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Date: Feb. 17, 1876
Description: Grenville Sparrow button patent

No. 172.895

The United States of America
[illustration]

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:
Whereas Grenville F. Sparrow, of Worcester
Massachusetts

has presented to the Commissioner of Patents
a petition praying for the grant of Letters Patent for an alleged new and useful

Improvement in Cuff Buttons
(he having assigned his right, title, and interest in said Improvement to himself and Stillman
Houghton, of same place)

a description of which invention is contained in the Specification of which a copy
is hereunto annexed and made part hereof, and has complied with the various
requirements of Law in such cases made and provided; and

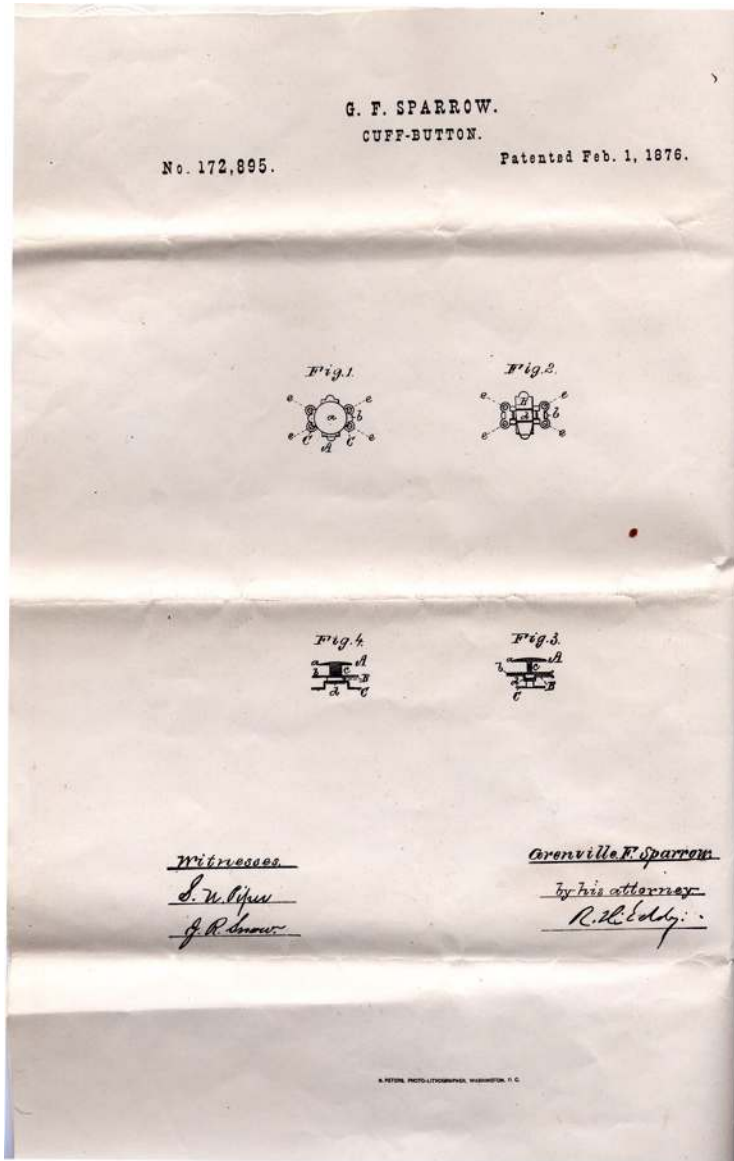
Whereas upon due examination made the said Claimant is adjudged
to be justly entitled to a Patent under the Law;

Now therefore these LETTERS PATENT are to grant unto the said
Sparrow and Houghton, their heirs or assigns
for the term of seventeen years from the first day of
February one thousand eight hundred and and seventy-six
the exclusive right to make, use and vend the said invention throughout
the United States and the Territories thereof.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and caused the seal of the Patent Office
to be affixed at the City of Washington,
this First day of February
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight
hundred seventy six and of
the Independence of the United States
of America the One hundredth.

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Acting Secretary of the Interior.

