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Fig: 1.

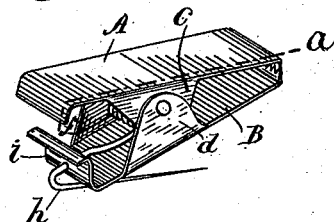


Fig: 2.

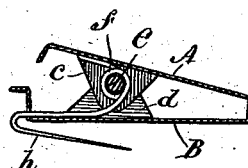
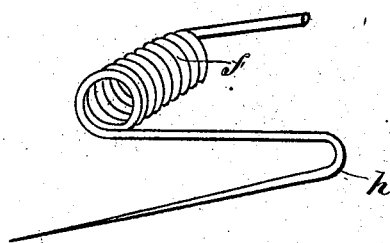


Fig: 3.



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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SAMUEL M. LINES, a citizen of the United States, residing at Indianapolis, in the county of Marion and State of Indiana, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Clasps, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to an improvement in that class of clasps which consist of a pair of sheet-metal plates having lugs and serrated jaws formed integral therewith, a pivot passing through said lugs, and a coiled spring mounted on the pivot, whereby the jaws are forced together.

The object of my improvement is to provide improved means for securing a clasp of the class mentioned to the clothing for the purpose of holding a napkin, handkerchief, or other like article.

The accompanying drawings illustrate my invention.

Figure 1 is a view in perspective. Fig. 2 is a longitudinal section at *a*, Fig. 1. Fig. 3 is a view in perspective, on an enlarged scale, of the spring.

The jaws of the clasp are formed of two

plates, A and B, having lugs *c d* formed integral therewith, which jaws are connected by a pivot, *e*, and are forced together at their gripping ends by a coiled spring, *f*, mounted on the pivot in the usual well-known manner.

For the purpose of conveniently attaching this clasp to a garment, I secure to the under plate, B, a sharpened hook, *h*. Hook *h* is formed of wire integral with the coiled spring *f*, and is secured in place by bending up the rear portion of jaw B and passing the hook through an opening in said bent-up portion, as shown at *i*, before putting in the rivet *e*.

With a clasp constructed in the manner described a napkin or handkerchief may be quickly attached to the clothing.

I claim as my invention—

In a clasp, the combination, with the gripping-jaws, the pivot, and the coiled spring mounted on the pivot, of the hook formed integral with the spring and secured to the jaws, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

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