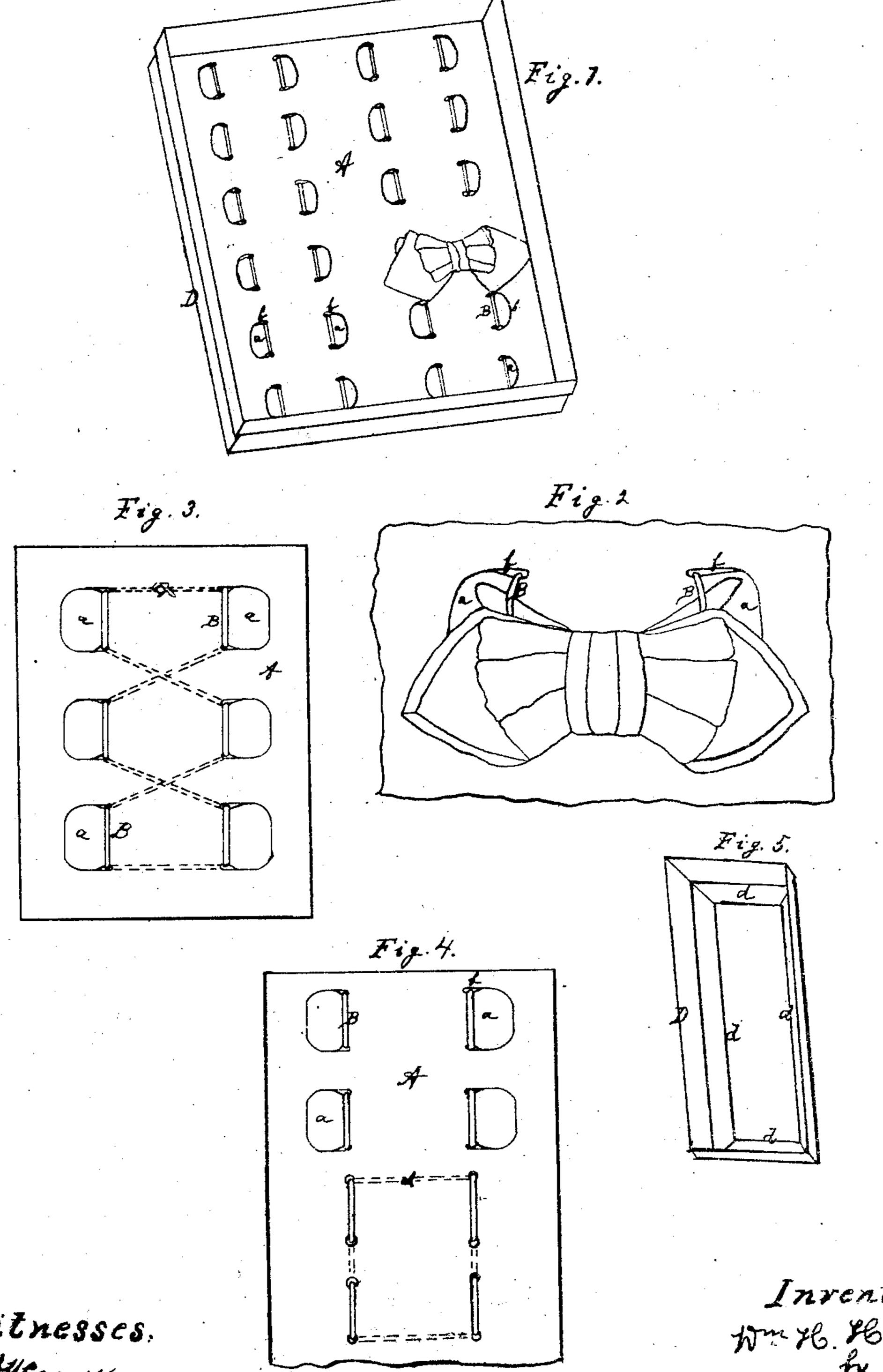
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IMPROVEMENT IN MODE OF PACKING NECK-TIES.

