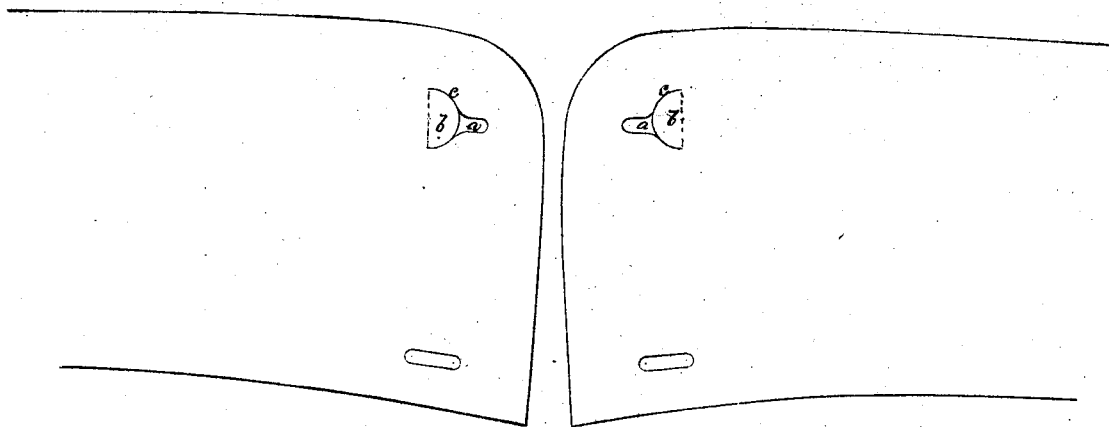


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IMPROVEMENT IN BUTTON-HOLES FOR PAPER COLLARS.

Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 52,599, dated February 13, 1866.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, BENJAMIN F. PORTER, of Nashua, in the county of Hillsborough and State of New Hampshire, have invented an Improved Button-Hole for Paper-Collars or Wristbands; and I do hereby declare the same to be fully described in the following specification and represented in the accompanying drawing, which exhibits a pair of such button-holes as made in a wristband.

The button-hole in question consists of an elongated slot, a larger semicircular or other proper shaped opening, from which the slot proceeds, and a fly or lip to enter and close such opening.

In the drawing, *a* is the elongated slot, which leads from a semicircular opening, *c*, formed in the wristband by a corresponding lip or fly, *b*, partially cut from the material, the cut being made along the arc, but not along the chord of the segment *b*.

I do not confine my invention to making the opening *c* and its flap in a semicircular or segmental shape, as they may be otherwise formed to operate to good advantage.

By laying on the flap the flat disk or foot of the shank of a sleeve-button and pressing the flap down a little the disk may be passed through the wristband, so as to bring the shank into the slot *a*. After the button may have been inserted in the button-hole, the lip or fly, on being moved back to place, will operate to retain the button in the hole.

I claim—

The improved button-hole as made with the openings *a* and *c*, and the lip or fly *b*, arranged substantially as specified.

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