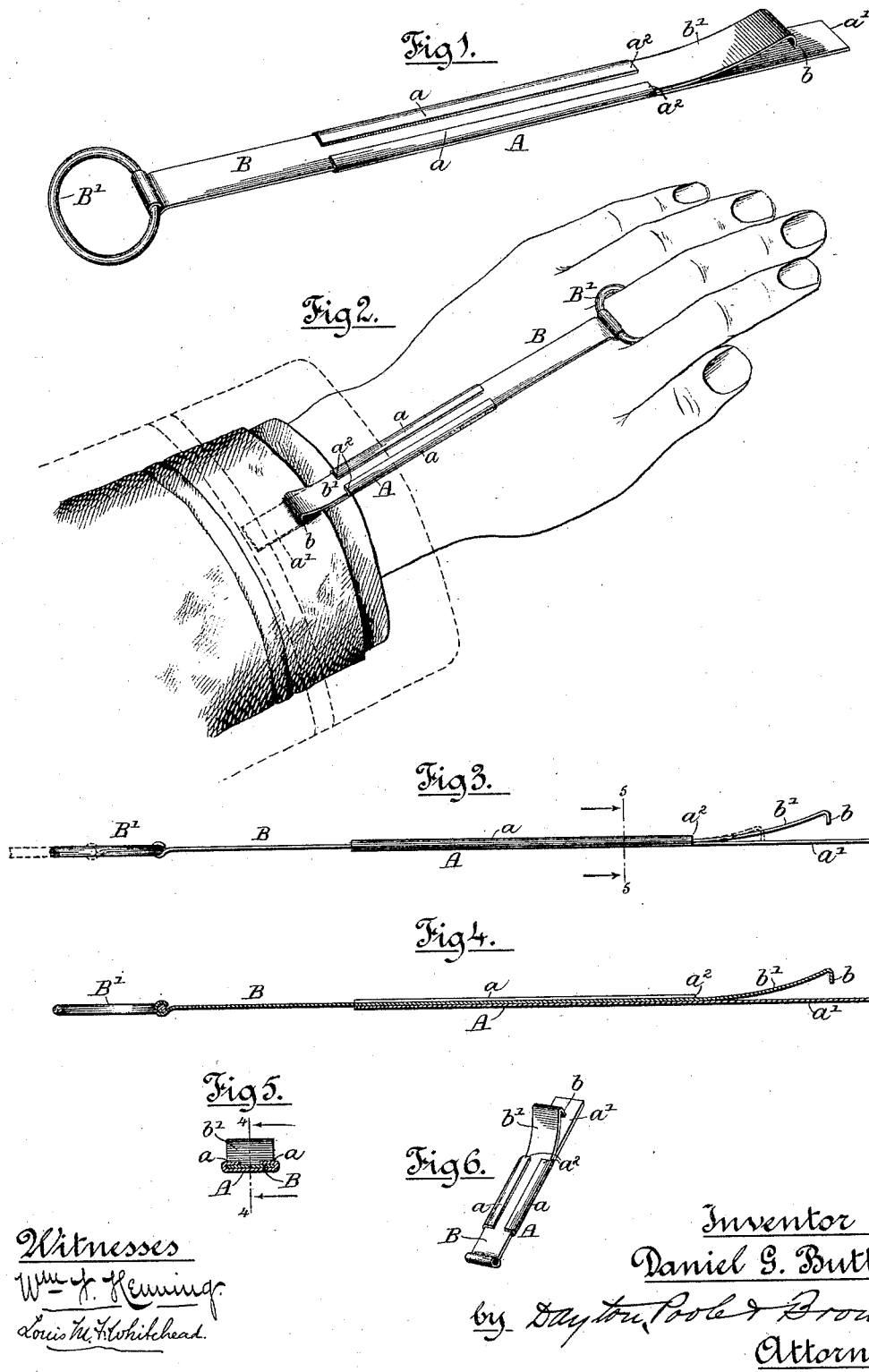


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## SLEEVE-HOLDER.