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TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that I, WILLIAM H. HART, Jr., of the city and county of Philadelphia, and State of Pennsylvania, have invented a new and improved Mode of Packing Cravats; and I do hereby declare the following to be a full, clear, and exact description of the same, sufficient to enable others to fully understand and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, which are made a part of this specification, and in which—

Figure 1 is a perspective view of a cravat-box illustrating my invention.

Figure 2 is a view of a fragment of the card or box-bottom, exhibiting the method of holding the cravats upon the same.

Figures 3 and 4 are detached views of the cards or box-bottoms, illustrating modifications in the method of

applying the elastic fastenings or cords.

Figure 5 is a view showing the method of forming the body or frame of the box. Similar letters of reference indicate corresponding parts in the several figures.

Heretofore the cards, backs, or box-bottoms for holding neck-ties have been merely slit, so as to admit the ends of the neck-tie supporters. Aside from the insecurity which attends this common method, the latter is open to the objection that the ends of the neck-tie supporters necessarily protruding through and projecting from the reverse side of the card or holder, are liable to injury from objects with which they are liable to be brought in contact.

My invention consists chiefly in so constructing the holder, whether a mere card or a box-bottom, and applying elastic fastenings or cords thereto, that the cravats are wholly confined or contained upon that side of the holder where they are held or exhibited, the ends not being allowed to project from the reverse side in the manner above alluded to.

The invention further consists in constructing the box with supporting ledges in lieu of a permanent bottom, so that a holder used as an exhibiting-card may be made to constitute the bottom of a box when desired.

In the drawing, A may represent a cravat-holder for exhibiting or other purposes, the same being either a box-bottom, as shown in fig. 1, (said box having a transparent top or cover, if desired,) or a separate show-card, as shown in figs. 3 and 4.

I produce a number of tongues, a a a, by making corresponding incisions b b b in the card-board. It must be noticed that these tongues possess a certain amount of elasticity, and if the side ends of the neck-tie supporters were introduced into the openings b b, the tongues will bear or press the supporters against the holder A and retain them in place.

Single bands or rings, B, of rubber or other suitable material, are applied to each tongue a, as shown in fig. 1, in which case the two bands of the two opposing or paired tongues, a, serve to afford hitching or fastening.

loops for the ends of each neck-tie supporter, and as more clearly represented in fig. 2.

Instead of the individual bands for each tongue, a, a single cord, B, preferably elastic, but non-elastic when desired, may be passed around all the tongues, or any desired number thereof, so as to afford means for fastening any desired number of cravats.

Fig. 4 shows a modification in which the card or holder is simply perforated with small holes, and in which a single band may be used at each fastening-point, or a single cord made to form the desired plurality of

fastening-loops.

It will be seen that each of the above methods of applying the fastening-bands or cords to the holder; enables the ends of the neck-tie supporters to be confined in position upon the same side of the holder at which the neck-ties are exhibited, the ends being thus preserved from the injury to which they are subjected when allowed to protrude, as above mentioned.

The other feature of my invention is illustrated in fig. 5. It consists in providing the body or frame, D, of the cravat-box with ledges or supporting-strips, d, in lieu of a permanent bottom, the said frame, &c., being suitably cut and shaped out of pasteboard or card-board. Thus, when a box is to be packed complete for transportation or otherwise; a bottom, A, which has been in use as a holder or show-card, is inserted within the box

D, and rests upon the ledges. This feature of my invention is a medium of economy, inasmuch as the card or holder is made to fulfill the double function of a show-card, thus avoiding the expense attending the application of a permanent bottom to the box.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters Patent, is-

- 1. The holder A, provided with the yielding tongues a, for supporting and exhibiting the neck-tie or cravat, substantially as described.
- 2. The combination, with a cravat-holder or show-card, of one or more bands, cords, or other fastenings, whereby the cravats may be securely retained in position without protruding through the card, substantially as described.
- 3. The construction of the box-body or frame D with ledges or supports d, to adapt the show-card or holder en and the second of the box, substantially as described.

To the above, I have signed my name, this 20th day of February, 1868.

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