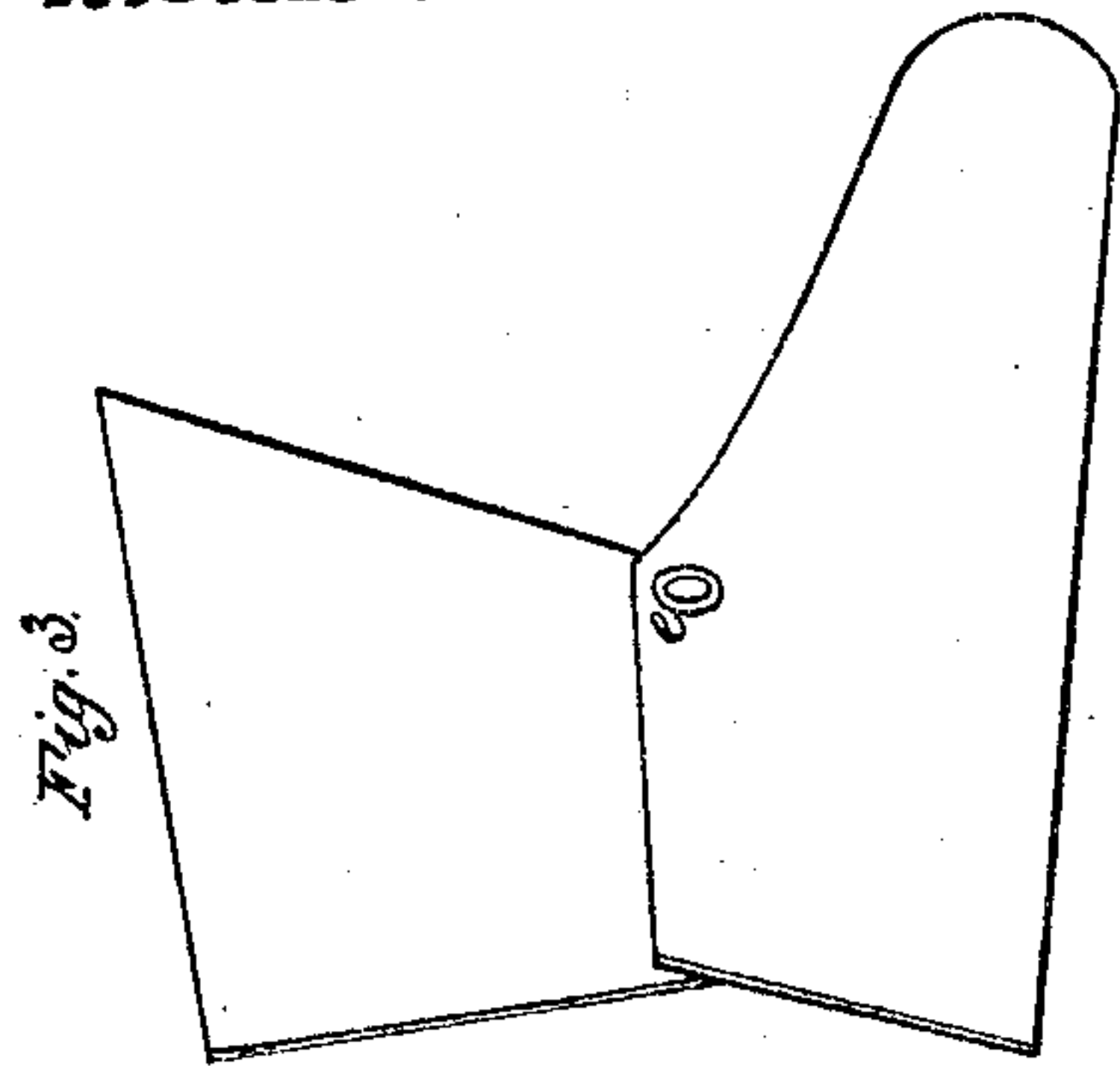
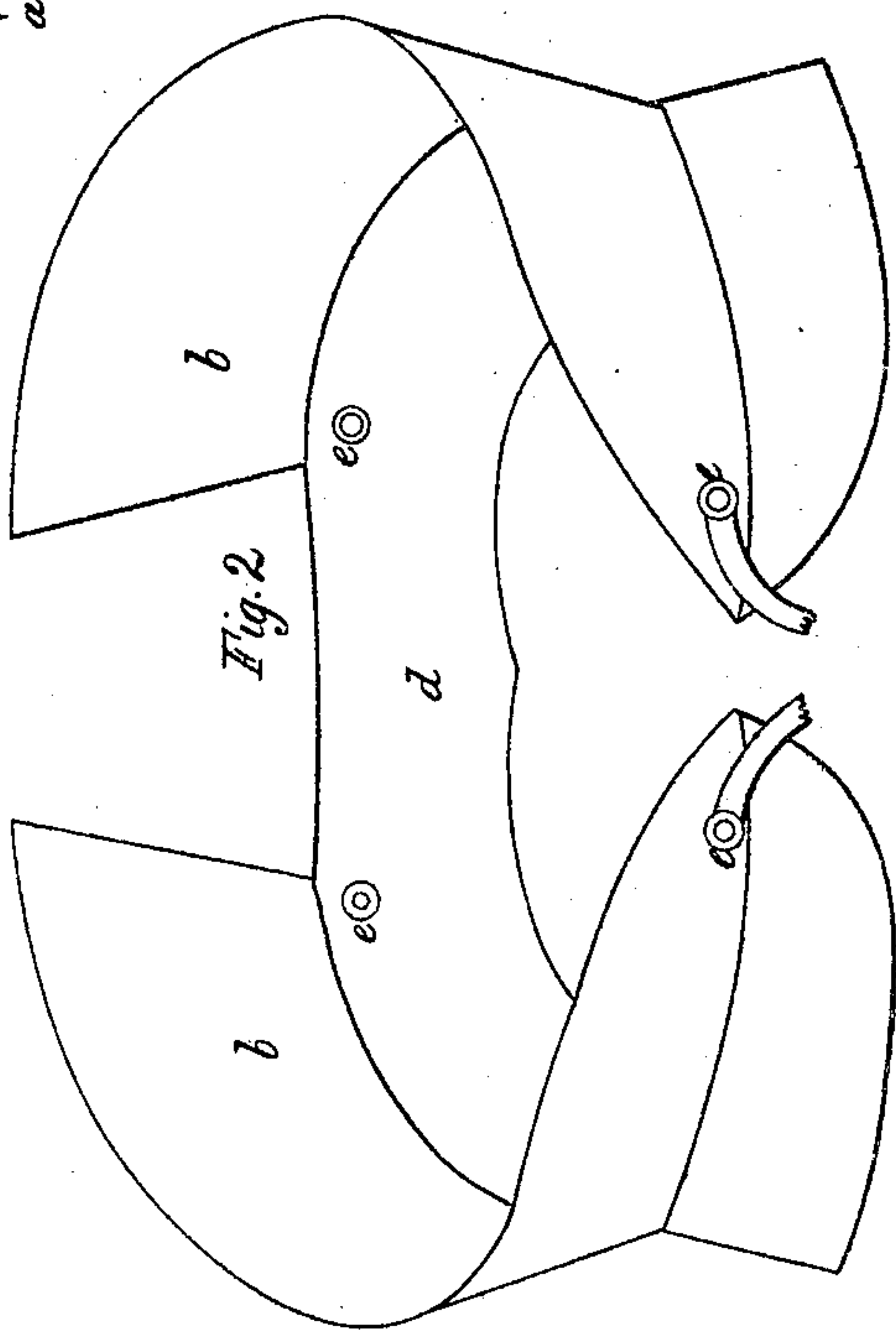
