namely, that class of fasteners which are provided with devices for engaging the cuff, and with a series of communicating openings formed by bars or side pieces, one or both of which are elastic and adapted to be sprung laterally, by which said engaging devices may be adjusted relatively to the wristband-stud.

My herein-described invention relates more especially to a peculiar construction of the main portion of the fastener, which comprises the said spring-operating bars, which construction may be used with various well-known forms of engaging devices—such as loops, buttons, clasps, &c.

According to my herein described invention one of the two bars between which the series of communicating openings is formed is straight. The recesses in the other bar therefore form the openings, which are wholly or partially closed by the opposing straight bar.

Greater ease of operation is thus secured, as the part which is adjusted from one opening of the series to another follows along the straight bar with less resistance. Moreover, a saving is effected in the cost of manufacture.

In order to enable my invention to be more readily understood, I have shown in the accompanying drawings means for carrying it into effect.

In said drawings, Figure 1 is a plan view of a fastener embodying my invention. Fig. 2

is a perspective view of a fastener having another form of engaging device for attaching to the cuff.

In the drawings, A indicates the main portion of the fastener, having a series of communicating openings, *a*. These openings are formed between the two side pieces or bars, *a'* *a''*, one or both of which are elastic and adapted to be sprung laterally, being ordinarily of metal. The side piece *a'* is recessed, while the side piece *a''* is straight and situated parallel with the recessed piece, so as to wholly or nearly close the openings *a*.

B indicates the engaging device for attaching the fastener to the cuff. In Fig. 1 it is a loop adapted to encircle the shank of the cuff-button or the shank of a stud in the upper button-holes of the cuff. In Fig. 2 it is a button or hook adapted to engage the upper button holes of the cuff.

Instead of making the button rigid with the fastener's main portion, it may be adjustable thereon, the wristband-stud being held stationary relative to said main portion, as shown in Fig. 2. In said figure, C is a loop adapted to so hold the wristband-stud. In either case, however, the cuff is adjusted upon the sleeve by means of a part which slides upon the straight bar, and is held in the desired position by an opposite recessed bar.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim, and desire to secure by Letters Patent of the United States, is—

A cuff-fastener consisting of a main portion and an engaging device, substantially as described, for attaching the cuff, said main portion having a recessed side piece and a contiguous straight side piece forming a series of openings for the adjustment of the cuff.

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

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