

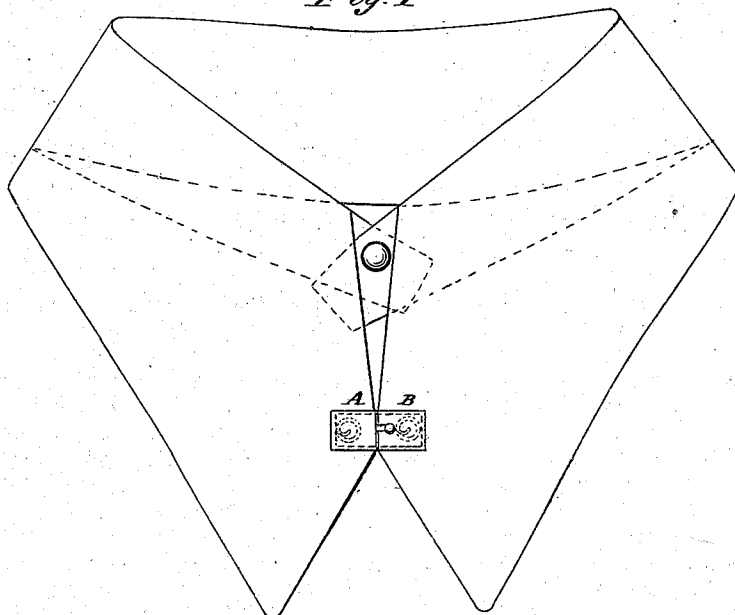
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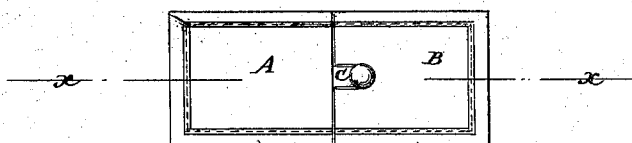
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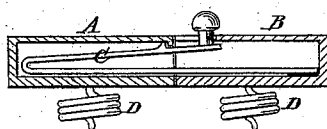
*Fig. 1*



*Fig. 2*



*Fig. 3*



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## IMPROVEMENT IN CLASP-BUTTONS.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 136,648, dated March 11, 1873.

*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, ANDREW FLATLEY, of Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Detachable Clasp-Button, of which the following is a specification:

Figure 1 represents my improved clasp-button as applied to a collar. Fig. 2 is a detail front view of the clasp-button enlarged. Fig. 3 is a detail longitudinal section of the same taken through the line *xx*, Fig. 2.

Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts.

My invention has for its object to furnish an improved detachable clasp-button for connecting the ends of collars, whether worn by ladies or gentlemen, and for connecting other articles. The invention consists in a clasp-button provided with spiral wire fasteners upon the inner side of its two parts to adapt it to be conveniently attached and detached, as hereinafter fully described.

A and B are the two parts of the clasp, to one, B, of which is attached a spring-catch, C, which projects to enter and catch upon the other part A, and which is depressed to un-

fasten the clasp by means of a small knob or pin, as shown in Fig. 3. As thus far described there is nothing new in the construction of the clasp. To the inner side of each part of the clasp A B C is attached a spiral wire, D, so that each part of the clasp may be secured to the article to be connected by passing the said spirals through small eyelet-holes in the said article. The parts of the clasp may then be connected with each other in the ordinary manner.

I am aware that spiral wires have been used for connecting studs and other buttons to garments and other articles. This I do not claim.

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

A clasp-button, A B C, provided with spiral wire fasteners D upon the inner side of its two parts A B, to adapt it to be conveniently attached and detached, substantially as herein shown and described.

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