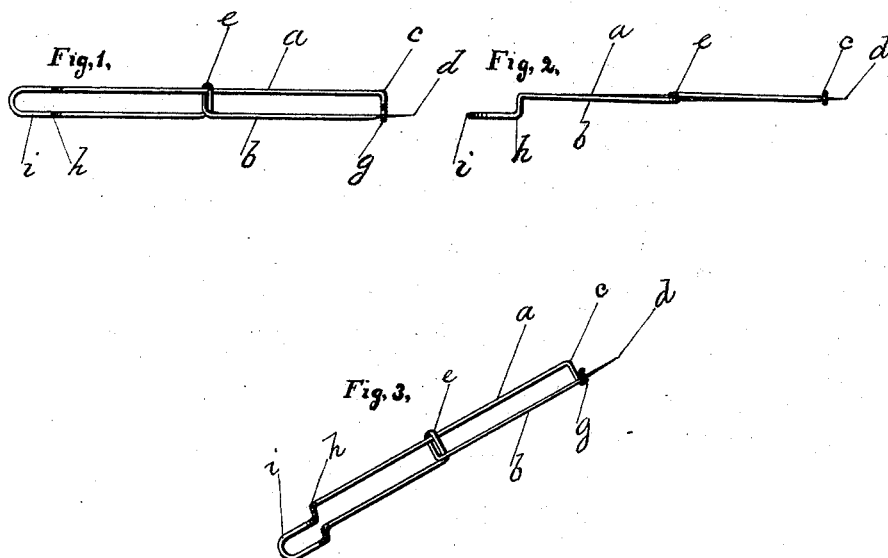


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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, MARTIN N. NIXON, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at Richmond, in the county of Wayne and State of Indiana, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Cuff-Supporters, of which the following is a specification, reference being had therein to the accompanying drawings.

My invention relates to that class of supports used for connecting a cuff to a shirt-sleeve.

It consists of a support made of spring-wire in a single piece, the upper portion of which is in the form of an ordinary safety-pin.

In the drawings, Figure 2 is a side elevation of my supporter. Fig. 1 is a top plan view. Fig. 3 is a perspective showing the pin fastened in position for use.

In Fig. 1, *a* is a horizontal straight bar of wire, the end of which, *c*, is turned down at right angles and terminates in a curved catch, *g*, to receive the point of the pin *d*. The wire bar *a* is formed into an offsetting loop, *i*, at *h*, and the bar is parallel with its first section to a point at or near the center of its length, where it is formed into a loop, *e*, which encircles said first section, forming an elastic support or hinge for the end section of the wire bar *b*, terminating in a point, *d*, constituting it a safety-pin, the bar of which, *b*, can be moved into or out of the catch *g* by the spring of the loop *e*. When the loop *i* is passed

through the button-holes of a cuff, and the cuff-support is brought into the same plane with the surface of the cuff, the shoulder *h* engages with the edges of the button-hole, while the loop *i*, resting on the inner surface of the cuff and the parallel bars on the opposite side of the shoulder *h*, presses against the outer surface of the cuff, thus holding the ends of the cuff together, as the two disks of an ordinary sleeve-button. When the support is thus attached to the cuff, the pin-bar *b* is inserted into the shirt sleeve at any point desired to secure the cuff in the proper position, and is caught up and held in the catch *g*, which completes the adjustment.

I am aware that cuff holders have been used in which an offsetting loop is shown. This I do not claim; but

What I do claim as my invention, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is—

The improved cuff-supporter described, composed of a single piece of material formed with offset loop *i*, catch *g*, point *d*, and loop *e* between the offset loop and the catch, and embracing the bar *a* of the supporter, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

In testimony whereof I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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