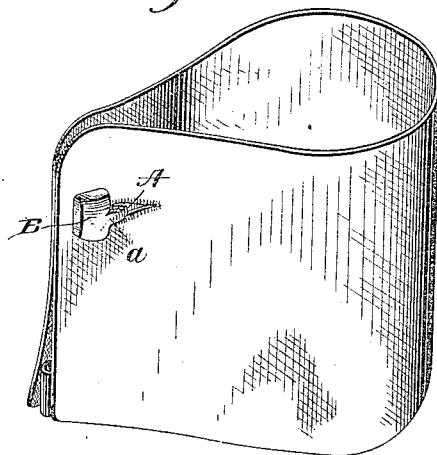


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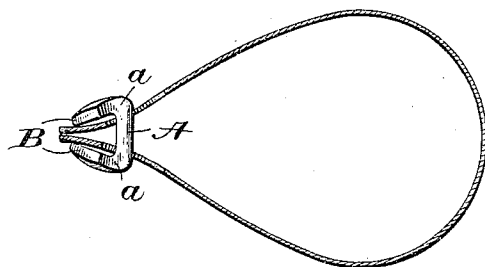
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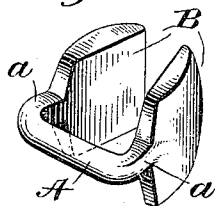
*Fig. 1.*



*Fig. 2.*



*Fig. 3.*



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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, JOHN A. MONROE, a citizen of the United States, residing at Oak Park, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cuff-Buttons, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawing.

10 This invention relates to an improvement in cuff buttons and the principal object of the invention is the provision of a cuff button which is so formed that when it is secured in the cuff it will sustain the same in a substantially flat formation with the free edges thereof held in close contact, so that they can not flare or turn up, as is frequently the case with the buttons commonly employed.

20 A further object of the invention is the provision of a cuff button which will hold the cuff in this manner, said button being formed of a single piece of material and so fashioned that it may be readily placed in or removed from the cuff.

In the drawings, wherein a convenient embodiment of the invention is shown, and wherein like letters of reference refer to similar parts in the several views, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a cuff having the improved button secured therein, Fig. 2 is a transverse section of the same, and Fig. 3 is a perspective view of the button.

Referring now more particularly to the drawings, my improved button which is formed of a single piece of metal, or other suitable material, comprises a shank A, the ends of which are provided with short forwardly extending portions a, to which extensions are secured the heads B of the button which incline toward each other, so that the forward edges thereof will lie in close proximity to each other. The heads B may of course be of any suitable configuration, but the inner surfaces thereof are preferably made flat, so that the heads will lie snug against the outer surfaces of the sides of the cuff, and the upper surfaces of the heads are formed so as to form continuations of the forwardly extending portions a of the shank, so that the button may be readily placed in or withdrawn from the cuff.

The insertion of the button in the cuff is effected by holding the button with the

heads thereof extending substantially parallel to the button-holes of the cuff, in which position the button can readily be slipped into the button-holes, after which time the button is turned on its shank to cause the outer ends of the heads to engage the edges of the cuff. It will be seen that as the heads incline toward each other, the V-shaped appearance of the cuff at the outer edge thereof, which is so much sought after, will be always maintained, and as the outer ends of the heads extend in close proximity to each other, the free edges of the cuff will be held in close contact with each other so that it is practically impossible for them to flare or turn up. To remove the button from the cuff, it is turned at substantially right angles on its shank and the portion of the cuff adjacent the button-hole is lifted up over the forwardly extending portion a of the shank, which permits the head to be readily slipped through the button-hole. It will thus be seen that by providing the shank with the forwardly extending portions a, the button can be withdrawn from the cuff much easier than were the heads connected directly to the ends of the shank.

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

1. A cuff button comprising a shank, and heads secured to the ends of said shank and extending wholly in front thereof, said heads converging toward each other and having their free edges in close proximity.

2. A cuff button comprising a shank having its ends extended forwardly, and converging heads extending forwardly from the extensions of said shank and forming continuations thereof.

3. A cuff button of integral formation comprising a shank provided with short forwardly extending portions at the ends thereof, and heads extending forwardly from the portions at the ends of the shank and forming continuations thereof, said heads being inclined toward each other, and having the outer ends thereof in close proximity.

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

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