Countersigned:
R. H. Duell
Commissioner of Patents

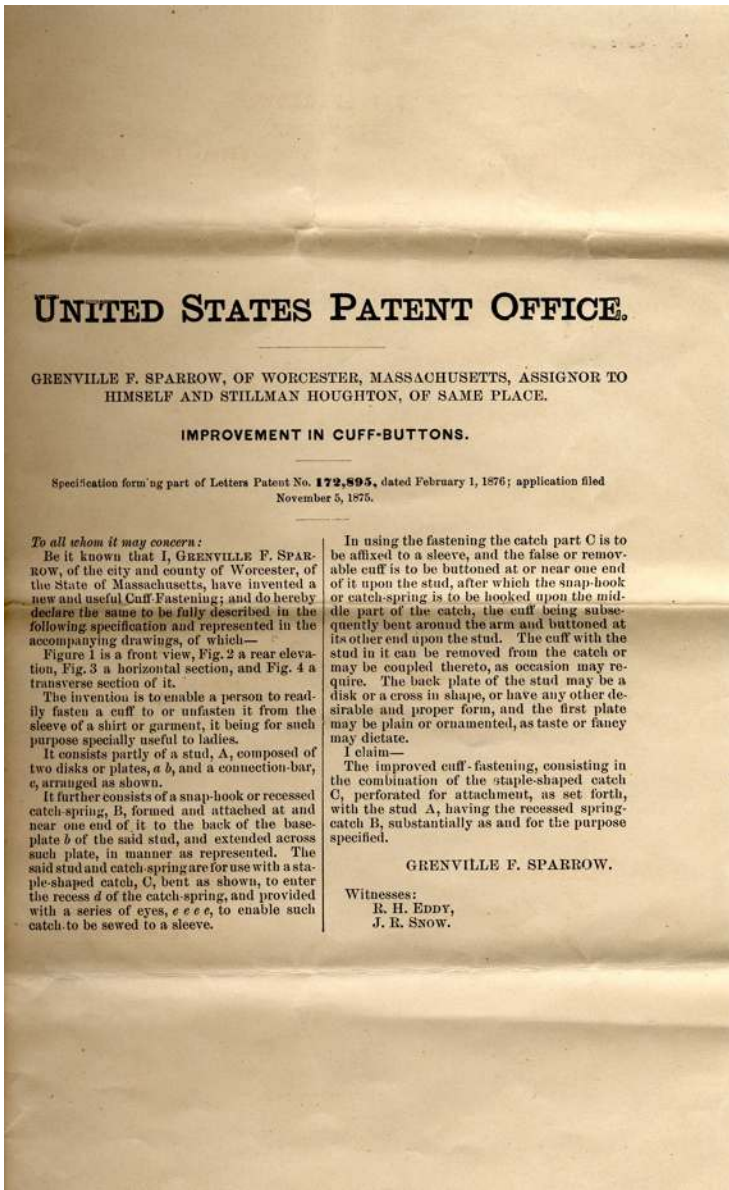


G. F. SPARROW
CUFF-BUTTON.
No. 172895 Patented Feb. 1, 1876

Fig. 1.	Fig. 2.
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Fig. 4.	Fig. 3.
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Witnesses
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Grenville F. Sparrow
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UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE

GRENVILLE F. SPARROW OF WORCESTER, MASSACHUSETTS, ASSIGNOR TO HIMSELF AND STILLMAN HOUGHTON, OF SAME PLACE.
IMPROVEMENTS IN CUFF-BUTTONS.

Specification form[ing] part of Letters Patent No. 172,895, dated February 1, 1876; application filed November 5, 1875

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, Grenville F. Sparrow, of the city and county of Worcester, of the State of Massachusetts, have invented a new and useful Cuff-Fastening; and do hereby declare the same to be fully described in the following specification and represented in the accompanying drawings, of which

Figure 1 is a front view, Fig 2 a rear elevation, Fig. 3 a horizontal section, and Fig. 4 a transverse section of it.

The invention is to enable a person to readily fasten a cuff to or unfasten it from the sleeve of a shirt or garment, it being for such purpose specially useful to ladies.

It consists partly of a stud, A, composed of two disks or plates, a b, and a connection-bar, c, arranged as shown.

It further consists of a snap-hook or recessed catch-spring, B, formed and attached at and near one end of it to the back of the base-plate b of the said stud, and extended across such plate, in manner as represented. The said stud and catch-spring are for use with a staple-shaped catch, C, bent as shown, to enter the recess d of the catch-spring, and provided with a series of eyes, e e e e, to enable such catch to be sewed to a sleeve.

In using the fastening the catch part C is to be affixed to a sleeve, and the false or removable cuff is to be buttoned at or near one end of it upon the stud, after which the snap-hook or catch-spring is to be hooked upon the middle part of the catch, the cuff being subsequently bent around the arm and buttoned at its other end upon the stud. The cuff with the stud in it can be removed from the catch or may be coupled thereto, as occasion may require. The back plate of the stud may be a disk or a cross in shape, or have any other desirable and proper form, and the first plate may be plain or ornamental, as taste or fancy may dictate.

I claim —

The improved cuff - fastening, consisting in the combination of the staple-shaped catch C, perforated for attachment, as set forth, with the stud A, having the recessed spring-catch B, substantially as and for the purpose specified.

GRENVILLE F. SPARROW.

Witnesses:
R. H. Eddy,
J. R. Snow.