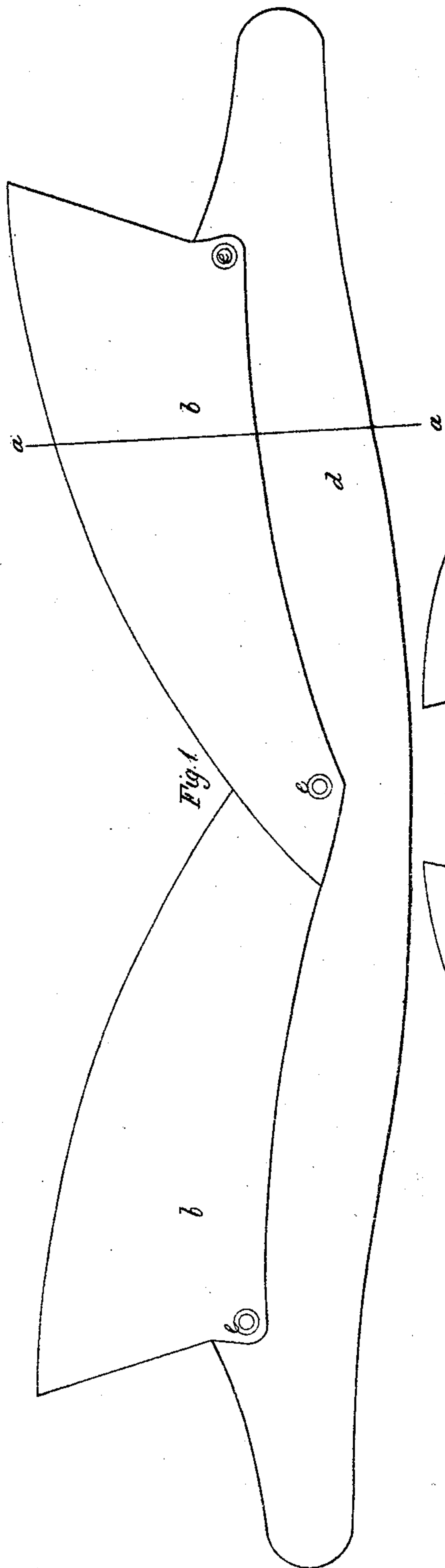