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*To all whom it may concern:*

Be it known that I, DANIEL G. BUTTS, of Chicago, in the county of Cook and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Sleeve-Holders; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, and to the letters of reference marked thereon, which form a part of this specification.

This invention relates to improvements in sleeve-holding devices; and the same consists in the novel construction herein illustrated, described, and more particularly pointed out in the appended claims.

In the drawings, Figure 1 is a perspective view of my improved device. Fig. 2 is a similar view showing the same in an operative position. Fig. 3 is a side view of the same. Fig. 4 is a central vertical sectional view taken upon line 4 4 of Fig. 5. Fig. 5 is a transverse vertical sectional view taken upon line 5 5 of Fig. 3. Fig. 6 shows a slightly-modified form of the invention when employed as a necktie-holder.

In the said drawings, the part A is a thin narrow strip of metal provided at a portion of its length with flanges or flaps *a*, which are bent over the part A toward each other, and, together with said part A, form a recess or elongated slot in which the part B is inserted. The part B is a similar strip of metal rounded at one end to embrace a ring or other handle B', and provided at its other end with a relatively-small and inwardly-projecting engaging-flange *b*. The part B, near this flanged end, is curved outwardly, as shown at *b'*, and will normally be in the position illustrated in Figs. 1, 3, and 4.

In use the end *a'* of the part A is placed beneath and the flanged end of the part B is placed above the edge of the sleeve or other garment, as illustrated in Fig. 2. The flange *b* is brought toward the part *a'* by moving the parts A and B in opposite directions. This action causes the outwardly-curved portion *b'* of the part B to be engaged by the forward ends *a''* of the overlapping leaves or flanges *a* of the part A. As the movement of the parts A and B in opposite directions continues the said part *b'* is brought in closer

proximity to the part *a'*, as illustrated in dotted lines in Fig. 3, by the temporary straightening out of the part *b'*. By this means the sleeve or garment is securely grasped by the depending flange *b* and held against the part *a'*. The ring or handle B' may be placed over one of the fingers of the hand, as illustrated in Fig. 2, or may be otherwise held by the hand, and the person's hand then slipped into the sleeve of the outer garment—as an overcoat, for example—the latter being indicated in dotted lines in said Fig. 2.

While I have described my invention more particularly as a sleeve-holding device, I do not wish to be limited to such use, as the device is applicable to other uses—as, for example, as a clasp for holding garments together, a buckle or take-up, a necktie-holder, and the like. The construction illustrated in Fig. 6 is intended for use as a necktie-holder by securing the edge of a necktie to the edge of the shirt-bosom. In this form of device I prefer to very materially shorten the parts A and B and to dispense with the ring of the handle B'.

The invention will be found of great assistance in dressing where the person wears very tight fitting garments upon the arms. In such cases in placing the over-garment on the under-garment invariably slips up upon the forearm, sometimes as far as the elbow. The outer garments are then extremely uncomfortable to the wearer and it is a difficult matter to work the said under garment down to its proper position upon the arm. If, before putting on the outer garment, my improved sleeve-holding device is attached to the under-garment at one end and the other end of said device held in the hand the above difficulty will be remedied.

What I claim is—

1. The clasp comprising two parts movable upon or within each other, one of said parts provided with a straight flat portion at one end and the other part having an outwardly-curved end provided with an inturned flange, and means, substantially as described, on the first-mentioned part adapted to close said flange upon the said flat portion to grasp the material, substantially as described.
2. The holder or clasp comprising the part

A, having a flat portion  $a'$  and provided with  
overturned lips  $a$ , and the part B, movably  
secured to the part A by said lips and pro-  
vided at one end with an engaging-flange  $b$ ,  
5 said flanged end being curved outwardly from  
the part  $a'$ , substantially as specified.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as

my invention I affix my signature in presence  
of two witnesses.

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