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Fig. 1

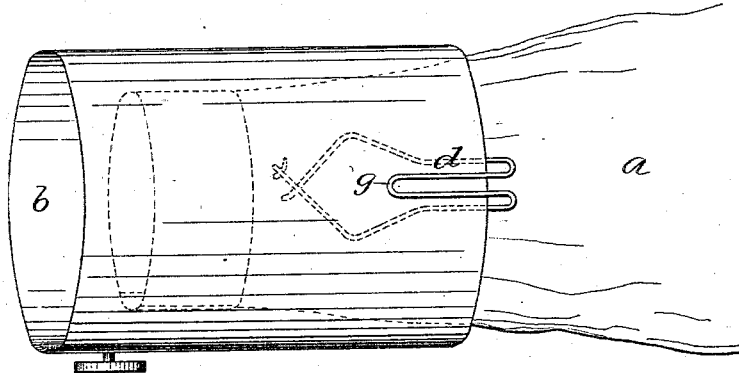


Fig. 2

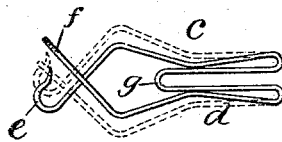
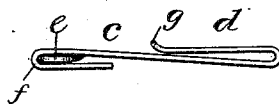


Fig. 3



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## CUFF-SUPPORTER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that we, GLOVER S. HASTINGS, of Waterbury, in the county of New Haven, and CHARLES H. NETTLETON, of New Britain, in the county of Hartford, and State of Connecticut, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cuff-Supporters; and we do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, whereby a person skilled in the art can make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon.

Like letters in the figures indicate the same parts.

Figure 1 is a view of our device, showing it attached to the sleeve of a garment and holding a cuff. Fig. 2 is a top view of our device. Fig. 3 is a side view of same.

Our invention relates to the class of devices formed of wire that are used more especially to attach a false cuff to the shirt-sleeve, and are also useful in any place where articles are to be held in place temporarily.

It consists of a piece of spring-wire bent to form a spring of U shape, the tongue forming a clip acting at right angles to the plane of the arms, which are elongated, and bear on their outer ends a hooked point and a bent socket, respectively, the ends being drawn toward each other by the outward pull of the spring at the bend.

In the accompanying drawings, the letter *a* denotes the sleeve of a shirt or other garment; *b*, a false cuff of ordinary form, and *c* the cuff-supporter as a whole, made of a single piece of spring-wire bent to form the clip *d*, and hook *e*, and guard *f*. On one end of the wire the sharpened hook *e* is formed, and on the other the wire is bent back to form the stop or guard *f*, the hook and the guard being formed in planes at right angles to each other, with the hook arranged between the main wire

and the back-turned end. In the plane of the hook the wire spreads out and forms an open figure of oblong shape, terminating in a narrowed part or tongue, *g*, that is in its doubled form bent back at right angles to the plane of the arms or main figure and forms the clip *d*. When the edge of a cuff or like stiff material is thrust under the tongue of the clip, as shown in Fig. 1, it is held with a yielding pressure between the body of the supporter and the tongue.

In order to secure the supporter to the garment-sleeve, the device is grasped by the sides, usually between the thumb and finger of one hand, compressed, as shown in full lines in Fig. 2, and the hook thrust through a fold of the cloth. On removing the pressure on the sides the arms, bearing respectively the hook and the guard, spring outward and take the position shown in dotted lines in Figs. 1 and 2. The bending of the wire at the narrowed part forms a spring that acts in the two opposite planes, as already described, and the whole device is of a form and material that renders it cheap to make and simple and efficient in use.

We claim as our invention—

As an improved article of manufacture, a cuff-supporter made of a single piece of spring-wire bent to shape, substantially as described, one end forming a hook, that is located and operates within the guard borne on the other end of the wire, and with a tongue turned back on the body of the supporter and forming a spring-clip to receive the lower edge of the cuff, the hook and clip operating in opposite planes, all substantially as described, and for the purpose set forth.

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