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SHIRT-COLLAR.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, WALTER HUNT, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in the Manufacture of Shirt-Collars; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full and exact description thereof, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, making a part of this specification, Figure 1 being a view of one of my improved collars made to open in front; Fig. 2, a view of a collar made to open behind, and Fig. 3 a transverse section in the line *a a* of Fig. 1.

I make an article of sham shirt collars, of some white glazed cheap material. This material may be two united thicknesses of thin cotton cloth, properly bleached, sized, and calendered; or the said collars may be made of paper properly prepared; or of any other suitable material.

My invention consists in so shaping and uniting the several perfectly flat parts of the collar, that the sides thereof will fit about the face as easily and gracefully as collars which are made in the usual manner, and which have been starched and ironed by hand in such a manner as to curve and stretch the outer layer of the collars. The sides *b, b*, of the collar, and the neck band *d*, may be cut out by machinery in large numbers, and at the same time holes may be formed in the said parts for the reception of the eyelets *e, e*, or their equivalents. Only the extremities of the lower edge of each side

piece *b*, of my improved collar must be secured to the neck band *d*, and this allows the intermediate portions of said sides *b, b*, to play freely upon the polished surface of the band *d*; which arrangement causes the said exposed portions of my improved collar to fit easily and gracefully about the face of the wearer. Sham shirt collars can be got up so cheaply on this plan that they can be sold for about the same price that a laundress would charge for washing and doing up a more expensive collar. These collars are intended for travelers, who may be so situated that they have not time to have their collars washed and done up, and who do not wish to incur the expense of purchasing fine linen collars.

What I claim as my invention and desire to secure by Letters Patent, in the manufacture of shirt collars, or sham shirt collars, is—

Uniting only the extremities of the lower edges of the side pieces *b, b*, to the neck band *d*, by means of any suitable fastenings, for the purpose of enabling a flat sided collar to fit easily and gracefully about the face, substantially as herein set forth.

The above specification of my improved shirt collar, signed, and witnessed this 13th day of October A. D. 1855.

WALTER HUNT.

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