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Fig. 1.

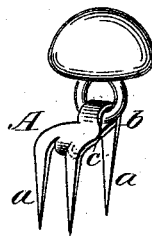


Fig. 2.

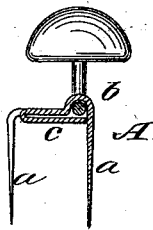
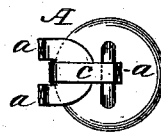


Fig. 3.



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BUTTON-FASTENER.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, JOSEPH C. F. DICK, of Belvidere, in the county of Boone and State of Illinois, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Button-Fasteners, of which the following is a full, clear, and exact description.

My invention relates to fasteners used for securing buttons upon shoes, and has the object to facilitate the work of placing and fastening the buttons and staples.

It consists in a staple or fastener formed with a tongue, which, being bent upon the button-shank, prevents separation of the button and fastener, as hereinafter described and claimed.

Reference is to be had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification, in which similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in all the figures.

Figure 1 is a perspective view of the improved fastener as applied to a button. Fig. 2 is a sectional side view of the same, and Fig. 3 is an inverted plan view of the fastener and button.

A is the fastener, made in staple form with points *a a* for entering the leather, and with a groove, *b*, to receive the button eye or shank, as usual; but this staple may be made in any suitable form.

c is a tongue formed by cutting out the metal of the staple between two of the said prongs, and of such length that when bent inward be-

neath the staple it covers the groove *b* and holds the eye of the button in the said groove, as shown. The staple is to be passed through the eye or shank of the button, and the tongue *c* then bent down against the eye. The button and fastener are thus connected together, and the button cannot slip on the fastener during its manipulation in securing it to the shoe. The work is thus facilitated, whether done by a hand instrument or a machine.

The fastener may be put up for sale with the buttons attached or sold separately, as desired.

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

1. The button-fastener A, consisting of a base-plate provided with end depending penetrating-points, *a*, one of which is bent to form a groove or loop to receive the button-eye and a tongue, *c*, turned beneath the base-plate and closing the bottom of the groove or loop, all substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. An improved button-fastener, consisting of a base-plate provided with the end penetrating-points, *a*, one of which is bent to form a receiving loop or groove, *b*, and a depending tongue, *c*, adapted to be folded beneath the plate and close the bottom of the loop or groove, substantially as set forth.

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